

# Package ‘EMC2’

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add_constants	<i>Augments parameter matrix or vector p with constant parameters (also used in data)</i>
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**Description**

Augments parameter matrix or vector p with constant parameters (also used in data)

**Usage**

add\_constants(p, constants)

**Arguments**

p	either a matrix or vector of parameters
constants	a named vector of constants

**Value**

a matrix or vector, depending on input, with the varying parameters and constants combined.

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auto_burn	<i>Runs burn-in for emc.</i>
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**Description**

Special instance of run\_emc, with default arguments specified for completing burn\_in. Will run both preburn and burn.

**Usage**

```
auto_burn(
  emc,
  preburn = 150,
  p_accept = 0.8,
  step_size = 100,
  verbose = FALSE,
  verboseProgress = FALSE,
  fileName = NULL,
  stop_criteria = NULL,
  particles = NULL,
  particle_factor = 50,
  cores_per_chain = 1,
  cores_for_chains = length(emc),
  max_tries = 20,
  n_blocks = 1
)
```

**Arguments**

emc	An emc object
preburn	An integer. The number of iterations run for preburn stage.
p_accept	A double. The target acceptance probability of the MCMC process. This fine-tunes the width of the search space to obtain the desired acceptance probability. Defaults to .8
step_size	An integer. After each step, the stopping requirements as specified by stop_criteria are checked and proposal distributions are updated. Defaults to 100.
verbose	Logical. Whether to print messages between each step with the current status regarding the stop_criteria.

verboseProgress	Logical. Whether to print a progress bar within each step or not. Will print one progress bar for each chain and only if <code>cores_for_chains = 1</code> .
fileName	A string. If specified will autosave emc at this location on every iteration.
stop_criteria	A list. Defines the stopping criteria and for which types of parameters these should hold. See <code>?fit</code> .
particles	An integer. How many particles to use, default is NULL and <code>particle_factor</code> is used instead. If specified will override <code>particle_factor</code> .
particle_factor	An integer. <code>particle_factor</code> multiplied by the square root of the number of sampled parameters determines the number of particles used.
cores_per_chain	An integer. How many cores to use per chain. Parallelizes across participant calculations. Only available on Linux or Mac OS. For Windows, only parallelization across chains ( <code>cores_for_chains</code> ) is available.
cores_for_chains	An integer. How many cores to use across chains. Defaults to the number of chains. the total number of cores used is equal to <code>cores_per_chain * cores_for_chains</code> .
max_tries	An integer. How many times should it try to meet the finish conditions as specified by <code>stop_criteria</code> ? Defaults to 20. <code>max_tries</code> is ignored if the required number of iterations has not been reached yet.
n_blocks	An integer. Number of blocks. Will block the parameter chains such that they are updated in blocks. This can be helpful in extremely tough models with a large number of parameters.

**Value**

An emc object

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chain_n	<i>chain_n()</i>
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**Description**

Returns a matrix with the number of samples per chain for each stage that is present in the emc object (i.e., `preburn`, `burn`, `adapt`, `sample`). The number of rows of the matrix reflects the number of chains and the number of columns the number of sampling stages.

**Usage**

```
chain_n(emc)
```

**Arguments**

emc                    A list, the output of `fit()`.

**Value**

A matrix

**Examples**

```
chain_n(samples_LNR)
```

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check.emc

*Convergence checks for an emc object*

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**Description**

Runs a series of convergence checks, prints statistics to the console, and makes traceplots of the worst converged parameter per selection.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'emc'
check(
  emc,
  selection = c("mu", "sigma2", "alpha"),
  digits = 3,
  plot_worst = TRUE,
  ...
)

check(emc, ...)
```

**Arguments**

emc	An emc object
selection	A Character vector. Indicates which parameter types to check (e.g., alpha, mu, sigma2, correlation).
digits	Integer. How many digits to round the ESS and Rhat to in the plots
plot_worst	Boolean. If TRUE also plots the chain plots for the worst parameter
...	Optional arguments that can be passed to <code>get_pars</code> or <code>plot.default</code> (see <code>par()</code> )

**Details**

Note that the Rhat is calculated by doubling the number of chains by first splitting chains into first and second half, so it also a test of stationarity.

Efficiency of sampling is indicated by the effective sample size (ESS) (from the coda R package). Full range of possible samples manipulations described in `get_pars`.

**Value**

a list with the statistics for the worst converged parameter per selection

**Examples**

```
check(samples_LNR)
```

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compare

*Information criteria and marginal likelihoods*

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**Description**

Returns the BPIC/DIC or marginal deviance ( $-2 \times$  marginal likelihood) for a list of samples objects.

**Usage**

```
compare(
  sList,
  stage = "sample",
  filter = NULL,
  use_best_fit = TRUE,
  BayesFactor = TRUE,
  cores_for_props = 4,
  cores_per_prop = 1,
  print_summary = TRUE,
  digits = 0,
  digits_p = 3,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>sList</code>	List of samples objects
<code>stage</code>	A string. Specifies which stage the samples are to be taken from "preburn", "burn", "adapt", or "sample"
<code>filter</code>	An integer or vector. If it's an integer, iterations up until the value set by <code>filter</code> will be excluded. If a vector is supplied, only the iterations in the vector will be considered.
<code>use_best_fit</code>	Boolean, defaults to TRUE, uses the minimal or mean likelihood (whichever is better) in the calculation, otherwise always uses the mean likelihood.
<code>BayesFactor</code>	Boolean, defaults to TRUE. Include marginal likelihoods as estimated using WARP-III bridge sampling. Usually takes a minute per model added to calculate
<code>cores_for_props</code>	Integer, how many cores to use for the Bayes factor calculation, here 4 is the default for the 4 different proposal densities to evaluate, only 1, 2 and 4 are sensible.

cores\_per\_prop Integer, how many cores to use for the Bayes factor calculation if you have more than 4 cores available. Cores used will be cores\_for\_props \* cores\_per\_prop. Best to prioritize cores\_for\_props being 4 or 2

print\_summary Boolean (default TRUE), print table of results

digits Integer, significant digits in printed table for information criteria

digits\_p Integer, significant digits in printed table for model weights

... Additional, optional arguments

### Value

Matrix of effective number of parameters, mean deviance, deviance of mean, DIC, BPIC, Marginal Deviance (if BayesFactor=TRUE) and associated weights.

### Examples

```
## Not run:
# Define a list of two (or more different models)
# Here the full model is an emc object with the hypothesized effect
# The null model is an emc object without the hypothesized effect
design_full <- design(data = forstmann,model=DDM,
                    formula =list(v~0+S,a~E, t0~1, s~1, Z~1, sv~1, SZ~1),
                    constants=c(s=log(1)))

# Now without a ~ E
design_null <- design(data = forstmann,model=DDM,
                    formula =list(v~0+S,a~1, t0~1, s~1, Z~1, sv~1, SZ~1),
                    constants=c(s=log(1)))

full_model <- make_emc(forstmann, design_full)
full_model <- fit(full_model)

null_model <- make_emc(forstmann, design_null)
null_model <- fit(null_model)
sList <- list(full_model, null_model)
# By default emc uses 4 cores to parallelize marginal likelihood estimation across proposals
# So cores_per_prop = 3 results in 12 cores used.
compare(sList, cores_per_prop = 3)

## End(Not run)
```

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compare\_MLL

*Calculate a table of model probabilities based for a list of samples objects based on samples of marginal log-likelihood (MLL) added to these objects by run\_IS2. Probabilities estimated by a bootstrap at picks a vector of MLLs, one for each model in the list randomly with replacement nboot times, calculates model probabilities and averages*

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**Description**

Calculate a table of model probabilities based for a list of samples objects based on samples of marginal log-likelihood (MLL) added to these objects by run\_IS2. Probabilities estimated by a bootstrap ath picks a vector of MLLs, one for each model in the list randomly with replacement nboot times, calculates model probabilities and averages

**Usage**

```
compare_MLL(mll, nboot = 1e+05, digits = 2, print_summary = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

mll	List of samples objects with IS_samples attribute added by by run_IS2
nboot	Integer number of bootstrap samples, the default (1e5) usually gives stable results at 2 decimal places.
digits	Integer, significant digits in printed table
print_summary	Boolean (default TRUE) print table of results

**Value**

Vector of model probabilities with names from samples list.

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compare_subject	<i>Information criteria for each participant</i>
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**Description**

Returns the BPIC/DIC based model weights for each participant in a list of samples objects

**Usage**

```
compare_subject(
  sList,
  stage = "sample",
  filter = 0,
  use_best_fit = TRUE,
  print_summary = TRUE,
  digits = 3
)
```

**Arguments**

sList	List of samples objects
stage	A string. Specifies which stage the samples are to be taken from "preburn", "burn", "adapt", or "sample"
filter	An integer or vector. If it's an integer, iterations up until the value set by filter will be excluded. If a vector is supplied, only the iterations in the vector will be considered.
use_best_fit	Boolean, defaults to TRUE, use minimal likelihood or mean likelihood (whichever is better) in the calculation, otherwise always uses the mean likelihood.
print_summary	Boolean (defaults to TRUE) print table of results
digits	Integer, significant digits in printed table

**Value**

List of matrices for each subject of effective number of parameters, mean deviance, deviance of mean, DIC, BPIC and associated weights.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
# Define a list of two (or more different models)
# Here the full model is an emc object with the hypothesized effect
# The null model is an emc object without the hypothesized effect
design_full <- design(data = forstmann,model=DDM,
                    formula =list(v~0+S,a~E, t0~1, s~1, Z~1, sv~1, SZ~1),
                    constants=c(s=log(1)))

# Now without a ~ E
design_null <- design(data = forstmann,model=DDM,
                    formula =list(v~0+S,a~1, t0~1, s~1, Z~1, sv~1, SZ~1),
                    constants=c(s=log(1)))

full_model <- make_emc(forstmann, design_full)
full_model <- fit(full_model, cores_for_chains = 1)

null_model <- make_emc(forstmann, design_null, cores_for_chains = 1)
null_model <- fit(null_model)
sList <- list(full_model, null_model)
compare_subject(sList)
# prints a set of weights for each model for the different participants
# And returns the DIC and BPIC for each participant for each model.

## End(Not run)
```

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contr.anova	<i>Anova style contrast matrix</i>
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**Description**

Similar to `contr.helmert`, but then scaled to estimate differences between conditions. Use in `design()`.

**Usage**

```
contr.anova(n)
```

**Arguments**

`n` An integer. The number of items for which to create the contrast

**Value**

A contrast matrix.

**Examples**

```
{
  design_DDME <- design(data = forstmann,model=DDM, contrasts = list(E = contr.anova),
    formula =list(v~S,a~E, t0~1, s~1, Z~1, sv~1, SZ~1),
    constants=c(s=log(1)))
}
```

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contr.bayes	<i>Contrast to enforce equal prior variance on each level</i>
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**Description**

Typical contrasts impose different levels of marginal prior variance for the different levels. This contrast can be used to ensure that each level has equal marginal priors (Rouder, Morey, Speckman, & Province; 2012).

**Usage**

```
contr.bayes(n)
```

**Arguments**

`n` An integer. The number of items for which to create the contrast

**Value**

A contrast matrix.

**Examples**

```
{
design_DDMaE <- design(data = forstmann,model=DDM, contrasts = list(E = contr.bayes),
formula =list(v~S,a~E, t0~1, s~1, Z~1, sv~1, SZ~1),
constants=c(s=log(1)))
}
```

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contr.decreasing	<i>Contrast to enforce decreasing estimates</i>
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**Description**

Each level will be estimated as a reduction from the previous level

**Usage**

```
contr.decreasing(n)
```

**Arguments**

n                    an integer. The number of items for which to create the contrast.

**Value**

a contrast matrix.

**Examples**

```
{
design_DDMaE <- design(data = forstmann,model=DDM, contrasts = list(E = contr.decreasing),
formula =list(v~S,a~E, t0~1, s~1, Z~1, sv~1, SZ~1),
constants=c(s=log(1)))
}
```

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contr.increasing	<i>Contrast to enforce increasing estimates</i>
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**Description**

Each level will be estimated additively from the previous level

**Usage**

```
contr.increasing(n)
```

**Arguments**

n                    an integer. The number of items for which to create the contrast.

**Value**

a contrast matrix.

**Examples**

```
{
  design_DDmAE <- design(data = forstmann,model=DDM, contrasts = list(E = contr.increasing),
    formula =list(v~S,a~E, t0~1, s~1, Z~1, sv~1, SZ~1),
    constants=c(s=log(1)))
}
```

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credible.emc	<i>Posterior credible interval tests</i>
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**Description**

Modeled after `t.test`, returns the credible interval of the parameter or test and what proportion of the posterior distribution (or the difference in posterior distributions in case of a two sample test) overlaps with  $\mu$ . For a one sample test provide  $x$  and for two sample also provide  $y$ . Note that for comparisons within one model, we recommend using `hypothesis()` if the priors were well chosen.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'emc'
credible(
  x,
  x_name = NULL,
  x_fun = NULL,
  x_fun_name = "fun",
  selection = "mu",
```

```

y = NULL,
y_name = NULL,
y_fun = NULL,
y_fun_name = "fun",
x_subject = NULL,
y_subject = NULL,
mu = 0,
alternative = c("less", "greater")[1],
probs = c(0.025, 0.5, 0.975),
digits = 2,
p_digits = 3,
print_table = TRUE,
...
)

credible(x, ...)

```

### Arguments

x	An emc object
x_name	A character string. Name of the parameter to be tested for x
x_fun	Function applied to the MCMC chains to create variable to be tested.
x_fun_name	Name to give to quantity calculated by x_fun
selection	A character string designating parameter type (e.g. alpha or covariance)
y	A second emc object
y_name	A character string. Name of the parameter to be tested for y
y_fun	Function applied to the MCMC chains to create variable to be tested.
y_fun_name	Name to give to quantity calculated by y_fun
x_subject	Integer or name selecting a subject
y_subject	Integer or name selecting a subject
mu	Numeric. NULL value for single sample test if y is not supplied (default 0)
alternative	less or greater determining direction of test probability
probs	Vector defining quantiles to return.
digits	Integer, significant digits for estimates in printed results
p_digits	Integer, significant digits for probability in printed results
print_table	Boolean (defaults to TRUE) for printing results table
...	Additional optional arguments that can be passed to get_pars

### Value

Invisible results table with no rounding.

## Examples

```
## Not run:
# Run a credible interval test (Bayesian 't-test')
# Here the full model is an emc object with the hypothesized effect
design_full <- design(data = forstmann,model=DDM,
                    formula =list(v~0+S,a~E, t0~1, s~1, Z~1, sv~1, SZ~1),
                    constants=c(s=log(1)))

full_model <- make_emc(forstmann, design_full)
full_model <- fit(full_model)
credible(full_model, x_name = "v")
# We can also compare between two sets of emc objects
# Now without a ~ E
design_null <- design(data = forstmann,model=DDM,
                    formula =list(v~0+S,a~1, t0~1, s~1, Z~1, sv~1, SZ~1),
                    constants=c(s=log(1)))

null_model <- make_emc(forstmann, design_null)
null_model <- fit(null_model)
credible(x = null_model, x_name = "a", y = full_model, y_name = "a")

