

2-D Random Walk

1. Theory Investigation

In a plane, consider a sum of N two-dimensional vectors with random orientations. Use phasor notation, and let the phase of each vector be random. Assume N unit steps are taken in an arbitrary direction (i.e., with the angle θ uniformly distributed in $[0, 2\pi)$ and not on a lattice), as illustrated above. The position z in the complex plane after N steps is then given by:

$$z = \sum_{j=1}^N e^{i\theta_j}$$

which has absolute square:

$$\begin{aligned} |z|^2 &= \sum_{j=1}^N e^{i\theta_j} \sum_{k=1}^N e^{-i\theta_k} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^N e^{i(\theta_j - \theta_k)} \\ &= N + \sum_{\substack{j,k=1 \\ k \neq j}}^N e^{i(\theta_j - \theta_k)} \end{aligned}$$

Each unit step is equally likely to be in any direction (θ_j and θ_k). The displacements are random variables with identical means of zero, and their difference is also a random variable. Averaging over this distribution, which has equally likely positive and negative values yields an expectation value of 0, so

$$\begin{aligned} \langle |z|^2 \rangle &= N \\ |z|_{\text{rms}} &= \sqrt{N} \end{aligned}$$

2. Simulation on 2-D square lattice

定义需要用的函数

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In [ ]: import random
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from math import sqrt
import numpy as np
from scipy.optimize import curve_fit
import scipy.stats as stats

def rand_walk_2D(num_steps=1, step_size=1, ifplot=True, out_type=1):
    # ifplot: 是否画出游走轨迹
    # out_type: 1: 仅输出最后一个点距离第一个点的距离; 2: 输出每一步游走的距离
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# 初始化x和y位置
x_pos = [0]
y_pos = [0]

# 模拟随机游走
for i in range(num_steps):
    # 随机选择方向
    direction = random.choice(['N', 'S', 'E', 'W'])

    # 移动位置
    if direction == 'N':
        y_pos.append(y_pos[-1] + step_size)
        x_pos.append(x_pos[-1])
    elif direction == 'S':
        y_pos.append(y_pos[-1] - step_size)
        x_pos.append(x_pos[-1])
    elif direction == 'E':
        x_pos.append(x_pos[-1] + step_size)
        y_pos.append(y_pos[-1])
    else:
        x_pos.append(x_pos[-1] - step_size)
        y_pos.append(y_pos[-1])

if ifplot:
    # 绘制随机游走的路径
    plt.plot(x_pos, y_pos)
    plt.title('2-D Random Walk')
    plt.scatter(x_pos[0], y_pos[0], color='red', marker='o')
    plt.scatter(x_pos[-1], y_pos[-1], color='blue', marker='o')
    plt.show()

assert out_type in (1,2)
if out_type==1:
    return sqrt((x_pos[0]-x_pos[-1])**2+(y_pos[0]-y_pos[-1])**2),x_pos,y_pos
elif out_type==2:
    result = []
    for i in range(len(x_pos)):
        result.append(sqrt((x_pos[0]-x_pos[i])**2+(y_pos[0]-y_pos[i])**2))
    return result,x_pos,y_pos

def linear(x,a,b):
    return a*x+b

def sq_linear(x,a,b):
    return a*np.sqrt(x)+b

def test_fit(function,x_data,y_data,out=False):
    # 使用curve_fit拟合数据
    popt, _ = curve_fit(function, x_data, y_data)
    y_fit = function(x_data,*popt)
    plt.plot(x_data, y_data)
    plt.plot(x_data,y_fit)
    plt.title('2-D Random Walk')
    plt.legend(["y_true", "y_fit"])
    plt.show()

    r2res = calc_R_Squared(y_data,y_fit)
    print("y={%.4f}x+{%.4f}"%(popt[0],popt[1]))
    print("R^2= ",r2res)
    if out:
        return popt,r2res

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def calc_R_Squared(y_data,y_fit):
    # 计算总平方和
    sst = np.sum((y_data - np.mean(y_data))**2)

    # 计算残差平方和
    ssr = np.sum((y_data - y_fit)**2)

    # 计算R平方
    r_squared = 1 - (ssr / sst)
    return r_squared

def explore_distribution(data):
    # 可用的分布函数
    distributions = [
        stats.beta,
        stats.gamma,
        stats.norm,
        stats.expon,
        stats.lognorm,
        stats.uniform
    ]

    # 拟合分布函数并计算拟合优度指标
    results = []
    for distribution in distributions:
        # 拟合分布函数到数据
        params = distribution.fit(data)

