
Subject: Re: scattering data with MPFITFUN

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On Thursday, June 20, 2013 9:00:33 PM UTC+2, Craig Markwardt wrote:

> On Thursday, June 20, 2013 4:23:27 AM UTC-4, Nafiseh Masoumzadeh wrote:

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>> On Thursday, June 20, 2013 5:51:16 AM UTC+2, Craig Markwardt wrote:

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>>> On Wednesday, June 19, 2013 6:49:43 PM UTC-4, Nafiseh Masoumzadeh wrote:

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>>>> Hello,

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>>>> I have some data which I simply want to fit $p[0]*x^P[1]$ on them, But

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>>>> I don't know I am receiving very far results!

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>>>> I am using mpfitfun like this:

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>>>> start=[0.001, 0.1]

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>>>> results=MPFITFUN('MYFUNCTION', x, y, err, start)

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>>>> I applied this function and points in MATLAB (fitting toolbox) , and I had reasonable coefficients .

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>>> MPFITFUN can solve problems like this.

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>>> What happens when you say,

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>>> YMODEL = MYFUNCTION(X, START)

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>>> Do you get sensible values for YMODEL?

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>>> You should also be checking the STATUS and ERRMSG keywords to see if there is a more informative error message.

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>> yes, I got reasonable result from YMODEL. and for STATUS I got 6 and I don't have any

ERRMSG. I checked in MPFIT script that 6 for STATUS means

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>> FTOL is too small. no further reduction in
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>> ; the sum of squares is possible.
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>> but I cannot figure out what is the problem?
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> STATUS=6 is not necessarily a good or bad thing. It usually means that a best fit was
achieved.
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> So let's assume the results of the IDL fit are RESULTS_IDL and the results from your Matlab fit
are RESULTS_MATLAB. You can then compute the chi-square value for each.
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> CHI_START = TOTAL( (MYFUNCTION(X, START) - Y)^2 / ERROR^2 )
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> CHI_IDL = TOTAL( (MYFUNCTION(X, RESULTS_IDL) - Y)^2 / ERROR^2 )
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> CHI_MATLAB = TOTAL( (MYFUNCTION(X, RESULTS_MATLAB) - Y)^2 / ERROR^2 )
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> How different are these three values?
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> Craig
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Hello,

sorry for delay,

I don't know how to calculate error for each case, but here is the results for
(sum(residuals))^2 or TOTAL((MYFUNCTION(X, START) - Y)^2 .

start

16.4292

IDL

106.596

Matlab

2.39294

I really don't know why for IDL is far from what should be. I think here I cannot attached any figures since in figure it is clear that how much the result from IDL is different from my data points!

I'd appreciate your help,

best regards,
Nafiseh
