

## MathUtils::OnOffFitter Class Reference

### [Levenberg–Marquardt minimization]

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### Detailed Description

Generic class for adjusting a model on independant ON and OFF data.

It fully takes into account the Poisson properties of the data and implements a **Levenberg & Marquardt method for minimization**.

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### Introduction

In many case, we want to adjust a model on a set of data which consists of two independant measurements, with different livetimes and with poisson statistics. This is the case when one wants to determine the energy spectrum of a source as well as when one want to determine the intrinsic morphology.

We define for each bin (in energy, position or whatsoever):

- $N_{ON}$  the measured number of events in the ON dataset
- $N_{OFF}$  the measured number of events in the OFF dataset
- $T_{ON}$  and  $T_{OFF}$  the respective livetimes for the two datasets
- $\beta = T_{ON}/T_{OFF}$  the livetime normalisation
- $n_\gamma$  and  $n_h$  the expected number of gamma and background events in the bin (the number  $n_\gamma$  is for example calculated from the spectrum folded through the detector response)

The probability of observing  $N_{ON}$  and  $N_{OFF}$  events when we expect  $n_\gamma$  gamma events and  $n_h$  hadrons is given by the formula

$$P(N_{ON}, N_{OFF} | n_\gamma, n_h) = \frac{(n_\gamma + \beta n_h)^{N_{ON}}}{N_{ON}!} e^{-(n_\gamma + \beta n_h)} \times \frac{n_h^{N_{OFF}}}{N_{OFF}!} e^{-n_h}$$

To a constant, the log-likelihood reads

$$\mathcal{L} \equiv \log P = N_{ON} \times \log(n_\gamma + \beta n_h) - (n_\gamma + \beta n_h) + N_{OFF} \times \log n_h - n_h$$

### Optimal number of background events

Usually, the number of background events  $n_h$  is not a parameter of the model (i.e. the spectrum) and must therefore be computed from the observed number of events. This is implemented by the function **MathUtils::OnOffFitter::GetBackground**

The best background estimate is given by the value of  $n_h$  which maximizes the log-likelihood  $\log L = \log(P)$  for a given  $n_\gamma$ .

It's the solution of a second order linear equation in  $n_h$  :

$$\frac{\beta N_{ON}}{n_\gamma + \beta n_h} + \frac{N_{OFF}}{n_h} - (\beta + 1) = 0$$

whose solution is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} C &= \beta \times (N_{ON} + N_{OFF}) - (1 + \beta) \times n_\gamma \\ \Delta^2 &= C^2 + 4\beta(\beta + 1) \times N_{OFF} \times n_\gamma \\ n_h &= \frac{C + \Delta}{2\beta(\beta + 1)} \end{aligned}$$

In the special case  $N_{ON} = 0$ , this simplifies to  $n_h = \frac{N_{OFF}}{\beta + 1}$ .

In the special case  $N_{OFF} = 0$ , this simplifies to  $n_h = \frac{N_{ON}}{\beta + 1} - \frac{n_\gamma}{\beta}$ .

The uncertainties on  $n_h$  can be calculated from the second derivative of the log-likelihood:

$$\Delta n_h = \sqrt{\left( \frac{\beta^2 N_{ON}}{(n_\gamma + \beta n_h)^2} + \frac{N_{OFF}}{n_h^2} \right)^{-1}}$$

## Goodness of fit estimation

The best possible fit is obtained for

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial n_\gamma} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial n_h} = 0$$

This can be solved into  $N_{ON} = n_\gamma + \beta n_h$  and  $N_{OFF} = n_h$ . One can then subtract the corresponding likelihood to have a goodness-of-fit estimator:

$$\mathcal{G} \equiv \log P = N_{ON} \times \log(n_\gamma + \beta n_h) - (n_\gamma + \beta n_h) + N_{OFF} \times \log n_h - n_h + N_{ON} \times (1 - \log N_{ON}) + N_{OFF} \times (1 - \log N_{OFF})$$

In the case of a good fit,  $\mathcal{G}$  should be approximatively  $-0.5$  per degree of freedom.