        # 计算Kolmogorov-Smirnov拟合优度指标
        D, p = stats.kstest(data, distribution.cdf, args=params)

        # 记录结果
        results.append((distribution.name, p))

    # 打印结果并选择最好的分布函数
    best_fit_name, best_fit_p = (max(results, key=lambda item: item[1]))
    best_distribution = getattr(stats, best_fit_name)

    # 绘制最佳拟合分布函数和数据的直方图
    #plt.hist(data, bins='auto', density=True)
    plt.hist(data, bins=15, density=True)
    plt.xlabel('Value')
    plt.ylabel('Frequency')
    plt.title('Best fit distribution')
    x = np.linspace(min(data), max(data), 100)
    best_fit_params = best_distribution.fit(data)
    print("Best Distribution: ",best_fit_name,sep="")
    plt.plot(x, best_distribution.pdf(x, *best_fit_params), color='r')

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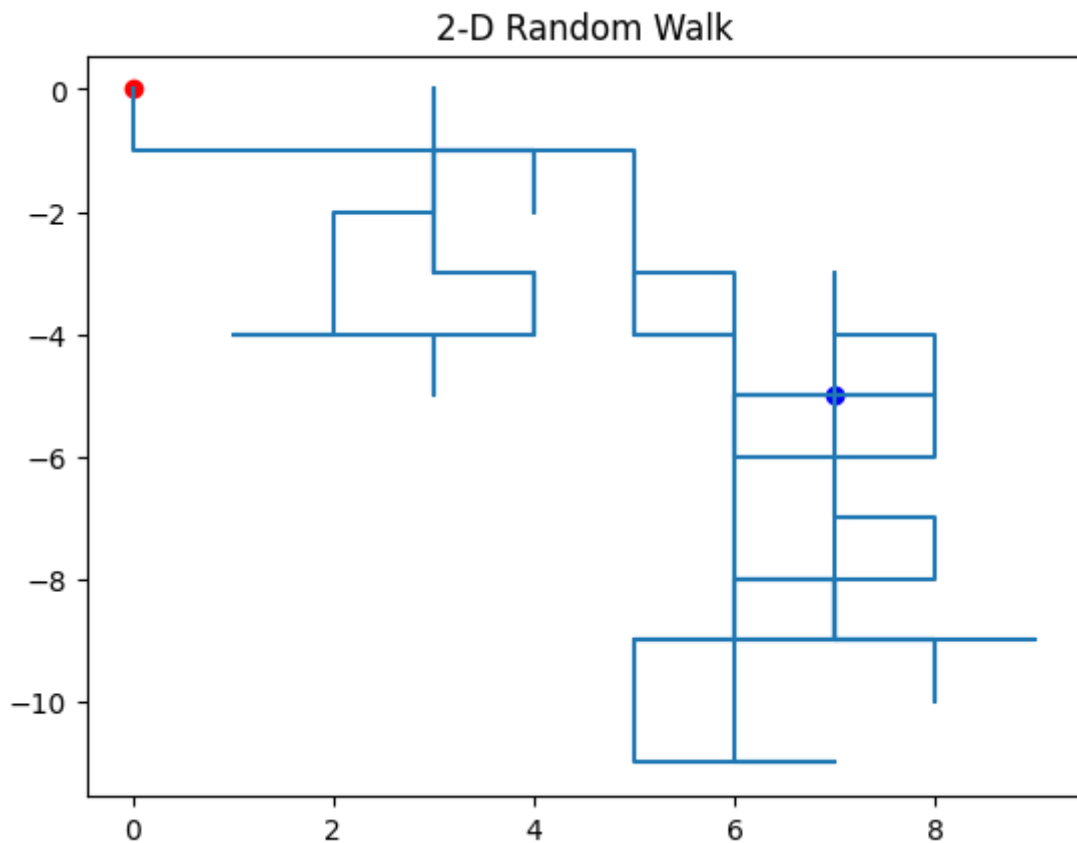
单次游走

可见这个代码可以正常游走，如下是一段游走轨迹，步长为1，步数为100，最后一个点距离第一个点的距离是8.6

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In [ ]: [dist_res,x_res,y_res] = rand_walk_2D(num_steps=100)
dist_res

