
Subject: Re: interpolation of two different model
Posted by [wlandsman](#) on Mon, 07 Jan 2013 21:49:38 GMT
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First, I assume that you giving fake data, and that your fluxes are really more precise than only 1 significant digit.

The data sets have the same temperature and gravity, so you only need to interpolate in metallicity. But first you should interpolate the two spectra onto a common wavelength scale. Here's is how I would linearly interpolate in wavelength and metallicity using procedures from the IDL Astronomy library. <http://idlastro.gsfc.nasa.gov/homepage.html>

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IDL> readcol,'2900-4.0-0.5.txt',w1,f1 ;read into wavelength & flux vectors
IDL> readcol,'2900-4.0-0.0.txt',w2,f2
IDL> linterp,w1,f1,w2,f1_w2 ;Use w2 as a common wavelength scale
IDL> frac = (0.5+m)/0.5 ;Fractional distance between 0.0 and -0.5
IDL> finterp = f1_w2*frac + f2*(1-frac) ;interpolated function
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where m is the metallicity between 0 and -0.5

--Wayne

On Monday, January 7, 2013 3:49:32 PM UTC-5, idlhelp wrote:

> I have the following 2 data file (2900-4.0-0.5.txt, 2900-4.0-0.0.txt) for example which contain wavelength and flux. The number of data in the both the files are not same.

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> (Where 2900 is Temperature, 4.0 is gravity and -0.5 and -0.0 is the metallicity)
>
> 2900-4.0-0.5      2900-4.0-0.0
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> wave   flux      wave   flux
>
> 1      0.3      1.0    0.5
>
> 2      0.4      1.4    0.1
>
> 3      0.1      3.1    0.4
>
> 4      0.5      4.0    0.3
>
> 5      0.4      5.1    0.2
>
> 6      0.6
>
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> I need to interpolate these two data file i.e between -0.5 and -0.0 at a step of 0.1. I don't know how i can interpolate these two different files in IDL. Any help will be appreciated.

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> thanks in advance
