
Subject: Help: multiple linear regression fit
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Hi everyone,

I've set up a model: $y = a_1 \cdot x_1 + a_2 \cdot x_2 + a_3 \cdot x_3$ to fit my experiment data,
and am using 'regress' function to perform this fit.
However, the 'regress' function always return a big const which I don't need.

So question 1:

how can I fix the const when fitting?

question 2:

I've tried SVD method (a modified version of SVDFIT which IDL provided). In principle, the SVD method should give the global chi-square minimum solution.

But in fact, it's not! (I've checked using Matlab.)

Why?

After failing in using those two IDL functions, REGRESS, SVDFIT, I have to resort to Matlab to do the constrained multiple linear regression, since the constrained_min procedure in IDL is not good. I find lsqin() in Matlab.

// LSQIN: to do the constrained Least Squares Linear fitting.

So comes my question 3:

Does IDL has the procedure similar to lsqin()?

Thanks in advance!

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P.S. an old post I searched:

From: joe@degysyd.syd.deg.csiro.au (joe@degysyd.syd.deg.csiro.au)

Subject: need constrained SVD code in IDL :)

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Has anyone in the IDL/PV-Wave world written, and would like to share, an SVD-based least-squares fitting procedure that allows the user to constrain the solutions with linear inequality and equality constraints?

I am aware of the IDL SVD routines, but I want to restrict the solution

space in the following manner:

- 1) all returned values must be .GE. zero
- 2) the sum of the returned values must be .LE. 1.

I tried "translating" Lawson and Hansen NNLS code into IDL but I got slow and unreliable results. (probably because of all the DO loops and my "interpretation" of what their code actually does.:)

Any help on this would be greatly appreciated.

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