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Out[]: 8.602325267042627

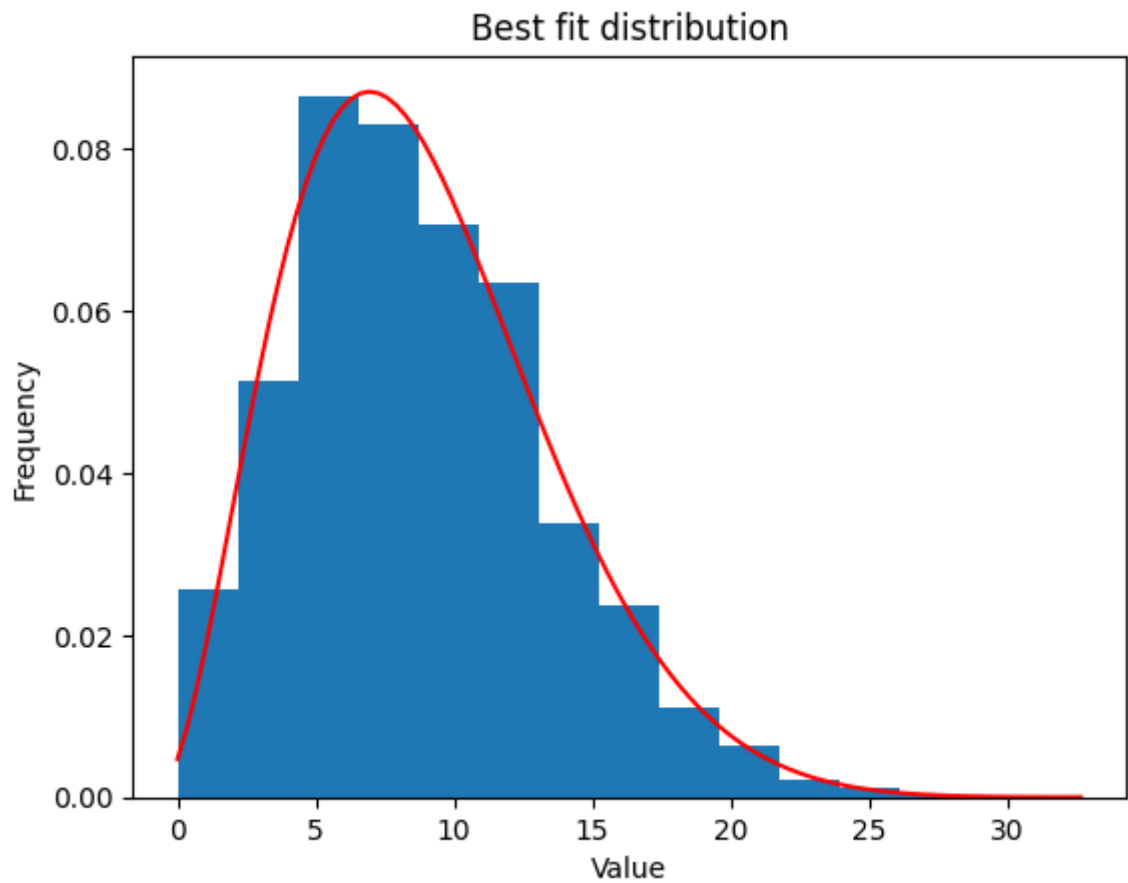
我们进行同步长，同步数的多次游走，统计最后一个点距离初始点的距离,看起来符合某种分布

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In [ ]: round_num = 100000
num_steps=100
step_size=1
dist_res_lis = []

for _ in range(round_num):
    [dist_res,_,_] = rand_walk_2D(num_steps,step_size,out_type=1,ifplot=False)
    dist_add = dist_res_lis.append(dist_res)
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In [ ]: # 探索常见分布对其的拟合
explore_distribution(dist_res_lis)
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Best Distribution: beta



