

Package: mrbayes (via r-universe)

October 4, 2026

Type Package

Title Bayesian Summary Data Models for Mendelian Randomization Studies

Version 0.5.3.9000

Description Bayesian estimation of inverse variance weighted (IVW), Burgess et al. (2013) <[doi:10.1002/gepi.21758](https://doi.org/10.1002/gepi.21758)>, and MR-Egger, Bowden et al. (2015) <[doi:10.1093/ije/dyv080](https://doi.org/10.1093/ije/dyv080)>, summary data models for Mendelian randomization analyses.

License GPL-3

URL <https://github.com/okezie94/mrbayes>,
<https://okezie94.github.io/mrbayes/>,
<https://mrcieu.r-universe.dev/mrbayes>

BugReports <https://github.com/okezie94/mrbayes/issues>

Depends R (>= 4.3.0)

Imports DescTools, methods, Rcpp (>= 0.12.0), RcppParallel (>= 5.0.1),
rstan (>= 2.18.1), rstantools (>= 2.4.0)

Suggests MendelianRandomization, rjags (>= 4-9), testthat

LinkingTo BH (>= 1.66.0), Rcpp (>= 0.12.0), RcppEigen (>= 0.3.3.3.0),
RcppParallel (>= 5.0.1), rstan (>= 2.18.1), StanHeaders (>= 2.18.0)

Biarch true

Config/roxygen2/markdown TRUE

Config/roxygen2/version 8.1.0

Encoding UTF-8

LazyData true

SystemRequirements GNU make

Config/pak/sysreqs cmake make libuv1-dev libssl-dev libx11-dev zlib1g-dev

Repository <https://mrcieu.r-universe.dev>

Date/Publication 2026-10-04 06:17:12 UTC

RemoteUrl <https://github.com/okezie94/mrbayes>

RemoteRef HEAD
RemoteSha 369a5d4599e7f6f64b03840bdbfef8973c8aca70

Contents

mr bayes-package	2
bmi_insulin	3
dodata	4
mr_egger_rjags	5
mr_egger_stan	7
mr_format	8
mr_ivw_rjags	9
mr_ivw_stan	10
mr_radialegger_rjags	12
mr_radialegger_stan	13
mrinput_mr_format	15
mvmr_egger_rjags	15
mvmr_egger_stan	17
mvmr_format	19
mvmr_ivw_rjags	20
mvmr_ivw_stan	22
Index	24

mr bayes-package	<i>mr bayes: Bayesian implementation of the IVW and MR-Egger models for two-sample Mendelian randomization analyses</i>
------------------	---

Description

Bayesian implementation of the IVW and MR-Egger models and their radial and multivariate versions for two-sample Mendelian randomization analyses.

Author(s)

- Maintainer:** Tom Palmer <remlapmot@hotmail.com> ([ORCID](#))
- Authors:
- Tom Palmer <remlapmot@hotmail.com> ([ORCID](#))
 - Okezie Uche-Ikonne <okezieikonne@gmail.com> ([ORCID](#))
 - Frank Dondelinger <f.dondelinger@lancaster.ac.uk> ([ORCID](#))

References

Stan Development Team (2019). RStan: the R interface to Stan. R package version 2.19.2. <https://mc-stan.org>

See Also

Useful links:

- <https://github.com/okezie94/mrbayes>
- <https://okezie94.github.io/mrbayes/>
- <https://mrcieu.r-universe.dev/mrbayes>
- Report bugs at <https://github.com/okezie94/mrbayes/issues>

bmi_insulin	<i>Dataset from Richmond et al. 2017 investigating the association of BMI on insulin resistance</i>
-------------	---

Description

A two-sample summary level dataset, Richmond et al. (2017) [doi:10.1101/155739](https://doi.org/10.1101/155739), containing 14 single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs) which have genotype-phenotype associations (BMI) and genotype-outcome associations (insulin) with their respective standard errors.

