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The 'bayesnec' package.

Description
A No-Effect-Concentration (NEC) estimation package that uses brms (https://github.com/paul-buerkner/brms) to fit concentration (dose)-response data using Bayesian methods for the purpose of estimating both Effect Concentration (ECx) values, but more particularly NEC. Please see ?bnec for more details.

References

+.bnecfit

"Add" multiple bnecfit objects into one single bayesmanecfit object containing Bayesian model averaging statistics.

Description
"Add" multiple bnecfit objects into one single bayesmanecfit object containing Bayesian model averaging statistics.

Usage
## S3 method for class 'bnecfit'
e1 + e2

Arguments
e1 An object of class bnecfit.
e2 An object of class bnecfit.
Value

An object of class `bayesmanecfit`.

Examples

```r
## Not run:
library(bayesnec)

nec4param <- pull_out(manec_example, model = "nec4param")
ecx4param <- pull_out(manec_example, model = "ecx4param")
# Go from two bayesnecfit objects to a bayesmanecfit object.
# In this example case it is redundant because it recovers the original
# 'manec_example'.
nec4param + ecx4param

# Add a bayesnecfit object to an existing bayesmanecfit object
nechorme4 <- nec_data |> dplyr::mutate(y = qlogis(y)) |>
  \( \cdot \)bnec(formula = y ~ crf(x, model = "nechorme4"),
               data = ., iter = 200, warmup = 150, chains = 2,
               stan_model_args = list(save_dso = FALSE)))()  
nechorme4 + manec_example

## End(Not run)
```

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**amend**

Amends an existing `bayesmanecfit` object

Description

Amends an existing `bayesmanecfit` object, for example, by adding or removing fitted models.

Usage

```
amend(
  object,
  drop,
  add,
  loo_controls,
  x_range = NA,
  precision = 1000,
  sig_val = 0.01,
  priors
)
```

Arguments

- **object**: An object of class `bayesmanecfit`, as returned by `bnec`.
- **drop**: A character indicating the model to be removed.
- **add**: A character indicating the model to be added.
- **loo_controls**: A list of controls for leave-one-out cross-validation.
- **x_range**: A numeric that specifies the range to be evaluated.
- **precision**: A numeric that specifies the precision of the intervals.
- **sig_val**: A numeric that specifies the significance value.
- **priors**: A list of priors for Bayesian inference.
drop

A character vector containing the names of model types you which to exclude for the modified fit.

add

A character vector containing the names of model types you which to include to the modified fit.

loo_controls

A named list of two elements ("fitting" and/or "weights"), each being a named list containing the desired arguments to be passed on to loo (via "fitting") or to loo_model_weights (via "weights"). If "fitting" is provided with argument pointwise = TRUE (due to memory issues) and family = "beta_binomial2", the bnec will fail because that is a custom family. If "weights" is not provided by the user, bnec will set the default method argument in loo_model_weights to "pseudobma". See ?loo_model_weights for further info.

x_range

A range of predictor values over which to consider extracting ECx.

precision

The length of the predictor vector used for posterior predictions, and over which to extract ECx values. Large values will be slower but more precise.

sig_val

Probability value to use as the lower quantile to test significance of the predicted posterior values against the lowest observed concentration (assumed to be the control), to estimate NEC as an interpolated NOEC value from smooth ECx curves.

priors

An object of class brmsprior which specifies user-desired prior distributions of model parameters. If missing, amend will figure out a baseline prior for each parameter. It can also be specified as a named list where each name needs to correspond to the same string as model. See Details.

Value

All successfully fitted bayesmanecfit model fits.

Examples

library(bayesnec)
data(manec_example)
exmp <- amend(manec_example, drop = "nec4param")
Usage

## S3 method for class 'bayesnecfit'
autoplot(object, ..., nec = TRUE, ecx = FALSE, xform = identity)

## S3 method for class 'bayesmanecfit'
autoplot(
  object,
  ..., 
  nec = TRUE,
  ecx = FALSE,
  xform = identity,
  all_models = FALSE,
  plot = TRUE,
  ask = TRUE,
  newpage = TRUE,
  multi_facet = TRUE
)

Arguments

object An object of class bayesnecfit or bayesmanecfit.
...
Additional arguments to be passed to ggbnec_data.
nec Should NEC values be added to the plot? Defaults to TRUE.
ecx Should ECx values be added to the plot? Defaults to FALSE.
xform A function to apply to the returned estimated concentration values.
all_models Should all individual models be plotted separately\(\) (defaults to FALSE) or should model averaged predictions be plotted instead?
plot Should output ggplot output be plotted? Only relevant if all = TRUE and multi_facet = FALSE.
ask Indicates if the user is prompted before a new page is plotted. Only relevant if plot = TRUE and multi_facet = FALSE.
newpage Indicates if the first set of plots should be plotted to a new page. Only relevant if plot = TRUE and multi_facet = FALSE.
multi_facet Should all plots be plotted in one single panel via facets? Defaults to TRUE.

Value

A ggplot object.

Examples

## Not run:
library(brms)
ne4param <- pull_out(manec_example, "ne4param")
autoplot(ne4param)
autoplot(ne4param, nec = FALSE)
average_endpoints

autoplot(nec4param, ecx = TRUE, ecx_val = 50)
# plot model averaged predictions
autoplot(manec_example)
# plot all panels together
autoplot(manec_example, ecx = TRUE, ecx_val = 50, all_models = TRUE)

## End(Not run)
## Not run:
# plots multiple models, one at a time, with interactive prompt
autoplot(manec_example, ecx = TRUE, ecx_val = 50, all_models = TRUE,
         multi_facet = FALSE)

## End(Not run)

average_endpoints

Description

Extracts posterior predicted endpoint values from a list of class bayesnecfit or bayesmanecfit model fits and calculates a geometric mean.

Usage

average_endpoints(
  x,
  endpoint = "nec",
  ecx_val = 10,
  posterior = FALSE,
  type = "absolute",
  hormesis_def = "control",
  sig_val = 0.01,
  precision = 1000,
  x_range = NA,
  xform = identity,
  prob_vals = c(0.5, 0.025, 0.975)
)

Arguments

x
  A named list of objects of class bayesnecfit or bayesmanecfit returned by bnec.

endpoint
  The type of endpoint to use in the mean. Takes values "nec", "ecx" or "nsec".

ecx_val
  The desired percentage effect value. This must be a value between 1 and 99 (for type = "relative" and "absolute"), defaults to 10.

posterior
  A logical value indicating if the full posterior sample of calculated ECx values should be returned instead of just the median and 95 credible intervals.
average_endpoints

- **type**: A character vector, taking values of "relative", "absolute" (the default) or "direct". See Details.
- **hormesis_def**: A character vector, taking values of "max" or "control". See Details.
- **sig_val**: Probability value to use as the lower quantile to test significance of the predicted posterior values. against the lowest observed concentration (assumed to be the control), to estimate NEC as an interpolated NOEC value from smooth ECX curves.
- **precision**: The number of unique x values over which to find ECX – large values will make the ECX estimate more precise.
- **x_range**: A range of x values over which to consider extracting ECX.
- **xform**: A function to apply to the returned estimated concentration values.
- **prob_vals**: A vector indicating the probability values over which to return the estimated ECX value. Defaults to 0.5 (median) and 0.025 and 0.975 (95 percent credible intervals).

**Details**

The geometric mean of values are simply the mean calculated on a log scale and back transformed through \( \exp \), although we have added the capacity to accommodate zero values. Note that the function assumes that x has been modelled on the natural scale. Often CR models are more stable on a log-transformed or sqrt scaling. If the input `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit` model fits are already based on a re-scaling of the x (concentration) axis, it is important to pass an appropriate `xform` argument to ensure these are back transformed before the the geometric mean calculation is applied.

**Value**

The geometric mean of the endpoints estimate values of the `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit` model fits contained in x. See Details.

**See Also**

- `bnec`

**Examples**

```r
## Not run:
library(brms)
library(bayesnec)
data(manec_example)
ne4param <- pull_out(manec_example, model = "nec4param")
ec4param <- pull_out(manec_example, model = "ecx4param")
average_endpoints(list("nec" = ec4param, "ecx" = ne4param), ecx_val = 50)

## End(Not run)
```
bayesmanecfit-class

Class bayesmanecfit of models fitted with the brms package

Description

Multiple models fitted with the bayesnec package are represented as a bayesmanecfit object, which contains the original brmsfit fitted objects, names of non-linear models that were fitted, model averaging WAIC stats, sample size, mean posterior NEC values, mean model averaged predictions on the data scale, model averaged residuals, full posterior distribution of predicted values, and summary statistics of NEC statistics.

Details

See methods(class = "bayesmanecfit") for an overview of available methods.

Slots

mod_fits A list of fitted model outputs of class prebayesnecfit for each of the fitted models.
success_models A character vector indicating the name of the successfully fitted models.
mod_stats A data.frame of model fit statistics.
sample_size The size of the posterior sample. Information on the priors used in the model.
w_nec_posterior The model-weighted posterior estimate of the NEC.
w_predicted_y The model-weighted predicted values for the observed data.
w_residuals Model-weighted residual values (i.e. observed - w_predicted_y).
w_pred_vals A list containing model-weighted posterior predicted values based on the supplied precision and x_range.
w_nec The summary stats (median and 95% credibility intervals) of w_nec_posterior.

See Also

bayesnec, bnce, bayesnecfit

bayesnecfit-class

Class bayesnecfit of models fitted with the brms package

Description

Models fitted with the bayesnec package are represented as a bayesnecfit object, which contain the original brmsfit fitted object, list of initialisation values used, the validated bayesnecformula, name of non-linear model that was fitted, posterior predictions, posterior parameter estimates and a series of other statistics.
bayesnecformula

Details

See methods(class = "bayesnecfit") for an overview of available methods.

