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AdaptpCR	<i>Adapts pCR values</i>
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Description

Adapts pCR values

Usage

AdaptpCR(CR, delta, lCR, settings, Npop)

Arguments

CR	Vector of crossover probabilities. Needs to be of length nCR.
delta	vector with differences
lCR	values to weight delta
settings	settings list
Npop	number of chains.

Value

Matrix with CR values

AM	<i>The Adaptive Metropolis Algorithm</i>
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Description

The Adaptive Metropolis Algorithm (Haario et al. 2001)

Usage

AM(startValue = NULL, iterations = 10000, nBI = 0, parmin = NULL, parmax = NULL, FUN, f = 1, eps = 0)

Arguments

startValue	vector with the start values for the algorithm. Can be NULL if FUN is of class BayesianSetup. In this case startValues are sampled from the prior.
iterations	iterations to run
nBI	number of burnin
parmin	minimum values for the parameter vector or NULL if FUN is of class BayesianSetup
parmax	maximum values for the parameter vector or NULL if FUN is of class BayesianSetup
FUN	function to be sampled from or object of class bayesianSetup
f	scaling factor
eps	small number to avoid singularity

References

Haario, Heikki, Eero Saksman, and Johanna Tamminen. "An adaptive Metropolis algorithm." *Bernoulli* (2001): 223-242.

applySettingsDefault *Provides the default settings for the different samplers in runMCMC*

Description

Provides the default settings for the different samplers in runMCMC

Usage

```
applySettingsDefault(settings = NULL, sampler = "DEzs", check = FALSE)
```

Arguments

settings	optional list with parameters that will be used instead of the defaults
sampler	one of the samplers in runMCMC
check	logical determines whether parameters should be checked for consistency

Details

see [runMCMC](#)

BayesianTools *BayesianTools*

Description

A package with general-purpose MCMC and SMC samplers, as well as plots and diagnostic functions for Bayesian statistics

Details

A package with general-purpose MCMC and SMC samplers, as well as plots and diagnostic functions for Bayesian statistics, particularly for process-based models.

The package contains 2 central functions, [createBayesianSetup](#), which creates a standardized Bayesian setup with likelihood and priors, and [runMCMC](#), which allows to run various MCMC and SMC samplers.

The package can of course also be used for general (non-Bayesian) target functions.

To use the package, a first step to use [createBayesianSetup](#) to create a BayesianSetup, which usually contains prior and likelihood densities, or in general a target function.

Those can be sampled with `runMCMC`, which can call a number of general purpose Metropolis sampler, including the `Metropolis` that allows to specify various popular Metropolis variants such as adaptive and/or delayed rejection Metropolis; two variants of differential evolution MCMC `DE`, `DEzs`, two variants of DREAM `DREAM` and `DREAMzs`, the `Twalk` MCMC, and a Sequential Monte Carlo sampler `smcSampler`.

The output of `runMCMC` is of class `mcmcSampler` / `smcSampler` if one run is performed, or `mcmcSamplerList` / `smcSamplerList` if several sampler are run. Various functions are available for plotting, model comparison (DIC, marginal likelihood), or to use the output as a new prior.

For details on how to use the package, run `vignette("BayesianTools", package="BayesianTools")`.

Acknowledgements: The creation of this package was facilitated through meetings of Cost Action FP 1304 Profound.

<code>betaFun</code>	<i>Helper function for calculating beta</i>
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Description

Helper function for calculating beta

Usage

```
betaFun(at)
```

Arguments

`at` "traverse" move proposal parameter.

<code>checkBayesianSetup</code>	<i>Checks if an object is of class 'BayesianSetup'</i>
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Description

Function used to assure that an object is of class `'BayesianSetup'`. If you pass a function, it is converted to an object of class `'BayesianSetup'` (using `createBayesianSetup`) before it is returned.

Usage

```
checkBayesianSetup(bayesianSetup, parallel = F)
```

Arguments

`bayesianSetup` either object of class `bayesianSetup` or a log posterior function

`parallel` if `bayesianSetup` is a function, this will set the parallelization option for the class `BayesianSetup` that is created internally. If `bayesianSetup` is already a `BayesianSetup`, then this will check if `parallel = T` is requested but not supported by the `BayesianSetup`. This option is for internal use in the samplers

Note

The recommended option to use this function in the samplers is to have parallel with default NULL in the samplers, so that checkBayesianSetup with a function will create a bayesianSetup without parallelization, while it will do nothing with an existing BayesianSetup. If the user sets parallelization, it will set the appropriate parallelization for a function, and check in case of an existing BayesianSetup. The checkBayesianSetup call in the samplers should then be followed by a check for parallel = NULL in sampler, in which case parallel can be set from the BayesianSetup

See Also

[createBayesianSetup](#)

combineChains	<i>Function to combine chains</i>
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Description

Function to combine chains

Usage

```
combineChains(x, merge = T)
```

Arguments

x	chains
merge	logical determines whether chains should be merged

Value

combined chains

convertCoda	<i>Convert coda::mcmc objects to BayesianTools::mcmcSampler</i>
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Description

Function is used to make the plot and diagnostic functions available for coda::mcmc objects

Usage

```
convertCoda(sampler, names = NULL, info = NULL, likelihood = NULL)
```

Arguments

sampler	An object of class mcmc or mcmc.list
names	vector giving the parameter names (optional)
info	matrix (or list with matrices for mcmc.list objects) with three columns containing log posterior, log likelihood and log prior of the sampler for each time step (optional; but see Details)
likelihood	likelihood function used in the sampling (see Details)

Details

The parameter 'likelihood' is optional for most functions but can be needed e.g for using the [DIC](#) function.

Also the parameter info is optional for most uses. However for some functions (e.g. [MAP](#)) the matrix or single columns (e.g. log posterior) are necessary for the diagnostics.

correlationPlot	<i>Flexible function to create correlation density plots</i>
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Description

Flexible function to create correlation density plots

Usage

```
correlationPlot(mat, density = "smooth", thin = "auto",
  method = "pearson", whichParameters = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

mat	object of class "bayesianOutput" or a matrix or data frame of variables
density	type of plot to do. Either "smooth" (default), "corellipseCor", or "ellipse"
thin	thinning of the matrix to make things faster. Default is to thin to 5000
method	method for calculating correlations. Possible choices are "pearson" (default), "kendall" and "spearman"
whichParameters	indices of parameters that should be plotted
...	additional parameters to pass on to the getSample , for example parametersOnly =F, or start = 1000

Author(s)

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References

The code for the correlation density plot originates from Hartig, F.; Dislich, C.; Wiegand, T. & Huth, A. (2014) Technical Note: Approximate Bayesian parameterization of a process-based tropical forest model. *Biogeosciences*, 11, 1261-1272.

See Also

[marginalPlot](#)
[plotTimeSeries](#)
[tracePlot](#)

Examples

```
dat = generateTestDensityMultiNormal(n = 100000, sample = TRUE)
correlationPlot(dat(100000))
```

`createBayesianSetup` *Creates a standardized collection of prior, likelihood and posterior functions, including error checks etc.*

Description

Creates a standardized collection of prior, likelihood and posterior functions, including error checks etc.

Usage

```
createBayesianSetup(likelihood, prior = NULL, priorSampler = NULL,
  parallel = FALSE, lower = NULL, upper = NULL, best = NULL,
  names = NULL, parallelOptions = list(variables = "all", packages = "all",
  dlls = NULL), catchDuplicates = FALSE)
```

Arguments

<code>likelihood</code>	log likelihood density function
<code>prior</code>	log prior density
<code>priorSampler</code>	prior sampling function
<code>parallel</code>	parallelization option. Default is F. Other options are T, or "external". See details.
<code>lower</code>	vector with lower prior limits
<code>upper</code>	vector with upper prior limits
<code>best</code>	vector with best values
<code>names</code>	optional vector with parameter names

parallelOptions

list containing three lists. First "packages" determines the R packages necessary to run the likelihood function. Second "variables" the objects in the global environment needed to run the likelihood function and third "dlls" the DLLs needed to run the likelihood function (see Details and Examples).

catchDuplicates

Logical, determines whether unique parameter combinations should only be evaluated once. Only used when the likelihood accepts a matrix with parameter as columns.

Details

For parallelization, option T means that an automatic parallelization via R is attempted, or "external", in which case it is assumed that the likelihood is already parallelized. In this case it needs to accept a matrix with parameters as columns. Further you can specify the packages, objects and DLLs that are exported to the cluster. By default a copy of your workspace is exported. However, depending on your workspace this can be very inefficient.

For more details, make sure to read the vignette (run vignette("BayesianTools", package="BayesianTools")

See Also

[checkBayesianSetup](#)
[createLikelihood](#)
[createPrior](#)

Examples

```
ll <- function(x) sum(dnorm(x, log = TRUE))

test <- createBayesianSetup(ll, prior = NULL, priorSampler = NULL, lower = -10, upper = 10)
str(test)
test$prior$density(0)

test$likelihood$density(c(1,1))
test$likelihood$density(1)
test$posterior$density(1)
test$posterior$density(1, returnAll = TRUE)

test$likelihood$density(matrix(rep(1,4), nrow = 2))
#test$posterior$density(matrix(rep(1,4), nrow = 2), returnAll = TRUE)
test$likelihood$density(matrix(rep(1,4), nrow = 4))

## Example of how to use parallelization using the VSEM model
# Note that the parallelization produces overhead and is not always
# speeding things up. In this example, due to the small
# computational cost of the VSEM the parallelization is
# most likely to reduce the speed of the sampler.
```

```

# Creating reference data
PAR <- VSEMcreatePAR(1:1000)
refPars <- VSEMgetDefaults()
refPars[12,] <- c(0.2, 0.001, 1)
rownames(refPars)[12] <- "error-sd"

referenceData <- VSEM(refPars$best[1:11], PAR)
obs = apply(referenceData, 2, function(x) x + rnorm(length(x),
                                                    sd = abs(x) * refPars$best[12]))

# Selecting parameters
parSel = c(1:6, 12)

## Building the likelihood function
likelihood <- function(x, sum = TRUE){
  parSel = c(1:6, 12)
  x = createMixWithDefaults(x, refPars$best, parSel)
  predicted <- VSEM(x[1:11], PAR)
  diff = c(predicted[,1:3] - obs[,1:3])
  llValues = dnorm(diff, sd = max(abs(c(predicted[,1:3])),0.0001) * x[12], log = TRUE)
  if (sum == F) return(llValues)
  else return(sum(llValues))
}

# Prior
prior <- createUniformPrior(lower = refPars$lower[parSel], upper = refPars$upper[parSel])

####
## Definition of the packages and objects that are exported to the cluster.
# These are the objects that are used in the likelihood function.
opts <- list(packages = list("BayesianTools"), variables = list("refPars", "obs", "PAR" ),
            dlls = NULL)

# Create Bayesian Setup
BSVSEM <- createBayesianSetup(likelihood, prior, best = refPars$best[parSel],
                             names = rownames(refPars)[parSel], parallel = 2,
                             parallelOptions = opts)

## The bayesianSetup can now be used in the runMCMC function.
# Note that not all samplers can make use of parallel
# computing.

