Detection of kinks in fits and implication in science

Failure of Error and Residuals to describe natural truth

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import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from scipy.optimize import curve_fit

In []:

In [2]: size = 50 # size of random data to be generated

In [3]:

def objective(x, m, c):
    """
    Objective function to generate random data and to fit to
    """
    y = m * x + c # Line
    return y
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Random Data

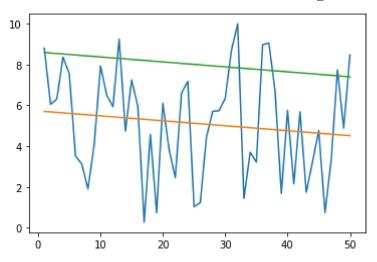
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In [4]: x0 = range(1,size+1)
    y0 = np.random.rand(size)*10

In [5]: popt,_ = curve_fit(objective,x0,y0)
    y0_fit = objective(x0,popt[0],popt[1])

In [6]: y0_offset = y0_fit + np.random.rand()*np.mean(y0_fit)

In [7]: plt.plot(x0,y0)
    plt.plot(x0,y0_fit)
    plt.plot(x0,y0_offset)

Out[7]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x1714c59bbb0>]
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Residual sum of squares

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In [8]:
    rss_list = (y0 - y0_fit)**2
    rss = np.sum(rss_list)
    print("rss (fit)", rss)

    rss_list = (y0 - y0_offset)**2
    rss = np.sum(rss_list)
    print("rss (offset)",rss)

rss (fit) 336.034350271524
    rss (offset) 752.4229303941481
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Linear Fit

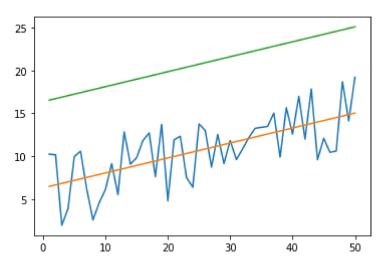
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In [9]:
          x1 = range(1, size+1)
          y1 = objective(x1,np.random.rand(1),np.random.rand(1)) + np.random.rand(len(x1))*10
In [10]:
          print(x1)
          print(y1)
         range(1, 51)
         [10.24818468 10.15475837 1.92081864 3.86723861 9.94735386 10.5852242
           6.14798417 2.53931395 4.55555516 6.11912354 9.13236082 5.50243588
          12.84458432 9.0677074 9.82198039 11.81897536 12.72514142 7.59923901
          13.71223679 4.77512799 11.91561948 12.33138438 7.49980925 6.369592
          13.7728152 12.98848479 8.72023621 12.52587003 9.13312448 11.83139241
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          14.11248318 19.22215739]
In [11]:
          popt,_ = curve_fit(objective,x1,y1)
          y1 fit = objective(x1,popt[0],popt[1])
In [12]:
          y1_offset = y1_fit + np.random.rand()*np.mean(y1_fit)
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Residual sum of squares

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In [13]: plt.plot(x1,y1)
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plt.plot(x1,y1_fit)
plt.plot(x1,y1_offset)
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Out[13]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x1714c6b6250>]
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Residual sum of squares

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In [14]:
    rss_list = (y1 - y1_fit)**2
    rss = np.sum(rss_list)
    print("rss (fit)", rss)

    rss_list = (y1 - y1_offset)**2
    rss = np.sum(rss_list)
    print("rss (offset)",rss)

rss (fit) 424.2525686504521
    rss (offset) 5508.76148740014
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Univariate quadratic function

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In [15]:
          def objective(x, a, b, c):
              Objective function to generate random data and to fit to
              x2 = np.array([i**2 for i in x])
              y = a * x2 + b * x + c # Univariate quadratic function
              return y
In [16]:
          # Data Creation
          x2 = range(1, size+1)
          y2 = objective(x2,np.random.rand(1),np.random.rand(1),np.random.rand(1)) + np.random
In [17]:
          # Fit
          popt,_ = curve_fit(objective,x2,y2)
          y2_fit = objective(x2,popt[0],popt[1],popt[2])
In [18]:
          # Offset
          y2_offset = y2_fit * 1.05
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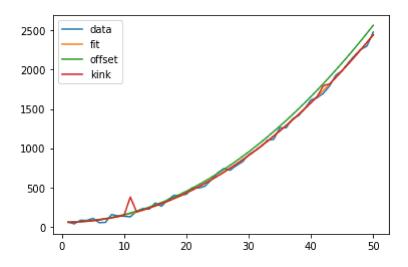
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In [19]: # Kink Introduction
    amount = 2
    positions = [int(size*np.random.rand()) for i in range(amount)]
    if positions[0] == positions[1]:
        positions[1] += 1
    print(np.sort(positions))

    y2_kink = [i for i in y2_fit]
    mean = np.mean(y2_fit)
    for i in positions:
        y2_kink[i] += np.random.rand()*mean*0.5
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plt.plot(x2,y2,label='data')
plt.plot(x2,y2_fit,label='fit')
plt.plot(x2,y2_offset,label='offset')
plt.plot(x2,y2_kink,label='kink')
plt.legend()
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Out[20]: <matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x1714c71da90>



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In [21]:
    rss_list = (y2 - y2_fit)**2
    rss = np.sum(rss_list)
    print("rss (fit)", rss)

    rss_list = (y2 - y2_offset)**2
    rss = np.sum(rss_list)
    print("rss (offset)",rss)

    rss_list = (y2 - y2_kink)**2
    rss = np.sum(rss_list)
    print("rss (kink)",rss)
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rss (fit) 34269.70009176554 rss (offset) 194782.35047743988 rss (kink) 104794.25575907298

in some cases "offset" might be more desirable for scientific reasons than the one presenting a kink

here, kink is introduced by the user, but need to show at least 1 case of occurrence of non usergenerated kink

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In [ ]:
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