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## Description

Bayesian Estimation of Naloxone use Number Under-reporting

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## References

Stan Development Team (2020). RStan: the R interface to Stan. R package version 2.21.2. <https://mc-stan.org>

## See Also

Useful links:

- <https://sempwn.github.io/bennu/>
- Report bugs at <https://github.com/sempwn/bennu/issues>

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 est\_naloxone

*Run Bayesian estimation of naloxone number under-reporting*


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## Description

Samples from Bayesian model using input from data frame

## Usage

```
est_naloxone(
  d,
  psi_vec = c(0.7, 0.2, 0.1),
  max_delays = 3,
  delay_alpha = 2,
  delay_beta = 1,
  priors = the$default_priors,
  run_estimation = TRUE,
  rw_type = 1,
  chains = 4,
  iter = 2000,
  seed = 42,
  adapt_delta = 0.85,
  pars = the$default_outputs,
  include = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

## Arguments

|                |  |
|----------------|--|
| d              | data frame with format<br><b>regions</b> unique id for region<br><b>times</b> time in months<br><b>Orders</b> Kits ordered<br><b>Reported_Used</b> Kits reported as used<br><b>Reported_Distributed</b> Kits reported as distributed<br><b>region_name</b> Optional label for region |
| psi_vec        | reporting delay distribution   |
| max_delays     | maximum delay from kit ordered to kit distributed  |
| delay_alpha    | shape parameter for order to distributed delay distribution  |
| delay_beta     | shape parameter for order to distributed delay distribution  |
| priors         | list of prior values including their mean ( $\mu$ ) and standard deviation ( $\sigma$ )  |
| run_estimation | if TRUE will sample from posterior otherwise will sample from prior only   |
| rw_type        | 1 - random walk of order one. 2 - random walk of order 2.  |

|             |  |
|-------------|--|
| chains      | A positive integer specifying the number of Markov chains. The default is 4.   |
| iter        | A positive integer specifying the number of iterations for each chain (including warmup). The default is 2000.   |
| seed        | Seed for random number generation  |
| adapt_delta | (double, between 0 and 1, defaults to 0.8)   |
| pars        | A vector of character strings specifying parameters of interest. The default is NA indicating all parameters in the model. If <code>include = TRUE</code> , only samples for parameters named in <code>pars</code> are stored in the fitted results. Conversely, if <code>include = FALSE</code> , samples for all parameters <i>except</i> those named in <code>pars</code> are stored in the fitted results. |
| include     | Logical scalar defaulting to TRUE indicating whether to include or exclude the parameters given by the <code>pars</code> argument. If FALSE, only entire multidimensional parameters can be excluded, rather than particular elements of them.   |
| ...         | other parameters to pass to <code>rstan::sampling</code>   |

### Value

An S4 `rstan::stanfit` class object containing the fitted model

### See Also

Other inference: `est_naloxone_vec()`

### Examples

```
## Not run:
library(rstan)
library(bayesplot)

rstan_options(auto_write = TRUE)
options(mc.cores = parallel::detectCores(logical = FALSE))

d <- generate_model_data()
priors <- list(
  c = list(mu = 0, sigma = 1),
  ct0 = list(mu = 0, sigma = 1),
  zeta = list(mu = 0, sigma = 1),
  mu0 = list(mu = 0, sigma = 1),
  sigma = list(mu = 0, sigma = 1)
)
fit <- est_naloxone(d, priors = priors, iter = 100, chains = 1)
mcmc_pairs(fit,
  pars = c("sigma", "mu0"),
  off_diag_args = list(size = 1, alpha = 0.5)
)

## End(Not run)
```

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est\_naloxone\_vec      *Run Bayesian estimation of naloxone number under-reporting*

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### Description

Samples from Bayesian model

### Usage

```
est_naloxone_vec(
  N_region,
  N_t,
  N_distributed,
  regions,
  times,
  Orders2D,
  Reported_Distributed,
  Reported_Used,
  region_name,
  psi_vec = c(0.7, 0.2, 0.1),
  max_delays = 3,
  delay_alpha = 2,
  delay_beta = 1,
  priors = the$default_priors,
  run_estimation = TRUE,
  rw_type = 1,
  chains = 4,
  iter = 2000,
  seed = 42,
  adapt_delta = 0.85,
  pars = the$default_outputs,
  include = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

