

Report on the week of Nov 7

1. Writing a document about the Levenberg-Marquardt
2. Reading some pages of numerical recipes to better understand the details
3. The document will be updated in the future and become a part of my thesis

Checking the Levenberg-Marquardt

- It worked fine in the covariance matrix convergence test but failed the test of chi-square variance difference
- So, I came back to find the bug
- An important point is that it works very well with simple functions (e.g., gaussian)
- But when it comes to ARES, it fails.
- So, the issue probably comes from the function that calls ARES and calculates it's local derivatives.

Why do we need a local derivative ?

- We need the derivative of our model to calculate the Jacobian Matrix (which later becomes the covariance matrix)
- But while working with ARES, we do not have the analytical derivation
- That's why we need to compute the local derivative

$$(\mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{J} + \lambda \mathbf{I}) dm = \mathbf{J}^T [\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{f}(m)]$$

This is how we calculate the local derivative.

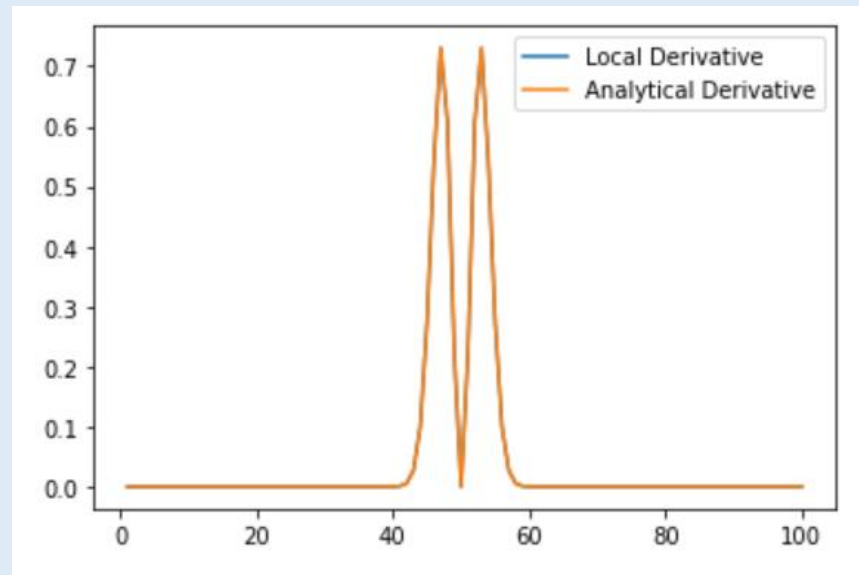
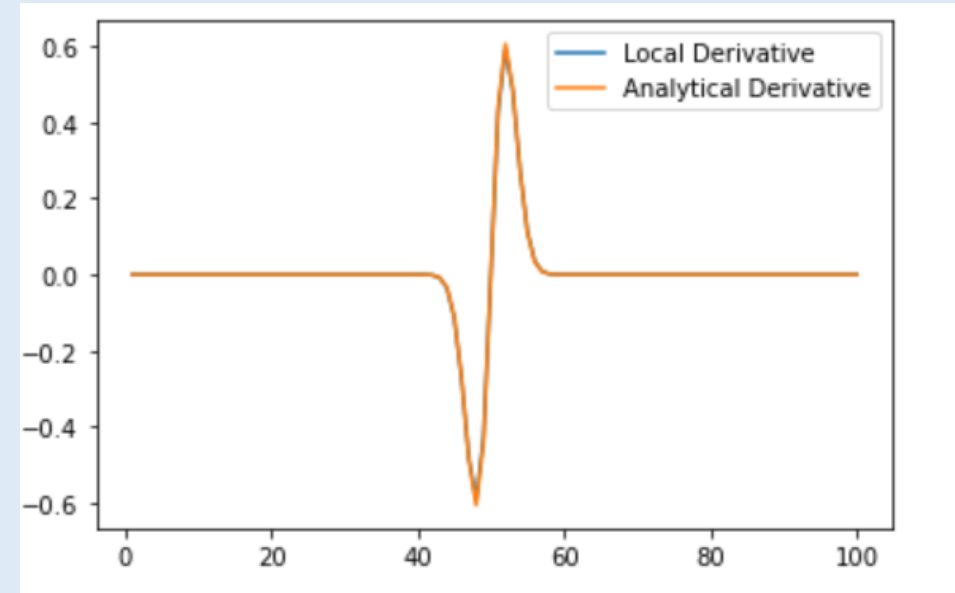
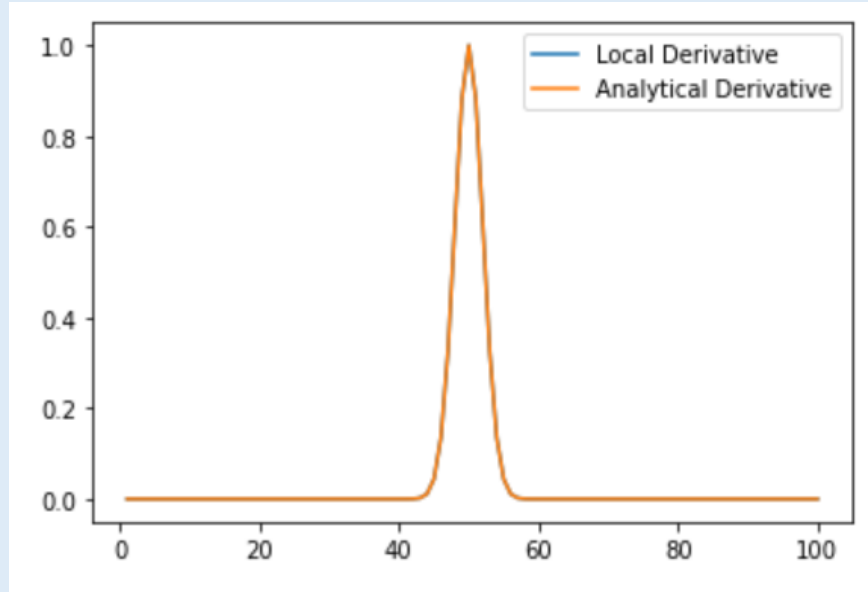
$$A_{x_i} = \frac{A(x_i + \delta x_i) - A(x_i - \delta x_i)}{2\delta x_i}$$

- Read about it a bit
- Tried different variations of how to improve this function
- When I reached the best version, I tried checking it with different functions that I know their analytical derivative, so I can compare these two.
- Surprisingly, I found that it does not work very well with some types of functions like periodic ones.
- But it works fine when it comes to functions similar to gaussian

```
def local_dev(m, x, func, d = 100):  
    m = np.array(m)  
    y, derivs_a = func(m, x)  
    derivs = np.zeros([len(x), len(m)])  
    dpars = np.zeros(len(m))  
    dpars=m/d  
    for i in range(len(m)):  
        pars_plus = np.array(m, copy=True, dtype = 'float64')  
        pars_plus[i] = pars_plus[i] + dpars[i]  
  
        pars_minus = np.array(m, copy=True, dtype = 'float64')  
        pars_minus[i] = pars_minus[i] - dpars[i]  
  
        A_plus, a = func(pars_plus, x)  
        A_minus, b = func(pars_minus, x)  
        A_m = (A_plus - A_minus)/(2*dpars[i])  
        derivs[:, i] = A_m  
    return y, derivs_a, derivs
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Gaussian

$$y = a + b \exp \frac{(x-x_0)^2}{2\sigma^2}$$



$$y = a + b \sin cx$$