Slots

- **fit** The fitted Bayesian model of class `brmsfit`.
- **model** A `character` string indicating the name of the fitted model.
- **init** A `list` containing the initialisation values for to fit the model.
- **bayesnecformula** An object of class `bayesnecformula` and `formula`.
- **pred_vals** A `list` containing a `data.frame` of summary posterior predicted values and a vector containing based on the supplied precision and `x_range`.
- **top** The estimate for parameter "top" in the fitted model.
- **beta** The estimate for parameter "beta" in the fitted model.
- **nec** The estimated NEC.
- **f** The estimate for parameter "f" in the fitted model, NA if absent for the fitted model type.
- **bot** The estimate for parameter "bot" in the fitted model, NA if absent for the fitted model type.
- **d** The estimate for parameter "d" in the fitted model, NA if absent for the fitted model type.
- **slope** The estimate for parameter "slope" in the fitted model, NA if absent for the fitted model type.
- **ec50** The estimate for parameter "ec50" in the fitted model, NA if absent for the fitted model type.
- **dispersion** An estimate of dispersion.
- **predicted_y** The predicted values for the observed data.
- **residuals** Residual values of the observed data from the fitted model.
- **nec_posterior** A full posterior estimate of the NEC.

See Also

`bayesnec`, `bnc`, `bayesmanecfit`, `bayesnecformula`

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**bayesnecformula**

*Set up a model formula for use in bayesnec*

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**Description**

Set up a model formula for use in the `bayesnec` package, allowing linear and non-linear (potentially multi-level) concentration-response models to be defined.

**Usage**

`bayesnecformula(formula, ...)`
Arguments

- **formula**: Either a **character** string defining an R formula or an actual **formula** object. See details.
- **...**: Unused.

Details

See `methods(class = "bayesnecformula")` for an overview of available methods.

**General formula syntax**

The `formula` argument accepts formulas of the following syntax:

```
response | aterms ~ crf(x, model) + glterms
```

The population-level term: **crf**

`bayesnec` uses a special internal term called `crf`, which sets the concentration-response equation to be evaluated based on some `x` predictor. The equation itself is defined by the argument "model": a character vector containing a specific model, a concatenation of specific models, or a single string defining a particular group of models (or group of equations, see `models`). Internally this argument is substituted by an actual `brmsformula`, which is then passed onto `brm` for model fitting.

**Group-level terms**: `glterms`

The user has three options to define group-level effects in a `bayesnecformula`:

1. A general "offset" group-level effect defined by the term `ogl` (as in e.g. `ogl(group_variable)`). This adds an additional population-level parameter `ogl` to the model defined by `crf`, analogously to an intercept-only group-level effect in a classic linear model.
2. A group-level effect applied to all parameters in a model at once. This is done by the special term `pgl`, (as in e.g. `pgl(group_variable)`), which comes in handy so the user does not need to know the internal syntax and name of each parameter in the model.
3. A more classic approach where the user can specify which specific parameters — NB: that requires prior knowledge on the model structure and parameter names — to vary according to a grouping variable (as in e.g. `(bot | group_variable)`). `bayesnecformula` will ignore this term should the parameter not exist in the specified model or model suite. For example, the parameter `bot` exists in model "nec4param" but not in "nec3param", so if the user specifies `model = "nec"` in `crf`, the term `(bot | group_variable)` will be dropped in models where that parameter does not exist.

**Further brms terms (largely untested)**

Currently `bayesnecformula` is quite agnostic about additional terms that are valid for a `brmsformula`. These are `aterms` and `pterms` (see `?brmsformula`). The only capability that `bayesnecformula` does not allow is the addition of `pterms` outside of the term `crf`. Although `pterms` can be passed to predictor `x` within `crf`, we strongly discourage their use because those functionalities have not been tested yet. If this is extremely important to your work, please raise an issue on bayesnec GitHub, and we will consider further testing and development. Currently, the only two `aterms` that have validated behaviour are:

1. `trials()`, which is essential in binomially-distributed data, e.g. `y | trials(trials_variable)`, and 2) weights, e.g. `y | weights(weights_variable)`, following `brms` formula syntax. Please note that `brms` does not implement design weights as in other standard `base` functions. From their help page, `brms` "takes the weights literally, which means that an observation with weight 2 receives 2 times more weight than an observation with weight 1. It also means that
using a weight of 2 is equivalent to adding the corresponding observation twice to the data frame”. Other aterms might be added, though we cannot attest to their functionality within bayesnec, i.e. checks will be done outside via brm.

NB: aterms other than trials() and weights() are currently omitted from model.frame output. If you need other aterms as part of that output please raise an issue on our GitHub page.

Validation of formula Please note that the function only checks for the input nature of the formula argument and adds a new class. This function does not perform any validation on the model nor checks on its adequacy to work with other functions in the package. For that please refer to the function check_formula which requires the dataset associated with the formula.

Value

An object of class bayesnecformula and formula.

See Also

check_formula, model.frame, models, show_params, make_brmsformula

Examples

library(bayesnec)

bayesnecformula(y ~ crf(x, "nec3param"))
# or use shot alias bnf
bayesnecformula(y ~ crf(x, "nec3param")) == bnf(y ~ crf(x, "nec3param"))
bnf(y | trials(tr) ~ crf(sqrt(x), "nec3param"))
bnf(y | trials(tr) ~ crf(x, "nec3param") + ogl(group_1) + pgl(group_2))
bnf(y | trials(tr) ~ crf(x, "nec3param") + (nec + top | group_1))

# complex transformations are not advisable because
# they are passed directly to Stan via brms
# and are likely to fail -- transform your variable beforehand!
try(bnf(y | trials(tr) ~ crf(scale(x, scale = TRUE), "nec3param")))

beta_binomial2 Custom beta-binomial family

Description

Custom beta-binomial family

Format

An object of class customfamily
**Description**

Beta-binomial wrapper LPMF

**Usage**

`beta_binomial2_lpmf(y, mu, phi, trials)`

**Arguments**

- `y` vector of observation successes.
- `mu` posterior mu.
- `phi` posterior phi.
- `trials` vector of observation trials.

**Value**

A numeric value or vector containing the probability density of the beta binomial distribution

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**Description**

Beta-binomial wrapper RNG

**Usage**

`beta_binomial2_rng(mu, phi, trials)`

**Arguments**

- `mu` posterior mu.
- `phi` posterior phi.
- `trials` vector of observation trials.

**Value**

A numeric value or vector containing random values of the beta binomial distribution
**Description**

Fits a variety of NEC models using Bayesian analysis and provides a model averaged predictions based on WAIC model weights.

