
Subject: Re: MPFIT .TIED

Posted by [Dick Jackson](#) on Tue, 10 Nov 2015 15:49:15 GMT

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On Tuesday, 10 November 2015 07:08:15 UTC-8, wouter.sc...@gmail.com wrote:

> Dear All,

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> I'm using MPFITFUN to find Gaussian shapes among some datasets. Mostly I'm interested in 2D Gaussian shapes (i.e. having a sigma-x and sigma-y). Additionally, I would like to tie both Gaussian sigma parameters to each other in the sense that sigma-x cannot be bigger than e.g. 5*sigma-y, and vice versa as well (e.g. sigma-y cannot be bigger than 5*sigma-x).

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> As I understand I can tie one parameter to another by specifying the parinfo[X].tied. The examples show how I can set one parameter equal to another. However, I have not been successful in specifying a tied relation that covers a certain range ($.2*S_x < S_y \leq S_x < 5*S_y$). Is this even possible?

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> Thanks in advance!

> Cheers,

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> Wouter

Hi Wouter,

I think what will work is to have one of the two (say, S_x) be a regular parameter, and have a "ratio" parameter (say, S_yOverS_x) that might start at 1.0 and be limited (using parinfo.limits and parinfo.limited) to [0.2, 5.0]. Then in your function, compute S_y as $(S_x * S_yOverS_x)$ and use that. S_y and S_x will always stay within the relative range you're looking for.

I know this was brief, but does it give you enough to go on?

Cheers,

-Dick

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