Usage

```
bmi_insulin
```

Format

A data frame with 14 rows and 5 columns:

rsid SNP RSID number

beta.exposure The genotype-BMI associations

beta.outcome The genotype-outcome associations

se.exposure The standard errors of the genotype-phenotype associations

se.outcome The standard errors of the genotype-outcome associations

Details

```
bmi_insulin.
```

References

Richmond, R. et al., Investigating the role of insulin in increased adiposity: Bi-directional Mendelian randomization study. bioRxiv, 2017, [doi:10.1101/155739](https://doi.org/10.1101/155739).

dodata	<i>Dataset from Do et al., Nat Gen, 2013 containing summary level data on associations of genotypes with lipid traits and the risk of coronary heart diseases</i>
--------	---

Description

A summary-level dataset, from Do et al. (2013) [doi:10.1038/ng.2795](https://doi.org/10.1038/ng.2795), containing 185 single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs) which have genotype-phenotype associations and standard errors for LDL-C, HDL-C, Triglycerides, and genotype-outcome associations for coronary heart disease with their respective standard errors.

Usage

dodata

Format

A data frame with 185 rows and 21 columns with the following variables:

rsid RSID number

a1 Allele 1

a2 Allele 2

chr Chromosome

pos Genomic position

ldlcbeta The genotype-low-density lipoprotein cholesterol associations

hdlcbeta The genotype-high-density lipoprotein cholesterol associations

tgbeta The genotype-triglyceride associations

chdbeta The genotype-coronary heart disease associations, on the log odds ratio scale

ldlcp2 P-value for genotype-LDL-C associations

hdlcp2 P-value for genotype-HDL-C associations

tgp2 P-value for genotype-triglyceride associations

chdp2 P-value for genotype-coronary heart disease associations

ldlcZ Z-score for genotype-LDL-C associations

ldlcse The standard errors of the genotype-low-density lipoprotein cholesterol associations

hdlcZ Z-score for genotype-HDL-C associations

hdlcse The standard errors of the genotype-high-density lipoprotein cholesterol associations

tgz Z-score for genotype-triglyceride associations

tgse The standard errors of the genotype-triglyceride associations

chdz Z-score for genotype-coronary heart disease associations

chdse The standard errors of the genotype-coronary heart disease associations

Details

dodata.

References

Do, R. et al., Common variants associated with plasma triglycerides and risk for coronary artery disease. Nature Genetics, 2013, 45, 1345-1352, doi:[10.1038/ng.2795](https://doi.org/10.1038/ng.2795).

mr_egger_rjags	<i>Bayesian implementation of the MR-Egger multivariate model with choice of prior distributions fitted using JAGS.</i>
----------------	---

Description

Bayesian implementation of the MR-Egger multivariate model with choice of prior distributions fitted using JAGS.

Usage

```
mr_egger_rjags(
  object,
  prior = "default",
  betaprior = "",
  sigmaprior = "",
  n.chains = 3,
  n.burn = 1000,
  n.iter = 5000,
  seed = NULL,
  rho = 0.5,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

object	A data object of class mr_format .
prior	A character string for selecting the prior distributions; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "default" selects a non-informative set of priors; • "weak" selects weakly informative priors; • "pseudo" selects a pseudo-horseshoe prior on the causal effect; • "joint" selects a joint prior on the intercept and slope.
betaprior	A character string in JAGS syntax to allow a user defined prior for the causal effect.
sigmaprior	A character string in JAGS syntax to allow a user defined prior for the residual standard deviation.

n.chains	Numeric indicating the number of chains used in the MCMC estimation, the default is 3 chains.
n.burn	Numeric indicating the burn-in period of the Bayesian MCMC estimation. The default is 1000 samples.
n.iter	Numeric indicating the number of iterations in the Bayesian MCMC estimation. The default is 5000 iterations.
seed	Numeric indicating the random number seed. The default is the rjags default.
rho	Numeric indicating the correlation coefficient input into the joint prior distribution. The default value is 0.5.
...	Additional arguments passed through to <code>rjags::jags.model()</code> .

Value

An object of class `egger.jags` containing the following components:

AvgPleio The mean of the simulated pleiotropic effect

CausalEffect The mean of the simulated causal effect

StandardError Standard deviation of the simulated causal effect

sigma The value of the residual standard deviation

CredibleInterval The credible interval for the causal effect, which includes the lower (2.5%), median (50%) and upper intervals (97.5%)

samples Output of the Bayesian MCMC samples

Priors The specified priors

References

Bowden et al., Mendelian randomization with invalid instruments: effect estimation and bias detection through Egger regression. *International Journal of Epidemiology* 2015. 44(2): p. 512-525. [doi:10.1093/ije/dyv080](https://doi.org/10.1093/ije/dyv080)

Examples