# Remove the Bayesian Setup and close the cluster
stopParallel(BSVSEM)
rm(BSVSEM)

```

Description

Convenience function to create a beta prior

Usage

```
createBetaPrior(a, b, lower = 0, upper = 1)
```

Arguments

a	shape1 of the beta distribution
b	shape2 of the beta distribution
lower	lower values for the parameters
upper	upper values for the parameters

Details

This creates a beta prior, assuming that lower / upper values for parameters are fixed. The beta is the calculated relative to this lower / upper space.

Note

for details see [createPrior](#)

See Also

[createPriorDensity](#)
[createPrior](#)
[createTruncatedNormalPrior](#)
[createUniformPrior](#)
[createBayesianSetup](#)

createLikelihood	<i>Creates a standardized likelihood class</i>
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Description

Creates a standardized likelihood class

Usage

```
createLikelihood(likelihood, names = NULL, parallel = F,  
  catchDuplicates = T, sampler = NULL, parallelOptions = NULL)
```

Arguments

likelihood	Log likelihood density
names	Parameter names (optional)
parallel	parallelization , either i) no parallelization -> F, ii) native R parallelization -> T / "auto" will select n-1 of your available cores, or provide a number for how many cores to use, or iii) external parallelization -> "external". External means that the likelihood is already able to execute parallel runs in form of a matrix with
catchDuplicates	Logical, determines whether unique parameter combinations should only be evaluated once. Only used when the likelihood accepts a matrix with parameter as columns.
sampler	sampler
parallelOptions	list containing two lists. First "packages" determines the R packages necessary to run the likelihood function. Second "objects" the objects in the global environment needed to run the likelihood function (for details see createBayesianSetup).

See Also

[likelihoodIidNormal](#)
[likelihoodAR1](#)

`createMcmcSamplerList` *Convenience function to create an object of class `mcmcSamplerList` from a list of mcmc samplers*

Description

Convenience function to create an object of class `mcmcSamplerList` from a list of mcmc samplers

Usage

```
createMcmcSamplerList(mcmcList)
```

Arguments

`mcmcList` a list with each object being an `mcmcSampler`

Value

Object of class "`mcmcSamplerList`"

`createMixWithDefaults` *Allows to mix a given parameter vector with a default parameter vector*

Description

Allows to mix a given parameter vector with a default parameter vector

Usage

```
createMixWithDefaults(pars, defaults, locations)
```

Arguments

<code>pars</code>	vector with new parameter values
<code>defaults</code>	vector with default parameter values
<code>locations</code>	indices of the new parameter values

`createPosterior` *Creates a standardized posterior class*

Description

Creates a standardized posterior class

Usage

```
createPosterior(prior, likelihood)
```

Arguments

<code>prior</code>	prior class
<code>likelihood</code>	Log likelihood density

Details

Function is internally used in [createBayesianSetup](#) to create a standardized posterior class.

createPrior	<i>Creates a standardized prior class</i>
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Description

Creates a standardized prior class

Usage

```
createPrior(density = NULL, sampler = NULL, lower = NULL, upper = NULL,  
            best = NULL)
```

Arguments

density	Prior density
sampler	Sampling function for density (optional)
lower	vector with lower bounds of parameters
upper	vector with upper bounds of parameter
best	vector with "best" parameter values

Details

This is the general prior generator. It is highly recommended to not only implement the density, but also the sampler function. If this is not done, the user will have to provide explicit starting values for many of the MCMC samplers. Note the existing, more specialized prior function. If your prior can be created by those, they are preferred. Note also that priors can be created from an existing MCMC output from BT, or another MCMC sample, via [createPriorDensity](#).

Note

min and max truncate, but not re-normalize the prior density (so, if a pdf that integrated to one is truncated, the integral will in general be smaller than one). For MCMC sampling, this doesn't make a difference, but if absolute values of the prior density are a concern, one should provide a truncated density function for the prior.

See Also

[createPriorDensity](#)
[createBetaPrior](#)
[createUniformPrior](#)
[createTruncatedNormalPrior](#)
[createBayesianSetup](#)

Examples

```

# Create a general prior distribution by specifying an arbitrary density function and a
# corresponding sampling function
density = function(par){
  d1 = dunif(par[1], -2,6, log =TRUE)
  d2 = dnorm(par[2], mean= 2, sd = 3, log =TRUE)
  return(d1 + d2)
}

# The sampling is optional but recommended because the MCMCs can generate automatic starting
# conditions if this is provided
sampler = function(n=1){
  d1 = runif(n, -2,6)
  d2 = rnorm(n, mean= 2, sd = 3)
  return(cbind(d1,d2))
}

prior <- createPrior(density = density, sampler = sampler,
                    lower = c(-3,-3), upper = c(3,3), best = NULL)

# Use this prior in an MCMC

ll <- function(x) sum(dnorm(x, log = T)) # multivariate normal ll
bayesianSetup <- createBayesianSetup(likelihood = ll, prior = prior)

settings = list(iterations = 1000)
out <- runMCMC(bayesianSetup = bayesianSetup, settings = settings)

# see ?createPriorDensity for how to create a new prior from this output

```

createPriorDensity *Fits a density function to a multivariate sample*

Description

Fits a density function to a multivariate sample

Usage

```

createPriorDensity(sampler, method = "multivariate", eps = 1e-10,
                  lower = NULL, upper = NULL, best = NULL, ...)

```

Arguments

sampler	an object of class BayesianOutput or a matrix
method	method to generate prior - default and currently only option is multivariate
eps	numerical precision to avoid singularity

lower	vector with lower bounds of parameter for the new prior, independent of the input sample
upper	vector with upper bounds of parameter for the new prior, independent of the input sample
best	vector with "best" values of parameter for the new prior, independent of the input sample
...	parameters to pass on to the getSample function

See Also

[createPrior](#)
[createBetaPrior](#)
[createTruncatedNormalPrior](#)
[createUniformPrior](#)
[createBayesianSetup](#)

Examples

```

# Create a BayesianSetup
ll <- generateTestDensityMultiNormal(sigma = "no correlation")
bayesianSetup = createBayesianSetup(likelihood = ll,
                                   lower = rep(-10, 3),
                                   upper = rep(10, 3))

settings = list(iterations = 2500)
out <- runMCMC(bayesianSetup = bayesianSetup, settings = settings)

newPrior = createPriorDensity(out, method = "multivariate",
                              eps = 1e-10, lower = rep(-10, 3),
                              upper = rep(10, 3), best = NULL)

bayesianSetup <- createBayesianSetup(likelihood = ll, prior = newPrior)

settings = list(iterations = 1000)
out <- runMCMC(bayesianSetup = bayesianSetup, settings = settings)

```

createProposalGenerator

Factory that creates a proposal generator

Description

Factory that creates a proposal generator

Usage

```
createProposalGenerator(covariance, gibbsProbabilities = NULL,
  gibbsWeights = NULL, otherDistribution = NULL,
  otherDistributionLocation = NULL, otherDistributionScaled = F,
  message = F, method = "chol", scalingFactor = 2.38)
```

Arguments

covariance	covariance matrix. Can also be vector of the sqrt of diagonal elements → standard deviation
gibbsProbabilities	optional probabilities for the number of parameters to vary in a Metropolis within gibbs style - for 4 parameters, c(1,1,0.5,0) means that at most 3 parameters will be varied, and it is double as likely to vary one or two than varying 3
gibbsWeights	optional probabilities for parameters to be varied in a Metropolis within gibbs style - default is equal weight for all parameters - for 4 parameters, c(1,1,1,100) would mean that if 2 parameters would be selected, parameter 4 would be 100 times more likely to be picked than the others. If 4 is selected, the remaining parameters have equal probability.
otherDistribution	optional additional distribution to be mixed with the default multivariate normal. The distribution needs to accept a parameter vector (to allow for the option of making the distribution dependent on the parameter values), but it is still assumed that the change from the current values is returned, not the new absolute values.
otherDistributionLocation	a vector with 0 and 1, denoting which parameters are modified by the otherDistribution
otherDistributionScaled	should the other distribution be scaled if gibbs updates are calculated?
message	print out parameter settings
method	method for covariance decomposition
scalingFactor	scaling factor for the proposals

Author(s)

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See Also

[updateProposalGenerator](#)

Examples

```
testMatrix = matrix(rep(c(0,0,0,0), 1000), ncol = 4)
testVector = c(0,0,0,0)
```

```
##Standard multivariate normal proposal generator

testGenerator <- createProposalGenerator(covariance = c(1,1,1,1), message = TRUE)

methods(class = "proposalGenerator")
print(testGenerator)

x = testGenerator$returnProposal(testVector)
x

x <- testGenerator$returnProposalMatrix(testMatrix)
boxplot(x)

##Changing the covariance
testGenerator$covariance = diag(rep(100,4))
testGenerator <- testGenerator$updateProposalGenerator(testGenerator, message = TRUE)

testGenerator$returnProposal(testVector)
x <- testGenerator$returnProposalMatrix(testMatrix)
boxplot(x)

##-Changing the gibbs probabilities / probability to modify 1-n parameters

testGenerator$gibbsProbabilities = c(1,1,0,0)
testGenerator <- testGenerator$updateProposalGenerator(testGenerator)

testGenerator$returnProposal(testVector)
x <- testGenerator$returnProposalMatrix(testMatrix)
boxplot(x)

##-Changing the gibbs weights / probability to pick each parameter

testGenerator$gibbsWeights = c(0.3,0.3,0.3,100)
testGenerator <- testGenerator$updateProposalGenerator(testGenerator)

testGenerator$returnProposal(testVector)
x <- testGenerator$returnProposalMatrix(testMatrix)
boxplot(x)