**Usage**

```r
bnec(
  formula, 
  data, 
  x_range = NA, 
  precision = 1000, 
  sig_val = 0.01, 
  loo_controls, 
  x_var = NULL, 
  y_var = NULL, 
  trials_var = NULL, 
  model = NULL, 
  random = NULL, 
  random_vars = NULL, 
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

`formula` Either a character string defining an R formula or an actual `formula` object. See `bayesnecformula` and `check_formula`.

`data` A `data.frame` containing the data to use with the formula.

`x_range` A range of predictor values over which to consider extracting ECx.

`precision` The length of the predictor vector used for posterior predictions, and over which to extract ECx values. Large values will be slower but more precise.

`sig_val` Probability value to use as the lower quantile to test significance of the predicted posterior values against the lowest observed concentration (assumed to be the control), to estimate NEC as an interpolated NOEC value from smooth ECx curves.

`loo_controls` A named list of two elements ("fitting" and/or "weights"), each being a named list containing the desired arguments to be passed on to `loo` (via "fitting") or to `loo_model_weights` (via "weights"). If "fitting" is provided with argument `pointwise = TRUE` (due to memory issues) and family = "beta_binomial2", the `bnec` will fail because that is a custom family. If "weights" is not provided by the user, `bnec` will set the default method argument in `loo_model_weights` to "pseudobma". See `?loo_model_weights` for further info.
x_var  Removed in version 2.0. Use formula instead. Used to be a character indicating the column heading containing the predictor (concentration) variable.

y_var  Removed in version 2.0. Use formula instead. Used to be a character indicating the column heading containing the response variable.

trials_var  Removed in version 2.0. Use formula instead. Used to be a character indicating the column heading for the number of "trials" for binomial or beta_binomial2 response data, as it appears in "data" (if data is supplied).

model  Removed in version 2.0. Use formula instead. Used to be a character vector indicating the model(s) to fit. See Details for more information.

random  Removed in version 2.0. Use formula instead. Used to be a named list containing the random model formula to apply to model parameters.

random_vars  Removed in version 2.0. Use formula instead. Used to be a character vector containing the names of the columns containing the variables used in the random model formula.

...  Further arguments to brm.

Details

Overview

bnec serves as a wrapper for (currently) 23 (mostly) non-linear equations that are classically applied to concentration(dose)-response problems. The primary goal of these equations is to provide the user with estimates of No-Effect-Concentration (NEC), No-Significant-Effect-Concentration (NSEC), and Effect-Concentration (of specified percentage 'x', ECx) thresholds. These in turn are fitted through the brm function from package brms and therefore further arguments to brm are allowed. In the absence of those arguments, bnec makes its best attempt to calculate distribution family, priors and initialisation values for the user based on the characteristics of the data. Moreover, in the absence of user-specified values, bnec sets the number of iterations to 1e4 and warmup period to floor(iterations / 5) * 4. The chosen models can be extended by the addition of brms special "aterms" as well as group-level effects. See ?bayesnecformula for details.

The available models/equations/formulas

The available equations (or models) can be found via the models function. Since version 2.0, bnec requires a specific formula structure which is fully explained in the help file of bayesnecformula. This formula incorporates the information regarding the chosen model(s). If one single model is specified, bnec will return an object of class bayesnecfit; otherwise if model is either a concatenation of multiple models and/or a string indicating a family of models, bnec will return an object of class bayesmanecfit, providing they were successfully fitted. The major difference being that the output of the latter includes Bayesian model averaging statistics. These classes come with multiple associated methods such as plot, autoplot, summary, print, model.frame and formula.

model may also be one of "all", meaning all of the available models will be fit; "ecx" meaning only models excluding a specific NEC step parameter will be fit; "nec" meaning only models with a specific NEC step parameter will be fit; "bot_free" meaning only models without a "bot" parameter (without a bottom plateau) will be fit; "zero_bounded" are models that are bounded to be zero; or "decline" excludes all hormesis models, i.e., only allows a strict decline in response across the whole predictor range. Notice that if one of these group strings is provided together with a user-specified named list for the brm's argument prior, the list names need to contain the actual model names, and not the group string, e.g. if model = "ecx" and prior = my_priors then names(my_priors) must
contain models("ecx"). To check available models and associated parameters for each group, use the function `models` or to check the parameters of a specific model use the function `show_params`.

All models provide an estimate for NEC. For model types with "nec" as a prefix, NEC is directly estimated as parameter "nec" in the model. Models with "ecx" as a prefix are continuous curve models, typically used for extracting ECx values from concentration response data. In this instance the NEC value is defined as the concentration at which there is a user supplied (see argument `sig_val`) percentage certainty (based on the Bayesian posterior estimate) that the response falls below the estimated value of the upper asymptote (top) of the response (i.e. the response value is significantly lower than that expected in the case of no exposure). The default value for `sig_val` is 0.01, which corresponds to an alpha value of 0.01 for a one-sided test of significance.

**Further argument to brm**

If not supplied via the `brm` argument `family`, the appropriate distribution will be guessed based on the characteristics of the input data. Guesses include: "bernoulli" / bernoulli / bernoulli(), "Beta" / Beta / Beta(), "binomial" / binomial / binomial(), "beta_binomial2" / beta_binomial2, "Gamma" / Gamma / Gamma(), "gaussian" / gaussian / gaussian(), "negbinomial" / negbinomial / negbinomial(), or "poisson" / poisson / poisson(). Note, however, that "negbinomial" and "betabinomimal2" require knowledge on whether the data is over-dispersed. As explained below in the Return section, the user can extract the dispersion parameter from a `bnec` call, and if they so wish, can refit the model using the "negbinomial" family.

Other families can be considered as required, please raise an issue on the GitHub development site if your required family is not currently available.

As a default, `bnec` sets the `brm` argument `sample_prior` to "yes" in order to sample draws from the priors in addition to the posterior distributions. Among others, these samples can be used to calculate Bayes factors for point hypotheses via `hypothesis`.

Model averaging is achieved through a weighted sample of each fitted models posterior predictions, with weights derived using functions `loo` and `loo_model_weights` from `brms`. Argument to both these functions can be passed via the `loo_controls` argument. Individual model fits can be pulled out for examination using function `pull_out`.

**Additional technical notes**

As some concentration-response data will use zero concentration which can cause numerical estimation issues, a small offset is added (1 / 10th of the next lowest value) to zero values of concentration where `x_var` are distributed on a continuous scale from 0 to infinity, or are bounded to 0, or 1.

**NAs are thrown away**

Stan’s default behaviour is to fail when the input data contains NAs. For that reason `brms` excludes any NAs from input data prior to fitting, and does not allow them back in as is the case with e.g. `stats::lm` and `na.action = exclude`. So we advise that you exclude any NAs in your data prior to fitting because if you so wish that should facilitate merging predictions back onto your original dataset.

**Value**

If argument model is a single string, then an object of class `bayesnecfit`; if many strings or a set, an object of class `bayesmanecfit`.
bnecfit-class

See Also

bayesnecformula, check_formula, models, show_params

Examples

## Not run:
library(bayesnec)
data(nec_data)

# A single model
exmp_a <- bnec(y ~ crf(x, model = "nec4param"), data = nec_data, chains = 2)
# Two models model
exmp_b <- bnec(y ~ crf(x, model = c("nec4param", "ecx4param")),
               data = nec_data, chains = 2)

## End(Not run)

bnecfit-class

Class bnecfit of models fitted with function bnec

Description

This is a wrapper class which will be attached to both bayesnecfit and bayesanecfit classes. Useful for methods which might need to take either class as an input simultaneously.

Details

See methods(class = "bnecfit") for an overview of available methods.

See Also

bayesnec, bnec, bayesnecfit, bayesanecfit

bnec_newdata

Description

Create a dataset for predictions

Usage

bnec_newdata(x, precision = 100, x_range = NA)
Arguments

x An object of class bayesnecfit or bayesmanecfit as returned by \texttt{bnec}.
precision A numeric vector of length 1 indicating the number of x values over which to predict values.
x_range A numeric vector of length 2 indicating the range of x values over which to make predictions.

Value

A \texttt{data.frame} to be used in predictions.

Examples

## Not run:
library(bayesnec)
nec4param <- pull_out(manec_example, model = "nec4param")
# Make fine precision, predict out of range
newdata <- bnec_newdata(nec4param, precision = 200, x_range = c(0, 4))
nrow(newdata) == 200
all(range(newdata$x) == c(0, 4))
newdata2 <- bnec_newdata(manec_example) # default size
nrow(newdata2) == 100

## End(Not run)

\begin{verbatim}
c.bnecfit
\end{verbatim}

Concatenate multiple \texttt{bnecfit} objects into one single \texttt{bayesmanecfit} object containing Bayesian model averaging statistics.

Description

Concatenate multiple \texttt{bnecfit} objects into one single \texttt{bayesmanecfit} object containing Bayesian model averaging statistics.

Usage

## S3 method for class 'bnecfit'
c(x, ...)

Arguments

x An object of class \texttt{bnecfit}.
... Additional objects of class \texttt{bnecfit}.

Value

An object of class \texttt{bayesmanecfit}.
## Examples

```r
## Not run:
library(bayesnec)
nec4param <- pull_out(manec_example, model = "nec4param")
ecx4param <- pull_out(manec_example, model = "ecx4param")
# Go from two bayesnecfit objects to a bayesmanecfit object.
# In this example case it is redundant because it recovers the original
# \`manec_example\`.
c(nec4param, ecx4param)
# Add a bayesnecfit object to an existing bayesmanecfit object
echorme4 <- nec_data |>
  dplyr::mutate(y = qlogis(y)) |>
  \(~(\cdot)bnec(formula = y ~ crf(x, model = "nechorme4"),
  data = ., iter = 200, warmup = 150, chains = 2,
  stan_model_args = list(save_dso = FALSE))))()
c(nechorme4, manec_example)
## End(Not run)
```

### Description

Plots HMC chains for a `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit` model fit as returned by `bnec`.

### Usage

```r
check_chains(x, ...)
```

```r
## S3 method for class 'bayesnecfit'
check_chains(x, ...)
```

```r
## S3 method for class 'bayesmanecfit'
check_chains(x, filename = NA, ...)
```

### Arguments

- `x` An object of class `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit` as returned by `bnec`
- `...` Unused
- `filename` An optional character vector to be used as a pdf filename in the case of a `bayesmanecfit`. Any non empty character string will indicate the user wants to save the plots.

### Value

No return value, generates a plot or writes a pdf to file.
Examples

```r
## Not run:
library(bayesnec)
check_chains(manec_example)
nec4param <- pull_out(manec_example, model = "nec4param")
check_chains(nec4param)

## End(Not run)
```

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**check_formula**

*Check if input model formula is appropriate to use with bayesnec*

**Description**

Perform a series of checks to ensure that the input formula is valid for usage within bayesnec.

**Usage**

```r
check_formula(formula, data, run_par_checks = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

- **formula**: An object of class bayesnecformula as returned by function bayesnecformula.
- **data**: A data.frame containing the variables specified in formula.
- **run_par_checks**: See details. A logical defining whether random terms for specific parameters should be checked against the underlying concentration-response model defined in formula. Defaults to FALSE.

**Details**

This function allows the user to make sure that the input formula will allow for a successful model fit with the function bnec. Should all checks pass, the function returns the original formula. Otherwise it will fail and requires that the user fixes it until they’re able to use it with bnec.

The argument `run_par_checks` is irrelevant for most usages of this package because it only applies if three conditions are met: 1) the user has specified a group-level effect; 2) the group-level effects is parameter specific (e.g. `(par | group_variable)` rather than `pgl/ogl(group_variable)`); and 3) The user is keen to learn if the specified parameter is found in the specified model (via argument `model` in the `crf` term – see details in ?bayesnecformula).

**NB**: other terms other than `trials()` and `weights()` are currently omitted from `model.frame` output. If you need other terms as part of that output please raise an issue on our GitHub page. See details about `terms` in ?bayesnecformula.

**Value**

A validated object of class bayesnecformula and formula.
**check_priors**

Plots the prior and posterior parameter probability densities from an object of class `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit`.

## Description

Plots the prior and posterior parameter probability densities from an object of class `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit`.