# Or provide custom functions
credible(x = full_model, x_fun = function(d) d["a_Eaccuracy"] - d["a_Eneutral"])

## End(Not run)
```

## Description

Model file to estimate the Diffusion Decision Model (DDM) in EMC2.

## Usage

```
DDM()
```

## Details

Model files are almost exclusively used in `design()`.

Default values are used for all parameters that are not explicitly listed in the formula argument of `design()`. They can also be accessed with `DDM()$p_types`.

Parameter	Transform	Natural scale	Default	Mapping	Interpretation
$v$	-	$[-\text{Inf}, \text{Inf}]$	1		Mean evidence-accumulation
$a$	log	$[0, \text{Inf}]$	$\log(1)$		Boundary separation
$t0$	log	$[0, \text{Inf}]$	$\log(0)$		Non-decision time
$s$	log	$[0, \text{Inf}]$	$\log(1)$		Within-trial standard deviation

<i>Z</i>	probit	[0, 1]	qnorm(0.5)	$z = Z \times a$	Relative start point (bias)
<i>SZ</i>	probit	[0, 1]	qnorm(0)	$sz = 2 \times SZ \times \min(a \times Z, a \times (1-Z))$	Relative between-trial variability
<i>sv</i>	log	[0, Inf]	log(0)		Between-trial standard deviation
<i>st0</i>	log	[0, Inf]	log(0)		Between-trial variation (range)
<i>DP</i>	probit	[0, 1]	qnorm(0.5)	$dp = t0 \times (2 \times DP - 1)$	Relative difference in non-decision time

*a*, *t0*, *sv*, *st0*, *s* are sampled on the log scale because these parameters are strictly positive, *Z*, *SZ* and *DP* are sampled on the probit scale because they should be strictly between 0 and 1.

*Z* is estimated as the ratio of bias to one boundary where 0.5 means no bias. *DP* comprises the difference in non-decision time for each response option.

Conventionally, *sv* is fixed to 1 to satisfy scaling constraints.

See Ratcliff, R., & McKoon, G. (2008). The diffusion decision model: theory and data for two-choice decision tasks. *Neural computation*, 20(4), 873-922. doi:10.1162/neco.2008.12-06-420.

## Value

A model list with all the necessary functions for EMC2 to sample

## Examples

```
design_DDME <- design(data = forstmann,model=DDM,
                    formula =list(v~0+S,a~E, t0~1, s~1, Z~1, sv~1, SZ~1),
                    constants=c(s=log(1)))
# For all parameters that are not defined in the formula, default values are assumed
# (see Table above).
```

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DDMt0natural

*Diffusion decision model with t0 on the natural scale*

---

## Description

Diffusion decision model with *t0* on the natural scale

## Usage

```
DDMt0natural()
```

## Value

A model list with all the necessary functions to sample



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design	<i>Specify a design and model</i>
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### Description

This function combines information regarding the data, type of model, and the model specification.

### Usage

```
design(
  formula = NULL,
  factors = NULL,
  Rlevels = NULL,
  model,
  data = NULL,
  contrasts = NULL,
  matchfun = NULL,
  constants = NULL,
  covariates = NULL,
  functions = NULL,
  report_p_vector = TRUE,
  custom_p_vector = NULL,
  ...
)
```

### Arguments

formula	A list. Contains the design formulae in the format <code>list(y ~ x, a ~ z)</code> .
factors	A named list containing all the factor variables that span the design cells and that should be taken into account by the model. The name <code>subjects</code> must be used to indicate the participant factor variable, also in the data. Example: <code>list(subjects=levels(dat\$subjects), condition=levels(dat\$condition))</code>
Rlevels	A character vector. Contains the response factor levels. Example: <code>c("right", "left")</code>
model	A function, specifies the model type. Choose from the drift diffusion model ( <code>DDM()</code> , <code>DDMt0natural()</code> ), the log-normal race model ( <code>LNR()</code> ), the linear ballistic model ( <code>LBA()</code> ), the racing diffusion model ( <code>RDM()</code> , <code>RDMt0natural()</code> ), or define your own model functions.
data	A data frame. <code>data</code> can be used to automatically detect factors, <code>Rlevels</code> and <code>covariates</code> in a dataset. The variable <code>R</code> needs to be a factor variable indicating the response variable. Any numeric column except <code>trials</code> and <code>rt</code> are treated as <code>covariates</code> , and all remaining factor variables are internally used in <code>factors</code> .
contrasts	Optional. A named list specifying a design matrix. Example for supplying a customized design matrix: <code>list(lm = matrix(c(-1/2, 1/2), ncol=1, dimnames=list(NULL, "diff")))</code>

matchfun	A function. Only needed for race models. Specifies whether a response was correct or not. Example: <code>function(d)d\$S==d\$IR</code> where IR refers to the latent response factor.
constants	A named vector that sets constants. Any parameter in <code>sampled_p_vector</code> can be set constant.
covariates	Names of numeric covariates.
functions	List of functions to create new factors based on those in the <code>factors</code> argument. These new factors can then be used in formula.
report_p_vector	Boolean. If TRUE (default), it returns the vector of parameters to be estimated.
custom_p_vector	A character vector. If specified, a custom likelihood function can be supplied.
...	Additional, optional arguments

**Value**

A design list.

**Examples**

```
# load example dataset
dat <- forstmann

# create a function that takes the latent response (IR) factor (d) and returns a logical
# defining the correct response for each stimulus. Here the match is simply
# such that the S factor equals the latent response factor
matchfun <- function(d)d$S==d$IR

# When working with LM and lR, it can be useful to design an
# "average and difference" contrast matrix. For binary responses, it has a
# simple canonical form
ADmat <- matrix(c(-1/2,1/2),ncol=1,dimnames=list(NULL,"diff"))

# Create a design for a linear ballistic accumulator model (LBA) that allows
# thresholds to be a function of E and lR. The final result is a 9 parameter model.
design_LBABA <- design(data = dat,model=LBA,matchfun=matchfun,
                    formula=list(v~lM,sv~lM,B~E+lR,A~1,t0~1),
                    contrasts=list(v=list(lM=ADmat)),
                    constants=c(sv=log(1)))
```

**Description**

Returns the effective sample size (ESS) of the selected parameter type. Full range of possible samples manipulations described in `get_pars`.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'emc'
ess_summary(
  emc,
  selection = "mu",
  stat = "min",
  stat_only = FALSE,
  digits = 1,
  ...
)

ess_summary(emc, ...)
```

**Arguments**

emc	An emc object
selection	A Character vector. Indicates which parameter types to check (e.g., alpha, mu, sigma2, correlation).
stat	A string. Should correspond to a function that can be applied to a vector, which will be performed on the vector/rows or columns of the matrix of the parameters
stat_only	Boolean. If TRUE will only return the result of the applied stat function, otherwise returns both the stat result and the result of the function on all parameters.
digits	Integer. How many digits to round the output to
...	Optional additional arguments that can be passed to get_pars

**Value**

A matrix or vector of ESS values for the selected parameter type.

**Examples**

```
ess_summary(samples_LNR, selection = "alpha")
```

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fit.emc

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*Model estimation in EMC2*


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**Description**

General purpose function to estimate models specified in EMC2.

**Usage**

```

## S3 method for class 'emc'
fit(
  emc,
  stage = NULL,
  iter = 1000,
  stop_criteria = NULL,
  report_time = TRUE,
  p_accept = 0.8,
  step_size = 100,
  verbose = TRUE,
  verboseProgress = FALSE,
  fileName = NULL,
  particles = NULL,
  particle_factor = 50,
  cores_per_chain = 1,
  cores_for_chains = length(emc),
  max_tries = 20,
  n_blocks = 1,
  ...
)

fit(emc, ...)

```

**Arguments**

emc	An emc object created with <code>make_emc</code> , or a path to where the emc object is stored.
stage	A string. Indicates which stage to start the run from, either <code>preburn</code> , <code>burn</code> , <code>adapt</code> or <code>sample</code> . If unspecified, it will run the subsequent stage (if there is one).
iter	An integer. Indicates how many iterations to run in the sampling stage.
stop_criteria	A list. Defines the stopping criteria and for which types of parameters these should hold. See the details and examples section.
report_time	Boolean. If <code>TRUE</code> , the time taken to run the MCMC chains till completion of the <code>stop_criteria</code> will be printed.
p_accept	A double. The target acceptance probability of the MCMC process. This fine-tunes the width of the search space to obtain the desired acceptance probability. Defaults to <code>.8</code> .
step_size	An integer. After each step, the stopping requirements as specified by <code>stop_criteria</code> are checked and proposal distributions are updated. Defaults to <code>100</code> .
verbose	Logical. Whether to print messages between each step with the current status regarding the <code>stop_criteria</code> .
verboseProgress	Logical. Whether to print a progress bar within each step or not. Will print one progress bar for each chain and only if <code>cores_for_chains = 1</code> .

fileName	A string. If specified, will auto-save emc object at this location on every iteration.
particles	An integer. How many particles to use, default is NULL and particle_factor is used instead. If specified, particle_factor is overwritten.
particle_factor	An integer. particle_factor multiplied by the square root of the number of sampled parameters determines the number of particles used.
cores_per_chain	An integer. How many cores to use per chain. Parallelizes across participant calculations. Only available on Linux or Mac OS. For Windows, only parallelization across chains (cores_for_chains) is available.
cores_for_chains	An integer. How many cores to use across chains. Defaults to the number of chains. The total number of cores used is equal to cores_per_chain * cores_for_chains.
max_tries	An integer. How many times should it try to meet the finish conditions as specified by stop_criteria? Defaults to 20. max_tries is ignored if the required number of iterations has not been reached yet.
n_blocks	An integer. Number of blocks. Will block the parameter chains such that they are updated in blocks. This can be helpful in extremely tough models with a large number of parameters.
...	Additional optional arguments

## Details

stop\_criteria is either a list of lists with names of the stages, or a single list in which case it is assumed to be for the sample stage (see examples). The potential stop criteria to be set are:

selection (character vector): For which parameters the stop\_criteria should hold

mean\_gd (numeric): The mean Gelman-Rubin diagnostic across all parameters in the selection

max\_gd (numeric): The max Gelman-Rubin diagnostic across all parameters in the selection

min\_unique (integer): The minimum number of unique samples in the MCMC chains across all parameters in the selection

min\_es (integer): The minimum number of effective samples across all parameters in the selection

omit\_mpsrf (Boolean): Whether to include the multivariate point-scale reduction factor in the Gelman-Rubin diagnostic. Default is FALSE.

iter (integer): The number of MCMC samples to collect.

The estimation is performed using particle-metropolis within-Gibbs sampling. For sampling details see:

Gunawan, D., Hawkins, G. E., Tran, M.-N., Kohn, R., & Brown, S. (2020). New estimation approaches for the hierarchical linear ballistic accumulator model. *Journal of Mathematical Psychology*, 96, 102368. doi.org/10.1016/j.jmp.2020.102368

Stevenson, N., Donzallaz, M. C., Innes, R. J., Forstmann, B., Matzke, D., & Heathcote, A. (2024). EMC2: An R Package for cognitive models of choice. doi.org/10.31234/osf.io/2e4dq

**Value**

An emc object

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
# First define a design
design_DDMAE <- design(data = forstmann,model=DDM,
                      formula =list(v~0+S,a~E, t0~1, s~1, Z~1, sv~1, SZ~1),
                      constants=c(s=log(1)))
# Then make the emc object, we've omitted a prior here for brevity so default priors will be used.
emc_forstmann <- make_emc(forstmann, design)

# With the emc object we can start sampling by simply calling fit
emc_forstmann <- fit(emc_forstmann, fileName = "intermediate_save_location.RData")

# For particularly hard models it pays off to increase the ``particle_factor``
# and, although to a lesser extent, lower ``p_accept``.
emc_forstmann <- fit(emc_forstmann, particle_factor = 100, p_accept = .6)

# Example of how to use the stop_criteria:
emc_forstmann <- fit(emc_forstmann, stop_criteria = list(mean_gd = 1.1, max_gd = 1.5,
              selection = c('alpha', 'sigma2'), omit_mpsrf = TRUE, min_es = 1000))
# In this case the stop_criteria are set for the sample stage, which will be
# run until the mean_gd < 1.1, the max_gd < 1.5 (omitting the multivariate psrf)
# and the effective sample size > 1000,
# for both the individual-subject parameters ("alpha")
# and the group-level variance parameters.

# For the unspecified stages in the ``stop_criteria`` the default values
# are assumed which are found in Stevenson et al. 2024 <doi.org/10.31234/osf.io/2e4dq>

# Alternatively, you can also specify the stop_criteria for specific stages by creating a
# nested list
emc_forstmann <- fit(emc_forstmann, stop_criteria = list("burn" = list(mean_gd = 1.1, max_gd = 1.5,
              selection = c('alpha')), "adapt" = list(min_unique = 100)))

## End(Not run)
```

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forstmann

*Forstmann et al.'s data*

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**Description**

A dataset containing the speed or accuracy manipulation for a Random Dot Motion experiment.

**Usage**

forstmann

**Format**

A data frame with 15818 rows and 5 variables:

**E** Factor with 3 levels for Speed, Accuracy and Neutral

**R** Factor with 2 levels for Left and Right responses

**S** Factor with 2 levels for Left and Right trials

**rt** reaction time for each trial as a double

**subjects** integer ID for each subject

**Details**

Details on the dataset can be found in the following paper:

**Striatum and pre-SMA facilitate decision-making under time pressure**

Birte U. Forstmann, Gilles Dutilh, Scott Brown, Jane Neumann, D. Yves von Cramon, K. Richard Ridderinkhof, Eric-Jan Wagenmakers.

*Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences Nov 2008, 105 (45) 17538-17542; DOI: 10.1073/pnas.0805903105*

**Source**

<https://www.pnas.org/doi/10.1073/pnas.0805903105>

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gd\_summary.emc

*Gelman-Rubin statistic*

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**Description**

Returns the Gelman-Rubin diagnostics (otherwise known as the R-hat) of the selected parameter type; i.e. the ratio of between to within MCMC chain variance.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'emc'
gd_summary(
  emc,
  selection = "mu",
  omit_mpsrf = TRUE,
  stat = "max",
  stat_only = FALSE,
  digits = 3,
  ...
)

gd_summary(emc, ...)
```

**Arguments**

emc	An emc object
selection	A Character vector. Indicates which parameter types to check (e.g., alpha, mu, sigma2, correlation).
omit_mpsrf	Boolean. If TRUE also returns the multivariate point scale reduction factor (see <code>?coda::gelman.diag</code> ).
stat	A string. Should correspond to a function that can be applied to a vector, which will be performed on the vector/rows or columns of the matrix of the parameters
stat_only	Boolean. If TRUE will only return the result of the applied stat function, otherwise returns both the stat result and the result of the function on all parameters.
digits	Integer. How many digits to round the output to
...	Optional additional arguments that can be passed to <code>get_pars</code>

**Details**

See: Gelman, A and Rubin, DB (1992) Inference from iterative simulation using multiple sequences, *Statistical Science*, 7, 457-511.