##-Adding another function

otherFunction <- function(x) sample.int(10,1)

testGenerator <- createProposalGenerator(
  covariance = c(1,1,1),
  otherDistribution = otherFunction,
  otherDistributionLocation = c(0,0,0,1),
  otherDistributionScaled = TRUE
```

```

)

testGenerator$returnProposal(testVector)
x <- testGenerator$returnProposalMatrix(testMatrix)
boxplot(x)
table(x[,4])

```

`createSmcSamplerList` *Convenience function to create an object of class `SMCSamplerList` from a list of mcmc samplers*

Description

Convenience function to create an object of class `SMCSamplerList` from a list of mcmc samplers

Usage

```
createSmcSamplerList(...)
```

Arguments

... a list of MCMC samplers

Value

a list of class `smcSamplerList` with each object being an `smcSampler`

`createTruncatedNormalPrior` *Convenience function to create a truncated normal prior*

Description

Convenience function to create a truncated normal prior

Usage

```
createTruncatedNormalPrior(mean, sd, lower, upper)
```

Arguments

<code>mean</code>	best estimate for each parameter
<code>sd</code>	standard deviation
<code>lower</code>	vector of lower prior range for all parameters
<code>upper</code>	vector of upper prior range for all parameters

Note

for details see [createPrior](#)

See Also

[createPriorDensity](#)
[createPrior](#)
[createBetaPrior](#)
[createUniformPrior](#)
[createBayesianSetup](#)

Examples

```
prior <- createTruncatedNormalPrior(c(0,0),c(0.4,5), lower = c(-2,-2), upper = c(1,1))
prior$density(c(2,3))
prior$density(c(0.2,0.9))
prior$sampler()
```

createUniformPrior	<i>Convenience function to create a simple uniform prior distribution</i>
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Description

Convenience function to create a simple uniform prior distribution

Usage

```
createUniformPrior(lower, upper, best = NULL)
```

Arguments

lower	vector of lower prior range for all parameters
upper	vector of upper prior range for all parameters
best	vector with "best" values for all parameters

Note

for details see [createPrior](#)

See Also

[createPriorDensity](#), [createPrior](#), [createBetaPrior](#), [createTruncatedNormalPrior](#), [createBayesianSetup](#)

Examples

```
prior <- createUniformPrior(c(0,0),c(0.4,5))
prior$density(c(2,3))
prior$density(c(0.2,2))
```

DE *Differential-Evolution MCMC*

Description

Differential-Evolution MCMC

Usage

```
DE(bayesianSetup, settings = list(startValue = NULL, iterations = 10000, f =
  -2.38, burnin = 0, thin = 1, eps = 0, consoleUpdates = 100, blockUpdate =
  list("none", k = NULL, h = NULL, pSel = NULL, pGroup = NULL, groupStart =
  1000, groupIntervall = 1000), currentChain = 1, message = TRUE))
```

Arguments

bayesianSetup	a BayesianSetup with the posterior density function to be sampled from
settings	list with parameter settings
startValue	(optional) either a matrix with start population, a number to define the number of chains that are run or a function that samples a starting population.
iterations	number of function evaluations.
burnin	number of iterations treated as burn-in. These iterations are not recorded in the chain.
thin	thinning parameter. Determines the interval in which values are recorded.
f	scaling factor gamma
eps	small number to avoid singularity
blockUpdate	list determining whether parameters should be updated in blocks. For possible settings see Details.
message	logical determines whether the sampler's progress should be printed

Details

For blockUpdate the first element in the list determines the type of blocking. Possible choices are

- "none" (default), no blocking of parameters
- "correlation" blocking based on correlation of parameters. Using h or k (see below)
- "random" random blocking. Using k (see below)
- "user" user defined groups. Using groups (see below)

Further seven parameters can be specified. "k" determined the number of groups, "h" the strength of the correlation used to group parameter and "groups" is used for user defined groups. "groups" is a vector containing the group number for each parameter. E.g. for three parameters with the first two in one group, "groups" would be c(1,1,2). Further pSel and pGroup can be used to influence the choice of groups. In the sampling process a number of groups is randomly drawn and updated.

pSel is a vector containing relative probabilities for an update of the respective number of groups. E.g. for always updating only one group pSel = 1. For updating one or two groups with the same probability pSel = c(1,1). By default all numbers have the same probability. The same principle is used in pGroup. Here the user can influence the probability of each group to be updated. By default all groups have the same probability. Finally "groupStart" defines the starting point of the groupUpdate and "groupIntervall" the intervall in which the groups are evaluated.

References

Braak, Cajo JF Ter. "A Markov Chain Monte Carlo version of the genetic algorithm Differential Evolution: easy Bayesian computing for real parameter spaces." *Statistics and Computing* 16.3 (2006): 239-249.

See Also

[DEzs](#)

DEzs

Differential-Evolution MCMC zs

Description

Differential-Evolution MCMC zs

Usage

```
DEzs(bayesianSetup, settings = list(iterations = 10000, Z = NULL, startValue =
  NULL, pSnooker = 0.1, burnin = 0, thin = 1, f = 2.38, eps = 0, parallel =
  NULL, pGamma1 = 0.1, eps.mult = 0.2, eps.add = 0, consoleUpdates = 100,
  zUpdateFrequency = 1, currentChain = 1, blockUpdate = list("none", k = NULL, h
  = NULL, pSel = NULL, pGroup = NULL, groupStart = 1000, groupIntervall = 1000),
  message = TRUE))
```

Arguments

bayesianSetup	a BayesianSetup with the posterior density function to be sampled from
settings	list with parameter settings
startValue	(optional) either a matrix with start population, a number to define the number of chains that are run or a function that samples a starting population.
Z	starting Z population
iterations	iterations to run
pSnooker	probability of Snooker update
burnin	number of iterations treated as burn-in. These iterations are not recorded in the chain.
thin	thinning parameter. Determines the interval in which values are recorded.

eps	small number to avoid singularity
f	scaling factor gamma
parallel	logical, determines whether parallel computing should be attempted (see details)
pGamma1	probability determining the frequency with which the scaling is set to 1 (allows jumps between modes)
eps.mult	random term (multiplicative error)
eps.add	random term
blockUpdate	list determining whether parameters should be updated in blocks. For possible settings see Details.
message	logical determines whether the sampler's progress should be printed

Details

For parallel computing FUN needs to take a matrix of proposals

For blockUpdate the first element in the list determines the type of blocking. Possible choices are

- "none" (default), no blocking of parameters
- "correlation" blocking based on correlation of parameters. Using h or k (see below)
- "random" random blocking. Using k (see below)
- "user" user defined groups. Using groups (see below)

Further seven parameters can be specified. "k" determined the number of groups, "h" the strength of the correlation used to group parameter and "groups" is used for user defined groups. "groups" is a vector containing the group number for each parameter. E.g. for three parameters with the first two in one group, "groups" would be c(1,1,2). Further pSel and pGroup can be used to influence the choice of groups. In the sampling process a number of groups is randomly drawn and updated. pSel is a vector containing relative probabilities for an update of the respective number of groups. E.g. for always updating only one group pSel = 1. For updating one or two groups with the same probability pSel = c(1,1). By default all numbers have the same probability. The same principle is used in pGroup. Here the user can influence the probability of each group to be updated. By default all groups have the same probability. Finally "groupStart" defines the starting point of the groupUpdate and "groupIntervall" the intervall in which the groups are evaluated.

References

ter Braak C. J. F., and Vrugt J. A. (2008). Differential Evolution Markov Chain with snooker updater and fewer chains. *Statistics and Computing* <http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/s11222-008-9104-9>

See Also

[DE](#)

DIC	<i>Deviance information criterion</i>
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Description

Deviance information criterion

Usage

DIC(sampler, ...)

Arguments

sampler	An object of class <code>bayesianOutput</code> (<code>mcmcSampler</code> , <code>smcSampler</code> , or <code>mcmcList</code>)
...	further arguments passed to <code>getSample</code>

Details

Output: list with the following elements:
DIC : Deviance Information Criterion
IC : Bayesian Predictive Information Criterion
pD : Effective number of parameters ($pD = \bar{D} - \hat{D}$)
pV : Effective number of parameters ($pV = \text{var}(D)/2$)
Dbar : Expected value of the deviance over the posterior
Dhat : Deviance at the mean posterior estimate

References

Spiegelhalter, D. J.; Best, N. G.; Carlin, B. P. & van der Linde, A. (2002) Bayesian measures of model complexity and fit. *J. Roy. Stat. Soc. B*, 64, 583-639.

Gelman, A.; Hwang, J. & Vehtari, A. (2014) Understanding predictive information criteria for Bayesian models. *Statistics and Computing*, Springer US, 24, 997-1016-.

See Also

[WAIC](#), [MAP](#), [marginalLikelihood](#)

DR *The Delayed Rejection Algorithm*

Description

The Delayed Rejection Algorithm (Tierney and Mira, 1999)

Usage

```
DR(startValue = NULL, iterations = 10000, nBI = 0, parmin = NULL,
  parmax = NULL, f1 = 1, f2 = 0.5, FUN)
```

Arguments

startValue	vector with the start values for the algorithm. Can be NULL if FUN is of class BayesianSetup. In this case startValues are sampled from the prior.
iterations	iterations to run
nBI	number of burnin
parmin	minimum values for the parameter vector or NULL if FUN is of class BayesianSetup
parmax	maximum values for the parameter vector or NULL if FUN is of class BayesianSetup
f1	scaling factor for first proposal
f2	scaling factor for second proposal
FUN	function to be sampled from or object of class bayesianSetup

References

Tierney, Luke, and Antonietta Mira. "Some adaptive Monte Carlo methods for Bayesian inference." *Statistics in medicine* 18.1718 (1999): 2507-2515.

DRAM *The Delayed Rejection Adaptive Metropolis Algorithm*

Description

The Delayed Rejection Adaptive Metropolis Algorithm (Haario et al. 2001)

Usage

```
DRAM(startValue = NULL, iterations = 10000, nBI = 0, parmin = NULL,
  parmax = NULL, FUN, f = 1, eps = 0)
```

Arguments

startValue	vector with the start values for the algorithm. Can be NULL if FUN is of class BayesianSetup. In this case startValues are sampled from the prior.
iterations	iterations to run
nBI	number of burnin
parmin	minimum values for the parameter vector or NULL if FUN is of class BayesianSetup
parmax	maximum values for the parameter vector or NULL if FUN is of class BayesianSetup
FUN	function to be sampled from
f	scaling factor
eps	small number to avoid singularity or object of class bayesianSetup

References

Haario, Heikki, Eero Saksman, and Johanna Tamminen. "An adaptive Metropolis algorithm." *Bernoulli* (2001): 223-242.

DREAM

DREAM

Description

DREAM

Usage