## Usage

```
check_priors(object, filename = NA)
```

## Examples

```r
library(bayesnec)
nec3param <- function(beta, nec, top, x) {
  top * exp(-exp(beta) * (x - nec) * ifelse(x - nec < 0, 0, 1))
}
data <- data.frame(x = seq(1, 20, length.out = 10), tr = 100, wght = c(1, 2),
  group_1 = sample(c("a", "b"), 10, replace = TRUE),
  group_2 = sample(c("c", "d"), 10, replace = TRUE))
data$y <- nec3param(beta = -0.2, nec = 4, top = 100, data$x)

# returns error
# > f_1 <- y ~ crf(x, "nec3param") + z
# regular formula not allowed, wrap it with function bnf
# > check_formula(f_1, data)
# population-level covariates are not allowed
# > check_formula(bnf(f_1), data)

# expect a series of messages for because not all
# nec models have the "bot" parameter
f_2 <- y | trials(tr) ~ crf(x, "nec") + (nec + bot | group_1)
check_formula(bnf(f_2), data, run_par_checks = TRUE)

# runs fine
f_3 <- "y | trials(tr) ~ crf(sqrt(x), \"nec3param\")"
check_formula(bnf(f_3), data)
f_4 <- y | trials(tr) ~ crf(x, "nec3param") + ogl(group_1) + pgl(group_2)
inherits(check_formula(bnf(f_4), data), "bayesnecformula")
```
Arguments

object An object of class `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit` returned by `bnec`.
filename An optional `character` vector to be used as a pdf filename in the case of a `bayesmanecfit`. Any non empty character string will indicate the user wants to save the plots.

Value

A plot of the prior and posterior parameter probability densities.

See Also

`bnec`

Examples

```r
## Not run:
library(bayesnec)
data(manec_example)
check_priors(manec_example)
## End(Not run)
```

```
compare_endpoints
```

Description

Extracts posterior predicted values from a list of class `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit` model fits and compares these via bootstrap re sampling.

Usage

```r
compare_endpoints(
  x,
  comparison = "nec",
  ecx_val = 10,
  type = "absolute",
  hormesis_def = "control",
  sig_val = 0.01,
  precision = 100,
  x_range = NA
)
```
Arguments

x A named list of objects of class bayesnecfit or bayesmanecfit returned by bnec.

comparison The posterior predictions to compare, takes values of "nec", "nsec", "ecx" or "fitted".

ecx_val The desired percentage effect value. This must be a value between 1 and 99 (for type = "relative" and "absolute"), defaults to 10.

type A character vector, taking values of "relative", "absolute" (the default) or "direct". See Details.

hormesis_def A character vector, taking values of "max" or "control". See Details.

sig_val Probability value to use as the lower quantile to test significance of the predicted posterior values. against the lowest observed concentration (assumed to be the control), to estimate NEC as an interpolated NOEC value from smooth ECx curves.

precision The number of unique x values over which to find ECx – large values will make the ECx estimate more precise.

x_range A range of x values over which to consider extracting ECx.

Value

A named list containing bootstrapped differences in posterior predictions of the bayesnecfit or bayesmanecfit model fits contained in x. See Details.

See Also

bnec

Examples

## Not run:
library(bayesnec)
data(manec_example)
nec4param <- pull_out(manec_example, model = "nec4param")
ecx4param <- pull_out(manec_example, model = "ecx4param")
compare_endpoints(list("nec" = ecx4param, "ecx" = nec4param), ecx_val = 50,
comparison="ecx")

## End(Not run)
Description

Extracts posterior predicted values from a list of class `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit` model fits and compares these across a vector of fitted values.

Usage

```r
compare_fitted(x, precision = 50, x_range = NA, make_newdata = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

- `x`: A named list of objects of class `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit` returned by `bnec`.
- `precision`: The number of unique x values over which to find ECx – large values will make the ECx estimate more precise.
- `x_range`: A range of x values over which to consider extracting ECx.
- `make_newdata`: Should the user allow the package to create newdata for predictions? If so, arguments `precision` and `x_range` will be used. Defaults to TRUE. See details.
- `...`: Further arguments that control posterior predictions via `posterior_epred`.

Details

The argument `make_newdata` is relevant to those who want the package to create a data.frame from which to make predictions. This is done via `bnec_newdata` and uses arguments `precision` and `x_range`. If `make_newdata = FALSE` and no additional newdata argument is provided (via `...`), then the predictions are made for the raw data. Else, to generate predictions for a specific user-specific data.frame, set `make_newdata = FALSE` and provide an additional data.frame via the `newdata` argument. For guidance on how to structure `newdata`, see for example `posterior_epred`.

Value

A named list containing bootstrapped differences in posterior predictions of the `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit` model fits contained in `x`. See Details.

See Also

- `bnec`
compare_posterior

Examples

```r
## Not run:
library(bayesnec)
data(manec_example)
nec4param <- pull_out(manec_example, model = "nec4param")
ecx4param <- pull_out(manec_example, model = "ecx4param")
compare_fitted(list("nec" = ecx4param, "ecx" = nec4param))
## End(Not run)
```

Description

Extracts posterior predicted values from a list of class `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit` model fits and compares these via bootstrap re sampling.

Usage

```r
compare_posterior(
  x,
  comparison = "nec",
  ecx_val = 10,
  type = "absolute",
  hormesis_def = "control",
  sig_val = 0.01,
  precision,
  x_range = NA,
  make_newdata = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

- `x`: A named `list` of objects of class `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit` returned by `bnec`.
- `comparison`: The posterior predictions to compare, takes values of "nec", "nsec", "ecx" or "fitted".
- `ecx_val`: The desired percentage effect value. This must be a value between 1 and 99 (for type = "relative" and "absolute"), defaults to 10.
- `type`: A `character` vector, taking values of "relative", "absolute" (the default) or "direct". See Details.
- `hormesis_def`: A `character` vector, taking values of "max" or "control". See Details.
sig_val  Probability value to use as the lower quantile to test significance of the predicted posterior values, against the lowest observed concentration (assumed to be the control), to estimate NEC as an interpolated NOEC value from smooth ECx curves.

precision  The number of unique x values over which to find ECx – large values will make the ECx estimate more precise.

x_range  A range of x values over which to consider extracting ECx.

make_newdata  Only used if comparison = "fitted". Should the user allow the package to create newdata for predictions? If so, arguments precision and x_range will be used. Defaults to TRUE. See details.

...  Further arguments that control posterior predictions via posterior_epred.

Details

type "relative" is calculated as the percentage decrease from the maximum predicted value of the response (top) to the minimum predicted value of the response. Type "absolute" (the default) is calculated as the percentage decrease from the maximum value of the response (top) to 0 (or bot for a 4 parameter model fit). Type "direct" provides a direct estimate of the x value for a given y. Note that for the current version, ECx for an "nechorme" (NEC Hormesis) model is estimated at a percent decline from the control.

For hormesis_def, if "max", then ECx or NSEC values – i.e., depending on argument comparison – are calculated as a decline from the maximum estimates (i.e. the peak at NEC); if "control", then ECx or NSEC values are calculated relative to the control, which is assumed to be the lowest observed concentration.

The argument make_newdata is only used if comparison = "fitted". It is relevant to those who want the package to create a data.frame from which to make predictions. This is done via bnec_newdata and uses arguments precision and x_range. If make_newdata = FALSE and no additional newdata argument is provided (via ...), then the predictions are made for the raw data. Else, to generate predictions for a specific user-specific data.frame, set make_newdata = FALSE and provide an additional data.frame via the newdata argument. For guidance on how to structure newdata, see for example posterior_epred.

Value

A named list containing bootstrapped differences in posterior predictions of the bayesnecfit or bayesnecfit model fits contained in x. See Details.

See Also

bnec ecx nsec nec bnec_newdata

Examples

```r
## Not run:
library(bayesnec)
data(manec_example)
nec4param <- pull_out(manec_example, model = "nec4param")
ecx4param <- pull_out(manec_example, model = "ecx4param")
```
dispersion

```r
compare_posterior(list("nec" = ecx4param, "ecx" = nec4param), ecx_val = 50)
## End(Not run)
```

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**Description**

Calculates a posterior dispersion metric.

**Usage**

```r
dispersion(model, summary = FALSE, seed = 10)
```

**Arguments**

- **model**: An object of class `bayesnecfit` whose distribution family is either `poisson` or `binomial`.
- **summary**: Logical. Should summary stats be returned instead of full vector? Defaults to `FALSE`.
- **seed**: Change seed for reproducible purposes.

**Details**

This function calculates a dispersion metric which takes the ratio between the observed relative to simulated Pearson residuals sums of squares.

**Value**

A numeric vector. If `summary` is `FALSE`, an n-long vector containing the dispersion metric, where n is the number of post warm-up posterior draws from the `brmsfit` object. If `TRUE`, then a `data.frame` containing the summary stats (mean, median, 95% highest density intervals) of the dispersion metric.

**References**

## Not run:
library(bayesnec)
data(nec_data)
nec_data$y <- as.integer(round(nec_data$y * 100))
nec4param <- bnec(y ~ crf(x, "nec4param"), data = nec_data, chains = 2)
dispersion(nec4param, summary = TRUE)

## End(Not run)

ecx

Extracts the predicted ECx value

Description

Extracts the predicted ECx value as desired from an object of class `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit`.

Usage

```r
ecx(
  object,
  ecx_val = 10,
  precision = 1000,
  posterior = FALSE,
  type = "absolute",
  hormesis_def = "control",
  x_range = NA,
  xform = identity,
  prob_vals = c(0.5, 0.025, 0.975)
)
```

Arguments

- **object**: An object of class `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit` returned by `bnec`.
- **ecx_val**: The desired percentage effect value. This must be a value between 1 and 99 (for type = "relative" and "absolute"), defaults to 10.
- **precision**: The number of unique x values over which to find ECx – large values will make the ECx estimate more precise.
- **posterior**: A logical value indicating if the full posterior sample of calculated ECx values should be returned instead of just the median and 95 credible intervals.
- **type**: A character vector, taking values of "relative", "absolute" (the default) or "direct". See Details.
- **hormesis_def**: A character vector, taking values of "max" or "control". See Details.
- **x_range**: A range of x values over which to consider extracting ECx.
- **xform**: A function to apply to the returned estimated concentration values.
prob_vals A vector indicating the probability values over which to return the estimated ECx value. Defaults to 0.5 (median) and 0.025 and 0.975 (95 percent credible intervals).