Full range of possible samples manipulations described in `get_pars`.

**Value**

A matrix or vector of R-hat values for the selected parameter type.

**Examples**

```
gd_summary(samples_LNR, selection = "correlation", stat = "mean", flatten = TRUE)
```

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get_BayesFactor	<i>Bayes Factors</i>
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**Description**

returns the Bayes Factor for two models

**Usage**

```
get_BayesFactor(MLL1, MLL2)
```

**Arguments**

MLL1	Numeric. Marginal likelihood of model 1. Obtained with <code>run_bridge_sampling()</code>
MLL2	Numeric. Marginal likelihood of model 2. Obtained with <code>run_bridge_sampling()</code>

**Value**

The BayesFactor for model 1 over model 2



## Examples

```
## Not run:  
# First get the marginal likelihood for two_models  
# Here the full model is an emc object with the hypothesized effect  
# The null model is an emc object without the hypothesized effect  
MLL_full <- run_bridge_sampling(full_model, cores_per_prop = 3)  
MLL_null <- run_bridge_sampling(null_model, cores_per_prop = 3)  
# Now we can calculate their Bayes factor  
get_BayesFactor(MLL_full, MLL_null)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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get_data.emc	<i>Get data</i>
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## Description

Extracts data from an emc object

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'emc'  
get_data(emc)  
  
get_data(emc)
```

## Arguments

emc                    an emc object

## Details

emc adds columns and rows to a dataframe in order to facilitate efficient likelihood calculations. This function will return the data as provided originally.

## Value

A dataframe of the original data

## Examples

```
get_data(samples_LNR)
```

get\_pars

*Filter/manipulate parameters from emc object***Description**

Underlying function used in most plotting and object handling functions in EMC2. Can for example be used to filter/thin a parameter type (i.e, group-level means mu) and convert to an mcmc.list.

**Usage**

```
get_pars(
  emc,
  selection = "mu",
  stage = "sample",
  thin = 1,
  filter = 0,
  map = FALSE,
  add_recalculated = FALSE,
  length.out = NULL,
  by_subject = FALSE,
  return_mcmc = TRUE,
  merge_chains = FALSE,
  subject = NULL,
  flatten = FALSE,
  remove_dup = FALSE,
  remove_constants = TRUE,
  use_par = NULL,
  type = NULL,
  true_pars = NULL,
  chain = NULL,
  covariates = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

emc	an emc object.
selection	A Character string. Indicates which parameter type to select (e.g., alpha, mu, sigma2, correlation).
stage	A character string. Indicates from which sampling stage(s) to take the samples from (i.e. preburn, burn, adapt, sample)
thin	An integer. By how much to thin the chains
filter	Integer or numeric vector. If an integer is supplied, iterations up until that integer are removed. If a vector is supplied, the iterations within the range are kept.
map	Boolean. If TRUE parameters will be mapped back to the cells of the experimental design using the design matrices. Otherwise the sampled parameters are returned. Only works for selection = mu or selection = alpha.

add_recalculated	Boolean. If TRUE will also add recalculated parameters, such as $b$ in the LBA ( $b = B + A$ ; see ?LBA), or $z$ in the DDM $z = Z * A$ (see ?DDM) only works when <code>map = TRUE</code>
length.out	Integer. Alternatively to thinning, you can also select a desired length of the MCMC chains, which will be thinned appropriately.
by_subject	Boolean. If TRUE for selections that include subject parameters (e.g. alpha), plot/stats are organized by subject, otherwise by parameter.
return_mcmc	Boolean. If TRUE returns an mcmc.list object, otherwise a matrix/array with the parameter type.
merge_chains	Boolean. If TRUE returns parameter type merged across chains.
subject	Integer (vector) or character (vector). If an integer will select the 'x'th subject(s), if a character it should match subject names in the data which will be selected.
flatten	Boolean. If FALSE for 3-dimensional samples (e.g., correlations: n-pars x n-pars x iterations). organizes by the dimension containing parameter names, otherwise collapses names across the first and second dimension. Does not apply for <code>selection = "alpha"</code>
remove_dup	Boolean. If TRUE removes duplicate values from the samples. Automatically set to TRUE if <code>flatten = TRUE</code>
remove_constants	Boolean. If TRUE removes constant values from the samples (e.g. 0s in the covariance matrix).
use_par	Character (vector). If specified, only these parameters are returned. Should match the parameter names (i.e. these are collapsed when <code>flatten = TRUE</code> and <code>use_par</code> should also be collapsed names).
type	Character indicating the group-level model selected. Only necessary if <code>sampler</code> isn't specified.
true_pars	Set of <code>true_parameters</code> can be specified to apply <code>flatten</code> or <code>use_par</code> on a set of true parameters
chain	Integer. Which of the chain(s) to return
covariates	Only needed with <code>plot_prior</code> and <code>covariates</code> in the design

## Value

An mcmc.list object of the selected parameter types with the specified manipulations

## Examples

```
# E.g. get the group-level mean parameters mapped back to the design
get_pars(samples_LNR, stage = "sample", map = TRUE, selection = "mu")

# Or return the flattened correlation, with 10 iterations per chain
get_pars(samples_LNR, stage = "sample", selection = "correlation", flatten = TRUE, length.out = 10)
```

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get\_prior\_blocked      *Prior specification or prior sampling for blocked estimation*

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### Description

Works analogous to `get_prior_standard`. Blocks of the covariance matrix to estimate are only considered in sampling. To get the default prior for a created design: `get_prior_diag(design = design, sample = FALSE)`

### Usage

```
get_prior_blocked(
  prior = NULL,
  n_pars = NULL,
  sample = TRUE,
  N = 1e+05,
  selection = "mu",
  design = NULL,
  par_groups = NULL
)
```

### Arguments

prior	A named list that can contain the prior mean ( <code>theta_mu_mean</code> ) and variance ( <code>theta_mu_var</code> ) on the group-level mean, or the scale (A), or degrees of freedom (v) for the group-level variance-covariance matrix. For NULL entries, a default prior gets created.
n_pars	Often inferred from the design, but if <code>design = NULL</code> , <code>n_pars</code> will be used to determine the size of prior.
sample	Boolean, defaults to TRUE, sample from the prior or simply return the prior specifications?
N	How many samples to draw from the prior, the default is 1e5
selection	Character. If <code>sample = TRUE</code> , what prior to sample from. Options: "mu", "sigma2", "covariance" "Sigma", "alpha", "correlation".
design	The design obtained from <code>design()</code> , required when <code>map = TRUE</code>
par_groups	Integer vector indicating which parts of the covariance matrix should be blocked together

### Details

For details see Huang, A., & Wand, M. P. (2013). Simple marginally noninformative prior distributions for covariance matrices. *Bayesian Analysis*, 8, 439-452. <https://doi.org/10.1214/13-BA815>.

Note that if `sample = FALSE`, `prior$theta_mu_invar` (the inverse of the prior covariance matrix on the group-level mean) is returned, which is only used for computational efficiency

**Value**

A list with a single entry of type of samples from the prior (if `sample = TRUE`) or else a prior object

**Examples**

```
# First define a design for the model
design_DDME <- design(data = forstmann,model=DDM,
                    formula =list(v~0+S,a~E, t0~1, s~1, Z~1, sv~1, SZ~1),
                    constants=c(s=log(1)))

# Now get the default prior
prior <- get_prior_blocked(design = design_DDME, sample = FALSE)
# We can change values in the default prior or use `prior`
# Then we can get samples from this prior e.g.
samples <- get_prior_blocked(prior = prior, design = design_DDME,
                             sample = TRUE, selection = "mu")
```

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<code>get_prior_diag</code>	<i>Prior specification or prior sampling for diagonal estimation</i>
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**Description**

To get the default prior for a created design: `get_prior_diag(design = design, sample = FALSE)`

**Usage**

```
get_prior_diag(
  prior = NULL,
  n_pars = NULL,
  sample = TRUE,
  N = 1e+05,
  selection = "mu",
  design = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>prior</code>	A named list that can contain the prior mean ( <code>theta_mu_mean</code> ) and variance ( <code>theta_mu_var</code> ) on the group-level mean, or the scale ( <code>A</code> ), or degrees of freedom ( <code>v</code> ) for the group-level variance-covariance matrix. For <code>NULL</code> entries, a default prior gets created.
<code>n_pars</code>	Often inferred from the design, but if <code>design = NULL</code> , <code>n_pars</code> will be used to determine the size of prior.
<code>sample</code>	Boolean, defaults to <code>TRUE</code> , sample from the prior or simply return the prior specifications?
<code>N</code>	How many samples to draw from the prior, the default is <code>1e5</code>

selection	Character. If sample = TRUE, what prior to sample from. Options: "mu", "sigma2", "covariance" "Sigma", "alpha", "correlation".
design	The design obtained from design(), required when map = TRUE

### Details

For details see Huang, A., & Wand, M. P. (2013). Simple marginally noninformative prior distributions for covariance matrices. *Bayesian Analysis*, 8, 439-452. <https://doi.org/10.1214/13-BA815>.

Note that if sample = FALSE, prior\$theta\_mu\_invar (the inverse of the prior covariance matrix on the group-level mean) is returned, which is only used for computational efficiency.

### Value

A list with a single entry of type of samples from the prior (if sample = TRUE) or else a prior object

### Examples

```
# First define a design for the model
design_DDMaE <- design(data = forstmann,model=DDM,
                      formula =list(v~0+S,a~E, t0~1, s~1, Z~1, sv~1, SZ~1),
                      constants=c(s=log(1)))

# Now get the default prior
prior <- get_prior_diag(design = design_DDMaE, sample = FALSE)
# We can change values in the default prior or use `prior`
# Then we can get samples from this prior e.g.
samples <- get_prior_diag(prior = prior, design = design_DDMaE,
                          sample = TRUE, selection = "mu")
```

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get\_prior\_factor      *Prior specification and prior sampling for factor estimation*

---

### Description

To get the default priors for a given design: `get_prior_factor(design = design, sample = FALSE)`

### Usage

```
get_prior_factor(
  prior = NULL,
  n_pars = NULL,
  sample = TRUE,
  N = 1e+05,
  selection = "mu",
  design = NULL,
  Lambda_mat = NULL,
  n_factors = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

prior	A named list that can contain the prior mean (theta_mu_mean) and variance (theta_mu_var) on the group-level mean; the variance of the loadings (theta_lambda_var); shape and rate of the factor variances (ap and bp) and shape and rate of the residual variances (as and bs). For NULL entries, the default prior is used.
n_pars	Often inferred from the design, but if design = NULL, n_pars will be used to determine the size of prior.
sample	Whether to sample from the prior or to simply return the prior. Default is TRUE,
N	How many samples to draw from the prior, the default is 1e5
selection	Character. If sample = TRUE, what priors to sample from.
design	The design obtained from design(), required when map = TRUE
Lambda_mat	The loadings constraint matrix.
n_factors	Integer. The number of factors.

**Details**

For details see Ghosh, J., & Dunson, D. B. (2009). Default prior distributions and efficient posterior computation in Bayesian factor analysis. *Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics*, 18, 306-320. or Stevenson, N., Innes, R. J., Gronau, Q. F., Miletic, S., Heathcote, A., PhD, Forstmann, B., & Brown, S. (2024). Using group level factor models to resolve high dimensionality in model-based sampling. <https://doi.org/10.31234/osf.io/pn3wv>.

Note that if sample = FALSE, prior\$theta\_mu\_invar (the inverse of the prior covariance matrix on the group-level mean) is returned, which is only used for computational efficiency

**Value**

A list with a single entry of type of samples from the prior (if sample = TRUE) or else a prior object

**Examples**

```
# First define a design for the model
design_DDMaE <- design(data = forstmann,model=DDM,
                      formula =list(v~0+S,a~E, t0~1, s~1, Z~1, sv~1, SZ~1),
                      constants=c(s=log(1)))

# Now get the default prior
prior <- get_prior_factor(design = design_DDMaE, sample = FALSE, n_factors = 3)
# We can change values in the default prior or use `prior`
# Then we can get samples from this prior e.g.
samples <- get_prior_factor(prior = prior, design = design_DDMaE,
                           sample = TRUE, selection = "mu", n_factors = 3)
```

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get\_prior\_SEM                      *Prior specification or prior sampling for SEM estimation.*

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### Description

Prior specification or prior sampling for SEM estimation.

### Usage

```
get_prior_SEM(
  prior = NULL,
  n_pars = NULL,
  sample = TRUE,
  N = 1e+05,
  selection = "mu",
  design = NULL,
  Lambda_mat = NULL,
  B_mat = NULL,
  K_mat = NULL,
  G_mat = NULL,
  covariates = NULL
)
```

### Arguments

prior	A named list containing the prior mean on group-level mean (theta_mu_mean), variance of group-level mean (theta_mu_var), variance of the loadings and G (lambda_var), variance of the latent regressions and (B_var), shape and rate prior on the factor variances (a_p and b_p), and shape and rate prior on the residual variances (a_e and b_e)
n_pars	Argument used by the sampler, best left NULL. In user case inferred from the design
sample	Whether to sample from the prior. Default is TRUE. If not returns a prior list
N	How many samples to draw from the prior, default 1e5
selection	Which parameter type to select e.g. alpha
design	The design obtained from design, required when map = TRUE
Lambda_mat	The loadings constraint matrix
B_mat	The latent regressions constraint matrix
K_mat	The regression on the parameters by the included covariates
G_mat	The regression on the latent factors by the included covariates
covariates	The included covariates

### Value

A list with a single entry of type of samples from the prior (if sample = TRUE) or else a prior object



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<code>get_prior_single</code>	<i>Prior specification or prior sampling for single subject estimation</i>
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**Description**

With this type of estimation, one or multiple subjects are estimated independently, without any hierarchical constraint.

**Usage**

```
get_prior_single(
  prior = NULL,
  n_pars = NULL,
  sample = TRUE,
  N = 1e+05,
  selection = "alpha",
  design = NULL,
  map = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>prior</code>	A named list containing the prior mean ( <code>theta_mu_mean</code> ) and variance ( <code>theta_mu_var</code> ). If NULL, the default prior is used.
<code>n_pars</code>	Often inferred from the design, but if <code>design = NULL</code> , <code>n_pars</code> will be used to determine the size of prior.
<code>sample</code>	Boolean, defaults to TRUE, sample from the prior or simply return the prior specifications?
<code>N</code>	How many samples to draw from the prior, the default is 1e5
<code>selection</code>	Character. If <code>sample = TRUE</code> , what prior to sample from. Options: "alpha".
<code>design</code>	The design obtained from <code>design()</code> , required when <code>map = TRUE</code>
<code>map</code>	Boolean, defaults to TRUE. If <code>sample = TRUE</code> , the implied prior is sampled. This includes back-transformations for naturally bounded parameters such as the non-decision time and an inverse mapping from the design matrix back to the cells of the design. If FALSE, the transformed, unmapped, parameters are used. Note that <code>map</code> does not affect the prior used in the sampling process.

