

# Using the RLS Macro

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## RLSmacro

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A submenu will pop up with selections for which Add-ins to activate using the Check boxes. Click OK. This procedure activates the Add-in.

Now you are ready to run the Macro.

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**To run the macro:**

- Step 1 Go to View Toolbars and make sure the Visual Basic toolbar is visible
- 2 Make sure a range with 1, 2 or 3 contiguous columns is selected (numbers only)
- 3 Click the blue triangular "arrow" icon on the Visual Basic toolbar
- 4 On the pop up menu select **RLSmacro** and run

If you want to run the macro on data in a different workbook, just make sure this .xls file is open too (or export the macro)

For further information on how to install, export or import macros, make buttons etc. see **Excel for Chemists by J.Billo**

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Add-Ins available:

- Analysis ToolPak
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- Euro Currency Tools
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Provides data analysis tools for statistical and engineering analysis

What does the macro do:

in the 2D case

- 1 A new worksheet is created for all the output, it is named RLS(2D)#. The index # increases every time you rerun the macro
- 2 The first pop up menu asks for the confidence level (99 or 99.9 are recommended)
- 3 The 2nd pop up menu asks whether the model is  $Y = mX + b$  or :  $Y = mX$  (no intercept)
- 4 The 3rd pop up suggests a maximum number of lines to be considered. If the macro is too slow you can reduce this number.
- 5 The macro picks two points of the set and draws a line through them
- 6 It calculates the (squared) residuals from this line
- 7 It calculates the median of all squared residuals for this line
- 8 It moves on to the next data pair to repeat steps 5-7
- 9 After all lines (up to the maximum) have been examined, the one with the Lowest Median Square residual is selected. This is the LMS line
- 10 A robust value for sigma is calculated from  $1.483 \cdot (1 + 5/n) \cdot [\text{root median square residual}] = R_{\text{medSE}}$
- 11 All residuals are studentized using the robust value for sigma as a denominator
- 12 All points for which the absolute studentized residual is too big (larger than t-critical) are rejected (Marked in red)
- 13 The LINEST function is used to perform a (Reweighted) Least Squares regression on the remaining points
- 14 The LMS and the RLS fit and the studentized RLS residuals are calculated using the (reweighted) standard error of the estimate (RRMSE)

#### Output

[A column: X values], [B column Y-values], [C: LMS fit], [D: RLS fit], [E: RLS residuals], [F, LMS residuals] (both E and F studentized)

G1:I2: LMS slope and intercept and the RMedSE (Root median square error)

H4:I9 : LINEST output for Reweighted LS regression, incl. standard error of estimate, RRMSE: Reweighted root mean square error

The columns K,L,M,N contain the same information as A,B,C,F but sorted by the latter

(The columns P to S are not important, they are intermediary results in search for the best line)

#### Graphs

The first graph shows the data and both the LMS and RLS line fit

The second graph shows the studentized LMS and RLS residuals.

The data in the yellow box should be considered the **final results (in the format of the =LINEST function)**

The second row of the block contains the standard errors of the first row and should be used for rounding purposes

#### WARNING:

This software is not suitable for excessively large data sets. Required computer resources scale roughly as  $N^2$  for 2D and  $N^3$  for 3D

Please look at the internal Documentation to understand The macro. It does the whole Job:

1. Robust fitting
2. Eliminate outliers
3. Linear Least Squares
4. Plotting of data
5. Reporting errors

Caveats

How to run macro

Explanation (2D) or (3D)

Explanation (1D)

Sample data



fx 1

Try this 1D example		Try this 2D example		Try this 3D example			Try this parabolic example		
x-value	x value	y value	x <sub>1</sub> -value	x <sub>2</sub> -value	y-value	x-value	x <sup>2</sup> value	y-value	
6.41	1	35.0321	1	80	42	1	1	15	
7.4	2	4.828157	2	80	37	2	4	2.549485	
7.39	3	3.964325	3	75	37	3	9	3.100704	
6.89	4	13.987	4	62	28	4	16	3.395578	
7.8	5	13.123	5	62	18	5	25	3.561249	
7.58	6	7.18092	6	62	18	6	36	3.469572	
7.12	7	9.334665	7	62	19	7	49	3.117056	
8.05	8	10.24184	8	62	20	8	64	2.565289	
8.44	9	10.52733	9	58	15	9	81	1.929964	
8.17	10	11.03855	10	58	14	9	81	1.98661	
6.38	11	12.37946	11	58	14	9	81	1.87803	
6.82	12	14.50043	12	58	13	9	81	2.045759	
12.45	13	15.14166	13	58	11	10	100	0.945925	
7.15	14	14.45154	14	58	12	11	121	-0.09104	
7.27	15	16.29562	15	50	8	11	121	9	
6.53	16	17.43888	16	50	7	11	121	-0.16026	
7.54	17	19.06823	17	50	8	12	144	-1.32283	
6.91	18	17.99176	18	50	8	13	169	-2.81679	
39.14	19	19.00871	19	50	9	14	196	-4.52519	
3.75	20	21.32343	20	56	15	15	225	-6.33759	
	21	22.57268	21	70	15	16	256	-8.67794	
	22	23.23492				16	256	-8.44526	
	23	24.09326				16	256	-8.60122	
	24	2.0124				16	256	12	
	25	0.00329				17	289	-10.8279	

The ranges must be contiguous

Just select one of the grey ranges and run the macro!  
OR select part of it and run again

Select data. Here I have selected the sample data. You can select any data on any page (even in a different spreadsheet). Just make sure that the RLS Excel sheet is open since it contains the Macro (see next slide).