Details

Type "relative" is calculated as the percentage decrease from the maximum predicted value of the response (top) to the minimum predicted value of the response. Type "absolute" (the default) is calculated as the percentage decrease from the maximum value of the response (top) to 0 (or 'bot' for a four-parameter model fit). Type "direct" provides a direct estimate of the x value for a given y. Note that for the current version, ECx for an "nechorme" (NEC Hormesis) model is estimated at a percent decline from the control.

For hormesis_def, if "max", then ECx values are calculated as a decline from the maximum estimates (i.e. the peak at NEC); if "control", then ECx values are calculated relative to the control, which is assumed to be the lowest observed concentration.

Calls to functions ecx and nsec and compare_fitted do not require the same level of flexibility in the context of allowing argument newdata (from a posterior_predict perspective) to be supplied manually, as this is and should be handled within the function itself. The argument precision controls how precisely the ecx or nsec value is estimated, with argument x_range allowing estimation beyond the existing range of the observed data (otherwise the default range) which can be useful in a small number of cases. There is also no reasonable case where estimating these from the raw data would be of value, because both functions would simply return one of the treatment concentrations, making NOEC a better metric in that case.

Value

A vector containing the estimated ECx value, including upper and lower 95% credible interval bounds.

See Also

bnec

Examples

library(brms)
library(bayesnec)
data(manec_example)
ecx(manec_example, ecx_val = 50)
ecx(manec_example)
expand_manec

*Extracts a range of statistics from a list of prebayesnecfit objects.*

**Description**

Extracts a range of statistics from a list of prebayesnecfit objects.

**Usage**

```r
expand_manec(
  object,
  formula,
  x_range = NA,
  precision = 1000,
  sig_val = 0.01,
  loo_controls
)
```

**Arguments**

- `object`  
  A list of objects of class prebayesnecfit.

- `formula`  
  Either a character string defining an R formula or an actual formula object. See bayesnecformula and check_formula. It could also be a list of formulas if multiple objects are passed to `object`.

- `x_range`  
  A range of predictor values over which to consider extracting ECx.

- `precision`  
  The length of the predictor vector used for posterior predictions, and over which to extract ECx values. Large values will be slower but more precise.

- `sig_val`  
  Probability value to use as the lower quantile to test significance of the predicted posterior values against the lowest observed concentration (assumed to be the control), to estimate NEC as an interpolated NOEC value from smooth ECx curves.

- `loo_controls`  
  A named list of two elements ("fitting" and/or "weights"), each being a named list containing the desired arguments to be passed on to `loo` (via "fitting") or to `loo_model_weights` (via "weights"). If "fitting" is provided with argument `pointwise = TRUE` (due to memory issues) and `family = "beta_binomial2"`, the `bnec` will fail because that is a custom family. If "weights" is not provided by the user, `bnec` will set the default method argument in `loo_model_weights` to "pseudobma". See `?loo_model_weights` for further info.

**Value**

A list of model statistical output derived from the input model list.
**Description**

Extracts a range of statistics from a `prebayesnecfit` object.

**Usage**

```r
expand_nec(
  object,
  formula,
  x_range = NA,
  precision = 1000,
  sig_val = 0.01,
  loo_controls,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

- `object` An object of class `prebayesnecfit`.
- `formula` Either a character string defining an R formula or an actual `formula` object. See `bayesneqformula` and `check_formula`.
- `x_range` A range of predictor values over which to consider extracting ECx.
- `precision` The length of the predictor vector used for posterior predictions, and over which to extract ECx values. Large values will be slower but more precise.
- `sig_val` Probability value to use as the lower quantile to test significance of the predicted posterior values against the lowest observed concentration (assumed to be the control), to estimate NEC as an interpolated NOEC value from smooth ECx curves.
- `loo_controls` A named `list` of two elements ("fitting" and/or "weights"), each being a named `list` containing the desired arguments to be passed on to `loo` (via "fitting") or to `loo_model_weights` (via "weights"). If "fitting" is provided with argument `pointwise = TRUE` (due to memory issues) and `family = "beta_binomial2"`, the `bnec` will fail because that is a custom family. If "weights" is not provided by the user, `bnec` will set the default method argument in `loo_model_weights` to "pseudobma". See `?loo_model_weights` for further info.
- `...` Further arguments to internal function.

**Value**

A `list` of model statistical output derived from the input model object.
Generates mean posterior linear predictions for objects fitted by \texttt{bnec}. Object should be of class \texttt{bayesnecfit} or \texttt{bayesmanecfit}.

## S3 method for class 'bayesnecfit'
fitted(object, ...)

## S3 method for class 'bayesmanecfit'
fitted(object, summary = TRUE, robust = FALSE, probs = c(0.025, 0.975), ...)

### Arguments

- **object**: An object of class \texttt{bayesnecfit} or \texttt{bayesmanecfit}.
- **...**: Additional arguments to \texttt{fitted.brmsfit} if object is of class \texttt{bayesnecfit}, or to \texttt{posterior_epred.brmsfit} if object is of class \texttt{bayesmanecfit}.
- **summary**: Should summary statistics be returned instead of the raw values? Default is \texttt{TRUE}.
- **robust**: If \texttt{FALSE} (the default) the mean is used as the measure of central tendency and the standard deviation as the measure of variability. If \texttt{TRUE}, the median and the median absolute deviation (MAD) are applied instead. Only used if \texttt{summary} is \texttt{TRUE}.
- **probs**: The percentiles to be computed by the \texttt{quantile} function. Only used if \texttt{summary} is \texttt{TRUE}.

### Value

See \texttt{?brms:fitted.brmsfit}.

### Examples

```r
## Not run:
library(bayesnec)
# Uses default `precision` and `x_range` to generate `newdata` internally
fitted(manec_example)
# Provide user-specified `newdata`
nd_ <- data.frame(x = seq(0, 3, length.out = 200))
fits <- fitted(manec_example, ecx_val = 50, newdata = nd_,
               make_newdata = FALSE)
ncrow(fits) == 200
# Predictions for raw input data
nec4param <- pull_out(manec_example, model = "nec4param")
```
fits <- fitted(nec4param, make_newdata = FALSE)
x <- pull_brmsfit(nec4param)$data$x
plot(x, fits[, 1])

## End(Not run)

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### formula

Retrieve formulas from models fitted by `bnec`

#### Description

Retrieve formulas from models fitted by `bnec`. `x` should be of class `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit`.

#### Usage

```r
## S3 method for class 'bayesnecfit'
formula(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'bayesmanecfit'
formula(x, model, ...)
```

#### Arguments

- `x`:
  - An object of class `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit`.
- `...`:
  - Unused.
- `model`:
  - A valid model string.

#### Value

An object of class `bayesnecformula`.

#### Examples

```r
library(bayesnec)
formula(manec_example, model = "nec4param")
nec4param <- pull_out(manec_example, "nec4param")
formula(nec4param)
```
ggbnec_data

*Description*

Creates the data.frame for plotting with `autoplot`.

*Usage*

```r

```

```r

```

*Arguments*

- `x`: An object of class `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit`, as returned by function `bnec`.
- `add_nec`: Should NEC values be added to the plot? Defaults to TRUE.
- `add_ecx`: Should ECx values be added to the plot? Defaults to FALSE.
- `xform`: A function to apply to the returned estimated concentration values.
- `...`: Additional arguments to be passed to `ecx`. By default, function `ecx` returns EC10.

*Value*

A `data.frame`.

*Examples*

```r

library(bayesnec)
options(mc.cores = 2)
data(manec_example)

# ggbnec_data

```

```r

```
**Description**

Herbicide phytotoxicity dataset from Jones & Kerswell (2003).

**Format**

An object of class `data.frame` with 580 rows and 3 columns.

**Details**

The response data (Fv/Fm) Chlorophyll fluorescence measurements of symbiotic dinoflagellates still in the host tissue of the coral (in hospite or in vivo) were measured using a DIVING-PAM chlorophyll fluorometer (Walz) on vertical planes of tissue 2 to 3 cm above the base of the corals, using either a 6 mm (Acropora formosa) or 2 mm (Seriatopora hystrix) fibre-optic probe. Parameters measured were the maximum potential quantum yield (Fv/Fm).

Additional information on each of the herbicides included is available from the original publication Jones & Kerswell (2003).

The columns are as follows:

- **herbicide**  The herbicide (chr).
- **concentration**  The treatment concentration in µg / L (dbl).
- **fvfm**  Maximum effective quantum yield (dbl).

**References**


**Examples**

```r
head(herbicide)
```
is_manecsummary  
*Checks if argument is a manecsummary object*

**Description**

Checks if argument is a manecsummary object

**Usage**

```r
is_manecsummary(x)
```

**Arguments**

- `x`  
  An R object

**Value**

A **logical**

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is_necsummary  
*Checks if argument is a necsummary object*

**Description**

Checks if argument is a necsummary object

**Usage**