**Details**

To specify a (multivariate normal) prior, `prior$theta_mu_mean` and `prior$theta_mu_var` an entry is needed for each parameter.

**Value**

A list with a single entry named "alpha" and samples from the prior (if `sample = TRUE`) or else a prior object

**Examples**

```
# First define a design for the model
design_DDmAE <- design(data = forstmann,model=DDM,
                      formula =list(v~0+S,a~E, t0~1, s~1, Z~1, sv~1, SZ~1),
                      constants=c(s=log(1)))

# Now get the default prior
prior <- get_prior_single(design = design_DDmAE, sample = FALSE)
# We can change values in the default prior or use `prior`
# Then we can get samples from this prior e.g.
samples <- get_prior_single(prior = prior, design = design_DDmAE,
                           sample = TRUE, selection = "alpha")
```

---

get\_prior\_standard      *Prior specification or prior sampling for standard estimation.*

---

**Description**

To get the default prior for a created design: `get_prior_standard(design = design, sample = FALSE)`

**Usage**

```
get_prior_standard(
  prior = NULL,
  n_pars = NULL,
  sample = TRUE,
  N = 1e+05,
  selection = "mu",
  design = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

prior	A named list that can contain the prior mean ( <code>theta_mu_mean</code> ) and variance ( <code>theta_mu_var</code> ) on the group-level mean, or the scale ( <code>A</code> ), or degrees of freedom ( <code>v</code> ) for the group-level variance-covariance matrix. For NULL entries, a default prior gets created.
n_pars	Often inferred from the design, but if <code>design = NULL</code> , <code>n_pars</code> will be used to determine the size of prior.
sample	Boolean, defaults to TRUE, sample from the prior or simply return the prior specifications?
N	How many samples to draw from the prior, the default is 1e5
selection	Character. If <code>sample = TRUE</code> , what prior to sample from. Options: "mu", "sigma2", "covariance" "Sigma", "alpha", "correlation".
design	The design obtained from <code>design()</code> , required when <code>map = TRUE</code>

**Details**

For details see Huang, A., & Wand, M. P. (2013). Simple marginally noninformative prior distributions for covariance matrices. *Bayesian Analysis*, 8, 439-452. <https://doi.org/10.1214/13-BA815>.

Note that if `sample = FALSE`, `prior$theta_mu_invar` (the inverse of the prior covariance matrix on the group-level mean) is also returned, which is only used for computational efficiency

**Value**

A list with a single entry of type of samples from the prior (if `sample = TRUE`) or else a prior object

**Examples**

```
# First define a design for the model
design_DDMaE <- design(data = forstmann,model=DDM,
                      formula =list(v~0+S,a~E, t0~1, s~1, Z~1, sv~1, SZ~1),
                      constants=c(s=log(1)))

# Now get the default prior
prior <- get_prior_standard(design = design_DDMaE, sample = FALSE)
# We can change values in the default prior or use `prior`
# Then we can get samples from this prior e.g.
samples <- get_prior_standard(prior = prior, design = design_DDMaE,
                              sample = TRUE, selection = "mu")
```

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hypothesis.emc

*Within-model hypothesis testing*


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**Description**

Approximates the Bayes factor for parameter effects using the savage-dickey ratio.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'emc'
hypothesis(
  emc,
  parameter = NULL,
  H0 = 0,
  fun = NULL,
  selection = "mu",
  do_plot = TRUE,
  use_prior_lim = TRUE,
  N = 10000,
  prior_plot_args = list(),
  ...
)

hypothesis(emc, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>emc</code>	An emc object
<code>parameter</code>	A string. A parameter which you want to compare to $H_0$ . Will not be used if a FUN is specified.
<code>H0</code>	An integer. The $H_0$ value which you want to compare to
<code>fun</code>	A function. Specifies an operation to be performed on the sampled or mapped parameters.
<code>selection</code>	A Character string. Indicates which parameter type to use (e.g., alpha, mu, sigma2, correlation).
<code>do_plot</code>	Boolean. If FALSE will omit the prior-posterior plot and only return the savage-dickey ratio.
<code>use_prior_lim</code>	Boolean. If TRUE will use xlims based on prior density, otherwise based on posterior density.
<code>N</code>	Integer. How many prior samples to draw
<code>prior_plot_args</code>	A list. Optional additional arguments to be passed to <code>plot.default</code> for the plotting of the prior density (see <code>par()</code> )
<code>...</code>	Optional arguments that can be passed to <code>get_pars</code> , <code>density</code> , or <code>plot.default</code> (see <code>par()</code> )

**Details**

Note this is different to the computation of the marginal deviance in `compare` since it only considers the group level effect and not the whole model (i.e. subject-level parameters). For details see: Wagenmakers, Lodewyckx, Kuriyal, & Grasman (2010).

**Value**

The Bayes factor for the hypothesis against  $H_0$ .

**Examples**

```
# Here the emc object has an effect parameter (e.g. m),
# that maps onto a certain hypothesis.
# The hypothesis here is that m is different from zero.
# We can test whether there's a group-level effect on m:
hypothesis(samples_LNR, parameter = "m")
# Alternatively we can also test whether two parameters differ from each other
mdiff <- function(p)diff(p[c("m", "m_1Md")])
hypothesis(samples_LNR, fun=mdiff)
```

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IC	<i>Calculate information criteria (DIC, BPIC), effective number of parameters and constituent posterior deviance (D) summaries (meanD = mean of D, Dmean = D for mean of posterior parameters and minD = minimum of D).</i>
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### Description

Calculate information criteria (DIC, BPIC), effective number of parameters and constituent posterior deviance (D) summaries (meanD = mean of D, Dmean = D for mean of posterior parameters and minD = minimum of D).

### Usage

```
IC(
  emc,
  stage = "sample",
  filter = 0,
  use_best_fit = TRUE,
  print_summary = TRUE,
  digits = 0,
  subject = NULL,
  group_only = FALSE
)
```

### Arguments

emc	emc object or list of these
stage	A string. Specifies which stage you want to plot.
filter	An integer or vector. If it's an integer, iterations up until the value set by filter will be excluded. If a vector is supplied, only the iterations in the vector will be considered.
use_best_fit	Boolean, default TRUE use best of minD and Dmean in calculation otherwise always use Dmean
print_summary	Boolean (default TRUE) print table of results
digits	Integer, significant digits in printed table
subject	Integer or string selecting a single subject, default NULL returns sums over all subjects
group_only	Boolean. If TRUE will calculate the IC for the group-level only

### Value

Table of DIC, BPIC, EffectiveN, meanD, Dmean, and minD

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init_chains	<i>Initialize chains</i>
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**Description**

Adds a set of start points to each chain. These start points are sampled from a user-defined multivariate normal across subjects.

**Usage**

```
init_chains(
  emc,
  start_mu = NULL,
  start_var = NULL,
  particles = 1000,
  cores_per_chain = 1,
  cores_for_chains = length(emc)
)
```

**Arguments**

emc	An emc object made by make_emc()
start_mu	A vector. Mean of multivariate normal used in proposal distribution
start_var	A matrix. Variance covariance matrix of multivariate normal used in proposal distribution. Smaller values will lead to less deviation around the mean.
particles	An integer. Number of starting values
cores_per_chain	An integer. How many cores to use per chain. Parallelizes across participant calculations.
cores_for_chains	An integer. How many cores to use to parallelize across chains. Default is the number of chains.

**Value**

An emc object

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
# Make a design and an emc object
design_DDmAE <- design(data = forstmann, model=DDM,
  formula =list(v~0+S, a~E, t0~1, s~1, Z~1, sv~1, SZ~1),
  constants=c(s=log(1)))

DDmAE <- make_emc(forstmann, design_DDmAE)
# set up our mean starting points (same used across subjects).
```

```

mu <- c(v_Sleft=-2,v_Sright=2,a=log(1),a_Eneutral=log(1.5),a_Eaccuracy=log(2),
        t0=log(.2),Z=qnorm(.5),sv=log(.5),SZ=qnorm(.5))
# Small variances to simulate start points from a tight range
var <- diag(0.05, length(mu))
# Initialize chains, 4 cores per chain, and parallelizing across our 3 chains as well
# so 4*3 cores used.
DDMaE <- init_chains(DDMaE, start_mu = p_vector, start_var = var, cores_per_chain = 4)
# Afterwards we can just use fit
DDMaE <- fit(DDMaE, cores_per_chain = 4)

## End(Not run)

```

LBA

*The Linear Ballistic Accumulator model***Description**

Model file to estimate the Linear Ballistic Accumulator (LBA) in EMC2.

**Usage**

```
LBA()
```

**Details**

Model files are almost exclusively used in `design()`.

Default values are used for all parameters that are not explicitly listed in the formula argument of `design()`. They can also be accessed with `LBA()$p_types`.

Parameter	Transform	Natural scale	Default	Mapping	Interpretation
$v$	-	$[-\text{Inf}, \text{Inf}]$	1		Mean evidence-accumulation rate
$A$	log	$[0, \text{Inf}]$	$\log(0)$		Between-trial variation (range) in start point
$B$	log	$[0, \text{Inf}]$	$\log(1)$	$b = B + A$	Distance from $A$ to $b$ (response threshold)
$t0$	log	$[0, \text{Inf}]$	$\log(0)$		Non-decision time
$sv$	log	$[0, \text{Inf}]$	$\log(1)$		Between-trial variation in evidence-accumulation rate

All parameters are estimated on the log scale, except for the drift rate which is estimated on the real line.

Conventionally,  $sv$  is fixed to 1 to satisfy scaling constraints.

The  $b = B + A$  parameterization ensures that the response threshold is always higher than the between trial variation in start point of the drift rate.

Because the LBA is a race model, it has one accumulator per response option. EMC2 automatically constructs a factor representing the accumulators 1R (i.e., the latent response) with level names taken from the R column in the data.

The 1R factor is mainly used to allow for response bias, analogous to  $Z$  in the DDM. For example, in the LBA, response thresholds are determined by the  $B$  parameters, so  $B \sim 1R$  allows for

different thresholds for the accumulator corresponding to left and right stimuli (e.g., a bias to respond left occurs if the left threshold is less than the right threshold). For race models, the `design()` argument `matchfun` can be provided, a function that takes the 1R factor (defined in the augmented data (`d`) in the following function) and returns a logical defining the correct response. In the example below, the match is simply such that the S factor equals the latent response factor: `matchfun=function(d)d$S==d$1R`. Then `matchfun` is used to automatically create a latent match (1M) factor with levels FALSE (i.e., the stimulus does not match the accumulator) and TRUE (i.e., the stimulus does match the accumulator). This is added internally and can also be used in model formula, typically for parameters related to the rate of accumulation.

Brown, S. D., & Heathcote, A. (2008). The simplest complete model of choice response time: Linear ballistic accumulation. *Cognitive Psychology*, 57(3), 153-178. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cogpsych.2007.12.002>

### Value

A model list with all the necessary functions for EMC2 to sample

### Examples

```
# When working with 1M it is useful to design an "average and difference"
# contrast matrix, which for binary responses has a simple canonical form:
ADmat <- matrix(c(-1/2,1/2),ncol=1,dimnames=list(NULL,"d"))
# We also define a match function for 1M
matchfun=function(d)d$S==d$1R
# We now construct our design, with v ~ 1M and the contrast for 1M the ADmat.
design_LBABA <- design(data = forstmann,model=LBA,matchfun=matchfun,
                    formula=list(v~1M,sv~1M,B~E+1R,A~1,t0~1),
                    contrasts=list(v=list(1M=ADmat)),constants=c(sv=log(1)))
# For all parameters that are not defined in the formula, default values are assumed
# (see Table above).
```

---

LNR

*The Log-Normal Race Model*

---

### Description

Model file to estimate the Log-Normal Race Model (LNR) in EMC2.

### Usage

```
LNR()
```

### Details

Model files are almost exclusively used in `design()`.

Default values are used for all parameters that are not explicitly listed in the `formula` argument of `design()`. They can also be accessed with `LNR()$p_types`.



Parameter	Transform	Natural scale	Default	Mapping	Interpretation
$m$	-	[-Inf, Inf]	1		Scale parameter
$s$	log	[0, Inf]	log(1)		Shape parameter
$t0$	log	[0, Inf]	log(0)		Non-decision time

Because the LNR is a race model, it has one accumulator per response option. EMC2 automatically constructs a factor representing the accumulators 1R (i.e., the latent response) with level names taken from the R column in the data.

In `design()`, `matchfun` can be used to automatically create a latent match (1M) factor with levels FALSE (i.e., the stimulus does not match the accumulator) and TRUE (i.e., the stimulus does match the accumulator). This is added internally and can also be used in the model formula, typically for parameters related to the rate of accumulation (see the example below).

