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Subject: Re: peak analysis

Posted by [Rob.Dimeo](#) on Thu, 04 Jul 2013 11:15:00 GMT

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On Tuesday, July 2, 2013 10:20:54 PM UTC-4, 83gre wrote:

> On Friday, April 22, 2005 6:03:37 PM UTC+1, Rob wrote:

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>> Florian Meyer wrote:

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>>> Hi,

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>>> is there a simple way to determine peaks in a dataset (1D) without

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>>> using CURVEFIT or any other complicated fitting method?

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>>> Thanks for help.

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>>> Florian

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>> I have a quick-and-dirty routine that identifies peak positions and

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>> widths without fitting. It's based on a Savitzky-Golay filter. It

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>> works well for peaks that don't overlap \*much\*. It's on the RSI

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>> contributed web site if you're interested. You can find it at the

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>> following url

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>> <http://tinyurl.com/a2jje>

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> Is there an updated link to this routine?

Sorry, no link. But here's the source (apologies for posting the code here).

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;$Id: get_peak_pos.pro,v 1.7 2004/01/23 13:53:12 dimeo Exp $
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; NAME:
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; GET_PEAK_POS
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; PURPOSE:
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; Estimates the approximate locations of peaks in a "peaky"
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; data set. The return value of the function is an array of
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; estimates for the peak locations. This function works well  
; for data whose peaks do not overlap significantly.  
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; CATEGORY:  
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; Data analysis, model fitting, mathematics  
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; CALLING SEQUENCE:  
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; PEAK_LOC = GET_PEAK_POS( X,Y,NPEAKS, $  
; INDICES = indices, $  
; N_CROSSINGS = n_crossings, $  
; DEGREE = degree, $  
; NLEFT = nleft, $  
; NRIGHT = nright, $  
; FWHM = fwhm  
;  
; INPUT PARAMETERS (required)  
;  
; X: array of x values (independent variable)  
; Y: array of y values (dependent variable) containing the peaks  
; NPEAKS: number (integer) specifying the number of peaks to return  
;  
; INPUT KEYWORD PARAMETERS (optional)  
;  
; DEGREE: Degree of polynomial used in the Savitsky-Golay filter (def: 4)  
; NLEFT: Number of points to the left of the filtered point over which  
; the filter extends (default: 5)  
; NRIGHT: Number of points to the right of the filtered point over which  
; the filter extends (default: 5)  
;  
; OUTPUT KEYWORD PARAMETERS (optional)  
;  
; FWHM: Estimate of the full-width at half maximum for each peak  
; INDICES: array of indices specifying the index into the x-array  
; describing the peak position,  
; i.e. XPEAKS = INTERPOLATE(X,INDICES)
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nright = (nright < (fix(0.5*nx)-1)) > 1
nleft = nright
; Create an array containing the the first derivative of the
; smoothed data using a Savitsky-Golay filter.
savgol_deriv_filter = savgol(nleft,nright,1,degree)
yd = convol(y,savgol_deriv_filter,/edge_truncate)
ny = n_elements(yd)
;value_sign = 2*(yd gt (machar()).eps) - 1
value_sign = 2*(yd gt 0d) - 1
indices = 0
; Determine the number of zero crossings
diff_sign = value_sign[1:ny-1]-value_sign[0:ny-2]
wh_cross = where((diff_sign eq 2) or (diff_sign eq -2),n_crossings)

indices = 0.5*(2*wh_cross-1)

no_width = 0
if n_crossings gt 0 then begin
; Ok, now which ones of these are peaks?
    ymax = interpolate(y,indices)
    ymin = min(ymax)
    for i = 0,npeaks-1 do begin
        this_max = max(ymax,max_index)
        if i eq 0 then best_index = indices[max_index] else $
            best_index = [best_index,indices[max_index]]
        ymax[max_index] = ymin
    endfor
    indices = best_index
    xpeaks = interpolate(x,indices)
; Now calculate the FWHM of each peak
    if arg_present(fwhm) then begin
        for i = 0,npeaks-1 do begin
            full_height = y[fix(indices[i])]
            half_height = 0.5*full_height
            ; Descend down the peak until you get lower than the half height
            elevation = full_height
            increment = 0
            while elevation gt half_height do begin
                ; go down the right side of the peak
                elevation = y[fix(indices[i])+increment]
                increment = increment+1
                no_width = 0
                if (fix(indices[i])+increment) gt (ny-1) then begin
                    no_width = 1
                    goto, no_width_found
                endif
            endwhile
            no_width_found:
    endwhile

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; Put lines on the data indicating where the peak estimates are located
if n_elements(xpeaks) gt 1 then begin
  for i = 0,n_elements(xpeaks)-1 do begin
    plots,[xpeaks[i],xpeaks[i]],!y.crange,/data
    lo = xpeaks[i]-0.5*fwhm[i] & hi = xpeaks[i]+0.5*fwhm[i]
    plots,[lo,hi],0.5*[ymax[i],ymax[i]]+min(ydata),/data
  endfor
endif
end
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