```r
is_necsummary(x)
```

**Arguments**

- `x`  
  An R object
Description

Beta-binomial wrapper LL

Usage

log_lik_beta_binomial2(i, prep)

Arguments

i, prep

Value

Log likelihood of the beta binomial distribution

make_brmsformula

Description

Checks the input formula according to bayesnec requirements and expose the final brmsformula which is to be fitted via package brms.

Usage

make_brmsformula(formula, data)

Arguments

formula, data

Value

A named list, with each element containing the final brmsformula to be passed to brm.

See Also

bayesnecformula, check_formula
Examples

library(bayesnec)

nec3param <- function(beta, nec, top, x) {
  top * exp(-exp(beta) * (x - nec) * 
    ifelse(x - nec < 0, 0, 1))
}

data <- data.frame(x = seq(1, 20, length.out = 10), tr = 100, wght = c(1, 2),
  group_1 = sample(c("a", "b"), 10, replace = TRUE),
  group_2 = sample(c("c", "d"), 10, replace = TRUE))
data$y <- nec3param(beta = -0.2, nec = 4, top = 100, data$x)

# make one single model
f_1 <- "y | trials(tr) ~ crf(sqrt(x), \"nec3param\")"
make_brmsformula(f_1, data)

# make an entire class of models
f_2 <- y ~ crf(x, "ecx") + ogl(group_1) + pgl(group_2)
make_brmsformula(f_2, data)

---

manecsummary-class

Class manecsummary of models fitted with the brms package

Description

Multiple models fitted with the bayesnec package are summarised as a manecsummary object, which contains the name of the non-linear models fitted, the family distribution used to fit all the models, the total post-warm-up sample size, a table containing the model weights, the method to calculate the weights, whether this model is an ECx-type model (see details below), and the ECx summary values should the user decide to calculate them.

Details

See methods(class = "manecsummary") for an overview of available methods.

Slots

- models: A character string indicating the name of the fitted non-linear models.
- family: A list indicating the family distribution and link function used to fit all the models.
- sample_size: The total post-warm-up sample size.
- mod_weights: A table containing the model weights.
- mod_weights_method: The method to calculate the weights.
- ecx_mods: A logical indicating which models are ECx-type models.
- nec_vals: The model-averaged NEC values. Note that if model stack contains ECx-type models, these will be via NSEC proxies.
ecs A list containing the ECx values should the user decide to calculate them (see the non-exported bayesnec:::summary.bayesnecfit help file for details). Different from the single-model case of class bayesnecfit, these ECx estimates will be based on the model weights.

rhat_issues A list detailing whether each fitted model exhibited convergence issues based on the Rhat evaluation.

See Also
bayesnec, bnec, bayesnecfit, bayesmanecfit, necsummary

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**manec_example**  
Example bayesmanecfit object

**Description**
Example bayesmanecfit object

**Format**
An object of class bayesmanecfit. This was created to reduce run time in examples and tests, and to give the user an example to toy with. This was fitted to bayesnec built-in mock dataset (see ?nec_data), using models "nec4param" and "ecx4param". The number of chains were set to 2 and number of iterations were 50 only to make sure that package size was below 5 Mb. See help files for function bnec and class bayesmanecfit for details.

**Source**
Code used to generate these models can be downloaded from https://github.com/open-AIMS/bayesnec/blob/master/data-raw/manec_example.R

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**model.frame**  
Model.frame methods in bayesnec.

**Description**
Retrieve data.frame used to fit models via bnec, or directly from a bayesnecformula. formula should be of class bayesnecfit, bayesmanecfit or bayesnecformula.

**Usage**

```r
## S3 method for class 'bayesnecfit'
model.frame(formula, ...)

## S3 method for class 'bayesmanecfit'
model.frame(formula, model, ...)

## S3 method for class 'bayesnecformula'
model.frame(formula, data, ...)
```
model.frame

Arguments

- **formula**
  - An model object of class `bayesnecfit`, `bayesmanecfit`, or a formula of class `bayesnecformula`.
  - ... Unused if formula is a `bayesnecfit` or a `bayesmanecfit`. Else, if formula is a `bayesnecformula`, additional arguments to be passed to `check_formula`.
- **model**
  - A valid model string.
- **data**
  - A `data.frame` containing the variables specified in formula.

Details

If formula is a `bayesnecformula` and it contains transformations to variables x and y, these are evaluated and returned as part of the `data.frame`.

Value

If formula is a `bayesnecfit` or a `bayesmanecfit`, a `data.frame` containing the data used to fit the model.

If, instead, formula is a `bayesnecformula`, a `data.frame` with additional attributes detailing the population-level variables (attribute "bnec_pop") (response y, predictor x, and, if binomial a formula, trials) and, if applicable, the group-level variables (attribute "bnec_group").

Examples

```r
library(bayesnec)

# if input is of class 'bayesnecfit' or 'bayesmanecfit'
model.frame(manec_example, model = "nec4param")
nec4param <- pull_out(manec_example, "nec4param")
model.frame(nec4param)

# if input is of class 'bayesnecformula'
nec3param <- function(beta, nec, top, x) {
  top * exp(-exp(beta) * (x - nec) * 
    ifelse(x - nec < 0, 0, 1))
}
data <- data.frame(x = seq(1, 20, length.out = 10), tr = 100, wght = c(1, 2),
                   group_1 = sample(c("a", "b"), 10, replace = TRUE),
                   group_2 = sample(c("c", "d"), 10, replace = TRUE))
data$y <- nec3param(beta = -0.2, nec = 4, top = 100, data$x)

f_1 <- y ~ crf(x, "nec3param")
f_2 <- "y | trials(tr) ~ crf(sqrt(x), \"nec3param\")"
f_3 <- y | trials(tr) ~ crf(x, "nec3param") + ogl(group_1) + pgl(group_2)
f_4 <- y | trials(tr) ~ crf(x, "nec3param") + (nec + top | group_1)
m_1 <- model.frame(bnf(f_1), data)
attr(m_1, "bnec_pop")
model.frame(bnf(f_2), data)
m_3 <- model.frame(bnf(f_3), data)
attr(m_3, "bnec_group")
```
models

model.frame(bnf(f_4), data)

models

Description

Lists the fitted or available models.

Usage

models(object)

Arguments

object An object of class bayesnecfit or bayesmanecfit as returned by bncf, a character vector indicating the type of model set for which to list the available models, or a numeric vector indicating the natural range of values which the models should be able to handle (see Details). If missing, all available models and their groups are listed.

Details

The available models are "nec3param", "nec4param", "necorme", "necorme4", "necsigm", "neclin", "neclinorme", "necormepwr", "necorme4pwr", "necsigm", "nec4param", "necxwb1", "necxwb2", "necxwb1p3", "necxwb2p3", "necxl5", "necxl4", "necxl3", "exchorme", and "exchormebc5".

To see the model formula and parameters for a specific model use the function show_params. To see all the models in an available set (e.g. "all", "nec" or ecx") use the function models specifying the group name.

To see the model names, model formula and parameters fitted in an existing bayesnecfit or bayesmanecfit model object use the function models specifying the fitted object.

To see what models are available for a given type of data use the function models passing a numeric vector indicating the range of possible data types. Models that have an exponential decay (most models with parameter "beta") with no "bot" parameter are zero-bounded and are not suitable for the Gaussian family, or any family modelled using a logit or log link function. Models with a linear decay (containing the string "lin" in their name) are not suitable for modelling families that are zero bounded (Gamma, Poisson, Negative binomial) using an identity link. Models with a linear decay or hormesis linear increase (all models with parameter "slope") are not suitable for modelling families that are 0, 1 bounded (binomial, beta, betabinomial2). These restrictions do not need to be controlled by the user and a call to bncf with models = "all" will simply exclude inappropriate models.

Value

A list of the available or fitted models.
Examples

```r
library(bayesnec)
# default to all models and model groups
models()
# single model
show_params("nec3param")
# group of models
models("all")
# models that are suitable for 0,1 bounded data
models(c(0,1))
```

---

nec

Extracts the predicted NEC value as desired from an object of class `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit`.

**Description**

Extracts the predicted NEC value as desired from an object of class `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit`.

**Usage**

```r
nec(
  object,
  posterior = FALSE,
  xform = identity,
  prob_vals = c(0.5, 0.025, 0.975)
)
```

**Arguments**

- `object`:
  An object of class `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit` returned by `bnec`.

- `posterior`:
  A logical value indicating if the full posterior sample of calculated NEC values should be returned instead of just the median and 95% credible intervals.

- `xform`:
  A function to apply to the returned estimated concentration values.

- `prob_vals`:
  A vector indicating the probability values over which to return the estimated NEC value. Defaults to 0.5 (median) and 0.025 and 0.975 (95 percent credible intervals).

**Value**

A vector containing the estimated NEC value, including upper and lower 95% credible interval bounds (or other interval as specified by `prob_vals`).

**See Also**

`bnec`
Examples

```r
library(bayesnec)
data(manec_example)
nec(manec_example)
```

---

**necsummary-class**

*Class necsummary of models fitted with the brms package*

**Description**

Single models fitted with the `bayesnec` package are summarised as a `necsummary` object, which contains the original `brmsfit` object summary, the name of the non-linear model fitted, whether this model is an ECx-type model (see details below), and the ECx summary values should the user decide to calculate them.

**Details**

See methods(`class = "necsummary"`) for an overview of available methods.

**Slots**

- `brmssummary` The standard summary for the fitted Bayesian model of class `brmsfit`.
- `model` A `character` string indicating the name of the fitted non-linear model.
- `is_ecx` A `logical` indicating whether `model` is an ECx-type model.
- `ecs` A `list` containing the ECx values should the user decide to calculate them (see the non-exported `bayesnec:::summary.bayesnecfit` help file for details).

**See Also**

`bayesnec`, `bnec`, `bayesnecfit`, `bayesmanecfit`, `manecsummary`

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**nec_data**

*Example data of non-linear decay*

**Description**

A simulated dataset containing a series of response measurements as a function of a concentration axis. Data simulated by Diego Barneche.

**Format**

A data frame with 100 rows and 2 variables:

- x: Concentration (predictor) axis.
- y: Response.
nsec

Extracts the predicted NSEC value as desired from an object of class `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit`.

Description

Extracts the predicted NSEC value as desired from an object of class `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit`.

Usage

