
Subject: Re: simultaneous fitting
Posted by [virgil1612](#) on Fri, 09 Nov 2007 21:20:34 GMT
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Sorry, I made a mistake. I have two sets of points for the two functions, of course (the functions are different). What remains unchanged is the set of parameters and the independent variable.

Thanks, Virgil.

Subject: Re: simultaneous fitting
Posted by [Vince Hradil](#) on Sat, 10 Nov 2007 19:07:39 GMT
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On Nov 9, 3:20 pm, virgil1...@gmail.com wrote:

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- > functions, of course (the functions are different). What remains
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- > Thanks, Virgil.

You're going to have to reform the problem somehow, probably. Maybe you can give some more details?

Subject: Re: simultaneous fitting
Posted by [Craig Markwardt](#) on Sun, 11 Nov 2007 05:01:54 GMT
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virgil1612@gmail.com writes:

- > This is my first post here, so hi to everybody. As a disclaimer, I am
- > a novice IDL user.
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- > I'm using LMFIT to make a chi square fitting of a function depending
- > on some parameters to my data points, and it works great. But now the
- > problem is that I need to simultaneously fit two functions depending
- > on the same set of parameters to these points.
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- > I have no idea how to make the two functions simultaneous chi square
- > fitting.
- > Someone can help?

Fitting programs like LMFIT or MPFIT don't really care how many functions you have. If you have two data sets Y1 and Y2, then you can "glue" them together with a command like this,

$Y = [Y1, Y2]$

and in your model function, you would do the same thing, something like,

$F = [F1(X,P), F2(X,P)]$

where $F1()$ and $F2()$ are your different functions, which are functions of the same independent variable and the parameter set P .

Good luck,
Craig

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Subject: Re: simultaneous fitting
Posted by [virgil1612](#) on Mon, 12 Nov 2007 16:19:15 GMT
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To hradilv:

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- > you can give some more details?

So it's the same independent variable, values of x between 0 and 1 (phases of a binary star system, representing one complete orbit). I have two columns of datapoints representing two separate variables, that I need to simultaneously fit with two functions that are defined with one common set of parameters. The fitting would give those parameters.

to craig:

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Thanks Craig, I'll try to do that.

Cheers, Virgil.