得到的最佳拟合的分布函数是beta分布

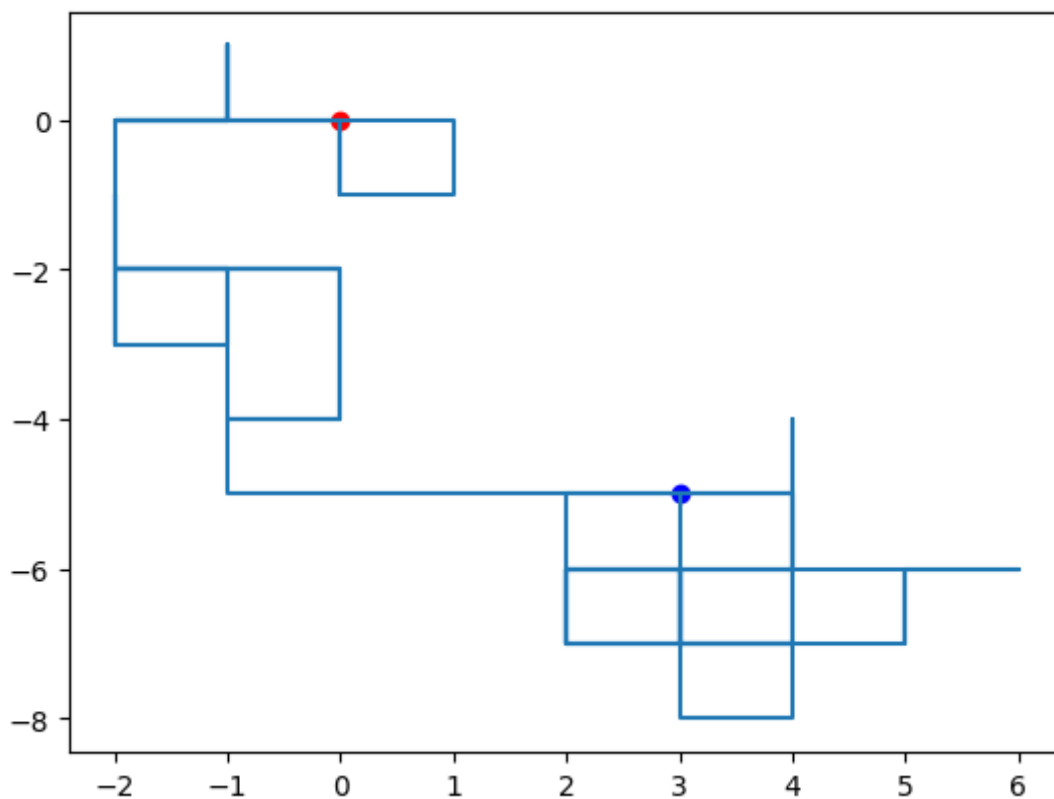
函数形式：

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x; \alpha, \beta) &= \frac{x^{\alpha-1}(1-x)^{\beta-1}}{\int_0^1 u^{\alpha-1}(1-u)^{\beta-1} du} \\
 &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} x^{\alpha-1}(1-x)^{\beta-1} \\
 &= \frac{1}{B(\alpha, \beta)} x^{\alpha-1}(1-x)^{\beta-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

如果观察首位距离随着游走时间增加的变化呢？ 看起来没有什么规律,忽上忽下

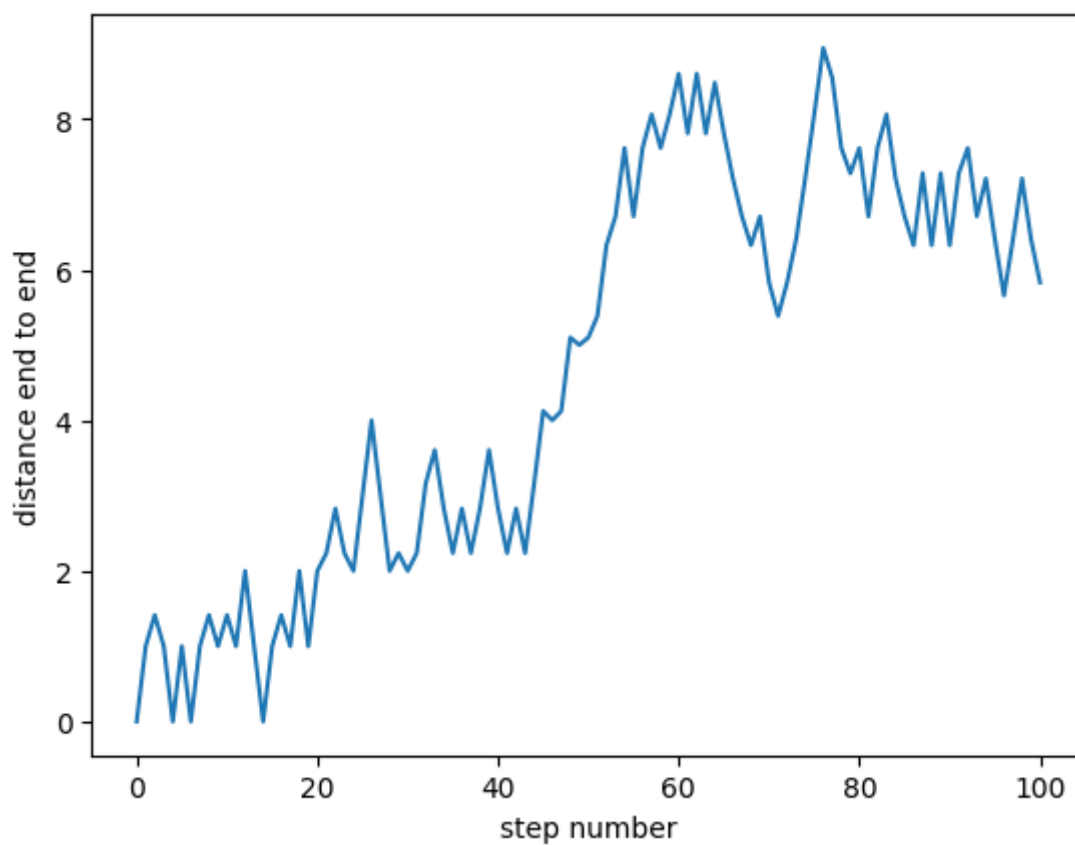
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In [ ]: [dist_res,x_res,y_res] = rand_walk_2D(num_steps=100,out_type=2)
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In [ ]: plt.plot(list(range(len(dist_res))),dist_res)
plt.xlabel("step number")
plt.ylabel("distance end to end")
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Out[ ]: Text(0, 0.5, 'distance end to end')
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多次游走