```r
nsec(
  object,
  sig_val = 0.01,
  precision = 1000,
  posterior = FALSE,
  x_range = NA,
  hormesis_def = "control",
  xform = identity,
  prob_vals = c(0.5, 0.025, 0.975)
)
```

Arguments

- **object**: An object of class `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit` returned by `bnec`.
- **sig_val**: Probability value to use as the lower quantile to test significance of the predicted posterior values, against the lowest observed concentration (assumed to be the control), to estimate NEC as an interpolated NOEC value from smooth ECx curves.
- **precision**: The number of unique x values over which to find NSEC - large values will make the NSEC estimate more precise.
- **posterior**: A logical value indicating if the full posterior sample of calculated NSEC values should be returned instead of just the median and 95 credible intervals.
- **x_range**: A range of x values over which to consider extracting NSEC.
- **hormesis_def**: A character vector, taking values of "max" or "control". See Details.
- **xform**: A function to apply to the returned estimated concentration values.
- **prob_vals**: A vector indicating the probability values over which to return the estimated NSEC value. Defaults to 0.5 (median) and 0.025 and 0.975 (95 percent credible intervals).

Details

For `hormesis_def`, if "max", then NSEC values are calculated as a decline from the maximum estimates (i.e. the peak at NEC); if "control", then ECx values are calculated relative to the control, which is assumed to be the lowest observed concentration.
Calls to functions `ecx` and `nsec` and `compare_fitted` do not require the same level of flexibility in the context of allowing argument `newdata` (from a `posterior_predict` perspective) to be supplied manually, as this is and should be handled within the function itself. The argument `precision` controls how precisely the `ecx` or `nsec` value is estimated, with argument `x_range` allowing estimation beyond the existing range of the observed data (otherwise the default range) which can be useful in a small number of cases. There is also no reasonable case where estimating these from the raw data would be of value, because both functions would simply return one of the treatment concentrations, making NOEC a better metric in that case.

**Value**

A vector containing the estimated NSEC value, including upper and lower 95% credible interval bounds.

**See Also**

`bnec`

**Examples**

```r
library(bayesnec)

data(manec_example)
nsec(manec_example)
```

---

**plot**

Generates a plot for objects fitted by `bnec`.

**Description**

Generates a plot for objects fitted by `bnec`. `x` should be of class `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit`.

**Usage**

```r
## S3 method for class 'bayesnecfit'
plot(
x, ...
CI = TRUE,
add_nec = TRUE,
position_legend = "topright",
add_ec10 = FALSE,
xform = identity,
xform = identity,
jitter_x = FALSE,
```

---
jitter_y = FALSE,
ylab = "Response",
xlab = "Predictor",
xticks = NA
)

## S3 method for class 'bayesmanecfit'
plot(
  x,
  ...
)

Arguments

- **x**: An object of class `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit`.
- **...**: Additional arguments to `plot`.
- **CI**: A logical value indicating if credibility intervals on the model fit should be plotted, calculated as the upper and lower bounds of the individual predicted values from all posterior samples.
- **add_nec**: A logical value indicating if the estimated NEC value and 95% credible intervals should be added to the plot.
- **position_legend**: A numeric vector indicating the location of the NEC or EC10 legend, as per a call to `legend`.
- **add_ec10**: A logical value indicating if an estimated EC10 value and 95% credible intervals should be added to the plot.
- **xform**: A function to be applied as a transformation of the x data.
- **lxform**: A function to be applied as a transformation only to axis labels and the annotated NEC / EC10 values.
- **jitter_x**: A logical value indicating if the x data points on the plot should be jittered.
- **jitter_y**: A logical value indicating if the y data points on the plot should be jittered.
- **ylab**: A character vector to use for the y-axis label.
- **xlab**: A character vector to use for the x-axis label.
posterior_epred

Generates posterior linear predictions for objects fitted by \texttt{bnec}

**Description**

Generates posterior linear predictions for objects fitted by \texttt{bnec}. \texttt{object} should be of class \texttt{bayesnecfit} or \texttt{bayesmanecfit}.

**Usage**

\begin{verbatim}
## S3 method for class 'bayesnecfit'
posterior_epred(object, ...)  
## S3 method for class 'bayesmanecfit'
posterior_epred(object, ...)
\end{verbatim}

**Arguments**

- \texttt{object}  
  An object of class \texttt{bayesnecfit} or \texttt{bayesmanecfit}.
- \texttt{...}  
  Additional arguments to \texttt{posterior_epred}.

**Value**

See \texttt{?brms:posterior_epred}.
Examples

```r
## Not run:
library(bayesnec)
# Uses default `precision` and `x_range` to generate `newdata` internally
prior_epred(manec_example)
# Provide user-specified `newdata`
nd_ <- data.frame(x = seq(0, 3, length.out = 200))
ppreds <- posterior_epred(manec_example, ecx_val = 50, newdata = nd_,
                          make_newdata = FALSE)
ncol(ppreds) == 200 # cols are x, rows are iterations
# Predictions for raw input data
nec4param <- pull_out(manec_example, model = "nec4param")
preds <- posterior_epred(nec4param, make_newdata = FALSE)
x <- pull_brmsfit(nec4param)$data$x
plot(sort(x), preds[1, order(x)], type = "l", col = alpha("black", 0.1),
     ylim = c(-6, 3))
for (i in seq_len(nrow(preds))[-1]) {
  lines(sort(x), preds[i, order(x)], type = "l", col = alpha("black", 0.1))
}
## End(Not run)
```

Description

Beta-binomial wrapper posterior_epred method

Usage

```r
posterior_epred_beta_binomial2(prep)
```

Arguments

- **prep**: data with posterior.

Value

A numeric value or vector containing predicted random values of the beta binomial distribution
posterior_predict  Generates posterior predictions for objects fitted by \texttt{bnec}

Description

Generates posterior predictions for objects fitted by \texttt{bnec}. object should be of class \texttt{bayesnecfit} or \texttt{bayesmanecfit}.

Usage

\begin{verbatim}
## S3 method for class 'bayesnecfit'
posterior_predict(object, ...)

## S3 method for class 'bayesmanecfit'
posterior_predict(object, ...)
\end{verbatim}

Arguments

\begin{itemize}
\item \texttt{object} An object of class \texttt{bayesnecfit} or \texttt{bayesmanecfit}.
\item \texttt{...} Additional arguments to \texttt{posterior_predict}.
\end{itemize}

Value

See \texttt{?brms::posterior_predict}.

Examples

\begin{verbatim}
## Not run:
library(bayesnec)
# Uses default 'precision' and 'x_range' to generate 'newdata' internally
posterior_predict(manec_example)
# Provide user-specified 'newdata'
nd_ <- data.frame(x = seq(0, 3, length.out = 200))
ppreds <- posterior_predict(manec_example, ecx_val = 50, newdata = nd_,
make_newdata = FALSE)
ncol(ppreds) == 200 # cols are x, rows are iterations
# Posterior predictions for raw input data
nec4param <- pull_out(manec_example, model = "nec4param")
preds <- posterior_predict(nec4param, make_newdata = FALSE)
x <- pull_brmsfit(nec4param)$data$x
plot(sort(x), preds[1, order(x)], type = "l", col = alpha("black", 0.1),
ylim = c(-8, 5))
for (i in seq_len(nrow(preds))[-1]) {
  lines(sort(x), preds[i, order(x)], type = "l", col = alpha("black", 0.1))
}
## End(Not run)
\end{verbatim}
posterior_predict_beta_binomial2

Description

Beta-binomial wrapper posterior_predict method

Usage

posterior_predict_beta_binomial2(i, prep, ...)

Arguments

i observation i.
prep data with posterior.
... unused.

Value

A numeric value or vector containing predicted probability values of the beta binomial distribution

prebayesnecfit-class  Class prebayesnecfit of models fitted with the brms package

Description

This is an intermediate class that was created to make both bayesnecfit and bayesmanecfit objects lighter to handle. It contains the original brmsfit fitted object, name of non-linear model that was fitted, the list of initialisation values applied, and the validated bayesnecformula.

Details

See methods(class = "prebayesnecfit") for an overview of available methods.

Slots

fit The fitted Bayesian model of class brmsfit.
model A character string indicating the name of the fitted model.
init A list containing the initialisation values for to fit the model.
bayesnecformula An object of class bayesnecformula and formula.

See Also

bayesnec, bnc, bayesnecfit, bayesmanecfit, bayesnecformula
Generates mean posterior predictions for objects fitted by \texttt{bnec}. \texttt{object} should be of class \texttt{bayesnecfit} or \texttt{bayesmanecfit}.

### Arguments

- \texttt{object}: An object of class \texttt{bayesnecfit} or \texttt{bayesmanecfit}.
- \texttt{...}: Additional arguments to \texttt{predict.brmsfit} if \texttt{object} is of class \texttt{bayesnecfit}, or to \texttt{posterior_predict.brmsfit} if \texttt{object} is of class \texttt{bayesmanecfit}.
- \texttt{summary}: Should summary statistics be returned instead of the raw values? Default is \texttt{TRUE}.
- \texttt{robust}: If \texttt{FALSE} (the default) the mean is used as the measure of central tendency and the standard deviation as the measure of variability. If \texttt{TRUE}, the median and the median absolute deviation (MAD) are applied instead. Only used if \texttt{summary} is \texttt{TRUE}.
- \texttt{probs}: The percentiles to be computed by the quantile function. Only used if \texttt{summary} is \texttt{TRUE}.

### Value

See \texttt{?brms::predict.brmsfit}.

### Examples

```r
## Not run:
library(bayesnec)
# Uses default 'precision' and 'x_range' to generate 'newdata' internally
predict(manec_example)
# Provide user-specified 'newdata'
nd_ <- data.frame(x = seq(0, 3, length.out = 200))
predict(manec_example, ecx_val = 50, newdata = nd_, make_newdata = FALSE)
# Predictions for raw input data
nec4param <- pull_out(manec_example, model = "nec4param")
preds <- predict(nec4param, make_newdata = FALSE)
x <- pull_brmsfit(nec4param)$data$x
```
plot(x, preds[, 1])
## End(Not run)

---

**print**

*Prints a summary for objects fitted by* bnec

**Description**

Prints a summary for objects fitted by *bnec*. *x* should be of class *bayesnecfit* or *bayesmanecfit*.

**Usage**

```r
## S3 method for class 'bayesnecfit'
print(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'bayesmanecfit'
print(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

- **x**
  
  An object of class *bayesnecfit* or *bayesmanecfit*.