```
DREAM(bayesianSetup, settings = list(iterations = 10000, nCR = 3, gamma =
  NULL, eps = 0, e = 0.05, pCRupdate = TRUE, updateInterval = 10, burnin = 0,
  thin = 1, adaptation = 0.2, DEpairs = 2, consoleUpdates = 10, startValue =
  NULL, currentChain = 1, message = TRUE))
```

Arguments

bayesianSetup	Object of class 'bayesianSetup' or 'bayesianOuput'.
settings	list with parameter values
iterations	Number of model evaluations
nCR	parameter determining the number of cross-over proposals. If nCR = 1 all parameters are updated jointly.
updateInterval	determining the intervall for the pCR update
gamma	Kurtosis parameter Bayesian Inference Scheme. Default is 0.
eps	Ergodicity term. Default to 0.
e	Ergodicity term. Default to 5e-2.
pCRupdate	Update of crossover probabilities, default is TRUE

burnin	number of iterations treated as burn-in. These iterations are not recorded in the chain.
thin	thin thinning parameter. Determines the interval in which values are recorded.
adaptation	Number or percentage of samples that are used for the adaptation in DREAM (see Details).
DEpairs	Number of pairs used to generate proposal
startValue	either a matrix containing the start values (see details), an integer to define the number of chains that are run, a function to sample the start values or NULL, in which case the values are sampled from the prior.
consoleUpdates	Intervall in which the sampling progress is printed to the console
message	logical determines whether the sampler's progress should be printed

Details

Insted of a `bayesianSetup`, the function can take the output of a previous run to restart the sampler from the last iteration. Due to the sampler's internal structure you can only use the output of DREAM. If you provide a matrix with start values the number of rows determines the number of chains that are run. The number of coloumns must be equivalent to the number of parameters in your `bayesianSetup`.

There are several small differences in the algorithm presented here compared to the original paper by Vrugt et al. (2009). Mainly the algorithm implemented here does not have an automatic stopping criterion. Hence, it will always run the number of iterations specified by the user. Also, convergence is not monitored and left to the user. This can easily be done with `coda::gelman.diag(chain)`. Further the proposed delayed rejectio step in Vrugt et al. (2009) is not implemented here.

During the adaptation phase DREAM is running two mechanisms to enhance the sampler's efficiency. First the disribution of crossover values is tuned to favor large jumps in the parameter space. The crossover probabilities determine how many parameters are updated simultaneously. Second outlier chains are replanced as they can largely deteriorate the sampler's performance. However, these steps destroy the detailed balance of the chain. Consequently these parts of the chain should be discarded when summarizing posterior moments. This can be done automatically during the sampling process (i.e. `burnin > adaptation`) or subsequently by the user. We chose to distinguish between the burnin and adaptation phase to allow the user more flexibility in the sampler's settings.

Value

`mcmc` object containing the following elements: `chains`, `X`, `pCR`

References

Vrugt, Jasper A., et al. "Accelerating Markov chain Monte Carlo simulation by differential evolution with self-adaptive randomized subspace sampling." *International Journal of Nonlinear Sciences and Numerical Simulation* 10.3 (2009): 273-290.

See Also[DREAMzs](#)

DREAMzs*DREAMzs*

Description

DREAMzs

Usage

```
DREAMzs(bayesianSetup, settings = list(iterations = 10000, nCR = 3, gamma =
  NULL, eps = 0, e = 0.05, pCRupdate = FALSE, updateInterval = 10, burnin = 0,
  thin = 1, adaptation = 0.2, parallel = NULL, Z = NULL, ZupdateFrequency = 10,
  pSnooker = 0.1, DEpairs = 2, consoleUpdates = 10, startValue = NULL,
  currentChain = 1, message = FALSE))
```

Arguments

bayesianSetup	Object of class 'bayesianSetup' or 'bayesianOuput'.
settings	list with parameter values
iterations	Number of model evaluations
nCR	parameter determining the number of cross-over proposals. If nCR = 1 all parameters are updated jointly.
updateInterval	determining the interval for the pCR (crossover probabilities) update
gamma	Kurtosis parameter Bayesian Inference Scheme. Default is 0.
eps	Ergodicity term. Default to 0.
e	Ergodicity term. Default to 5e-2.
pCRupdate	Update of crossover probabilities, default is TRUE
burnin	number of iterations treated as burn-in. These iterations are not recorded in the chain.
thin	thin thinning parameter. Determines the interval in which values are recorded.
adaptation	Number or percentage of samples that are used for the adaptation in DREAM (see Details)
DEpairs	Number of pairs used to generate proposal
ZupdateFrequency	frequency to update Z matrix
pSnooker	probability of snooker update
Z	starting matrix for Z
startValue	either a matrix containing the start values (see details), an integer to define the number of chains that are run, a function to sample the start values or NULL, in which case the values are sampled from the prior.
consoleUpdates	Intervall in which the sampling progress is printed to the console
message	logical determines whether the sampler's progress should be printed

Details

Instead of a `bayesianSetup`, the function can take the output of a previous run to restart the sampler from the last iteration. Due to the sampler's internal structure you can only use the output of DREAMs. If you provide a matrix with start values the number of rows determines the number of chains that are run. The number of columns must be equivalent to the number of parameters in your `bayesianSetup`.

There are several small differences in the algorithm presented here compared to the original paper by Vrugt et al. (2009). Mainly the algorithm implemented here does not have an automatic stopping criterion. Hence, it will always run the number of iterations specified by the user. Also, convergence is not monitored and left to the user. This can easily be done with `coda::gelman.diag(chain)`. Further the proposed delayed rejection step in Vrugt et al. (2009) is not implemented here.

During the adaptation phase DREAM is running two mechanisms to enhance the sampler's efficiency. First the distribution of crossover values is tuned to favor large jumps in the parameter space. The crossover probabilities determine how many parameters are updated simultaneously. Second outlier chains are replaced as they can largely deteriorate the sampler's performance. However, these steps destroy the detailed balance of the chain. Consequently these parts of the chain should be discarded when summarizing posterior moments. This can be done automatically during the sampling process (i.e. `burnin > adaptation`) or subsequently by the user. We chose to distinguish between the burnin and adaptation phase to allow the user more flexibility in the sampler's settings.

Value

`mcmc` object containing the following elements: `chains`, `X`, `pCR`, `Z`

References

Vrugt, Jasper A., et al. "Accelerating Markov chain Monte Carlo simulation by differential evolution with self-adaptive randomized subspace sampling." *International Journal of Nonlinear Sciences and Numerical Simulation* 10.3 (2009): 273-290.

ter Braak C. J. F., and Vrugt J. A. (2008). Differential Evolution Markov Chain with snooker updater and fewer chains. *Statistics and Computing* <http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/s11222-008-9104-9>

See Also

[DREAM](#)

factorMatrice

factorMatrice

Description

factorMatrice

Usage

```
factorMatrice(sigma, method)
```

Arguments

sigma	sigma
method	either "eigen", "svd" or "chol"

gelmanDiagnostics	<i>Runs Gelman Diagnostics over an Bayesianoutput</i>
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Description

Runs Gelman Diagnostics over an Bayesianoutput

Usage

```
gelmanDiagnostics(sampler, thin = "auto", plot = F, ...)
```

Arguments

sampler	an object of class <code>mcmcSampler</code> or <code>mcmcSamplerList</code>
thin	parameter determining the thinning intervall. Either an integer or "auto" (default) for automatic thinning.
plot	should a Gelman plot be generated
...	further arguments passed to getSample

Details

The function calls the coda package to calculate Gelman diagnostics and plots

The original idea is that this function is applied to the outcome of several independent MCMC runs. Technically and practically, it can also be applied to a single MCMC run that has several internal chains, such as DE, DEzs, DREAM, DREAMzs or T-Walk. As argued in ter Braak et al. (2008), the internal chains should be independent after burn-in. While this is likely correct, it also means that they are not completely independent before, and we observed this behavior in the use of the algorithms (i.e. that internal DEzs chains are more similar to each other than the chains of independent DEzs algorithms). A concern is that this non-independence could lead to a failure to detect that the sampler hasn't converged yet. We would therefore recommend to run several DEzs and check convergence with those, instead of running only one.

ter Braak, Cajo JF, and Jasper A. Vrugt. "Differential evolution Markov chain with snooker updater and fewer chains." *Statistics and Computing* 18.4 (2008): 435-446.

generateCRvalues	<i>Generates matrix of CR values based on pCR</i>
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Description

Generates matrix of CR values based on pCR

Usage

```
generateCRvalues(pCR, settings, Npop)
```

Arguments

pCR	Vector of crossover probabilities. Needs to be of length nCR.
settings	settings list
Npop	number of chains

Value

Matrix with CR values

generateParallelExecuter	<i>Factory to generate a parallel executer of an existing function</i>
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Description

Factory to generate a parallel executer of an existing function

Usage

```
generateParallelExecuter(fun, parallel = F, parallelOptions = list(variables = "all", packages = "all", dlls = NULL))
```

Arguments

fun	function to be changed to parallel execution
parallel	should a parallel R cluster be used or not. If set to T, cores will be detected automatically and n-1 of the available n cores of the machine will be used. Alternatively, you can set the number of cores used by hand
parallelOptions	list containing three lists. First "packages" determines the R packages necessary to run the likelihood function. Second "variables" the objects in the global environment needed to run the likelihood function and third "dlls" the DLLs needed to run the likelihood function (see Details).

Details

For parallelization, option T means that an automatic parallelization via R is attempted, or "external", in which case it is assumed that the likelihood is already parallelized. In this case it needs to accept a matrix with parameters as columns. Further you can specify the packages, objects and DLLs that are exported to the cluster. By default a copy of your workspace is exported. However, depending on your workspace this can be very inefficient.

Alternatively you can specify the environments and packages in the likelihood function (e.g. BayesianTools::VSEM() instead of VSEM()).

Note

Can also be used to make functions compatible with library sensitivity

Author(s)

Florian Hartig

Examples

```
testDensityMultiNormal <- generateTestDensityMultiNormal()

parDen <- generateParallelExecuter(testDensityMultiNormal)$parallelFun
x = matrix(runif(9,0,1), nrow = 3)
parDen(x)
```