## Likelihood Ratio

In the case of a **signal hypothesis**, the minimum likelihood is obtained for  $N_{ON} = n_\gamma + \beta n_h$  and  $N_{OFF} = n_h$ . The log-likelihood then reads

$$\mathcal{L} \equiv \log P = N_{ON} \times \log(N_{ON}) + N_{OFF} \times \log(N_{OFF}) - (N_{ON} + N_{OFF})$$

In the **null hypothesis** (i.e.  $n_\gamma = 0$ , the log-likelihood is minimised for  $n_h = (N_{ON} + N_{OFF}) / (1 + \beta)$  and then reads

$$\mathcal{L}^0 = (N_{ON} + N_{OFF}) \times \log(N_{ON} + N_{OFF}) - (N_{ON} + N_{OFF}) \times \log(1 + \beta) + N_{ON} \log \beta - (N_{ON} + N_{OFF})$$

The likelihood ratio between the two hypothesis is defined by

$$\ln \lambda = \mathcal{L}^0 - \mathcal{L}$$

Which results into:

$$\lambda = \left[ \frac{\beta}{1 + \beta} \frac{N_{ON} + N_{OFF}}{N_{ON}} \right]^{N_{ON}} \times \left[ \frac{1}{1 + \beta} \frac{N_{ON} + N_{OFF}}{N_{OFF}} \right]^{N_{OFF}}$$

According to Li&Ma statistics (ApJ 272, 317-324, 1983), the significance of an excess  $N_{ON} - \beta \times N_{OFF}$  is given by the formula

$$S = \sqrt{-2 \ln \lambda}$$

See also:

Utilities::Statistics::LiMa

## Negative Signal

In the case of a negative signal we exchange the ON and OFF data and assume an signal in the OFF. This is done by applying the following transformations:

- $n_{ON} \leftrightarrow n_{OFF}$
- $n_\gamma \leftrightarrow -n_\gamma / \beta$

- $\beta \leftrightarrow 1/\beta$

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Definition at line 49 of file [OnOffFitter.hh](#).[List of all members.](#)**Public Member Functions**ClassDef ([OnOffFitter](#), 0)**Static Public Member Functions**

static double	<a href="#">GetBackground</a> (unsigned nON, unsigned nOFF, double Beta, double nTheoSig, double *dnBG=0) Computes the optimal number of background events in a bin.
static double	<a href="#">GetBackground</a> (unsigned nON, unsigned nOFF, double Beta, double nTheoSig, double &dnBG_dnSig, double &d2BG_dnSig2) Computes the optimal number of background events in a bin.
static double	<a href="#">GetLogLikelihood</a> (unsigned nON, unsigned nOFF, double Beta, double nTheoSig) Computes the positive log-Likelihood for one bin.
static double	<a href="#">GetLogLikelihood</a> (unsigned nON, unsigned nOFF, double Beta, double nTheoSig, double &dLdSig, double &d2L_dSig2) Computes the positive log-Likelihood for one bin and its derivatives against theoretic signal.
static double	<a href="#">GetLogLikelihoodBck</a> (unsigned nON, double nTheoSig, double &dLdSig, double &d2L_dSig2) Computes the positive log-Likelihood for one bin and its derivatives against theoretic signal.
static Double_t	<a href="#">LevenbergMarquardt</a> (const <a href="#">MathUtils::OnOffFuncBase</a> &func, TVectorD &SpectrumParam, const TVectorD &Min, const TVectorD &Max, TMatrixD &ErrorMatrix, bool Verbose=true, Float_t Precision=1e-4) <a href="#">Levenberg &amp; Marquardt minimization</a>
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static Double_t	<a href="#">ScanErrorUp</a> (const <a href="#">MathUtils::OnOffFuncBase</a> &func, TVectorD &values, UInt_t index, Double_t starterror, Double_t Offset=1) Scan parameter space to estimate uncertainties on a parameter, until the likelihood varies by a given offset.
static Double_t	<a href="#">ScanErrorDown</a> (const <a href="#">MathUtils::OnOffFuncBase</a> &func, TVectorD &values, UInt_t index, Double_t starterror, Double_t Offset=1) Scan parameter space to estimate uncertainties on a parameter, until the likelihood varies by 0.5.

**Member Function Documentation**

```
double MathUtils::OnOffFitter::GetBackground ( unsigned nON,
                                             unsigned nOFF,
                                             double Beta,
                                             double nTheoSig,
                                             double * dnBG = 0
                                             ) [static]
```

Computes the optimal number of background events in a bin.

This is the value which maximizes the likelihood, nTheoSig remaining constant.