如果我们在同一步长和步数的条件下做多次游走，把每次轨迹的end to end 距离trajectory数据平均起来呢？我们可以发现，正如之前推导的，函数逐渐收敛至：

$$|z|_{\text{rms}} = A\sqrt{N} + B$$

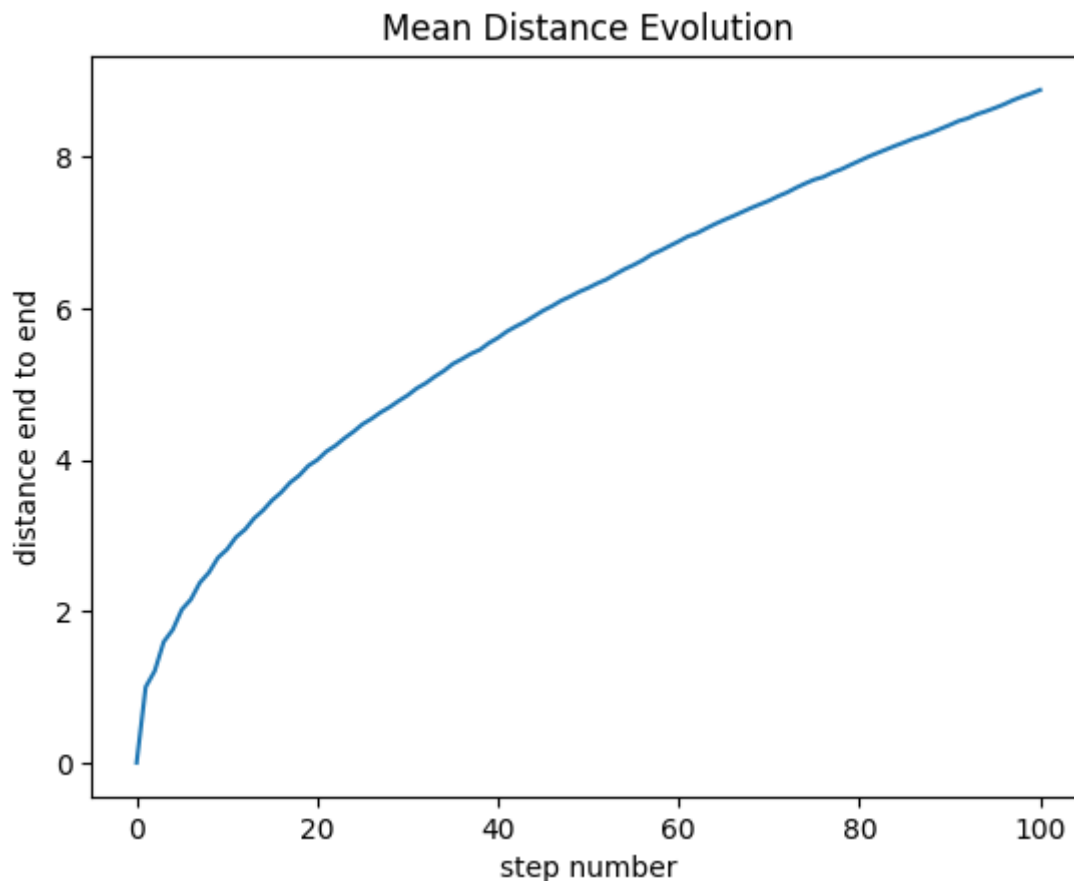
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In [ ]: round_num = 10000
num_steps=100
step_size=1
dist_add = np.zeros(num_steps+1)

