
Subject: Re: poly_fit - yband

Posted by [Russell Ryan](#) on Mon, 10 Mar 2014 14:20:52 GMT

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On Saturday, March 8, 2014 7:43:00 AM UTC-5, sid wrote:

> Hello everyone,

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> I have x 80 integer values and y 80 values.

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> I did,

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> p=poly_fit(x,y,7,yband=e,yfit=y1)

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> now I need y values at every 0.33 intervals so, now I have x with 238 values with 0.33 resolution earlier case the resolution was 1.

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> Now for this 238 x values I have found 238 y values using the polynomial coefficients.

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> But now the problem is how to find the error values, since I have yband = e (80 values). But I need to find the error values for all the 238 values.

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> Is there a way to do this.

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> Please do help me out in this regard.

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> thanking you in advance

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> sid

I had to do this for something: I had a set of (x,y,dy) variables to which I fit a polynomial. But then I wanted to make a scatter plot of those data with the best fitting polynomial overplotted and a shaded region showing the range of best fitting polynomials. Of course the model and shaded region can be computed at arbitrary resolution, and so poly_fit does not have a simple means of this. I agree, interpolating is a bad idea. So, why not just read the poly_fit.pro code? That's what I did. It's only about 7 lines worth of rather basic IDL to wade through. In your standard call to poly_fit, you'll need to return the covariance matrix and then do a few basic calculations. It's pretty easy actually...