Assuming we have two independant **ON** and **OFF** observations with lifetime normalisation  $\beta = T_{ON}/T_{OFF}$ , the probability of observing  $N_{ON}$  and  $N_{OFF}$  events when we expect  $n_\gamma$  gamma events and  $n_h$  hadrons is given by the formula

$$P(N_{ON}, N_{OFF} | n_\gamma, n_h) = \frac{n_\gamma + \beta n_h}{N_{ON}!} e^{-(n_\gamma + \beta n_h)} \times \frac{n_h}{N_{OFF}!} e^{-n_h}$$

The best background estimate is given by the value of  $n_h$  which maximizes the log-likelihood  $\log L = \log(P)$

It's the solution of a second order linear equation in  $n_h$  :

$$\frac{\beta N_{ON}}{n_\gamma + \beta n_h} + \frac{N_{OFF}}{n_h} - (\beta + 1) = 0$$

whose solution is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} C &= \beta \times (N_{ON} + N_{OFF}) - (1 + \beta) \times n_\gamma \\ \Delta^2 &= C^2 + 4\beta(\beta + 1) \times N_{OFF} \times n_\gamma \\ n_h &= \frac{C + \Delta}{2\beta(\beta + 1)} \end{aligned}$$

The uncertainties on  $n_h$  can be calculated from the second derivative of the log-likelihood:

$$\Delta n_h = \sqrt{\left( \frac{\beta^2 N_{ON}}{(n_\gamma + \beta n_h)^2} + \frac{N_{OFF}}{n_h^2} \right)^{-1}}$$

#### Parameters:

- nON**        Number of ON events
- nOFF**        Number of OFF events
- Beta**         Livetime normalisation between ON and OFF
- nTheoSig**    Theoric number of signal events in bin
- dnBG**        if non zero, will contain the uncertainties on the background

Definition at line 193 of file [OnOffFitter.C](#).

```
double MathUtils::OnOffFitter::GetBackground ( unsigned nON,
                                                unsigned nOFF,
                                                double Beta,
                                                double nTheoSig,
                                                double & dBG_dnSig,
                                                double & d2BG_dnSig2
                                                )        [static]
```

Computes the optimal number of background events in a bin.

This is the value which maximizes the likelihood, nTheoSig remaining constant. It's the solution of a second order equation. Computes also the derivative of this number against the theoretic number of signal events

#### Parameters:

- nON**        Number of ON events
- nOFF**        Number of OFF events
- Beta**         Livetime normalisation between ON and OFF
- nTheoSig**    Theoric number of signal events in bin
- dBG\_dnSig**    returned derivative
- d2BG\_dnSig2** returned second derivative

Definition at line 242 of file [OnOffFitter.C](#).

```
double MathUtils::OnOffFitter::GetLogLikelihood ( unsigned nON,
                                                    unsigned nOFF,
                                                    double Beta,
                                                    double nTheoSig,
```

```

        double & dLdSig,
        double & d2L_dSig2
    ) [static]

```

Computes the positive log-Likelihood for one bin and its derivatives against theoretic signal.

**Parameters:**

**nON** Number of ON events  
**nOFF** Number of OFF events  
**Beta** Livetime normalisation between ON and OFF  
**nTheoSig** Theoretic number of signal events in bin  
[out] **dLdSig** Likelihood derivative against excess  
[out] **d2L\_dSig2** Likelihood second derivative against excess

Definition at line 339 of file [OnOffFitter.C](#).

```

double MathUtils::OnOffFitter::GetLogLikelihood ( unsigned nON,
                                                unsigned nOFF,
                                                double Beta,
                                                double nTheoSig
    ) [static]

```

Computes the positive log-Likelihood for one bin.

The likelihood is minimized against the number of background events **B** using [MathUtils::OnOffFitter::GetBackground](#), and the likelihood for optimal number of events is subtracted.

The likelihood reads:

$$\mathcal{L} = [N_{ON} \times \log(n_{\gamma} + \beta n_b) - (n_{\gamma} + \beta n_b) + N_{OFF} \times \log n_b - n_b] - [N_{ON} \times \log(N_{ON}) + N_{OFF} \times \log(N_{OFF}) - (N_{ON} + N_{OFF})]$$

**Parameters:**

**nON** Number of ON events  
**nOFF** Number of OFF events  
**Beta** Livetime normalisation between ON and OFF  
**nTheoSig** Theoretic number of signal events in bin

Definition at line 297 of file [OnOffFitter.C](#).

```

double MathUtils::OnOffFitter::GetLogLikelihoodBck ( unsigned nON,
                                                    double nTheoSig,
                                                    double & dLdSig,
                                                    double & d2L_dSig2
    ) [static]

```

Computes the positive log-Likelihood for one bin and its derivatives against theoretic signal.