Rouder, J. N., Province, J. M., Morey, R. D., Gomez, P., & Heathcote, A. (2015). The lognormal race: A cognitive-process model of choice and latency with desirable psychometric properties. *Psychometrika*, 80, 491-513. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11336-013-9396-3>

## Value

A model list with all the necessary functions for EMC2 to sample

## Examples

```
# When working with 1M it is useful to design an "average and difference"
# contrast matrix, which for binary responses has a simple canonical form:
ADmat <- matrix(c(-1/2,1/2),ncol=1,dimnames=list(NULL,"d"))
# We also define a match function for 1M
matchfun=function(d)d$S==d$1R
# We now construct our design, with v ~ 1M and the contrast for 1M the ADmat.
design_LNRmE <- design(data = forstmann,model=LNR,matchfun=matchfun,
                      formula=list(m~1M + E,s~1,t0~1),
                      contrasts=list(m=list(1M=ADmat)))
# For all parameters that are not defined in the formula, default values are assumed
# (see Table above).
```

---

make\_data

*Simulate data*

---

## Description

Simulates data based on a model design and a parameter vector (`p_vector`) by one of two methods:

1. Creating a fully crossed and balanced design specified by the design, with number of trials per cell specified by the `n_trials` argument
2. Using the design of a data frame supplied, which allows creation of unbalanced and other irregular designs, and replacing previous data with simulated data

**Usage**

```
make_data(
  parameters,
  design = NULL,
  n_trials = NULL,
  data = NULL,
  expand = 1,
  mapped_p = FALSE,
  hyper = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

parameters	parameter vector used to simulate data. Can also be a matrix with one row per subject (with corresponding row names) or an emc object with sampled parameters (in which case posterior medians of alpha are used to simulate data)
design	Design list created by design()
n_trials	Integer. If data is not supplied, number of trials to create per design cell
data	Data frame. If supplied, the factors are taken from the data. Determines the number of trials per level of the design factors and can thus allow for unbalanced designs
expand	Integer. Replicates the data (if supplied) expand times to increase number of trials per cell.
mapped_p	If TRUE instead returns a data frame with one row per design cell and columns for each parameter specifying how they are mapped to the design cells.
hyper	If TRUE the supplied parameters must be a set of samples, from which the group-level will be used to generate subject level parameters. See also make_random_effects to generate subject-level parameters from a hyper distribution.
...	Additional optional arguments

**Details**

To create data for multiple subjects see ?make\_random\_effects().

**Value**

A data frame with simulated data

**Examples**

```
# First create a design
design_DDMaE <- design(factors = list(S = c("left", "right"),
                                     E = c("SPD", "ACC"),
                                     subjects = 1:30),
                    Rlevels = c("left", "right"), model = DDM,
                    formula = list(v~0+S,a~E, t0~1, s~1, Z~1, sv~1, SZ~1),
```

```

                                constants=c(s=log(1)))
# Then create a p_vector:
parameters <- c(v_Sleft=-2,v_Sright=2,a=log(1),a_EACC=log(2), t0=log(.2),
               Z=qnorm(.5),sv=log(.5),SZ=qnorm(.5))

# Now we can simulate data
data <- make_data(parameters, design_DDMaE, n_trials = 30)

# We can also simulate data based on a specific dataset
design_DDMaE <- design(data = forstmann,model=DDM,
                     formula =list(v~0+S,a~E, t0~1, s~1, Z~1, sv~1, SZ~1),
                     constants=c(s=log(1)))
parameters <- c(v_Sleft=-2,v_Sright=2,a=log(1),a_Eneutral=log(1.5),a_Eaccuracy=log(2),
               t0=log(.2),Z=qnorm(.5),sv=log(.5),SZ=qnorm(.5))

data <- make_data(parameters, design_DDMaE, data = forstmann)

```

---

make\_emc

*Make an emc object*


---

## Description

Creates an emc object by combining the data, prior, and model specification into a emc object that is needed in `fit()`.

## Usage

```

make_emc(
  data,
  design,
  model = NULL,
  type = "standard",
  n_chains = 3,
  compress = TRUE,
  rt_resolution = 0.02,
  prior_list = NULL,
  grouped_pars = NULL,
  par_groups = NULL,
  ...
)

```

## Arguments

data	A data frame, or a list of data frames. Needs to have the variable subjects as participant identifier.
design	A list with a pre-specified design, the output of <code>design()</code> .
model	A model list. If none is supplied, the model specified in <code>design()</code> is used.

type	A string indicating whether to run a standard group-level, blocked, diagonal, factor, or single (i.e., non-hierarchical) model.
n_chains	An integer. Specifies the number of mcmc chains to be run (has to be more than 1 to compute rhat).
compress	A Boolean, if TRUE (i.e., the default), the data is compressed to speed up likelihood calculations.
rt_resolution	A double. Used for compression, response times will be binned based on this resolution.
prior_list	A named list containing the prior. Default prior created if NULL. For the default priors, see <code>?get_prior_{type}</code> .
grouped_pars	An integer vector. Parameters on this location of the vector of parameters are treated as constant across subjects
par_groups	A vector. Only to be specified with type blocked, e.g., <code>c(1,1,1,2,2)</code> means the covariances of the first three and of the last two parameters are estimated as two separate blocks.
...	Additional, optional arguments.

## Value

An uninitialized emc object

## Examples

```
dat <- forstmann

# function that takes the LR factor (named diff in the following function) and
# returns a logical defining the correct response for each stimulus. In this
# case the match is simply such that the S factor equals the latent response factor.
matchfun <- function(d)d$S==d$LR

# design an "average and difference" contrast matrix
ADmat <- matrix(c(-1/2,1/2),ncol=1,dimnames=list(NULL,"diff"))

# specify design
design_LBABE <- design(data = dat,model=LBA,matchfun=matchfun,
formula=list(v~1M,sv~1M,B~E+1R,A~1,t0~1),
contrasts=list(v=list(1M=ADmat)),constants=c(sv=log(1)))

# specify priors
pmean <- c(v=1,v_1Mdiff=1,sv_1MTRUE=log(.5), B=log(.5),B_Eneutral=log(1.5),
          B_Eaccuracy=log(2),B_1Rright=0, A=log(0.25),t0=log(.2))
psd <- c(v=1,v_1Mdiff=0.5,sv_1MTRUE=.5,
         B=0.3,B_Eneutral=0.3,B_Eaccuracy=0.3,B_1Rright=0.3,A=0.4,t0=.5)
prior_LBABE <- prior(design_LBABE, type = 'standard',pmean=pmean,psd=psd)

# create emc object
LBABE <- make_emc(dat,design_LBABE,type="standard", prior=prior_LBABE)
```

---

make\_factor\_diagram    *Factor diagram plot*

---

### Description

Makes a factor diagram plot. Heavily based on the fa.diagram function of the psych package.

### Usage

```
make_factor_diagram(  
  emc = NULL,  
  stage = "sample",  
  loadings = NULL,  
  standardize = TRUE,  
  simple = FALSE,  
  only_cred = FALSE,  
  cut = 0,  
  nice_names = NULL,  
  factor_names = NULL,  
  sort = TRUE,  
  adj = 1,  
  main = NULL,  
  cex = NULL  
)
```

### Arguments

emc	An emc object
stage	Character. The stage from which to take the samples
loadings	An array of loadings. Can be alternatively supplied if emc is not supplied
standardize	Boolean. Whether to standardize the loadings
simple	Boolean. Whether the factor diagram should be simplified for visual clarity.
only_cred	Boolean. Whether to only plot the credible loadings
cut	Numeric. Mean loadings beneath this number will be excluded.
nice_names	Character vector. Alternative names to give the parameters
factor_names	Character vector. Names to give the different factors
sort	Boolean. Whether to sort the paramaters before plotting for visual clarity.
adj	Integer. Adjust to adjust loading values positions in the diagram if illegible.
main	Character vector. Title of the plot
cex	Integer. Font size

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make_missing	<i>make_missing</i>
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### Description

Truncate or censor data. `is.na(rt)` not truncated or censored.

### Usage

```
make_missing(
  data,
  LT = 0,
  UT = Inf,
  LC = 0,
  UC = Inf,
  LCresponse = TRUE,
  UCresponse = TRUE,
  LCdirection = TRUE,
  UCdirection = TRUE
)
```

### Arguments

<code>data</code>	Data frame with <code>rt</code> and <code>R</code> columns
<code>LT</code>	lower truncation bound below which data are removed (scalar or subject named vector)
<code>UT</code>	upper truncation bound above which data are removed (scalar or subject named vector)
<code>LC</code>	lower censoring bound (scalar or subject named vector)
<code>UC</code>	upper censoring bound (scalar or subject named vector)
<code>LCresponse</code>	Boolean, default TRUE, if false set LC response to NA
<code>UCresponse</code>	Boolean, default TRUE, if false set UC response to NA
<code>LCdirection</code>	Boolean, default TRUE, set LC <code>rt</code> to 0, else to NA
<code>UCdirection</code>	Boolean, default TRUE, set UC <code>rt</code> to Inf, else to NA

### Value

Truncated and censored data frame

---

make\_random\_effects    *Make random effects*

---

## Description

Simulates subject-level parameters in the format required by `make_data()`.

## Usage

```
make_random_effects(
  design,
  group_means,
  n_subj = NULL,
  variance_proportion = 0.2,
  covariances = NULL
)
```

## Arguments

<code>design</code>	A design list. The design as specified by <code>design()</code>
<code>group_means</code>	A numeric vector. The group level means for each parameter, in the same order as <code>sampled_p_vector(design)</code>
<code>n_subj</code>	An integer. The number of subjects to generate parameters for. If <code>NULL</code> will be inferred from <code>design</code>
<code>variance_proportion</code>	A double. Optional. If <code>covariances</code> are not specified, the variances will be created by multiplying the means by this number. The covariances will be 0.
<code>covariances</code>	A covariance matrix. Optional. Specify the intended covariance matrix.

## Value

A matrix of subject-level parameters.

## Examples

```
# First create a design
design_DDMaE <- design(data = forstmann,model=DDM,
  formula =list(v~0+S,a~E, t0~1, s~1, Z~1, sv~1, SZ~1),
  constants=c(s=log(1)))

# Then create a group-level means vector:
group_means =c(v_Sleft=-2,v_Sright=2,a=log(1),a_Eneutral=log(1.5),a_Eaccuracy=log(2),
  t0=log(.2),Z=qnorm(.5),sv=log(.5),SZ=qnorm(.5))

# Now we can create subject-level parameters
subj_pars <- make_random_effects(design_DDMaE, group_means, n_subj = 5)

# We can also define a covariance matrix to simulate from
subj_pars <- make_random_effects(design_DDMaE, group_means, n_subj = 5,
```

```

covariances = diag(.1, length(group_means)))

# The subject level parameters can be used to generate data
make_data(subj_pars, design_DDME, n_trials = 10)

```

---

mapped\_par

*Parameter mapping back to the design factors*


---

### Description

Maps a parameter vector that corresponds to sampled parameters of the cognitive model back to the experimental design. The parameter vector can be created using `sampled_p_vector()`. The returned matrix shows whether/how parameters differ across the experimental factors.

### Usage

```

mapped_par(
  p_vector,
  design,
  model = NULL,
  digits = 3,
  remove_subjects = TRUE,
  covariates = NULL,
  ...
)

```

### Arguments

<code>p_vector</code>	A parameter vector. Must be in the form of <code>sampled_p_vector(design)</code>
<code>design</code>	A design list. Created by <code>design</code>
<code>model</code>	Optional model type (if not already specified in <code>design</code> )
<code>digits</code>	Integer. Will round the output parameter values to this many decimals
<code>remove_subjects</code>	Boolean. Whether to include subjects as a factor in the design
<code>covariates</code>	Covariates specified in the design can be included here.
<code>...</code>	optional arguments

### Value

Matrix with a column for each factor in the design and for each model parameter type (`p_type`).



**Examples**

```
# First define a design:
design_DDMaE <- design(data = forstmann,model=DDM,
                      formula =list(v~0+S,a~E, t0~1, s~1, Z~1, sv~1, SZ~1),
                      constants=c(s=log(1)))

# Then create a p_vector:
p_vector=c(v_Sleft=-2,v_Sright=2,a=log(1),a_Eneutral=log(1.5),a_Eaccuracy=log(2),
           t0=log(.2),Z=qnorm(.5),sv=log(.5),SZ=qnorm(.5))

# This will map the parameters of the p_vector back to the design
mapped_par(p_vector,design_DDMaE)
```

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merge_chains	<i>Merge samples</i>
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**Description**

Merges samples from all chains as one unlisted object.

**Usage**

```
merge_chains(emc)
```

**Arguments**

emc                    An emc object, commonly the output of `fit()`

**Details**

Note that all sampling stages are included in the merged output, including iterations from the preburn, burn, and adapt stages. `merge_chains(emc)$samples$stage` shows the corresponding sampling stages.

**Value**

An unlisted emc object with all chains merged

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pairs\_posterior      *Plot within-chain correlations*

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### Description

Plots within-chain parameter correlations (upper triangle) and corresponding scatterplots (lower triangle) to visualize parameter sloppiness.

### Usage

```
pairs_posterior(
  emc,
  selection = "alpha",
  scale_subjects = TRUE,
  do_plot = TRUE,
  N = 500,
  ...
)
```

### Arguments

emc	An emc object
selection	A Character string. Indicates which parameter type to plot (alpha, mu, variance, covariance, correlation).
scale_subjects	Boolean. To standardize each participant with selection = "alpha", by subtracting the mean and dividing by the standard deviation. This ensures the plot has every participant on the same scale.
do_plot	Boolean. Whether to plot the pairs plot, if FALSE, only the correlations are returned.
N	Integer for maximum number of iterations used (defaults to 500). If number of samples in stage or selection exceeds N, a random subset will be taken of size N
...	Optional arguments that can be passed to get_pars

### Details

If selection = alpha the parameter chains are concatenated across participants, (after standardizing if scale\_subjects = TRUE) and then correlated.

### Value

Invisibly returns a matrix with the correlations between the parameters.

**Examples**

```
# Plot the sloppiness for the individual-level subjects
pairs_posterior(samples_LNR, selection = "alpha")

# We can also choose group-level parameters and subsets of the parameter space
pairs_posterior(samples_LNR, use_par = c("m", "t0"), selection = "sigma2")
```

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```
parameters.emc      Returns a parameter type from an emc object as a data frame.
```

---

**Description**

Returns a parameter type from an emc object as a data frame.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'emc'
parameters(emc, selection = "mu", N = NULL, resample = FALSE, ...)

parameters(emc, ...)
```

**Arguments**

emc	An emc object
selection	String designating parameter type (e.g. mu, sigma2, correlation, alpha)
N	Integer. How many samples to take from the posterior. If NULL will return the full posterior
resample	Boolean. If TRUE will sample N samples from the posterior with replacement
...	Optional arguments that can be passed to get_pars

**Value**

A data frame with one row for each sample (with a subjects column if selection = "alpha")

---

plot.emc

*Plot function for emc objects*


---

**Description**

Makes trace plots for model parameters.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'emc'
plot(
  x,
  stage = "sample",
  selection = c("mu", "sigma2", "alpha"),
  layout = NA,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

x	An object of class emc
stage	A character string indicating the sampling stage to be summarized. Can be preburn, burn, adapt, or sample.
selection	A character vector indicating the parameter group(s). Defaults to mu, sigma2, and alpha.
layout	A vector indicating which layout to use as in par(mfrow = layout). If NA, will automatically generate an appropriate layout.
...	Optional arguments that can be passed to get_pars or plot.default (see par())

**Value**

A trace/acf plot of the selected MCMC chains

**Examples**

```
plot(samples_LNR)
# Or trace autocorrelation for the second subject:
plot(samples_LNR, subject = 2, selection = "alpha")

# Can also plot the trace of for example the group-level correlation:
plot(samples_LNR, selection = "correlation", col = c("green", "purple", "orange"), lwd = 2)
```

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plot\_defective\_density

*Plot defective densities for each subject and cell*


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### Description

Plots panels that contain a set of densities for each response option in the data. These densities are defective; their areas are relative to the respective response proportion. Across all responses, the area sums to 1.

### Usage