```
generateTestDensityMultiNormal
      Multivariate normal likelihood
```

Description

Generates a 3 dimensional multivariate normal likelihood function.

Usage

```
generateTestDensityMultiNormal(mean = c(0, 0, 0),
  sigma = "strongcorrelation", sample = F, n = 1, throwErrors = -1)
```

Arguments

mean	vector with the three mean values of the distribution
sigma	either a correlation matrix, or "strongcorrelation", or "no correlation"
sample	should the function create samples
n	number of samples to create
throwErrors	parameter for test purpose

Details

3-d multivariate normal density function with mean 2,4,0 and either strong correlation (default), or no correlation.

Author(s)

Florian Hartig

See Also

[testDensityBanana](#)
[testLinearModel](#)

Examples

```
# sampling from the test function
x = generateTestDensityMultiNormal(sample = TRUE, n = 1000)(1000)
correlationPlot(x)
marginalPlot(x)

# generating the the density
density = generateTestDensityMultiNormal(sample = FALSE)
density(x[1,])
```

getBlock

Determine the parameters in the block update

Description

Determine the parameters in the block update

Usage

```
getBlock(blockSettings)
```

Arguments

blockSettings settings for block update

Value

vector containing the parameter to be updated

getBlockSettings	<i>getblockSettings</i>
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Description

Transforms the original settings in settings used in the model runs

Usage

```
getBlockSettings(blockUpdate)
```

Arguments

blockUpdate input settings

Value

list with block settings

getCredibleIntervals	<i>Calculate confidence region from an MCMC or similar sample</i>
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Description

Calculate confidence region from an MCMC or similar sample

Usage

```
getCredibleIntervals(sampleMatrix, quantiles = c(0.025, 0.975))
```

Arguments

sampleMatrix matrix of outcomes. Could be parameters or predictions
quantiles quantiles to be calculated

Author(s)

Florian Hartig

See Also

[getPredictiveDistribution](#)
[getPredictiveIntervals](#)

getPanels *Calculates the panel combination for par(mfrow =)*

Description

Calculates the panel combination for par(mfrow =)

Usage

```
getPanels(x)
```

Arguments

x the desired number of panels

getPossibleSamplerTypes
Returns possible sampler types

Description

Returns possible sampler types

Usage

```
getPossibleSamplerTypes()
```

getPredictiveDistribution
Calculates predictive distribution based on the parameters

Description

Calculates predictive distribution based on the parameters

Usage

```
getPredictiveDistribution(parMatrix, model, thin = 1000)
```

Arguments

parMatrix matrix of parameter values
model model / function to calculate predictions. Outcome should be a vector
thin thinning

Author(s)

Florian Hartig

See Also

[getPredictiveIntervals](#)
[getCredibleIntervals](#)

`getPredictiveIntervals`

Calculates Bayesian credible (confidence) and predictive intervals based on parameter sample

Description

Calculates Bayesian credible (confidence) and predictive intervals based on parameter sample

Usage

```
getPredictiveIntervals(parMatrix, model, thin = 1000, quantiles = c(0.025,  
0.975), error = NULL)
```

Arguments

<code>parMatrix</code>	matrix of parameter values
<code>model</code>	model / function to calculate predictions. Outcome should be a vector
<code>thin</code>	thinning
<code>quantiles</code>	quantiles to calculate
<code>error</code>	function that accepts a vector as in observation. If supplied, will calculate also predictive intervals additional to credible intervals

Author(s)

Florian Hartig

See Also

[getPredictiveDistribution](#)
[getCredibleIntervals](#)

getRmvnorm	<i>Produce multivariate normal proposal</i>
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Description

Produce multivariate normal proposal

Usage

```
getRmvnorm(n = 1, R)
```

Arguments

n	n
R	R

Value

X

getSample	<i>Extracts the sample from a bayesianOutput</i>
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Description

Extracts the sample from a bayesianOutput

Usage

```
getSample(sampler, parametersOnly = T, coda = F, start = 1, end = NULL,
  thin = 1, numSamples = NULL, whichParameters = NULL,
  reportDiagnostics = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

sampler	an object of class <code>mcmcSampler</code> , <code>mcmcSamplerList</code> , <code>smcSampler</code> , <code>smcSamplerList</code>
parametersOnly	if F, likelihood, posterior and prior values are also provided in the output
coda	works only for mcmc classes - provides output as a coda object. Note: if <code>mcmcSamplerList</code> contains mcmc samplers such as DE that have several chains, the internal chains will be collapsed. This may not be the desired behavior for all applications.
start	for mcmc samplers start value in the chain. For SMC samplers, start particle
end	for mcmc samplers end value in the chain. For SMC samplers, end particle

thin	thinning parameter. Either an integer determining the thinning interval (default is 1) or "auto" for automatic thinning.
numSamples	sample size (only used if thin = 1)
whichParameters	possibility to select parameters by index
reportDiagnostics	logical, determines whether settings should be included in the output
...	further arguments

Gfun

Helper function for blow and hop moves

Description

Helper function for blow and hop moves

Usage

```
Gfun(case, npSel, pSel, h, x, x2)
```

Arguments

case	Type of Twalk move. Either "hop" or "blow"
npSel	number of parameters that are changed.
pSel	vector containing information about which parameters are changed.
h	Parameter for "blow" and hop moves
x	parameter vector of chain 1
x2	parameter vector of chain 2

References

Christen, J. Andres, and Colin Fox. "A general purpose sampling algorithm for continuous distributions (the t-walk)." *Bayesian Analysis* 5.2 (2010): 263-281.

likelihoodAR1 *AR1 type likelihood function*

Description

AR1 type likelihood function

Usage

likelihoodAR1(predicted, observed, sd, a)

Arguments

predicted	vector of predicted values
observed	vector of observed values
sd	standard deviation of the iid normal likelihood
a	temporal correlation in the AR1 model

Note

The AR1 model considers the process:

$$y(t) = a y(t-1) + E$$

$e = \text{i.i.d. } N(0, \text{sd})$

$|a| < 1$

At the moment, no NAs are allowed in the time series.

Author(s)

Florian Hartig

likelihoodIidNormal *Normal / Gaussian Likelihood function*

Description

Normal / Gaussian Likelihood function

Usage

likelihoodIidNormal(predicted, observed, sd)

Arguments

predicted	vector of predicted values
observed	vector of observed values
sd	standard deviation of the i.i.d. normal likelihood

Author(s)

Florian Hartig

logSumExp	<i>Funktion to compute $\log(\text{sum}(\exp(x)))$</i>
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DescriptionFunktion to compute $\log(\text{sum}(\exp(x)))$ **Usage**

logSumExp(x, mean = F)

Arguments

x	values
mean	logical, determines whether the mean should be used

M	<i>The Metropolis Algorithm</i>
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Description

The Metropolis Algorithm (Metropolis et al. 1953)

Usage

```
M(startValue = NULL, iterations = 10000, nBI = 0, parmin = NULL,
  parmax = NULL, f = 1, FUN, consoleUpdates = 1000)
```

Arguments

startValue	vector with the start values for the algorithm. Can be NULL if FUN is of class BayesianSetup. In this case startValues are sampled from the prior.
iterations	iterations to run
nBI	number of burnin
parmin	minimum values for the parameter vector or NULL if FUN is of class BayesianSetup
parmax	maximum values for the parameter vector or NULL if FUN is of class BayesianSetup
f	scaling factor
FUN	function to be sampled from or object of class bayesianSetup
consoleUpdates	interger, determines the frequency with which sampler progress is printed to the console

References

Metropolis, Nicholas, et al. "Equation of state calculations by fast computing machines." The journal of chemical physics 21.6 (1953): 1087-1092.

makeObjectClassCodaMCMC

Helper function to change an object to a coda mcmc class,

Description

Helper function to change an object to a coda mcmc class,

Usage

```
makeObjectClassCodaMCMC(chain, start = 1, end = numeric(0), thin = 1)
```

Arguments

chain	mcmc Chain
start	for mcmc samplers start value in the chain. For SMC samplers, start particle
end	for mcmc samplers end value in the chain. For SMC samplers, end particle
thin	thinning parameter

Details

Very similar to coda::mcmc but with less overhead

Value

object of class coda::mcmc

MAP

calculates the Maximum APosteriori value (MAP)

Description

calculates the Maximum APosteriori value (MAP)

Usage

```
MAP(bayesianOutput, ...)
```

Arguments

bayesianOutput an object of class BayesianOutput (mcmcSampler, smcSampler, or mcmcList)
 ... optional values to be passed on the the getSample function

Details

Currently, this function simply returns the parameter combination with the highest posterior in the chain. A more refined option would be to take the MCMC sample and do additional calculations, e.g. use an optimizer, a kernel density estimator, or some other tool to search / interpolate around the best value in the chain

See Also

[WAIC](#), [DIC](#), [marginalLikelihood](#)

marginalLikelihood *Calculated the marginal likelihood from a set of MCMC samples*

Description

Calculated the marginal likelihood from a set of MCMC samples

Usage

```
marginalLikelihood(sampler, numSamples = 1000, method = "Chib", ...)
```

Arguments

sampler an object that implements the getSample function, i.e. a mcmc / smc Sampler (list)
 numSamples number of samples to use. How this works, and if it requires recalculating the likelihood, depends on the method
 method method to choose. Currently available are "Chib" (default), the harmonic mean "HM", and sampling from the prior "prior". See details
 ... further arguments passed to [getSample](#)

Details

The function currently implements three ways to calculate the marginal likelihood. The recommended way is the method "Chib" (Chib and Jeliazkov, 2001). which is based on MCMC samples, but performs additional calculations. Despite being the current recommendation, note there are some numeric issues with this algorithm that may limit reliability for larger dimensions. The harmonic mean approximation, is implemented only for comparison. Note that the method is numerically unreliable and usually should not be used.

The third method is simply sampling from the prior. While in principle unbiased, it will only converge for a large number of samples, and is therefore numerically inefficient.

References

Chib, Siddhartha, and Ivan Jeliazkov. "Marginal likelihood from the Metropolis-Hastings output." *Journal of the American Statistical Association* 96.453 (2001): 270-281.

