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 AHELP for CIAO 3.4

# sherpa.regproj

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## Synopsis

Configure REGION–PROJECTION in Sherpa.

## Syntax

```
sherpa.regproj.[field]
```

## Description

The Sherpa configuration variable (also called "state object") `sherpa.regproj` contains settings of REGION–PROJECTION for creating a contour plot of confidence regions using the PROJECTION algorithm in Sherpa. See ahelp REGION–PROJECTION for more details.

The following table lists each field of `sherpa.regproj`, with a description and the default value:

| Field Name | Description  | Default |
|------------|--|---------|
| fast       | Use levenberg–marquardt (or simplex if using Cash) in place of current optimization method (0 = false, 1 = true) | 1       |
| expfac     | Relative size of the plot if the grid limits are determined automatically  | 3       |
| arange     | Whether the grid limits are to be determined automatically (0 = false, 1 = true)                                 | 1       |
| min        | Minimum x, y values if plot limits set manually  | [0,0]   |
| max        | Maximum x, y values if plot limits set manually  | [0,0]   |
| log        | Use log scale for plot axes (0 = false, 1 = true)  | [0,0]   |
| nloop      | Number of grid points for each axis  | [10,10] |
| sigma      | Number of sigma for each countour (e.g., [1,2,3] corresponds to contours of 1, 2 and 3 sigma)                    | [1,2,3] |

## Example 1

Set the method to LEVENBERG–MARQUARDT and grid limits for both parameter, e.g. the limits for the plot axis, and finally set the contour levels to 2, 4 and 6 sigma.

```
sherpa> sherpa.regproj.fast = 1
sherpa> sherpa.regproj.min=[0.1,1.5]
sherpa> sherpa.regproj.max=[1.,2.5]
sherpa> sherpa.regproj.sigma = [2,4,6]
```

## Example 2

List the current and default values of the sherpa.regproj and restore the default values:

```
sherpa> sherpa.regproj.log = [1,1]
sherpa> sherpa.regproj.sigma = [1,3,5]
sherpa> list_regproj
```

| Parameter | Current | Default | Description                       |
|-----------|---------|---------|-----------------------------------|
| fast      | 1       | 1       | Switch to LM/simplex: 0(n)/1(y)   |
| expfac    | 3       | 3       | Expansion factor for grid         |
| arange    | 0       | 1       | Auto-range: 0(n)/1(y)             |
| min       | [0,0]   | [0,0]   | Minimum values, each axis         |
| max       | [0,0]   | [0,0]   | Maximum values, each axis         |
| log       | [1,1]   | [0,0]   | Log-spacing: 0(n)/1(y), each axis |
| nloop     | [10,10] | [10,10] | Number of grid points, each axis  |
| sigma     | [1,3,5] | [1,2,3] | Number of sigma, each contour     |

```
sherpa> restore_regproj

sherpa> list_regproj
```

| Parameter | Current | Default | Description                       |
|-----------|---------|---------|-----------------------------------|
| fast      | 1       | 1       | Switch to LM/simplex: 0(n)/1(y)   |
| expfac    | 3       | 3       | Expansion factor for grid         |
| arange    | 1       | 1       | Auto-range: 0(n)/1(y)             |
| min       | [0,0]   | [0,0]   | Minimum values, each axis         |
| max       | [0,0]   | [0,0]   | Maximum values, each axis         |
| log       | [0,0]   | [0,0]   | Log-spacing: 0(n)/1(y), each axis |
| nloop     | [10,10] | [10,10] | Number of grid points, each axis  |
| sigma     | [1,2,3] | [1,2,3] | Number of sigma, each contour     |

## Example 3

Create alias sr for sherpa.regproj and use it:

```
sherpa> variable sr = sherpa.regproj
sherpa> sr.fast = 0
sherpa> sr.sigma = [1,1.6,2.6]
```

## Bugs

See the [Sherpa bug pages](#) online for an up-to-date listing of known bugs.

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