```
if (requireNamespace("rjags", quietly = TRUE)) {
  fit <- mr_egger_rjags(bmi_insulin)
  summary(fit)
  plot(fit$samples)
  # 90% credible interval
  fitdf <- do.call(rbind.data.frame, fit$samples)
  cri90 <- sapply(fitdf, quantile, probs = c(0.05, 0.95))
  print(cri90)
}
```

mr_egger_stan	<i>Bayesian inverse variance weighted model with a choice of prior distributions fitted using Stan</i>
---------------	--

Description

Bayesian inverse variance weighted model with a choice of prior distributions fitted using Stan.

Usage

```
mr_egger_stan(
  data,
  prior = 1,
  n.chains = 3,
  n.burn = 1000,
  n.iter = 5000,
  seed = 12345,
  rho = 0.5,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

data	A data of class mr_format .
prior	An integer for selecting the prior distributions; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 selects a non-informative set of priors; • 2 selects weakly informative priors; • 3 selects a pseudo-horseshoe prior on the causal effect; • 4 selects joint prior of the intercept and causal effect estimate.
n.chains	Numeric indicating the number of chains used in the HMC estimation in rstan, the default is 3 chains.
n.burn	Numeric indicating the burn-in period of the Bayesian HMC estimation. The default is 1000 samples.
n.iter	Numeric indicating the number of iterations in the Bayesian HMC estimation. The default is 5000 iterations.
seed	Numeric indicating the random number seed. The default is 12345.
rho	Numeric indicating the correlation coefficient input into the joint prior distribution. The default is 0.5.
...	Additional arguments passed through to rstan::sampling() .

Value

An object of class [rstan::stanfit](#).

References

Bowden J, Davey Smith G, Burgess S. Mendelian randomization with invalid instruments: effect estimation and bias detection through Egger regression. *International Journal of Epidemiology*, 2015, 44, 2, 512-525. doi:10.1093/ije/dyv080.

Stan Development Team (2020). "RStan: the R interface to Stan." R package version 2.19.3, <https://mc-stan.org/>.

Examples

```
if (requireNamespace("rstan", quietly = TRUE)) {
  # Note we recommend setting n.burn and n.iter to larger values
  suppressWarnings(egger_fit <- mr_egger_stan(bmi_insulin, n.burn = 500, n.iter = 1000, refresh = 0L))
  print(egger_fit)
}
```

mr_format	<i>Organises the summary level data for use in the Bayesian MR functions</i>
-----------	--

Description

Organises the summary level data for use in the Bayesian MR functions

Usage

```
mr_format(rsid, xbeta, ybeta, xse, yse)
```

Arguments

rsid	A vector of genetic variants used for analysis, if unspecified a vector is automatically generated.
xbeta	A numeric vector of the instrument-phenotype associations.
ybeta	A numeric vector of the instrument-outcome associations.
xse	The standard errors of the instrument-phenotype associations xbeta.
yse	The standard errors of the instrument-outcome associations ybeta.

Value

A formatted data frame for analysis of class mr_format.

Examples

```
data(bmi_insulin)
dat <- mr_format(
  rsid = bmi_insulin[, "rsid"],
  xbeta = bmi_insulin[, "beta.exposure"],
  ybeta = bmi_insulin[, "beta.outcome"],
  xse = bmi_insulin[, "se.exposure"],
  yse = bmi_insulin[, "se.outcome"]
)
class(dat)
```

mr_ivw_rjags	<i>Bayesian inverse variance weighted model with a choice of prior distributions fitted using JAGS.</i>
--------------	---

Description

Bayesian inverse variance weighted model with a choice of prior distributions fitted using JAGS.

