

Exercise 1: Introduction to fitting methods

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import numpy as np
import scipy.optimize as optim
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

def chi2(y_measure, y_predict, errors):
    """Calculate the chi squared value given a measurement with errors and
    prediction"""
    return np.sum( np.power(y_measure - y_predict, 2) / np.power(errors, 2) )

def chi2reduced(y_measure, y_predict, errors, number_of_parameters):
    """Calculate the reduced chi squared value given a measurement with errors
    and prediction,
    and knowing the number of parameters in the model."""
    return chi2(y_measure, y_predict, errors)/(y_measure.size -
    number_of_parameters)

# we have constant voltage uncertainty which is 0.1 V
voltage_uncertainty = 0.1

def current_uncertainty(current):
    """return the uncertainty in current for given values of current"""
    if current > 100:
        return 1
    elif current > 10:
        return 0.1
    else:
        return 0.01

def compute_current(voltage, resistance):
    """compute the current value for given voltage and resistance"""
    return voltage / resistance

# filename
filename = "100k.csv"

# load the csv file as txt
measured_voltages, measured_currents = np.loadtxt(filename,
                                                    skiprows=1,
                                                    usecols=(0,1),
                                                    delimiter=",",
                                                    unpack=True)

# create error array for the voltage
voltage_errors = np.ones_like(measured_voltages) * voltage_uncertainty

# create error array for the current
current_errors = np.vectorize(current_uncertainty)(measured_currents)

# do the curve fitting
popt, pcov = optim.curve_fit(compute_current,
                              measured_voltages,
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                                measured_currents ,
                                absolute_sigma=True ,
                                sigma=current_errors )

pvar = np.diag(pcov)

# new figure for this file
plt.figure(figsize=(16, 10))
plt.style.use("default")

# plot the error bar chart
plt.errorbar(measured_voltages ,
             measured_currents ,
             yerr=current_errors ,
             marker="o" ,
             label="measured currents" ,
             capsize=2,
             ls="")

# plot the fitted curve
plt.plot(measured_voltages ,
         compute_current(measured_voltages , popt[0]) ,
         label='$I = V/R$ (fitted linear curve)')

# legend and title
plt.title("Current vs Voltage (Resistor 100 kiloohm)")
plt.xlabel("Voltage (V)")
plt.ylabel("Current (mA)")
plt.legend(loc="upper left")
plt.savefig("lab_1_ex_1-plot.png")

chi2r = chi2reduced(measured_currents ,
                   compute_current(measured_voltages , popt[0]) ,
                   current_errors ,
                   1)

print("model chi2r = %.3f" % chi2r)
print("fitted (average) resistance = %.3f kiloohm" % popt[0])
print("error in fitted resistance = %.3f kiloohm" % np.sqrt(pvar[0]))

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References

[1]