- **...**
  
  Unused.

**Value**

A summary print of the fitted model as returned for a *brmsfit* object.

**Examples**

```r
library(bayesnec)
print(manec_example)
nec4param <- pull_out(manec_example, "nec4param")
print(nec4param)
```
pull_brmsfit.bayesnecfit

Extract and object of class \texttt{brmsfit} from \texttt{bayesnecfit} or \texttt{bayesmanecfit}.

Description

Extract and object of class \texttt{brmsfit} from \texttt{bayesnecfit} or \texttt{bayesmanecfit}.

Usage

\begin{verbatim}
## S3 method for class 'bayesnecfit'
pull_brmsfit(object, ...)

## S3 method for class 'bayesmanecfit'
pull_brmsfit(object, model = NA, ...)

pull_brmsfit(object, ...)
\end{verbatim}

Arguments

- \texttt{object} An object of class \texttt{bayesnecfit} or \texttt{bayesmanecfit} returned by \texttt{bnec}.
- \texttt{...} Arguments passed to other methods.
- \texttt{model} An optional \texttt{character} vector specifying the model to extract.

Value

A plot of the prior and posterior parameter probability densities.

See Also

- \texttt{bnec}

Examples

\begin{verbatim}
library(bayesnec)
data(manec_example)
brms_fit <- pull_brmsfit(manec_example, model = "nec4param")
\end{verbatim}
pull_out

Description
Subsets model(s) from an existing object of class bayesmanecfit

Usage
pull_out(manec, model, loo_controls, ...)

Arguments
manec An object of class bayesmanecfit as returned by bnec.
model A character string indicating which model or suite of models to pull out.
loo_controls A named list of two elements ("fitting" and/or "weights"), each being a named list containing the desired arguments to be passed on to loo (via "fitting") or to loo_model_weights (via "weights"). If "fitting" is provided with argument pointwise = TRUE (due to memory issues) and family = "beta_binomial2", the bnec will fail because that is a custom family. If "weights" is not provided by the user, bnec will set the default method argument in loo_model_weights to "pseudobma". See ?loo_model_weights for further info.
...
... Additional arguments to expand_nec or expand_manec.

Value
If model is a string representing a single model, an object of class bayesnecfit: If model is instead a string depicting a suite of models, and object of class bayesmanecfit.

See Also
bnec, models.

Examples
## Not run:
library(bayesnec)
data(manec_example)
nec4param <- pull_out(manec_example, model = "nec4param")
# use "ecx" to get all ECx-containing models
# (only one ["ecx4param"] in this minimal example)
ecx_models <- pull_out(manec_example, model = "ecx")

## End(Not run)
pull_prior

Description
Extracts the priors from an object of class `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit`.

Usage
```
pull_prior(object)
```

Arguments
- `object` - An object of class `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit` returned by `bnec`.

Value
A `list` containing the priors.

Examples
```
library(bayesnec)
data(manec_example)
pull_prior(manec_example)
```

rhat

Extract Diagnostic Quantities of `brms` Models

Description
Extract Rhat statistic that can be used to diagnose sampling behaviour of the algorithms applied by 'Stan' at the back-end of 'brms'. `x` should be of class `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit`.

Usage
```
## S3 method for class 'bayesnecfit'
rhat(x, rhat_cutoff = 1.05, ...)

## S3 method for class 'bayesmanecfit'
rhat(x, rhat_cutoff = 1.05, ...)
```

Arguments
- `x` - An object of class `bayesnecfit` or `bayesmanecfit`.
- `rhat_cutoff` - A `numeric` vector indicating the Rhat cut-off used to test for model convergence.
- `...` - Unused.
Value

A list containing a vector or Rhat values returned for each parameter for a `brmsfit` object, for each of the fitted models.

Examples

```r
## Not run:
library(bayesnec)
rhat(manec_example)
nec4param <- pull_out(manec_example, model = "nec4param")
rhat(nec4param)
## End(Not run)
```

Description

Creates list or generates a plot of prior samples

Usage

```r
sample_priors(priors, n_samples = 10000, plot = "ggplot")
```

Arguments

- `priors`: An object of class `brmsprior` from package `brms`.
- `n_samples`: The number of prior samples to return.
- `plot`: NA returns a list of numeric vectors of sampled priors, "ggplot" (default) returns a `ggplot` and "base" returns a histogram in base R.

Value

A list containing the initialisation values.

See Also

`bnec`

Examples

```r
library(bayesnec)
data(manec_example)
exmp <- pull_brmsfit(manec_example, model = "nec4param")
sample_priors(exmp$prior)
```
**show_params**

Description

Displays non-linear equation and parameter names

Usage

```r
show_params(model = "all")
```

Arguments

- **model** (Removed in version 2.0. Use formula instead. Used to be a character vector indicating the model(s) to fit. See Details for more information.)

Value

An list of brmsformula.

Examples

```r
library(bayesnec)
# default to all models (i.e. model = "all")
show_params()
# single model
show_params(model = "nec3param")
# group of models
show_params(model = c("nec3param", "ecx"))
```

**summary**

Generates a summary for objects fitted by bnec

Description

Generates a summary for objects fitted by bnec. object should be of class bayesnecfit or bayesmanecfit.

Usage

```r
## S3 method for class 'bayesnecfit'
summary(object, ..., ecx = FALSE, ecx_vals = c(10, 50, 90))

## S3 method for class 'bayesmanecfit'
summary(object, ..., ecx = FALSE, ecx_vals = c(10, 50, 90))
```
Arguments

object  
...  
ecx  
ecx_vals

Arguments

object  An object of class bayesnecfit or bayesmanecfit.
...  Unused.
ecx  Should summary ECx values be calculated? Defaults to FALSE.
ecx_vals  ECx targets (between 1 and 99). Only relevant if ecx = TRUE. If no value is specified by the user, returns calculations for EC10, EC50, and EC90.

Value

A summary of the fitted model. In the case of a bayesnecfit object, the summary contains most of the original contents of a brmsfit object with the addition of an R2. In the case of a bayesmanecfit object, summary displays the family distribution information, model weights and averaging method, the estimated model-averaged NEC, and R2 estimates for each individual model. Warning messages are also printed to screen in case model fits are not satisfactory with regards to their Rhats.

Examples

```r
library(bayesnec)
summary(manec_example)
nec4param <- pull_out(manec_example, "nec4param")
summary(nec4param)
```

update.bnecfit  

Update an object of class bnecfit as fitted by function bnec.

Description

Update an object of class bnecfit as fitted by function bnec.

Usage

```r
## S3 method for class 'bnecfit'
update(
  object,
  newdata = NULL,
  recompile = NULL,
  x_range = NA,
  precision = 1000,
  sig_val = 0.01,
  loo_controls,
  force_fit = FALSE,
  ...
)
```
Arguments

object
An object of class \texttt{bnecfit} as fitted by function \texttt{bnec}.

newdata
Optional \texttt{data.frame} to update the model with new data. Data-dependent default priors will not be updated automatically.

recompile
A \texttt{logical}, indicating whether the Stan model should be recompiled. If \texttt{NULL} (the default), update tries to figure out internally, if recompilation is necessary. Setting it to \texttt{FALSE} will cause all Stan code changing arguments to be ignored.

x_range
A range of predictor values over which to consider extracting ECx.

precision
The length of the predictor vector used for posterior predictions, and over which to extract ECx values. Large values will be slower but more precise.

sig_val
Probability value to use as the lower quantile to test significance of the predicted posterior values against the lowest observed concentration (assumed to be the control), to estimate NEC as an interpolated NOEC value from smooth ECx curves.

loo_controls
A named \texttt{list} of two elements ("fitting" and/or "weights"), each being a named \texttt{list} containing the desired arguments to be passed on to \texttt{loo} (via "fitting") or to \texttt{loo_model_weights} (via "weights"). If "fitting" is provided with argument \texttt{pointwise = TRUE} (due to memory issues) and family = "beta\_binomial2", the \texttt{bnec} will fail because that is a custom family. If "weights" is not provided by the user, \texttt{bnec} will set the default method argument in \texttt{loo\_model\_weights} to "pseudobma". See \texttt{?loo\_model\_weights} for further info.

force_fit
Should model truly be updated in case either newdata of a new family is provided?

... Further arguments to \texttt{brm}.

Value

An object of class \texttt{bnecfit}. If one single model is returned, then also an object of class \texttt{bayesnecfit}; otherwise, if multiple models are returned, also an object of class \texttt{bayesmanecfit}.

Examples

```r
## Not run:
library(bayesnec)
data(manec_example)
# due to package size issues, `manec_example` does not contain original # stanfit DSO, so need to recompile here
smaller_manec <- update(manec_example, chains = 2, iter = 50,
  recompile = TRUE)
# original `manec_example` is fit with a Gaussian # change to Beta distribution by adding newdata with original `nec_data$y` # function will throw informative message.
beta_manec <- update(manec_example, newdata = nec_data, recompile = TRUE,
  chains = 2, iter = 50,
  family = Beta(link = "identity"), force_fit = TRUE)
```

## End(Not run)
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