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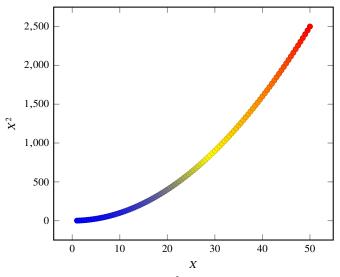


Figure 1: A very basic X^2 plot for demonstration.

Figure 2 is another demonstration of showing images (datasets) using PGFPlots. It shows a small crop of an image from the Wide-Field Planetary Camera 2, on board the Hubble Space Telescope from 1993 to 2009. This cropped image is one of the sample FITS files from the FITS file standard webpage³. Just as another basic reporting of measurements on this dataset within the paper without using numbers in the LATEX source, the mean is 5.12 and the median is 0.86. The skewness in the histogram of Figure 2(b) explains this difference between the mean and median. The dataset was prepared for demonstration here with Gnuastro's ConvertType program and the histogram and basic statstics were generated with Gnuastro's Statistics program.

PGFPlots⁴ is a great tool to build the plots within LATEX and

³ https://fits.gsfc.nasa.gov/fits_samples.html

⁴ https://ctan.org/pkg/pgfplots

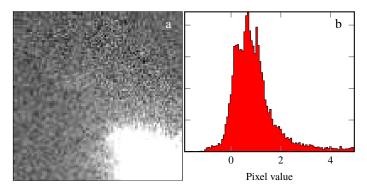


Figure 2: (a) An example image of the Wide-Field Planetary Camera 2, on board the Hubble Space Telescope from 1993 to 2009. This is one of the sample images from the FITS standard webpage, kept as examples for this file format. (b) Histogram of pixel values in (a).

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