See Also

[WAIC](#), [DIC](#), [MAP](#)

Examples

```
# Harmonic mean works OK for a low-dim case with

likelihood <- function(x) sum(dnorm(x, log = TRUE))
prior = createUniformPrior(lower = rep(-1,2), upper = rep(1,2))
bayesianSetup <- createBayesianSetup(likelihood = likelihood, prior = prior)
out = runMCMC(bayesianSetup = bayesianSetup, settings = list(iterations = 5000))

plot(out)

marginalLikelihood(out, numSamples = 500)[[1]]
marginalLikelihood(out, method = "HM", numSamples = 500)[[1]]
marginalLikelihood(out, method = "Prior", numSamples = 500)[[1]]

# True marginal likelihood (brute force approximation)

marginalLikelihood(out, method = "Prior", numSamples = 10000)[[1]]

# Harmonic mean goes totally wrong for higher dimensions - wide prior.
# Could also be a problem of numeric stability of the implementation

likelihood <- function(x) sum(dnorm(x, log = TRUE))
prior = createUniformPrior(lower = rep(-10,3), upper = rep(10,3))
bayesianSetup <- createBayesianSetup(likelihood = likelihood, prior = prior)
out = runMCMC(bayesianSetup = bayesianSetup, settings = list(iterations = 5000))

plot(out)

marginalLikelihood(out, numSamples = 500)[[1]]
marginalLikelihood(out, method = "HM", numSamples = 500)[[1]]
marginalLikelihood(out, method = "Prior", numSamples = 500)[[1]]

# True marginal likelihood (brute force approximation)

marginalLikelihood(out, method = "Prior", numSamples = 10000)[[1]]
```

`marginalPlot`*Plot MCMC marginals*

Description

Plot MCMC marginals

Usage

```
marginalPlot(mat, thin = "auto", scale = NULL, best = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>mat</code>	object of class "bayesianOutput" or a matrix or data frame of variables
<code>thin</code>	thinning of the matrix to make things faster. Default is to thin to 5000
<code>scale</code>	should the results be scaled. Value can be either NULL (no scaling), T, or a matrix with upper / lower bounds as columns. If set to T, attempts to retrieve the scaling from the input object <code>mat</code> (requires that this is of class <code>BayesianOutput</code>)
<code>best</code>	if provided, will draw points at the given values (to display true / default parameter values). Value can be either NULL (no drawing), a vector with values, or T, in which case the function will attempt to retrieve the values from a <code>BayesianOutput</code>
<code>...</code>	additional parameters to pass on to the getSample

Author(s)

Florian Hartig

See Also

[plotTimeSeries](#)
[tracePlot](#)
[correlationPlot](#)

Examples

```
dat = generateTestDensityMultiNormal(n = 100000, sample = TRUE)
marginalPlot(dat(10000))
```

mcmcMultipleChains	<i>Run multiple chains</i>
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Description

Run multiple chains

Usage

```
mcmcMultipleChains(bayesianSetup, settings, sampler)
```

Arguments

bayesianSetup	Object of class "BayesianSetup"
settings	list with settings for sampler
sampler	character, either "Metropolis" or "DE"

Value

list containing the single runs (`$sampler`) and the chains in a `coda::mcmc.list` (`$mcmc.list`)

Metropolis	<i>Creates a Metropolis-type MCMC with options for covariance adaptatin, delayed rejection, Metropolis-within-Gibbs, and tempering</i>
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Description

Creates a Metropolis-type MCMC with options for covariance adaptatin, delayed rejection, Metropolis-within-Gibbs, and tempering

Usage

```
Metropolis(bayesianSetup, settings = list(startValue = NULL, optimize = T,
proposalGenerator = NULL, consoleUpdates = 100, burnin = 0, thin = 1, parallel
= NULL, adapt = T, adaptationInterval = 500, adaptationNotBefore = 3000,
DRlevels = 1, proposalScaling = NULL, adaptationDepth = NULL,
temperingFunction = NULL, gibbsProbabilities = NULL, message = TRUE))
```

Arguments

bayesianSetup	either an object of class bayesianSetup created by createBayesianSetup (recommended), or a log target function
settings	a list of settings - possible options follow below
startValue	startValue for the MCMC and optimization (if optimize = T). If not provided, the sampler will attempt to obtain the startValue from the bayesianSetup
optimize	logical, determines whether an optimization for start values and proposal function should be run before starting the sampling
proposalGenerator	option proposalgenerator object (see createProposalGenerator)
proposalScaling	additional scaling parameter for the proposals, needs to be as long as DRlevels. Defaults to $0.5^{-(\text{mcmcSampler}\$settings\$DRlevels - 1)}$
burnin	number of iterations treated as burn-in. These iterations are not recorded in the chain.
thin	thinning parameter. Determines the interval in which values are recorded.
consoleUpdates	integer, determines the frequency with which sampler progress is printed to the console
adapt	logical, determines wheter an adaptive algorithm should be implemented. Default is TRUE.
adaptationInterval	integer, determines the interval of the adaption if adapt = TRUE.
adaptationNotBefore	integer, determines the start value for the adaption if adapt = TRUE.
DRlevels	integer, determines the number of levels for a delayed rejection sampler. Default is 1, which means no delayed rejection is used.
temperingFunction	function to implement simulated tempering in the algorithm. The function describes how the acceptance rate will be influenced in the course of the iterations.
gibbsProbabilities	vector that defines the relative probabilities of the number of parameters to be changes simultaneously.
message	logical determines whether the sampler's progress should be printed

Details

The 'Metropolis' function is the main function for all Metropolis based samplers in this package. To call the derivatives from the basic Metropolis-Hastings MCMC, you can either use the corresponding function (e.g. [AM](#) for an adaptive Metropolis sampler) or use the parameters to adapt the basic Metropolis-Hastings. The advantage of the latter case is that you can easily combine different properties (e.g. adaptive sampling and delayed rejection sampling) without changing the function.

Author(s)

Florian Hartig

Examples

```
# Running the metropolis via the runMCMC with a proposal covariance generated from the prior
# (can be useful for complicated priors)

ll = function(x) sum(dnorm(x, log = TRUE))
setup = createBayesianSetup(ll, lower = c(-10,-10), upper = c(10,10))

samples = setup$prior$sampler(1000)

generator = createProposalGenerator(diag(1, setup$numPars))
generator = updateProposalGenerator(generator, samples, manualScaleAdjustment = 1, message = TRUE)

settings = list(proposalGenerator = generator, optimize = FALSE, iterations = 500)

out = runMCMC(bayesianSetup = setup, sampler = "Metropolis", settings = settings)
```

metropolisRatio	<i>Funktion to calculate the metropolis ratio</i>
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Description

Funktion to calculate the metropolis ratio

Usage

```
metropolisRatio(LP2, LP1, tempering = 1)
```

Arguments

LP2	log posterior old position
LP1	log posterior of proposal
tempering	value for tempering

plotSensitivity	<i>Performs a one-factor-at-a-time sensitivity analysis for the posterior of a given bayesianSetup within the prior range.</i>
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Description

Performs a one-factor-at-a-time sensitivity analysis for the posterior of a given bayesianSetup within the prior range.

Usage

```
plotSensitivity(bayesianSetup, selection = NULL)
```


Arguments

bayesianSetup	An object of class BayesianSetup
selection	indices of selected parameters

Note

This function can also be used for sensitivity analysis of an arbitrary output - just create a BayesianSetup with this output.

plotTimeSeries	<i>Plots a time series, with the option to include confidence and prediction band</i>
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Description

Plots a time series, with the option to include confidence and prediction band

Usage

```
plotTimeSeries(observed = NULL, predicted = NULL, x = NULL,  
               confidenceBand = NULL, predictionBand = NULL, xlab = "Time",  
               ylab = "Observed / predicted values", ...)
```

Arguments

observed	observed values
predicted	predicted values
x	optional values for x axis (time)
confidenceBand	matrix with confidenceBand
predictionBand	matrix with predictionBand
xlab	a title for the x axis
ylab	a title for the y axis
...	further arguments passed to plot

Author(s)

Florian Hartig

See Also

[plotTimeSeriesResults](#)
[marginalPlot](#)
[tracePlot](#)
[correlationPlot](#)

plotTimeSeriesResiduals

Plots residuals of a time series

Description

Plots residuals of a time series

Usage

```
plotTimeSeriesResiduals(residuals, x = NULL, main = "residuals")
```

Arguments

residuals	x
x	optional values for x axis (time)
main	title of the plot

Author(s)

Florian Hartig

plotTimeSeriesResults *Creates a time series plot typical for an MCMC / SMC fit*

Description

Creates a time series plot typical for an MCMC / SMC fit

Usage

```
plotTimeSeriesResults(sampler, model, observed, error = NULL,
  plotResiduals = T, start = 1)
```

Arguments

sampler	Either a) a matrix b) an MCMC object (list or not), or c) an SMC object
model	function that calculates model predictions for a given parameter vector
observed	observed values
error	function with signature $f(\text{mean}, \text{par})$ that generates error expectations from mean model predictions. Par is a vector from the matrix with the parameter samples (full length). f needs to know which of these parameters are parameters of the error function
plotResiduals	logical determining whether residuals should be plotted
start	numeric start value for the plot (see getSample)

Author(s)

Florian Hartig

propFun *Helper function to create proposal*

Description

Helper function to create proposal

Usage

```
propFun(case, Npar, pn1, x, x2, beta = NULL, aw = NULL)
```

Arguments

case	Type of Twalk move. Either "walk", "traverse", "hop" or "blow"
Npar	number of parameters
pn1	Probability determining the number of parameters that are changed.
x	parameter vector of chain 1
x2	parameter vector of chain 2
beta	parameter for "traverse" move proposals.
aw	"walk" move proposal parameter.

References

Christen, J. Andres, and Colin Fox. "A general purpose sampling algorithm for continuous distributions (the t-walk)." *Bayesian Analysis* 5.2 (2010): 263-281.

runMCMC *Main wrapper function to start MCMCs, particle MCMCs and SMCs*

Description

Main wrapper function to start MCMCs, particle MCMCs and SMCs

Usage