### Arguments

|                      |   |
|----------------------|---|
| N_region             | Number of regions                                       |
| N_t                  | number of time steps                                    |
| N_distributed        | Number of samples of reporting for distribution of kits |
| regions              | vector (time, region) of regions (coded 1 to N_region)  |
| times                | vector (time, region) of regions (coded 1 to N_t)       |
| Orders2D             | vector (time, region) of orders                         |
| Reported_Distributed | vector (time, region) reported as distributed           |

|                |  |
|----------------|--|
| Reported_Used  | vector (time, region) reported as used   |
| region_name    | bring in region names  |
| psi_vec        | reporting delay distribution   |
| max_delays     | maximum delay from kit ordered to kit distributed  |
| delay_alpha    | shape parameter for order to distributed delay distribution  |
| delay_beta     | shape parameter for order to distributed delay distribution  |
| priors         | list of prior values including their mean ( $\mu$ ) and standard deviation ( $\sigma$ )  |
| run_estimation | if TRUE will sample from posterior otherwise will sample from prior only   |
| rw_type        | 1 - random walk of order one. 2 - random walk of order 2.  |
| chains         | A positive integer specifying the number of Markov chains. The default is 4.   |
| iter           | A positive integer specifying the number of iterations for each chain (including warmup). The default is 2000.   |
| seed           | Seed for random number generation  |
| adapt_delta    | (double, between 0 and 1, defaults to 0.8)   |
| pars           | A vector of character strings specifying parameters of interest. The default is NA indicating all parameters in the model. If <code>include = TRUE</code> , only samples for parameters named in <code>pars</code> are stored in the fitted results. Conversely, if <code>include = FALSE</code> , samples for all parameters <i>except</i> those named in <code>pars</code> are stored in the fitted results. |
| include        | Logical scalar defaulting to TRUE indicating whether to include or exclude the parameters given by the <code>pars</code> argument. If FALSE, only entire multidimensional parameters can be excluded, rather than particular elements of them.   |
| ...            | other parameters to pass to <a href="#">rstan::sampling</a>  |

**Value**

An S4 [rstan::stanfit](#) class object containing the fitted model

**See Also**

Other inference: [est\\_naloxone\(\)](#)

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experimental\_validation\_data

*Experimental validation results*

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**Description**

Generated data from validation experiments of simulated data

**Usage**

experimental\_validation\_data

**Format**

**experimental\_validation\_data:**  
 A data frame with 200 rows and 8 columns:  
**.variable** Model variable  
**p50** Median of the posterior  
**p25, p75** 2nd and 3rd quartiles of the posterior  
**p05, p95** 1st and 19th ventiles of the posterior  
**true\_value** The value used to generate the simulation  
**experiment** Experiment number index

**See Also**

Other validation data: [missing\\_data\\_validation](#)

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generate\_model\_data     *generate model data for testing purposes*

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**Description****[Deprecated]**

Simulate kits ordered and kits distributed for a set number of regions and time-points.

The kits ordered simulation is a simple square-term multiplied by `region_coeffs`. For example if `region_coeffs = c(1, 2)` then the number of kits ordered at month 12 are  $c(1, 2) * 12^2 = c(144, 288)$ .

The probability of kit use in time is assumed to increase linearly in inverse logit space at a constant rate 0.1. The probability of reporting for each month and region is iid distributed  $\text{logit}^{-1}(p) \sim N(2, 5)$  which produces a mean reporting rate of approximately 88%

**Usage**

```

generate_model_data(
  N_t = 24,
  region_coeffs = c(5, 0.5),
  c_region = c(-1, 2),
  reporting_freq = NULL
)

```

**Arguments**

|                             |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| <code>N_t</code>            | number of time-points   |
| <code>region_coeffs</code>  | vector of coefficients for regions determining kit orders   |
| <code>c_region</code>       | logit probability of kit use per region   |
| <code>reporting_freq</code> | The frequency that distribution data is provided. If NULL distribution frequency matches orders frequency |

**Value**

A `tibble::tibble()`

**Orders** Kit orders per time and region

**regions** Numeric index indicating region of orders and distributions

**Reported\_Used** Number of kits reported as used

**Reported\_Distributed** Number of kits reported as distributed

**p\_use** Probability that a kit was used

**p\_reported** Probability that a distributed kit was reported

**times** Index for time

**region\_name** String index for the region

**See Also**

Other data generation: `model_random_walk_data()`

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kit\_summary\_table      *Summarize model fit*