for _ in range(round_num):
    [dist_res,_,_] = rand_walk_2D(num_steps,step_size,out_type=2,ifplot=False)
    dist_add = dist_add + np.array(dist_res)

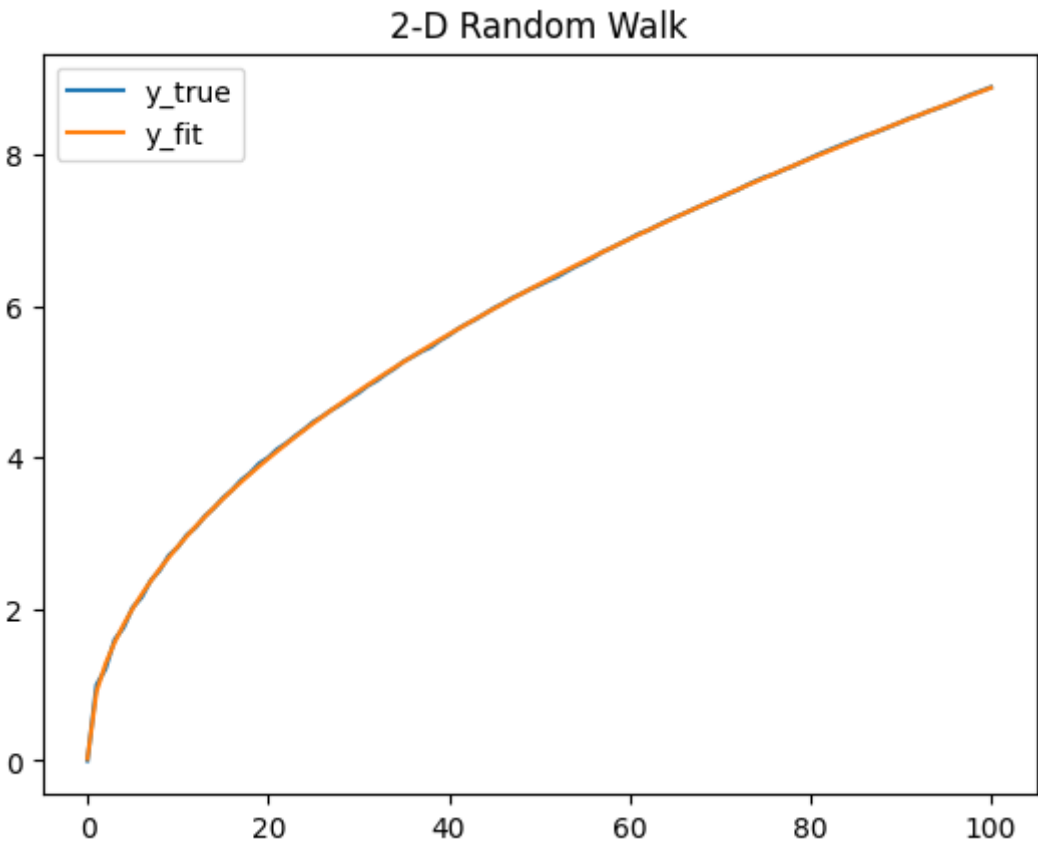
dist_avg = dist_add/round_num

x_data = list(range(num_steps+1))
y_data = dist_avg
plt.plot(x_data,y_data)
plt.xlabel("step number")
plt.ylabel("distance end to end")
plt.title("Mean Distance Evolution")
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Out[]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Mean Distance Evolution')



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In [ ]: # Fit $D=A*\sqrt{N}+B$
test_fit(sq_linear,x_data,y_data)
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$y=\{0.8852\}x+\{0.0270\}$
 $R^2= 0.9999340435966629$

3. References

[1] Weisstein, Eric W. "Random Walk--2-Dimensional." From MathWorld--A Wolfram Web Resource. <https://mathworld.wolfram.com/RandomWalk2-Dimensional.html>

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