```
runMCMC(bayesianSetup, sampler = "DEzs", settings = NULL)
```

Arguments

bayesianSetup	either one of a) an object of class BayesianSetup with prior and likelihood function (recommended, see createBayesianSetup), b) a log posterior or other target function, or c) an object of class BayesianOutput created by runMCMC. The latter allows to continue a previous MCMC run. See details for further details.
sampler	sampling algorithm to be run. Default is DEzs. Options are "Metropolis", "DE", "DEzs", "DREAM", "DREAMzs", "SMC". For details see the help of the individual functions.
settings	list with settings for each sampler (see help of sampler for details). If a setting is not provided, defaults (see applySettingsDefault) will be used.

Details

The runMCMC function can be started with either one of a) an object of class BayesianSetup with prior and likelihood function (recommended, see [createBayesianSetup](#)), b) a log posterior or other target function, or c) an object of class BayesianOutput created by runMCMC. The latter allows to continue a previous MCMC run. If a bayesianSetup is provided, check if appropriate parallization options are used - many samplers can make use of parallelization if this option is activated when the class is created.

For details about the different MCMC samplers, make sure you have read the Vignette (run vignette("BayesianTools", package="BayesianTools"). Also, see [Metropolis](#) for Metropolis based samplers, [DE](#) and [DEzs](#) for standard differential evolution samplers, [DREAM](#) and [DREAMzs](#) for DREAM sampler, [Twalk](#) for the Twalk sampler, and [smcSampler](#) for rejection and Sequential Monte Carlo sampling.

The settings list allows to change the settings for the MCMC samplers and some other options. For the MCMC sampler settings, see their help files. Global options that apply for all MCMC samplers are: iterations (number of MCMC iterations), and nrChains (number of chains to run). Note that running several chains is not done in parallel, so if time is an issue it will be better to run the MCMCs individually and then combine them via [createMcmcSamplerList](#) into one joint object.

Startvalues: all samplers allow to provide explicit startvalues. Note that DE and DREAM variants as well as SMC and T-walk require a population to start. zs variants of DE and DREAM require two populations, in this case startvalue is a list with startvalue\$X and startvalue\$Z

Options for DE / DEzs / DREAM / DREAMzs: provide start matrix as startvale. Default (NULL) sets the population size for DE to 3 x dimensions of parameters, for DREAM to 2 x dimensions of parameters and for DEzs and DREAMzs to three.

Startvalues for sampling with nrChains > 1 : if you want to provide different start values for the different chains, provide a list

Value

The function returns an object of class mcmcSampler (if one chain is run) or mcmcSamplerList. Both have the superclass bayesianOutput. It is possible to extract the samples as a coda object or matrix with [getSample](#). It is also possible to summarize the posterior as a new prior via [createPriorDensity](#).

See Also[createBayesianSetup](#)**Examples**

```
## Generate a test likelihood function.
ll <- generateTestDensityMultiNormal(sigma = "no correlation")

## Create a BayesianSetup object from the likelihood
## is the recommended way of using the runMCMC() function.
bayesianSetup <- createBayesianSetup(likelihood = ll, lower = rep(-10, 3), upper = rep(10, 3))

## Finally we can run the sampler and have a look
settings = list(iterations = 1000, adapt = FALSE)
out <- runMCMC(bayesianSetup = bayesianSetup, sampler = "Metropolis", settings = settings)

## out is of class bayesianOutput. There are various standard functions
# implemented for this output

plot(out)
correlationPlot(out)
marginalPlot(out)
summary(out)

## additionally, you can return the sample as a coda object, and make use of the coda functions
# for plotting and analysis

codaObject = getSample(out, start = 500, coda = TRUE)
```

sampleMetropolis	<i>gets samples while adopting the MCMC proposal generator</i>
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Description

Function to sample with combinations of the basic Metropolis-Hastings MCMC algorithm (Metropolis et al., 1953), a variation of the adaptive Metropolis MCMC (Haario et al., 2001), the delayed rejection algorithm (Tierney & Mira, 1999), and the delayed rejection adaptive Metropolis algorithm (DRAM, Haario et al), and the Metropolis within Gibbs

Usage

```
sampleMetropolis(mcmcSampler, iterations)
```

Arguments

mcmcSampler	an mcmcSampler
iterations	iterations

Author(s)

Florian Hartig

scaleMatrix	<i>Function to scale matrices</i>
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Description

Function to scale matrices

Usage

```
scaleMatrix(mat, min, max)
```

Arguments

mat	matrix to scale
min	minimum value
max	maximum value

Value

sclaed matrix

setupStartProposal	<i>Help function to find starvalues and proposalGenerator settings</i>
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Description

Help function to find starvalues and proposalGenerator settings

Usage

```
setupStartProposal(proposalGenerator = NULL, bayesianSetup, settings)
```

Arguments

proposalGenerator	proposal generator
bayesianSetup	either an object of class bayesianSetup created by createBayesianSetup (recommended), or a log target function
settings	list with settings

smcSampler

SMC sampler

Description

Sequential Monte Carlo Sampler

Usage

```
smcSampler(bayesianSetup, initialParticles = 1000, iterations = 10,
           resampling = T, resamplingSteps = 2, proposal = NULL, adaptive = T,
           proposalScale = 0.5)
```

Arguments

bayesianSetup either an object of class `bayesianSetup` created by [createBayesianSetup](#) (recommended), or a log target function

initialParticles initial particles - either a draw from the prior, provided as a matrix with the single parameters as columns and each row being one particle (parameter vector), or a numeric value with the number of desired particles. In this case, the sampling option must be provided in the prior of the `BayesianSetup`.

iterations number of iterations

resampling if new particles should be created at each iteration

resamplingSteps how many resampling (MCMC) steps between the iterations

proposal optional proposal class

adaptive should the covariance of the proposal be adapted during sampling

proposalScale scaling factor for the proposal generation. Can be adapted if there is too much / too little rejection

Details

The sampler can be used for rejection sampling as well as for sequential Monte Carlo. For the former case set the iterations to one.

Note

The SMC currently assumes that the initial particle is sampled from the prior. If a better initial estimate of the posterior distribution is available, this the sampler should be modified to include this. Currently, however, this is not included in the code, so the appropriate adjustments have to be done by hand.

Examples

```
## Example for the use of SMC
# First we need a bayesianSetup - SMC makes most sense if we can for demonstration,
# we'll write a function that puts out the number of model calls

MultiNomialNoCor <- generateTestDensityMultiNormal(sigma = "no correlation")

parallellL <- function(parMatrix){
  print(paste("Calling likelihood with", nrow(parMatrix), "parameter combinations"))
  out = apply(parMatrix, 1, MultiNomialNoCor)
  return(out)
}

bayesianSetup <- createBayesianSetup(likelihood = parallellL, lower = rep(-10, 3),
                                     upper = rep(10, 3), parallel = "external")

# Defining settings for the sampler
# First we use the sampler for rejection sampling
settings <- list(initialParticles = 1000, iterations = 1, resampling = FALSE)

# Running the sampler
out1 <- runMCMC(bayesianSetup = bayesianSetup, sampler = "SMC", settings = settings)
#plot(out1)

# Now for sequential Monte Carlo
settings <- list(initialParticles = 100, iterations = 5, resamplingSteps = 1)
out2 <- runMCMC(bayesianSetup = bayesianSetup, sampler = "SMC", settings = settings)
#plot(out2)
```

stopParallel

Function to close cluster in BayesianSetup

Description

Function closes the parallel executer (if available)

Usage

```
stopParallel(bayesianSetup)
```

Arguments

bayesianSetup object of class BayesianSetup

sumSquare	<i>Helper function for sum of $x*x$</i>
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Description

Helper function for sum of $x*x$

Usage

```
sumSquare(x)
```

Arguments

x	vector of values
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testDensityBanana	<i>Banana-shaped density function</i>
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Description

Banana-shaped density function

Usage

```
testDensityBanana(p)
```

Arguments

p	2-dim parameter vector
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Note

inspired from package FMEcmc, seems to go back to Laine M (2008). Adaptive MCMC Methods with Applications in Environmental and Models. Finnish Meteorological Institute Contributions 69. ISBN 978-951-697-662-7.

Author(s)

Florian Hartig

See Also

[generateTestDensityMultiNormal](#)
[testLinearModel](#)

testDensityInfinity *Test function infinity ragged*

Description

Test function infinity ragged

Usage

```
testDensityInfinity(x, error = F)
```

Arguments

x	2-dim parameter vector
error	should error or infinity be returned

Author(s)

Florian Hartig

See Also

[generateTestDensityMultiNormal](#)
[testDensityBanana](#)

testDensityMultiNormal
3d Mutivariate Normal likelihood

Description

3d Mutivariate Normal likelihood

Usage

```
testDensityMultiNormal(x, sigma = "strongcorrelation")
```

Arguments

x	a parameter vector of arbitrary length
sigma	either a correlation matrix, or "strongcorrelation", or "no correlation"

testDensityNormal *Normal likelihood*

Description

Normal likelihood

Usage

```
testDensityNormal(x, sum = T)
```

Arguments

x a parameter vector of arbitrary length
sum if likelihood should be summed or not

Author(s)

Florian Hartig

testLinearModel *Fake model, returns a $ax + b$ linear response to 2-param vector*

Description

Fake model, returns a $ax + b$ linear response to 2-param vector

Usage

```
testLinearModel(x, env = NULL)
```

Arguments

x 2-dim parameter vector
env optional, environmental covariate

Author(s)

Florian Hartig

See Also

[generateTestDensityMultiNormal](#)
[testDensityBanana](#)

Examples

```
x = c(1,2)
y = testLinearModel(x)
plot(y)
```

thinMatrix	<i>Function to thin matrices</i>
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Description

Function to thin matrices

Usage

```
thinMatrix(mat, thin = "auto")
```

Arguments

mat	matrix to thin
thin	thinning parameter

Value

thinned matrix

tracePlot	<i>Trace plot for MCMC class</i>
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Description

Trace plot for MCMC class

Usage

```
tracePlot(sampler, thin = "auto", ...)
```

Arguments

sampler	an object of class MCMC sampler
thin	determines the thinning intervall of the chain
...	additional parameters to pass on to the getSample , for example parametersOnly =F, or start = 1000

See Also

[marginalPlot](#)
[plotTimeSeries](#)
[correlationPlot](#)

Twalk	<i>T-walk MCMC</i>
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Description

T-walk MCMC

Usage