**Parameters:**

**nON** Number of ON events  
**nTheoSig** Theoretic number of signal events in bin  
[out] **dLdSig** Likelihood derivative against excess  
[out] **d2L\_dSig2** Likelihood second derivative against excess

Definition at line 437 of file [OnOffFitter.C](#).

```

Double_t MathUtils::OnOffFitter::LevenbergMarquardt ( const MathUtils::OnOffFuncBase & func,
                                                    TVectorD & Param,
                                                    const TVectorD & Min,
                                                    const TVectorD & Max,
                                                    TMatrixD & ErrorMatrix,
                                                    bool Verbose = true,
                                                    Float_t Precision = 1e-4
                                                    ) [static]

```

### Levenberg & Marquardt minimization

#### Parameters:

	<b>func</b>	LogLikelihood function to be used.
[in, out]	<b>Param</b>	(initial and returned) fit parameters
	<b>Min</b>	minimum value of parameter
	<b>Max</b>	minimum value of parameter
[out]	<b>ErrorMatrix</b>	returned covariance matrix multiplied by 2 ( - 2 log L is equivalent to a chisquare, not log L)
	<b>Verbose</b>	verbosity level
	<b>Precision</b>	convergence criteria

To fix one parameter, just use Min = Max

#### Returns:

LogLikelihood at minimum

Definition at line 462 of file [OnOffFitter.C](#).

References [MathUtils::LinearAlgebra::GaussJordan\(\)](#).

```

Double_t MathUtils::OnOffFitter::LevenbergMarquardt ( const MathUtils::OnOffFuncBase & func,
                                                    TVectorD & Param,
                                                    const TVectorD & Min,
                                                    const TVectorD & Max,
                                                    TMatrixD & ErrorMatrix,
                                                    const TVectorD & Scaling,
                                                    bool Verbose = true,
                                                    Float_t Precision = 1e-4
                                                    ) [static]

```

### Levenberg & Marquardt minimization

#### Parameters:

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[out]	<b>ErrorMatrix</b>	returned covariance matrix multiplied by 2 ( - 2 log L is equivalent to a chisquare, not log L)
	<b>Scaling</b>	Scaling factor for each parameter, to have a covariance matrix with number close to 1
	<b>Verbose</b>	verbosity level
	<b>Precision</b>	convergence criteria

To fix one parameter, just use Min = Max

#### Returns:

LogLikelihood at minimum

Definition at line 644 of file [OnOffFitter.C](#).

References [MathUtils::LinearAlgebra::GaussJordan\(\)](#).

```

Double_t MathUtils::OnOffFitter::ScanErrorDown ( const MathUtils::OnOffFuncBase & func,
                                                TVectorD & values,
                                                UInt_t index,
                                                Double_t starterror,
                                                Double_t Offset = 1
                                                ) [static]

```

Scan parameter space to estimate uncertainties on a parameter, until the likelihood varies by 0.5.

**Parameters:**

**func** LogLikelihood function to be used.  
**values** Best-fit value of parameters  
**index** Index of variable to be scanned in parameter array  
**starterror** Initial best guess of uncertainty (to be estimated from Covariance matrix)  
**Offset** Offset on  $2 \times \mathcal{L}$ . Should be 1 for  $1\sigma$  uncertainty

**Returns:**

lower uncertainty

Definition at line 946 of file [OnOffFitter.C](#).

```

Double_t MathUtils::OnOffFitter::ScanErrorUp ( const MathUtils::OnOffFuncBase & func,
                                                TVectorD & values,
                                                UInt_t index,
                                                Double_t starterror,
                                                Double_t Offset = 1
                                                ) [static]

```

Scan parameter space to estimate uncertainties on a parameter, until the likelihood varies by a given offset.

**Parameters:**

**func** LogLikelihood function to be used.  
**values** Best-fit value of parameters  
**index** Index of variable to be scanned in parameter array  
**starterror** Initial best guess of uncertainty (to be estimated from Covariance matrix)  
**Offset** Offset on  $2 \times \mathcal{L}$ . Should be 1 for  $1\sigma$  uncertainty

**Returns:**

upper uncertainty

Definition at line 894 of file [OnOffFitter.C](#).

The documentation for this class was generated from the following files:

- [OnOffFitter.hh](#)
- [OnOffFitter.C](#)