```
plot_defective_density(
  data,
  subject = NULL,
  factors = NULL,
  layout = NA,
  correct_fun = NULL,
  rt_pos = "top",
  accuracy = "topright",
  ...
)
```

### Arguments

data	A data frame. The experimental data in EMC2 format with at least subject (i.e., the subject factor), R (i.e., the response factor) and rt (i.e., response time) variable. Additional factor variables of the design are optional.
subject	An integer or character string selecting a subject from the data. If specified, only that subject is plotted. Per default (i.e., NULL), all subjects are plotted.
factors	A character vector of the factor names in the design to aggregate across Defaults to all (i.e., NULL).
layout	A vector indicating which layout to use as in <code>par(mfrow = layout)</code> . If NA, will automatically generate an appropriate layout.
correct_fun	If specified, the accuracy for each subject is calculated, using the supplied function and an accuracy vector for each subject is returned invisibly.
rt_pos	legend function position character string for the mean response time (defaults to top)
accuracy	legend function position character string for accuracy (defaults to topright)
...	Optional arguments that can be passed to <code>get_pars</code> , <code>density</code> , or <code>plot.default</code> (see <code>par()</code> )

### Value

If `correct_fun` is specified, a subject accuracy vector is returned invisibly

**Examples**

```
# First for each subject and the factor combination in the design:
plot_defective_density(forstmann)
# Now collapsing across subjects:
plot_defective_density(forstmann, factors = c("S", "E"))
# If the data is response coded, it generally makes sense to include the "S" factor
# because EMC2 will plot the "R" factor automatically. This way, choice accuracy can
# be examined
# Each subject's accuracy can be returned using a custom function:
print(plot_defective_density(forstmann, correct_fun = function(d) d$R == d$S))
```

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plot\_fit

*Posterior predictive checks*


---

**Description**

Plot (defective) cumulative density functions of the observed data and data from the posterior predictive distribution: the probability of a response,  $p(R)$  as a function of response time for the experimental data and posterior predictive simulations.

**Usage**

```
plot_fit(
  data,
  pp,
  subject = NULL,
  factors = NULL,
  functions = NULL,
  stat = NULL,
  stat_name = "",
  adjust = 1,
  quants = c(0.025, 0.5, 0.975),
  do_plot = TRUE,
  xlim = NULL,
  ylim = NULL,
  layout = NULL,
  mfcol = FALSE,
  probs = c(1:99)/100,
  data_lwd = 2,
  fit_lwd = 1,
  q_points = c(0.1, 0.3, 0.5, 0.7, 0.9),
  qp_cex = 1,
  pqp_cex = 0.5,
  lpos = "right",
  main = ""
)
```

**Arguments**

data	A data frame. The experimental data in EMC2 format with at least subject (i.e., the subject factor), R (i.e., the response factor) and rt (i.e., response time) variable. Additional factor variables of the design are optional.
pp	A data frame. Posterior predictives created by predict()
subject	Integer or string selecting a subject from the data. If specified only that subject is plotted. NULL (i.e., the default), will plot all subjects.
factors	Character vector of factors in data to display separately. If NULL (default) use names of all columns in data except "trials", "R", and "rt". Omitted factors are aggregated over. If NA treats entire data set as a single cell. Must be NA or NULL when using stat argument.
functions	A named list of functions that create new factors which can then be used by the factors and stat arguments.
stat	A function that takes the data/the posterior predictives and returns a single value. For the posterior predictives it will use a single value per replicate, which are then plotted as a density.
stat_name	A string naming what the stat argument calculates, used in labeling the x-axis of the plot.
adjust	Numeric. Density function bandwidth adjust parameter. See “?density”
quants	A vector. Quantiles of the posterior predictives to return when stat argument is supplied.
do_plot	Boolean. Set to FALSE to only return the quantiles and omit the plots.
xlim	A numeric vector. x-axis plot limit.
ylim	A numeric vector. y-axis plot limit.
layout	A vector specifying the layout as in par(mfrow = layout). If NA or NULL uses current plot window layout.
mfcoll	Boolean. If TRUE uses par(mfrow = layout), otherwise uses par(mfcol = layout)
probs	Vector of probabilities at which to calculate cumulative density function
data_lwd	Integer. Line width for data
fit_lwd	Integer. Line width for posterior predictives
q_points	Vector. Quantile points to plot
qp_cex	Numeric. Cex for data quantile points
ppp_cex	Numeric. Cex for predicted quantile points
lpos	Character. Legend position, see ?legend().
main	Character. Pasted before the plot title, especially useful when specifying a stat argument.

**Details**

The data is plotted in black. Large grey points show the average quantiles across the posterior predictives. The small grey points represent the predicted quantile of an individual replicate, providing a representation of uncertainty in the model predictions.

If the `stat` argument is supplied (which calculates a statistic based on the data), the posterior predictives are plotted as a density over the different replicates. A vertical line is plotted at the value of that statistic for the experimental data.

If more than one subject is included, the data and fits are aggregated across subjects by default.

Also see `?plot_defective_density()` for more details.

**Value**

If `stat` argument is provided, a vector of observed values and predicted quantiles is returned

**Examples**

```
# First generate posterior predictives based on an emc object run with run_emc
pp <- predict(samples_LNR, n_cores = 1, n_post = 10)
# Then visualize the model fit
plot_fit(forstmann, pp, factors = c("S", "E"), layout = c(2,3))

# Specific statistics on the posterior predictives can also be specified
# This function calculates the difference in rt between two S levels.
# It takes the data (or the posterior predictives) as an argument
drt <- function(data) diff(tapply(data$rt, data[,c("S")], mean))
plot_fit(forstmann, pp, stat=drt, stat_name="Rt difference",
         main="Left vs Right")
```

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plot\_fit\_choice

*Plots choice data*

---

**Description**

Plots choice data with no response times.

**Usage**

```
plot_fit_choice(
  data,
  pp,
  subject = NULL,
  factors = NULL,
  functions = NULL,
  stat = NULL,
  stat_name = "",
  adjust = 1,
```



```

ci = c(0.025, 0.5, 0.975),
do_plot = TRUE,
xlim = NULL,
ylim = NULL,
main = "",
layout = NULL,
mfcol = TRUE,
signalFactor = "S",
zROC = FALSE,
qfun = qnorm,
lim = NULL,
rocfit_cex = 0.5
)

```

### Arguments

data	A data frame. The experimental data in EMC2 format with at least subject (i.e., the subject factor), R (i.e., the response factor) and rt (i.e., response time) variable. Additional factor variables of the design are optional.
pp	Posterior predictives created by predict()
subject	Integer or string picking out subject(s).
factors	Character vector of factors in data to display separately. If NULL (i.e., the default), use names of all columns in data except trials,R, and rt. Omitted factors are aggregated over. If NA, treats entire data set as a single cell. If stat is used, the default is changed to NA.
functions	A named list of functions that create new factors which can then be used by the factors and stat arguments.
stat	A function that takes a the data and returns a single value.
stat_name	A string naming what the stat argument calculates.
adjust	Control of smoothing in density plots
ci	Credible interval and central tendency quantiles for return when stat argument is supplied (defaults to the 2.5%, the 50% and the 97.5% quantiles)
do_plot	Boolean (defaults to TRUE) whether a plot should be created or not
xlim	x-axis plot limit, 2-vector (same for all) or matrix (one row for each paramter)
ylim	y-axis plot limit, 2-vector (same for all) or matrix (one row for each paramter)
main	Text title, pasted before cell name.
layout	2-vector specifying par(mfrow) or par(mfcol). The default NULL uses current, NA keeps par currently active.
mfcol	Boolean for layout settings, the default TRUE uses mfcol, else mfrow.
signalFactor	Character name of factor for the signal
zROC	Boolean, plot Z transformed ROC (defaults to FALSE)
qfun	Type of Z transform (defaults to probit)
lim	x = y limit for ROC plots
rocfit_cex	Size of points in ROC plot (default 0.5)

**Value**

If stat argument is provided a matrix of observed values and predicted quantiles is returned

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plot\_mcmc

*Plot MCMC*

---

**Description**

Uses the coda plot functions that are applied per chain

**Usage**

```
plot_mcmc(
  emc,
  selection = "mu",
  fun = "cumuplot",
  layout = NA,
  chain = 1,
  plot_type = NULL,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

emc	An emc object
selection	A Character string. Indicates which parameter type to plot (e.g., alpha, mu, sigma2, correlation).
fun	A plot function that takes a vector/mcmc object as input, e.g. cumuplot, acf
layout	A vector indicating which layout to use as in par(mfrow = layout). If NA, will automatically generate an appropriate layout.
chain	Integer, which chain to include, if more than 1 will make separate plots per chain.
plot_type	type argument passed on to coda fun.
...	Optional arguments that can be passed to get_pars, the chosen coda plot function, or plot.default (see par())

**Value**

A coda plot

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plot_mcmc_list	<i>Plot MCMC.list</i>
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**Description**

Uses the coda plot functions that are applied across chain

**Usage**

```
plot_mcmc_list(emc, selection = "mu", fun = "traceplot", layout = NA, ...)
```

**Arguments**

emc	An emc object
selection	A Character string. Indicates which parameter type to plot (e.g., alpha, mu, sigma2, correlation).
fun	A coda plot function choice from
layout	A vector indicating which layout to use as in par(mfrow = layout). If NA, will automatically generate an appropriate layout.
...	Optional arguments that can be passed to get_pars, the chosen coda plot function, or plot.default (see par())

**Value**

A coda plot

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plot_pars	<i>Plots density for parameters</i>
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**Description**

Plots the posterior and prior density for selected parameters of a model. Full range of samples manipulations described in get\_pars.

**Usage**

```
plot_pars(
  emc,
  layout = NA,
  selection = "mu",
  show_chains = FALSE,
  plot_prior = TRUE,
  N = 10000,
  use_prior_lim = !all_subjects,
```

```

lpos = "topright",
true_pars = NULL,
all_subjects = FALSE,
prior_plot_args = list(),
true_plot_args = list(),
...
)

```

### Arguments

emc	An emc object
layout	A vector indicating which layout to use as in <code>par(mfrow = layout)</code> . If NA, will automatically generate an appropriate layout.
selection	A Character string. Indicates which parameter type to use (e.g., <code>alpha</code> , <code>mu</code> , <code>sigma2</code> , <code>correlation</code> ).
show_chains	Boolean (defaults to FALSE) plots a separate density for each chain.
plot_prior	Boolean. If TRUE will overlay prior density in the plot (default in red)
N	Integer. How many prior samples to draw
use_prior_lim	Boolean. If TRUE will use xlimits based on prior density, otherwise based on posterior density.
lpos	Character. Where to plot the contraction statistic.
true_pars	A vector or emc object. Can be used to visualize recovery. If a vector will plot a vertical line for each parameter at the appropriate place. If an emc object will plot the densities of the object as well, assumed to be the data-generating posteriors.
all_subjects	Boolean. Will plot the densities of all (selected) subjects overlaid with the group-level distribution
prior_plot_args	A list. Optional additional arguments to be passed to <code>plot.default</code> for the plotting of the prior density (see <code>par()</code> )
true_plot_args	A list. Optional additional arguments to be passed to <code>plot.default</code> for the plotting of the true parameters (see <code>par()</code> )
...	Optional arguments that can be passed to <code>get_pars</code> , <code>density</code> , or <code>plot.default</code> (see <code>par()</code> )

### Value

An invisible return of the contraction statistics for the selected parameter type

### Examples

```

# Full range of possibilities described in get_pars
plot_pars(samples_LNR)
# Or plot all subjects
plot_pars(samples_LNR, all_subjects = TRUE, col = 'purple')
# Or plot recovery

```

```
true_emc <- samples_LNR # This would normally be the data-generating samples
plot_pars(samples_LNR, true_pars = true_emc, true_plot_args = list(col = 'blue'), adjust = 2)
```

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plot\_prior

*Title*

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## Description

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## Usage

```
plot_prior(
  prior,
  design,
  selection = "mu",
  do_plot = TRUE,
  covariates = NULL,
  layout = NA,
  N = 50000,
  ...
)
```

## Arguments

prior	A prior list created with prior
design	A design list created with design
selection	A Character string. Indicates which parameter type to use (e.g., alpha, mu, sigma2, correlation).
do_plot	Boolean. If FALSE will only return prior samples and omit plotting.
covariates	dataframe/functions as specified by the design
layout	A vector indicating which layout to use as in par(mfrow = layout). If NA, will automatically generate an appropriate layout.
N	Integer. How many prior samples to draw
...	Optional arguments that can be passed to get_pars, histogram, plot.default (see par()), or arguments required for the types of models e.g. n_factors for type = "factor"

## Value

An mcmc.list object with prior samples of the selected type

**Examples**

```
# First define a design for the model
design_DDME <- design(data = forstmann,model=DDM,
                    formula =list(v~0+S,a~E, t0~1, s~1, Z~1, sv~1, SZ~1),
                    constants=c(s=log(1)))
# Then set up a prior using make_prior
p_vector=c(v_Sleft=-2,v_Sright=2,a=log(1),a_Eneutral=log(1.5),a_Eaccuracy=log(2),
           t0=log(.2),Z=qnorm(.5),sv=log(.5),SZ=qnorm(.5))
psd <- c(v_Sleft=1,v_Sright=1,a=.3,a_Eneutral=.3,a_Eaccuracy=.3,
        t0=.4,Z=1,sv=.4,SZ=1)
# Here we left the variance prior at default
prior_DDME <- prior(design_DDME,mu_mean=p_vector,mu_sd=psd)
# Now we can plot all sorts of (implied) priors
plot_prior(prior_DDME, design_DDME, selection = "mu", N = 1e3)
plot_prior(prior_DDME, design_DDME, selection = "mu", mapped = FALSE, N=1e3)
# We can also plot the implied prior on the participant level effects.
plot_prior(prior_DDME, design_DDME, selection = "alpha", col = "green", N = 1e3)
```

---

plot\_relations

*Plot relations*


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**Description**

An adjusted version of the corrrplot package function corrrplot() tailored to EMC2 and the plotting of estimated correlations.

**Usage**

```
plot_relations(
  emc = NULL,
  stage = "sample",
  plot_cred = TRUE,
  plot_means = TRUE,
  only_cred = FALSE,
  nice_names = NULL,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

emc	An EMC2 object, commonly the output of run_emc().
stage	Character. The stage from which to take the samples, defaults to the sampling stage sample.
plot_cred	Boolean. Whether to plot the 95 percent credible intervals or not
plot_means	Boolean. Whether to plot the means or not
only_cred	Boolean. Whether to only plot credible values

nice\_names      Character string. Alternative names to give the parameters  
 ...              Optional additional arguments

**Value**

No return value, creates a plot of group-level relations

**Examples**

```
# For a given set of hierarchical model samples we can make a
# correlation matrix plot.
plot_relations(samples_LNR, only_cred = TRUE, plot_cred = TRUE)
# We can also only plot the correlations where the credible interval does not include zero
plot_relations(samples_LNR, plot_means = TRUE, only_cred = TRUE)
```

---

posterior\_summary.emc *Posterior quantiles*

---

**Description**

Returns the quantiles of the selected parameter type. Full range of possible samples manipulations described in get\_pars.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'emc'
posterior_summary(
  emc,
  selection = "mu",
  probs = c(0.025, 0.5, 0.975),
  digits = 3,
  ...
)

posterior_summary(emc, ...)
```

**Arguments**

emc              An emc object

selection        A Character vector. Indicates which parameter types to check (e.g., alpha, mu, sigma2, correlation).

probs            A vector. Indicates which quantiles to return from the posterior.

digits          Integer. How many digits to round the output to

...              Optional additional arguments that can be passed to get\_pars

**Value**

A list of posterior quantiles for each parameter group in the selected parameter type.

