
Subject: errors in robust_linefit

Posted by [tflagana](#) on Fri, 06 Nov 2015 12:42:12 GMT

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Thanks in advance,
Tatiana

Subject: Re: errors in robust_linefit

Posted by [wlandsman](#) on Fri, 06 Nov 2015 12:54:06 GMT

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Use the coef_sig parameter. --Wayne

On Friday, November 6, 2015 at 7:42:16 AM UTC-5, tfla...@gmail.com wrote:

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Subject: Re: errors in robust_linefit

Posted by [tflagana](#) on Mon, 09 Nov 2015 15:38:55 GMT

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Subject: Re: errors in robust_linefit

Posted by [wlandsman](#) on Mon, 09 Nov 2015 16:26:01 GMT

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On Monday, November 9, 2015 at 10:38:58 AM UTC-5, tfla...@gmail.com wrote:

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No the coef_sig parameter gives the error in the coefficients. Check the documentation
http://idlastro.gsfc.nasa.gov/ftp/pro/robust/robust_linefit.pro

```
IDL> x = findgen(10)
IDL> y = x + randomn(seed,10)*0.25
IDL> coeff = robust_linefit(x,y,yfit,sig,coef_sig)
IDL> print,coeff,coef_sig
-0.188812    1.02746
 0.0756120   0.0212272
```