```
Twalk(bayesianSetup, settings = list(iterations = 10000, at = 6, aw = 1.5, pn1
  = NULL, Ptrav = 0.4918, Pwalk = 0.4918, Pblow = 0.0082, burnin = 0, thin = 1,
  startValue = NULL, consoleUpdates = 100, message = TRUE))
```

Arguments

bayesianSetup	Object of class 'bayesianSetup' or 'bayesianOutput'.
settings	list with parameter values.
iterations	Number of model evaluations
at	"traverse" move proposal parameter. Default to 6
aw	"walk" move proposal parameter. Default to 1.5
pn1	Probability determining the number of parameters that are changed
Ptrav	Move probability of "traverse" moves, default to 0.4918
Pwalk	Move probability of "walk" moves, default to 0.4918
Pblow	Move probability of "traverse" moves, default to 0.0082
burnin	number of iterations treated as burn-in. These iterations are not recorded in the chain.
thin	thinning parameter. Determines the interval in which values are recorded.
startValue	Matrix with start values
consoleUpdates	Intervall in which the sampling progress is printed to the console
message	logical determines whether the sampler's progress should be printed

Details

The probability of "hop" moves is 1 minus the sum of all other probabilities.

Value

Object of class `bayesianOutput`.

References

Christen, J. Andres, and Colin Fox. "A general purpose sampling algorithm for continuous distributions (the t-walk)." *Bayesian Analysis* 5.2 (2010): 263-281.

TwalkMove	<i>Wrapper for step function</i>
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Description

Wrapper for step function

Usage

```
TwalkMove(Npar, FUN, x, Eval, x2, Eval2, at = 6, aw = 1.5, pn1 = min(Npar,
  4)/Npar, Ptrav = 0.4918, Pwalk = 0.4918, Pblow = 0.0082,
  Phop = 0.0082)
```

Arguments

Npar	Number of parameters
FUN	Log posterior density
x	parameter vector of chain 1
Eval	last evaluation of x
x2	parameter vector of chain 2
Eval2	last evaluation of x
at	"traverse" move proposal parameter.
aw	"walk" move proposal parameter.
pn1	Probability determining the number of parameters that are changed.
Ptrav	Move probability of "traverse" moves, default to 0.4918
Pwalk	Move probability of "walk" moves, default to 0.4918
Pblow	Move probability of "blow" moves, default to 0.0082
Phop	Move probability of "hop" moves

References

Christen, J. Andres, and Colin Fox. "A general purpose sampling algorithm for continuous distributions (the t-walk)." *Bayesian Analysis* 5.2 (2010): 263-281.

Twalksteps	<i>Main function that is executing and evaluating the moves</i>
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Description

Main function that is executing and evaluating the moves

Usage

```
Twalksteps(case, Npar, FUN, x, Eval, x2, Eval2, at, aw, pn1)
```

Arguments

case	Type of Twalk move. Either "walk", "traverse", "hop" or "blow"
Npar	number of parameters
FUN	Log posterior density
x	parameter vector of chain 1
Eval	last evaluation of x
x2	parameter vector of chain 2
Eval2	last evaluation of x
at	"traverse" move proposal parameter.
aw	"walk" move proposal parameter.
pn1	Probability determining the number of parameters that are changed.

References

Christen, J. Andres, and Colin Fox. "A general purpose sampling algorithm for continuous distributions (the t-walk)." *Bayesian Analysis* 5.2 (2010): 263-281.

updateGroups	<i>Determine the groups of correlated parameters</i>
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Description

Determine the groups of correlated parameters

Usage

```
updateGroups(chain, blockSettings)
```

Arguments

chain	MCMC chain including only the parameters (not logP, ll, logP)
blockSettings	list with settings

Value

groups

updateProposalGenerator

To update settings of an existing proposal generator

Description

To update settings of an existing proposal generator

Usage

```
updateProposalGenerator(proposal, chain = NULL, message = F, eps = 1e-10,
  manualScaleAdjustment = 1)
```

Arguments

proposal	an object of class proposalGenerator
chain	a chain to create the covariance matrix from (optional)
message	whether to print an updating message
eps	numeric tolerance for covariance
manualScaleAdjustment	optional adjustment for the covariance scale (multiplicative)

Details

The this function can be applied in 2 ways 1) update the covariance given an MCMC chain, and 2) update the proposal generator after parameters have been changed

VSEM

Very simple ecosystem model

Description

A very simple ecosystem model, based on three carbon pools and a basic LUE model

Usage

```
VSEM(pars = c(KEXT = 0.5, LAR = 1.5, LUE = 0.002, GAMMA = 0.4, tauV = 1440,
  tauS = 27370, tauR = 1440, Av = 0.5, Cv = 3, Cs = 15, Cr = 3), PAR,
  C = TRUE)
```


Arguments

pars	a parameter vector
PAR	Photosynthetically active radiation (PAR) MJ /m2 /day
C	switch to choose whether to use the C or R version of the model. C is much faster.
KEXT	Light extinction coefficient m2 ground area / m2 leaf area
LAR	Leaf area ratio m2 leaf area / kg aboveground vegetation
LUE	Light-Use Efficiency (kg C MJ-1 PAR)
GAMMA	Autotrophic respiration as a fraction of GPP
tauV	Longevity of aboveground vegetation days
tauR	Longevity of belowground vegetation days
tauS	Residence time of soil organic matter d

Details

This Very Simple Ecosystem Model (VSEM) is a 'toy' model designed to be very simple but yet bear some resemblance to deterministic processed based ecosystem models (PBM) that are commonly used in forest modelling.

The model determines the accumulation of carbon in the plant and soil from the growth of the plant via photosynthesis and senescence to the soil which respire carbon back to the atmosphere.

The model calculates Gross Primary Productivity (GPP) using a very simple light-use efficiency (LUE) formulation multiplied by light interception. Light interception is calculated via Beer's law with a constant light extinction coefficient operating on Leaf Area Index (LAI).

A parameter (GAMMA) determines the fraction of GPP that is autotrophic respiration. The Net Primary Productivity (NPP) is then allocated to above and below-ground vegetation via a fixed allocation fraction. Carbon is lost from the plant pools to a single soil pool via fixed turnover rates. Heterotrophic respiration in the soil is determined via a soil turnover rate.

The model equations are

– Photosynthesis

$$LAI = LAR * Cv$$

$$GPP = PAR * LUE * (1 - \exp^{-KEXT * LAI})$$

$$NPP = (1 - GAMMA) * GPP$$

– State equations

$$dCv/dt = Av * NPP - Cv/tauV$$

$$dCr/dt = (1.0 - Av) * NPP - Cr/tauR$$

$$dCs/dt = Cr/tauR + Cv/tauV - Cs/tauS$$

The model time-step is daily.

– VSEM inputs:

PAR Photosynthetically active radiation (PAR) MJ /m² /day
 – VSEM parameters:
 KEXT Light extinction coefficient m² ground area / m² leaf area
 LAR Leaf area ratio m² leaf area / kg aboveground vegetation
 LUE Light-Use Efficiency (kg C MJ⁻¹ PAR)
 GAMMA Autotrophic respiration as a fraction of GPP
 tauV Longevity of aboveground vegetation days
 tauR Longevity of belowground vegetation days
 tauS Residence time of soil organic matter d
 – VSEM states:
 Cv Above-ground vegetation pool kg C / m²
 Cr Below-ground vegetation pool kg C / m²
 Cs Carbon in organic matter kg C / m²
 – VSEM fluxes:
 G Gross Primary Productivity kg C /m² /day
 NPP Net Primary Productivity kg C /m² /day
 NEE Net Ecosystem Exchange kg C /m² /day

Value

a matrix with columns NEE, CV, CR and CS units and explanations see details

Author(s)

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See Also

[VSEMgetDefaults](#), [VSEMcreatePAR](#), [VSEMcreateLikelihood](#)

vsemC

C version of the VSEM model

Description

C version of the VSEM model

Usage

vsemC(par, PAR)

Arguments

par	parameter vector
PAR	Photosynthetically active radiation (PAR) MJ /m ² /day

VSEMcreateLikelihood *Create an example dataset, and from that a likelihood or posterior for the VSEM model*

Description

Create an example dataset, and from that a likelihood or posterior for the VSEM model

Usage

```
VSEMcreateLikelihood(likelihoodOnly = F, plot = F, selection = c(1:6, 12))
```

Arguments

likelihoodOnly switch to decide whether to create only a likelihood, or a full bayesianSetup with uniform priors.
plot switch to decide whether data should be plotted
selection vector containing the indices of the selected parameters

Details

The purpose of this function is to be able to conveniently create a likelihood for the VSEM model for demonstration purposes. The function creates example data → likelihood → BayesianSetup, where the latter is the

Author(s)

Florian Hartig

VSEMcreatePAR *Create a random radiation (PAR) time series*

Description

Create a random radiation (PAR) time series

Usage

```
VSEMcreatePAR(days = 1:(3 * 365))
```

Arguments

days days to calculate the PAR for

Author(s)

David Cameron, R implementation by Florian Hartig

VSEMgetDefaults *returns the default values for the VSEM*

Description

returns the default values for the VSEM

Usage

VSEMgetDefaults()

Value

a data.frame

WAIC *calculates the WAIC*

Description

calculates the WAIC

Usage

WAIC(bayesianOutput, numSamples = 1000, ...)

Arguments

bayesianOutput an object of class BayesianOutput
 numSamples the number of samples to calculate the WAIC
 ... optional values to be passed on the the getSample function

Details

The WAIC is constructed as

$$WAIC = -2 * (lppd - p_{WAIC})$$

The lppd (log pointwise predictive density), defined in Gelman et al., 2013, eq. 4 as

$$lppd = \sum_{i=1}^n \log \left(\frac{1}{S} \sum_{s=1}^S p(y_i | \theta^s) \right)$$

The value of p_{WAIC} can be calculated in two ways, the method used is determined by the method argument.

Method 1 is defined as,

$$p_{WAIC1} = 2 \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\log \left(\frac{1}{S} \sum_{s=1}^S p(y_i | \theta^s) \right) - \frac{1}{S} \sum_{s=1}^S \log p(y_i | \theta^s) \right)$$

Method 2 is defined as,

$$p_{WAIC2} = 2 \sum_{i=1}^n V_{s=1}^S (\log p(y_i | \theta^s))$$

where $V_{s=1}^S$ is the sample variance.

Note

The function requires that the likelihood passed on to BayesianSetup contains the option `sum = T/F`, with default F. If set to true, the likelihood for each data point must be returned.

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See Also

[DIC](#), [MAP](#), [marginalLikelihood](#)

Examples

```
bayesianSetup <- createBayesianSetup(likelihood = testDensityNormal,
                                     prior = createUniformPrior(lower = rep(-10,2),
                                                                upper = rep(10,2)))

# likelihood density needs to have option sum = F

testDensityNormal(c(1,1,1), sum = FALSE)
bayesianSetup$likelihood$density(c(1,1,1), sum = FALSE)
bayesianSetup$likelihood$density(matrix(rep(1,9), ncol = 3), sum = FALSE)

# running MCMC

out = runMCMC(bayesianSetup = bayesianSetup)

WAIC(out)
```

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