**Examples**

```
posterior_summary(samples_LNR)
```

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predict.emc	<i>Generate posterior predictives</i>
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**Description**

Simulate `n_post` data sets using the posterior parameter estimates

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'emc'
predict(
  object,
  hyper = FALSE,
  n_post = 100,
  n_cores = 1,
  stat = c("random", "mean", "median")[1],
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

object	An emc object from which posterior predictives should be generated
hyper	Boolean. Defaults to FALSE. If TRUE, simulates from the group-level (hyper) parameters instead of the subject-level parameters.
n_post	Integer. Number of generated datasets
n_cores	Integer. Number of cores across which there should be parallellized
stat	Character. Can be mean, median or random (i.e., the default). Will take either random samples from the chain(s) or use the mean or median of the parameter estimates.
...	Optional additional arguments passed to <code>get_pars</code> or <code>make_data</code>

**Value**

A list of simulated data sets of length `n_post`

**Examples**

```
# based on an emc object ran by fit() we can generate posterior predictives
predict(samples_LNR, n_cores = 1, n_post = 10)
```



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prior *Prior specification*

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### Description

Specify priors for the chosen model. These values are entered manually by default but can be recycled from another prior (given in the update argument).

### Usage

```
prior(
  design,
  type = "standard",
  update = NULL,
  ask = NULL,
  fill_default = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

### Arguments

design	Design list for which a prior is constructed, typically the output of design()
type	Character. What type of group-level model you plan on using i.e. diagonal
update	Prior list from which to copy values
ask	Character. For which parameter types to ask for prior specification, i.e. Sigma, mu or loadings for factor models
fill_default	Boolean, If TRUE will fill all non-specified parameters, and parameters outside of ask, to default values
...	Either values to prefill, i.e. theta_mu_mean = c(1:6), or additional arguments such as n_factors = 2

### Details

Where a value is not supplied, the user is prompted to enter numeric values (or functions that evaluate to numbers).

To get the default prior for a type, run: `get_prior_{type}(design = design, sample = F)`

E.g.: `get_prior_diagonal(design = design, sample = F)`

### Value

A prior list object

**Examples**

```

# First define a design for the model
design_DDME <- design(data = forstmann,model=DDM,
                    formula =list(v~0+S,a~E, t0~1, s~1, Z~1, sv~1, SZ~1),
                    constants=c(s=log(1)))
# Then set up a prior using prior
p_vector=c(v_Sleft=-2,v_Sright=2,a=log(1),a_Eneutral=log(1.5),a_Eaccuracy=log(2),
           t0=log(.2),Z=qnorm(.5),sv=log(.5),SZ=qnorm(.5))
psd <- c(v_Sleft=1,v_Sright=1,a=.3,a_Eneutral=.3,a_Eaccuracy=.3,
         t0=.4,Z=1,sv=.4,SZ=1)
# Here we left the variance prior at default
prior_DDME <- prior(design_DDME,mu_mean=p_vector,mu_sd=psd)
# Also add a group-level variance prior:
pscale <- c(v_Sleft=.6,v_Sright=.6,a=.3,a_Eneutral=.3,a_Eaccuracy=.3,
           t0=.2,Z=.5,sv=.4,SZ=.3)
df <- .4
prior_DDME <- prior(design_DDME,mu_mean=p_vector,mu_sd=psd, A = pscale, df = df)
# If we specify a new design
design_DDME0E <- design(data = forstmann,model=DDM,
                    formula =list(v~0+S,a~E, t0~E, s~1, Z~1, sv~1, SZ~1),
                    constants=c(s=log(1)))
# We can easily update the prior
prior_DDME0E <- prior(design_DDME0E, update = prior_DDME)

```

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probit

*Gaussian Signal Detection Theory Model*


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**Description**

Discrete choice based on continuous Gaussian latent, with no rt. Model parameters are mean (unbounded) sd (log scale) and threshold, with a first value is on the natural scale, and others for designs with with more than two responses are threshold increases on a log scale to enforce monotonic increase on the natural scale.

**Usage**

```
probit()
```

**Value**

A model list with all the necessary functions to sample

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profile_plot	<i>Likelihood profile plots</i>
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### Description

Creates likelihood profile plots from a design and the experimental data by varying one model parameter while holding all others constant.

### Usage

```
profile_plot(
  data,
  design,
  p_vector,
  range = 0.5,
  layout = NA,
  p_min = NULL,
  p_max = NULL,
  use_par = NULL,
  n_point = 100,
  n_cores = 1,
  round = 3,
  true_plot_args = list(),
  ...
)
```

### Arguments

<code>data</code>	A dataframe. Experimental data used, needed for the design mapping
<code>design</code>	A design list. Created using <code>design</code> .
<code>p_vector</code>	Named vector of parameter values (typically created with <code>sampled_p_vector(design)</code> )
<code>range</code>	Numeric. The max and min will be <code>p_vector + range/2</code> and <code>p_vector - range/2</code> , unless specified in <code>p_min</code> or <code>p_max</code> .
<code>layout</code>	A vector indicating which layout to use as in <code>par(mfrow = layout)</code> . If NA, will automatically generate an appropriate layout.
<code>p_min</code>	Named vector. If specified will instead use these values for minimum range of the selected parameters.
<code>p_max</code>	Named vector. If specified will instead use these values for maximum range of the selected parameters.
<code>use_par</code>	Character vector. If specified will only plot the profiles for the specified parameters.
<code>n_point</code>	Integer. Number of evenly spaced points at which to calculate likelihood
<code>n_cores</code>	Number of likelihood points evenly spaced between the minimum and maximum likelihood range.

round Integer. To how many digits will the output be rounded.

true\_plot\_args A list. Optional additional arguments that can be passed to plot.default for the plotting of the true vertical line.

... Optional additional arguments that can be passed to plot.default.

### Value

Vector with highest likelihood point, input and mismatch between true and highest point

### Examples

```
# First create a design
design_DDMaE <- design(data = forstmann,model=DDM,
                      formula =list(v~0+S,a~E, t0~1, s~1, Z~1, sv~1, SZ~1),
                      constants=c(s=log(1)))

# Then create a p_vector:
p_vector=c(v_Sleft=-2,v_Sright=2,a=log(.95),a_Eneutral=log(1.5),a_Eaccuracy=log(2),
           t0=log(.25),Z=qnorm(.5),sv=log(.5),SZ=qnorm(.5))

# Make a profile plot for some parameters. Specifying a custom range for t0.
profile_plot(p_vector = p_vector, p_min = c(t0 = -1.35),
            p_max = c(t0 = -1.45), use_par = c("a", "t0", "SZ"),
            data = forstmann, design = design_DDMaE, n_point = 10)
```

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RDM

*The Racing Diffusion Model*

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### Description

Model file to estimate the Racing Diffusion Model (RDM), also known as the Racing Wald Model.

### Usage

RDM()

### Details

Model files are almost exclusively used in design().

Default values are used for all parameters that are not explicitly listed in the formula argument of design().They can also be accessed with RDM()\$p\_types.

Parameter	Transform	Natural scale	Default	Mapping	Interpretation
$v$	log	[0, Inf]	log(1)		Evidence-accumulation rate (drift rate)
$A$	log	[0, Inf]	log(0)		Between-trial variation (range) in start point
$B$	log	[0, Inf]	log(1)	$b = B + A$	Distance from $A$ to $b$ (response threshold)
$t0$	log	[0, Inf]	log(0)		Non-decision time
$sv$	log	[0, Inf]	log(1)		Within-trial standard deviation of drift rate

All parameters are estimated on the log scale.

The parameterization  $b = B + A$  ensures that the response threshold is always higher than the between trial variation in start point.

Conventionally,  $s$  is fixed to 1 to satisfy scaling constraints.

Because the RDM is a race model, it has one accumulator per response option. EMC2 automatically constructs a factor representing the accumulators 1R (i.e., the latent response) with level names taken from the R column in the data.

The 1R factor is mainly used to allow for response bias, analogous to  $Z$  in the DDM. For example, in the RDM, response thresholds are determined by the  $B$  parameters, so  $B \sim 1R$  allows for different thresholds for the accumulator corresponding to "left" and "right" stimuli, for example, (e.g., a bias to respond left occurs if the left threshold is less than the right threshold).

For race models in general, the argument `matchfun` can be provided in `design()`. One needs to supply a function that takes the 1R factor (defined in the augmented data ( $d$ ) in the following function) and returns a logical defining the correct response. In the example below, this is simply whether the S factor equals the latent response factor: `matchfun=function(d)d$S==d$1R`. Using `matchfun` a latent match factor (1M) with levels FALSE (i.e., the stimulus does not match the accumulator) and TRUE (i.e., the stimulus does match the accumulator). This is added internally and can also be used in model formula, typically for parameters related to the rate of accumulation.

Tillman, G., Van Zandt, T., & Logan, G. D. (2020). Sequential sampling models without random between-trial variability: The racing diffusion model of speeded decision making. *Psychonomic Bulletin & Review*, 27(5), 911-936. <https://doi.org/10.3758/s13423-020-01719-6>

## Value

A list defining the cognitive model

## Examples

```
# When working with 1M it is useful to design an "average and difference"
# contrast matrix, which for binary responses has a simple canonical form:
ADmat <- matrix(c(-1/2,1/2),ncol=1,dimnames=list(NULL,"d"))
# We also define a match function for 1M
matchfun=function(d)d$S==d$1R
# We now construct our design, with v ~ 1M and the contrast for 1M the ADmat.
design_RDMBE <- design(data = forstmann,model=RDM,matchfun=matchfun,
                      formula=list(v~1M,s~1M,B~E+1R,A~1,t0~1),
                      contrasts=list(v=list(1M=ADmat)),constants=c(s=log(1)))
# For all parameters that are not defined in the formula, default values are assumed
# (see Table above).
```

recovery.emc

*Recovery plots***Description**

Plots recovery of data generating parameters/samples. Full range of samples manipulations described in `get_pars`

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'emc'
recovery(
  emc,
  true_pars,
  selection = "mu",
  layout = NA,
  do_CI = TRUE,
  correlation = "pearson",
  stat = "rmse",
  digits = 3,
  CI = 0.95,
  ci_plot_args = list(),
  ...
)

recovery(emc, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>emc</code>	An emc object
<code>true_pars</code>	A vector of data-generating parameters or an emc object with data-generating samples
<code>selection</code>	A Character vector. Indicates which parameter types to plot (e.g., alpha, mu, sigma2, correlation).
<code>layout</code>	A vector indicating which layout to use as in <code>par(mfrow = layout)</code> . If NA, will automatically generate an appropriate layout.
<code>do_CI</code>	Boolean. If TRUE will also include bars representing the credible intervals
<code>correlation</code>	Character. Which correlation to include in the plot. Options are either <code>pearson</code> or <code>spearman</code>
<code>stat</code>	Character. Which statistic to include in the plot. Options are either <code>rmse</code> or <code>coverage</code>
<code>digits</code>	Integer. How many digits to round the statistic and correlation in the plot to
<code>CI</code>	Numeric. The size of the credible intervals. Default is <code>.95</code> (95%).
<code>ci_plot_args</code>	A list. Optional additional arguments to be passed to <code>plot.default</code> for the plotting of the credible intervals (see <code>par()</code> )
<code>...</code>	Optional arguments that can be passed to <code>get_pars</code> or <code>plot.default</code> (see <code>par()</code> )

**Value**

Invisible list with RMSE, coverage, and Pearson and Spearman correlations.

**Examples**

```
# Make up some values that resemble posterior samples
# Normally this would be true values that were used to simulate the data
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pmat <- matrix(rnorm(12, mean = c(-1, -.6, -.4, -1.5), sd = .01), ncol = 4, byrow = TRUE)
# Conventionally this would be created before one makes data with true values
recovery(samples_LNR, pmat, correlation = "pearson", stat = "rmse", selection = "alpha")
# Similarly we can plot recovery of other parameters with a set of true samples
true_samples <- samples_LNR # Normally this would be data-generating samples
recovery(samples_LNR, true_samples, correlation = "pearson", stat = "rmse",
         selection = "correlation", cex = 1.5,
         ci_plot_args = list(lty = 3, length = .2, lwd = 2, col = "brown"))
```

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run\_adapt

*Runs adapt stage for emc.*


---

**Description**

Special instance of run\_emc, with default arguments specified for completing adaptation.

**Usage**

```
run_adapt(
  emc,
  stop_criteria = NULL,
  p_accept = 0.8,
  step_size = 100,
  verbose = FALSE,
  verboseProgress = FALSE,
  fileName = NULL,
  particles = NULL,
  particle_factor = 50,
  cores_per_chain = 1,
  cores_for_chains = length(emc),
  max_tries = 20,
  n_blocks = 1
)
```

**Arguments**

emc	An emc object
stop_criteria	A list. Defines the stopping criteria and for which types of parameters these should hold. See ?fit.

p_accept	A double. The target acceptance probability of the MCMC process. This fine-tunes the width of the search space to obtain the desired acceptance probability. Defaults to .8
step_size	An integer. After each step, the stopping requirements as specified by stop_criteria are checked and proposal distributions are updated. Defaults to 100.
verbose	Logical. Whether to print messages between each step with the current status regarding the stop_criteria.
verboseProgress	Logical. Whether to print a progress bar within each step or not. Will print one progress bar for each chain and only if cores_for_chains = 1.
fileName	A string. If specified will autosave emc at this location on every iteration.
particles	An integer. How many particles to use, default is NULL and particle_factor is used instead. If specified will override particle_factor.
particle_factor	An integer. particle_factor multiplied by the square root of the number of sampled parameters determines the number of particles used.
cores_per_chain	An integer. How many cores to use per chain. Parallelizes across participant calculations. Only available on Linux or Mac OS. For Windows, only parallelization across chains (cores_for_chains) is available.
cores_for_chains	An integer. How many cores to use across chains. Defaults to the number of chains. the total number of cores used is equal to cores_per_chain * cores_for_chains.
max_tries	An integer. How many times should it try to meet the finish conditions as specified by stop_criteria? Defaults to 20. max_tries is ignored if the required number of iterations has not been reached yet.
n_blocks	An integer. Number of blocks. Will block the parameter chains such that they are updated in blocks. This can be helpful in extremely tough models with a large number of parameters.

**Value**

An emc object

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run\_bridge\_sampling     *Estimating Marginal likelihoods using WARP-III bridge sampling*

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**Description**

Uses bridge sampling that matches a proposal distribution to the first three moments of the posterior distribution to get an accurate estimate of the marginal likelihood. The marginal likelihood can be used for computing Bayes factors and posterior model probabilities.



**Usage**

```
run_bridge_sampling(
  emc,
  stage = "sample",
  filter = NULL,
  repetitions = 1,
  cores_for_props = 4,
  cores_per_prop = 1,
  both_splits = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

emc	An emc object with a set of converged samples
stage	A character indicating which stage to use, defaults to sample
filter	An integer or vector. If integer, it will exclude up until that integer. If vector it will include everything in that range.
repetitions	An integer. How many times to repeat the bridge sampling scheme. Can help get an estimate of stability of the estimate.
cores_for_props	Integer. Warp-III evaluates the posterior over 4 different proposal densities. If you have the CPU, 4 cores will do this in parallel, 2 is also already helpful.
cores_per_prop	Integer. Per density we can also parallelize across subjects. Eventual cores will be <code>cores_for_props * cores_per_prop</code> . For efficiency users should prioritize <code>cores_for_props</code> being 4.
both_splits	Boolean. Bridge sampling uses a proposal density and a target density. We can estimate the stability of our samples and therefore MLL estimate, by running 2 bridge sampling iterations. The first one uses the first half of the samples as the proposal and the second half as the target, the second run uses the opposite. If this is set to FALSE, it will only run bridge sampling once and it will instead do an odd-even iterations split to get a more reasonable estimate for just one run.
...	Additional, optional more in-depth hyperparameters

**Details**

If not enough posterior samples were collected using `fit()`, bridge sampling can be unstable. It is recommended to run `run_bridge_sampling()` several times with the `repetitions` argument and to examine how stable the results are.

