
Subject: Re: How to use mpfitfun.pro for fitting?

Posted by [Craig Markwardt](#) on Mon, 27 Jun 2016 21:23:39 GMT

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On Monday, June 27, 2016 at 11:54:16 AM UTC-4, Meegle_Jade wrote:

> So where should I write the function? Should I save in the dothefit.pro textfile or should I save the function separately in another text file?

Maybe it's worth starting with the tutorial.

<https://www.physics.wisc.edu/~craigm/idl/mpfittut.html>

See if you can master that first before going to your more complicated problem.

But yes, *typically* one writes the user fitting function as a stand-alone file. David Fanning's tips can help:

<http://www.idlcoyote.com/tips/namefiles.html>

It's also possible to put everything in an IDL "script" file that you can use ".RUN" with. The only trick is that the fitting function has to be at the top, and then the executable statements appear last. I do this all the time.

Craig