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**Description**

Provides a summary of:

- Estimated kits distributed
- Percentage of kits distributed that are reported
- Estimated kits used
- percentage of kits used that are reported
- percentage of kits orders that are used
- probability kit used if distributed

**Usage**

```
kit_summary_table(  
  fit,  
  ...,  
  data = NULL,  
  accuracy = 0.01,  
  cri_range = 0.95,  
  ndraws = NULL  
)
```

## Arguments

|           |  |
|-----------|--|
| fit       | <a href="#">rstan::stanfit</a> object  |
| ...       | variables to group by in estimate  |
| data      | data used for model fitting. Can also include p_use column which can be used to plot true values if derived from simulated data.   |
| accuracy  | A number to round to. Use (e.g.) 0.01 to show 2 decimal places of precision. If NULL, the default, uses a heuristic that should ensure breaks have the minimum number of digits needed to show the difference between adjacent values. |
| cri_range | The range of the credible interval e.g. 0.95   |
| ndraws    | Number of draws to use in estimate   |

## Value

A [tibble::tibble](#)

- Probability of kit use if distributed
- Estimated as distributed
- Proportion kits distributed that are reported
- Estimated kits used
- Proportion kits used that are reported
- Proportion kits ordered that are used

## See Also

Other plots: [plot\\_kit\\_use\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:  
fit <- est_naloxone(d)  
kit_summary_table(fit,regions,data = d)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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missing\_data\_validation

*Missing data experimental validation results*

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## Description

Generated data from validation experiments of simulated data

## Usage

```
missing_data_validation
```

**Format**

missing\_data\_validation:  
 A data frame with 10 rows and 6 columns:  
**p50** Median of the posterior  
**p25, p75** 2nd and 3rd quartiles of the posterior  
**p05, p95** 1st and 19th ventiles of the posterior  
**reporting\_freq** The reporting frequency in months

**See Also**

Other validation data: [experimental\\_validation\\_data](#)

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model\_random\_walk\_data

*generate model data for testing purposes*

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**Description**

Model generating process using random walk to match data generating model in Bayesian framework

**Usage**

```
model_random_walk_data(
  N_t = 24,
  region_coeffs = c(5, 0.5),
  c_region = c(-1, 2),
  sigma = 2,
  zeta = 0.5,
  mu0 = -1,
  Orders = NULL,
  reporting_freq = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

|                |   |
|----------------|---|
| N_t            | number of time-points   |
| region_coeffs  | vector of coefficients for regions determining kit orders   |
| c_region       | logit probability of kit use per region   |
| sigma          | standard deviation of error in logit probability of kit use   |
| zeta           | standard deviation of random walk in logit space  |
| mu0            | initial condition of random walk in logit space   |
| Orders         | A 2D matrix of shape length(region_coeffs) by N_t   |
| reporting_freq | The frequency that distribution data is provided. If NULL distribution frequency matches orders frequency |

**Value**

A tibble

**Orders** Kit orders per time and region

**regions** Numeric index indicating region of orders and distributions

**Reported\_Used** Number of kits reported as used

**Reported\_Distributed** Number of kits reported as distributed

**p\_use** Probability that a kit was used

**p\_reported** Probability that a distributed kit was reported

**times** Index for time

**region\_name** String index for the region

**See Also**

Other data generation: [generate\\_model\\_data\(\)](#)

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|--------------|--|
| plot_kit_use | <i>Plot of probability of naloxone kit use</i> |
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**Description**

plot can compare between two different model fits or a single model fit by region. If data are simulated then can also include in plot. For more details see the introduction vignette: `vignette("Introduction", package = "bennu")`

**Usage**

```
plot_kit_use(..., data = NULL, reported = FALSE, regions_to_plot = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

|                              |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| <code>...</code>             | named list of <a href="#">rstan::stanfit</a> objects  |
| <code>data</code>            | data used for model fitting. Can also include <code>p_use</code> column which can be used to plot true values if derived from simulated data. |
| <code>reported</code>        | if TRUE then produces a plot of the reported kits which is equivalent to the predictive check.  |
| <code>regions_to_plot</code> | Optional list to filter which regions are plotted   |

**Value**

[ggplot2::ggplot](#) object

**See Also**

Other plots: [kit\\_summary\\_table\(\)](#)

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