It can be difficult to converge bridge sampling for exceptionally large models, because of a large number of subjects (> 100) and/or cognitive model parameters.

For a practical introduction:

Gronau, Q. F., Heathcote, A., & Matzke, D. (2020). Computing Bayes factors for evidence-accumulation models using Warp-III bridge sampling. *Behavior research methods*, 52(2), 918-937. doi.org/10.3758/s13428-019-01290-6

For mathematical background:

Meng, X.-L., & Wong, W. H. (1996). Simulating ratios of normalizing constants via a simple identity: A theoretical exploration. *Statistica Sinica*, 6, 831-860. <http://www3.stat.sinica.edu.tw/statistica/j6n4/j6n43/j6n43.htm>

Meng, X.-L., & Schilling, S. (2002). Warp bridge sampling. *Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics*, 11(3), 552-586. [doi.org/10.1198/106186002457](https://doi.org/10.1198/106186002457)

## Value

A vector of length repetitions which contains the marginal log likelihood estimates per repetition

## Examples

```
## Not run:
# After `fit` has converged on a specific model
# We can take those samples and calculate the marginal log-likelihood for them
MLL <- run_bridge_sampling(list(samples_LNR), cores_per_prop = 2)
# This will run on 2*4 cores (since 4 is the default for ``cores_for_props``)

## End(Not run)
```

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run\_emc

*Custom function for more controlled model estimation*

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## Description

Although typically users will rely on `fit`, this function can be used for more fine-tuned specification of estimation needs. The function will throw an error if a stage is skipped, the stages have to be run in order ("preburn", "burn", "adapt", "sample"). More details can be found in the `fit` help files (`?fit`).

## Usage

```
run_emc(
  emc,
  stage,
  stop_criteria,
  p_accept = 0.8,
  step_size = 100,
  verbose = FALSE,
  verboseProgress = FALSE,
  fileName = NULL,
  particles = NULL,
  particle_factor = 50,
  cores_per_chain = 1,
  cores_for_chains = length(emc),
  max_tries = 20,
  n_blocks = 1
)
```

**Arguments**

emc	An emc object
stage	A string. Indicates which stage is to be run, either preburn, burn, adapt or sample
stop_criteria	A list. Defines the stopping criteria and for which types of parameters these should hold. See ?fit.
p_accept	A double. The target acceptance probability of the MCMC process. This fine-tunes the width of the search space to obtain the desired acceptance probability. Defaults to .8
step_size	An integer. After each step, the stopping requirements as specified by stop_criteria are checked and proposal distributions are updated. Defaults to 100.
verbose	Logical. Whether to print messages between each step with the current status regarding the stop_criteria.
verboseProgress	Logical. Whether to print a progress bar within each step or not. Will print one progress bar for each chain and only if cores_for_chains = 1.
fileName	A string. If specified will autosave emc at this location on every iteration.
particles	An integer. How many particles to use, default is NULL and particle_factor is used instead. If specified will override particle_factor.
particle_factor	An integer. particle_factor multiplied by the square root of the number of sampled parameters determines the number of particles used.
cores_per_chain	An integer. How many cores to use per chain. Parallelizes across participant calculations. Only available on Linux or Mac OS. For Windows, only parallelization across chains (cores_for_chains) is available.
cores_for_chains	An integer. How many cores to use across chains. Defaults to the number of chains. the total number of cores used is equal to cores_per_chain * cores_for_chains.
max_tries	An integer. How many times should it try to meet the finish conditions as specified by stop_criteria? Defaults to 20. max_tries is ignored if the required number of iterations has not been reached yet.
n_blocks	An integer. Number of blocks. Will block the parameter chains such that they are updated in blocks. This can be helpful in extremely tough models with a large number of parameters.

**Value**

An emc object

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
# First define a design
design_DDmAE <- design(data = forstmann,model=DDM,
```

```

                                formula =list(v~0+S,a~E, t0~1, s~1, Z~1, sv~1, SZ~1),
                                constants=c(s=log(1)))
# Then make the emc, we've omitted a prior here for brevity so default priors will be used.
emc <- make_emc(forstmann, design)

# Now for example we can specify that we only want to run the "preburn" phase
# for MCMC 200 iterations
emc <- run_emc(emc, stage = "preburn", stop_criteria = list(iter = 200))

## End(Not run)

```

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run\_IS2

*Runs IS2 from Tran et al. 2021 on a list of emc*


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### Description

Runs IS2 on a list of emc, only works for types standard, factor and diagonal yet.

### Usage

```

run_IS2(
  emc,
  stage = "sample",
  filter = 0,
  IS_samples = 1000,
  stepsize_particles = 500,
  max_particles = 5000,
  n_cores = 1,
  df = 5
)

```

### Arguments

emc	A list of emc
stage	A string. Indicates which stage to take samples from
filter	An integer or vector. If integer specifies how many samples to remove from within that stage. If vector used as index for samples to keep.
IS_samples	An integer. Specifies how many IS2 samples to collect
stepsize_particles	An integer. It will increase particles till optimal variance with this stepsize.
max_particles	An integer. Specifies the maximum number of particles to collect before stopping one IS iteration.
n_cores	An integer. Specifies how many cores to run IS_2 on.
df	An integer. The degrees of freedom used in the t-distribution used as IS distribution for the group-level proposals.

**Value**

emc, with IS2 attribute

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run_sample	<i>Runs sample stage for emc.</i>
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**Description**

Special instance of run\_emc, with default arguments specified for running sample stage.

**Usage**

```
run_sample(
  emc,
  iter = 1000,
  stop_criteria = NULL,
  p_accept = 0.8,
  step_size = 100,
  verbose = FALSE,
  verboseProgress = FALSE,
  fileName = NULL,
  particles = NULL,
  particle_factor = 50,
  cores_per_chain = 1,
  cores_for_chains = length(emc),
  max_tries = 20,
  n_blocks = 1
)
```

**Arguments**

emc	An emc object
iter	Integer. Number of sample stage iterations to run
stop_criteria	A list. Defines the stopping criteria and for which types of parameters these should hold. See ?fit.
p_accept	A double. The target acceptance probability of the MCMC process. This fine-tunes the width of the search space to obtain the desired acceptance probability. Defaults to .8
step_size	An integer. After each step, the stopping requirements as specified by stop_criteria are checked and proposal distributions are updated. Defaults to 100.
verbose	Logical. Whether to print messages between each step with the current status regarding the stop_criteria.
verboseProgress	Logical. Whether to print a progress bar within each step or not. Will print one progress bar for each chain and only if cores_for_chains = 1.

fileName	A string. If specified will autosave emc at this location on every iteration.
particles	An integer. How many particles to use, default is NULL and particle_factor is used instead. If specified will override particle_factor.
particle_factor	An integer. particle_factor multiplied by the square root of the number of sampled parameters determines the number of particles used.
cores_per_chain	An integer. How many cores to use per chain. Parallelizes across participant calculations. Only available on Linux or Mac OS. For Windows, only parallelization across chains (cores_for_chains) is available.
cores_for_chains	An integer. How many cores to use across chains. Defaults to the number of chains. the total number of cores used is equal to cores_per_chain * cores_for_chains.
max_tries	An integer. How many times should it try to meet the finish conditions as specified by stop_criteria? Defaults to 20. max_tries is ignored if the required number of iterations has not been reached yet.
n_blocks	An integer. Number of blocks. Will block the parameter chains such that they are updated in blocks. This can be helpful in extremely tough models with a large number of parameters.

**Value**

An emc object

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sampled_p_vector	<i>Get model parameters from a design</i>
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**Description**

Makes a vector with zeroes, with names and length corresponding to the model parameters of the design.

**Usage**

```
sampled_p_vector(
  design,
  model = NULL,
  doMap = TRUE,
  add_da = FALSE,
  all_cells_dm = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>design</code>	a list of the design made with <code>design()</code> .
<code>model</code>	a model list. Defaults to the model specified in the design list.
<code>doMap</code>	logical. If TRUE will also include an attribute map with the design matrices that perform the mapping back to the design
<code>add_da</code>	Boolean. Whether to include the relevant data columns in the map attribute
<code>all_cells_dm</code>	Boolean. Whether to include all levels of a factor in the mapping attribute, even when one is dropped in the design

**Value**

Named vector.

**Examples**

```
# First define a design
design_DDmAE <- design(data = forstmann,model=DDM,
                      formula =list(v~0+S,a~E, t0~1, s~1, Z~1, sv~1, SZ~1),
                      constants=c(s=log(1)))
# Then for this design get which cognitive model parameters are sampled:
sampled_p_vector(design_DDmAE)
```

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<code>samples_LNR</code>	<i>An emc object of an LNR model of the Forstmann dataset using the first three subjects</i>
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**Description**

An emc object with a limited number of samples and subjects of the Forstmann dataset. The object is a nested list of length three, each list containing the MCMC samples of the respective chain. The MCMC samples are stored in the samples element.

**Usage**

```
samples_LNR
```

**Format**

An emc object. An emc object is a list with a specific structure and elements, as outlined below.

**data** A list of dataframes, one for each subject included

**par\_names** A character vector containing the model parameter names

**n\_pars** The number of parameters in the model

**n\_subjects** The number of unique subject ID's in the data

- subjects** A vector containing the unique subject ID's
- prior** A list that holds the prior for theta\_mu (the model parameters). Contains the mean (theta\_mu\_mean), covariance matrix (theta\_mu\_var), degrees of freedom (v), and scale (A) and inverse covariance matrix (theta\_mu\_invar)
- ll\_func** The log likelihood function used by pmwg for model estimation
- samples** A list with defined structure containing the samples, see the Samples Element section for more detail
- grouped** Which parameters are grouped across subjects, in this case none
- sampler\_nuis** A sampler list for nuisance parameters (in this case there are none), similarly structured to the overall samples list of one of the MCMC chains.

### Samples Element

The samples element of a emc object contains the different types of samples estimated by EMC2. These include the three main types of samples theta\_mu, theta\_var and alpha as well as a number of other items which are detailed here.

- theta\_mu** samples used for estimating the model parameters (group level), an array of size (n\_pars x n\_samples)
- theta\_var** samples used for estimating the parameter covariance matrix, an array of size (n\_pars x n\_pars x n\_samples)
- alpha** samples used for estimating the subject random effects, an array of size (n\_pars x n\_subjects x n\_samples)
- stage** A vector containing what PMwG stage each sample was drawn in
- subj\_ll** The winning particles log-likelihood for each subject and sample
- a\_half** Mixing weights used during the Gibbs step when creating a new sample for the covariance matrix
- last\_theta\_var\_inv** The inverse of the last samples covariance matrix
- idx** The index of the last sample drawn
- epsilon** The scaling parameter of the proposal distributions for each subject array of size (n\_subjects x n\_samples)
- origin** From which propoosal distribution the accepted samples in the MCMC chain came, an array of size (n\_subjects x n\_samples)

### Source

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standardize\_loadings    *Standardized factor loadings*

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### Description

Returns a set of standardized factor loadings. The standardization considers the residual error as well as described in Stevenson, Heathcote, Forstmann & Matzke, 2024.

### Usage

```
standardize_loadings(
  emc = NULL,
  loadings = NULL,
  sig_err_inv = NULL,
  stage = "sample",
  merge_chains = TRUE
)
```

### Arguments

emc	An emc object with samples from a hierarchical factor analysis model
loadings	Array of pars by factors by iters. Can also specify loadings instead of emc
sig_err_inv	Array of pars by iters. Can also specify sig_err_inv instead of emc
stage	Character. From which stage to take samples
merge_chains	Return the loadings for each chain separately or merged together.

### Value

standardized loadings

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subset.emc                    *Shorten an emc object*

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### Description

Shorten an emc object

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'emc'
subset(
  x,
  stage = "sample",
  filter = NULL,
  thin = 1,
  keep_stages = FALSE,
  length.out = NULL,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

x	an emc object
stage	A character string. Indicates from which sampling stage(s) to take the samples from (i.e. preburn, burn, adapt, sample)
filter	Integer or numeric vector. If an integer is supplied, iterations up until that integer are removed. If a vector is supplied, the iterations within the range are kept.
thin	An integer. By how much to thin the chains
keep_stages	Boolean. If TRUE, will not remove samples from unselected stages.
length.out	Integer. Alternatively to thinning, you can also select a desired length of the MCMC chains, which will be thinned appropriately.
...	additional optional arguments

**Value**

A shortened emc object

**Examples**

```
subset(samples_LNR, length.out = 10)
```

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summary.emc

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*Summary statistics for emc objects*


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**Description**

Computes quantiles, Rhat and ESS for selected model parameters.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'emc'  
summary(  
  object,  
  selection = c("mu", "sigma2", "alpha"),  
  probs = c(0.025, 0.5, 0.975),  
  digits = 3,  
  ...  
)
```

**Arguments**

object	An object of class emc
selection	A character string indicating the parameter type Defaults to mu, sigma2, and alpha. See below for more information.
probs	The quantiles to be computed. Defaults to the the 2.5%, 50% and 97.5% quantiles.
digits	An integer specifying rounding of output.
...	Optional arguments that can be passed to get_pars

**Details**

Note that if selection = alpha and by\_subject = TRUE (default) is used, summary statistics are computed at the individual level. to the console but summary statistics for all subjects are returned by the function.

**Value**

A list of summary output.

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