Warning: the 1D module takes no more than 1000 points  
The 2D and 3D modules can take any number but they get slow for large N.

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**View Macros (Alt+F8)**  
 See a list of macros you can work with.  
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x-value	x value	y value
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2	80	37
3	75	37
4	62	28
5	62	18
6	62	18
7	62	19
8	62	20
9	58	15
10	58	14
11	58	14
12	58	13
13	58	11
14	58	12
15	50	8
16	50	7
17	50	8
18	50	8
19	50	9
20	56	15
21	70	15

x-value	x <sup>+</sup> value	y-value
1	1	15
2	4	2.549485
3	9	3.100704
4	16	3.395578
5	25	3.561249
6	36	3.469572
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 View/Macro

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		22	23.23492						
		23	24.09326						
		24	2.0124						
		25	0.00329						

Once you have viewed the macro in the window (shown below) you can select it. Then click Run.

**Macro** ? X

Macro name:

RLSmacro

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Run

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Macros in: All Open Workbooks

Description

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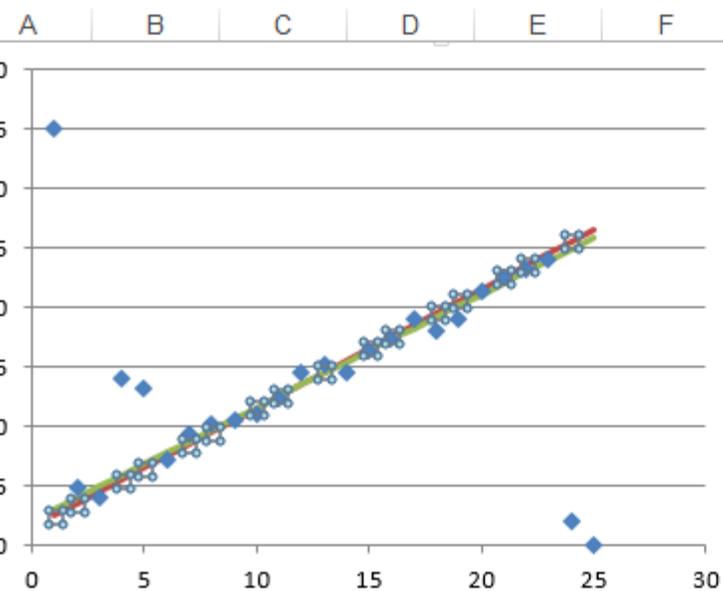
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Cancel

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**Pay attention to the appearance of several questions. These may be on another spreadsheet since the Macro automatically creates a new sheet. You may accept the defaults. Just click OK for each of the parameters.**

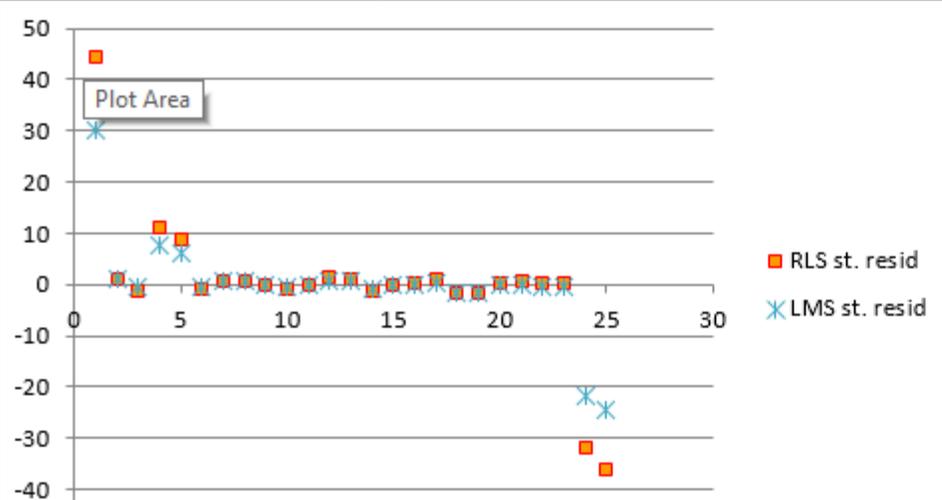
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18	17.99176	19.56134	19.19228	-1.67321	-1.45087
19	19.00871	20.56512	20.14153	-1.57884	-1.43869
20	21.32343	21.5689	21.09078	0.324258	-0.2269
21	22.57268	22.57268	22.04002	0.742377	0
22	23.23492	23.57646	22.98927	0.342364	-0.31571
23	24.09326	24.58024	23.93852	0.215675	-0.45014
24	2.0124	25.58401	24.88776	-31.8821	-21.7888
25	0.00329	26.58779	25.83701	-36.0053	-24.5738

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19	19.00871	20.56512	-1.43869	82.75347	-5.47728	40.50938	4
14	14.45154	15.54622	-1.01189	56.87783	-4.28291	39.31501	6
3	3.964325	4.504649	-0.49946	45.96255	-3.54147	38.57357	7
10	11.03855	11.5311	-0.4553	43.59456	-3.0631	38.0952	8
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17	19.06823	18.55756	0.472044	1.172559	0.90228	3.023597	30



The output appears on a separate spreadsheet.