Usage

```
mr_ivw_rjags(
  object,
  prior = "default",
  betaprior = "",
  n.chains = 3,
  n.burn = 1000,
  n.iter = 5000,
  seed = NULL,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

object	A data object of class <code>mr_format</code> .
prior	A character string for selecting the prior distributions; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "default" selects a non-informative set of priors; • "weak" selects weakly informative priors; • "pseudo" selects a pseudo-horseshoe prior on the causal effect.
betaprior	A character string in JAGS syntax to allow a user defined prior for the causal effect.
n.chains	Numeric indicating the number of chains used in the MCMC estimation, the default is 3 chains.
n.burn	Numeric indicating the burn-in period of the Bayesian MCMC estimation. The default is 1000 samples.

n.iter	Numeric indicating the number of iterations in the Bayesian MCMC estimation. The default is 5000 iterations.
seed	Numeric indicating the random number seed. The default is the rjags default.
...	Additional arguments passed through to <code>rjags::jags.model()</code> .

Value

An object of class `ivwjags` containing the following components:

CausalEffect The mean of the simulated causal effects

StandardError Standard deviation of the simulated causal effects

CredibleInterval The credible interval for the causal effect, which indicates the lower (2.5%), median (50%) and upper intervals (97.5%)

samples Output of the Bayesian MCMC samples with the different chains

Priors The specified priors

References

Burgess, S., Butterworth, A., Thompson S.G. Mendelian randomization analysis with multiple genetic variants using summarized data. *Genetic Epidemiology*, 2013, 37, 7, 658-665 [doi:10.1002/gepi.21758](https://doi.org/10.1002/gepi.21758).

Examples

```
if (requireNamespace("rjags", quietly = TRUE)) {
  fit <- mr_ivw_rjags(bmi_insulin)
  print(fit)
  summary(fit)
  plot(fit$samples)
  # 90% credible interval
  fitdf <- do.call(rbind.data.frame, fit$samples)
  cri90 <- quantile(fitdf$Estimate, probs = c(0.05, 0.95))
  print(cri90)
}
```

mr_ivw_stan

Bayesian inverse variance weighted model with a choice of prior distributions fitted using RStan.

Description

Bayesian inverse variance weighted model with a choice of prior distributions fitted using RStan.

Usage

```
mr_ivw_stan(
  data,
  prior = 1,
  n.chains = 3,
  n.burn = 1000,
  n.iter = 5000,
  seed = 12345,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

data	A data of class <code>mr_format</code> .
prior	An integer for selecting the prior distributions; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 selects a non-informative set of priors; • 2 selects weakly informative priors; • 3 selects a pseudo-horseshoe prior on the causal effect.
n.chains	Numeric indicating the number of chains used in the HMC estimation in rstan, the default is 3 chains.
n.burn	Numeric indicating the burn-in period of the Bayesian HMC estimation. The default is 1000 samples.
n.iter	Numeric indicating the number of iterations in the Bayesian MCMC estimation. The default is 5000 iterations.
seed	Numeric indicating the random number seed. The default is 12345.
...	Additional arguments passed through to <code>rstan::sampling()</code> .

Value

An object of class `rstan::stanfit`.

References

Burgess, S., Butterworth, A., Thompson S.G. Mendelian randomization analysis with multiple genetic variants using summarized data. *Genetic Epidemiology*, 2013, 37, 7, 658-665 [doi:10.1002/gepi.21758](https://doi.org/10.1002/gepi.21758).

Stan Development Team (2020). "RStan: the R interface to Stan." R package version 2.19.3, <https://mc-stan.org/>.

Examples

```
if (requireNamespace("rstan", quietly = TRUE)) {
  suppressWarnings(ivw_fit <- mr_ivw_stan(bmi_insulin, refresh = 0L))
  print(ivw_fit)
  rstan::traceplot(ivw_fit)
}
```

mr_radialegger_rjags	<i>Bayesian radial MR-Egger model with a choice of prior distributions fitted using JAGS.</i>
----------------------	---

Description

Bayesian radial MR-Egger model with a choice of prior distributions fitted using JAGS.

Usage

```
mr_radialegger_rjags(
  object,
  prior = "default",
  betaprior = "",
  sigmaprior = "",
  n.chains = 3,
  n.burn = 1000,
  n.iter = 5000,
  seed = NULL,
  rho = 0.5,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

object	A data object of class <code>mr_format</code> .
prior	A character string for selecting the prior distributions; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "default" selects a non-informative set of priors; • "weak" selects weakly informative priors; • "pseudo" selects a pseudo-horseshoe prior on the causal effect; • "joint" selects a joint prior on the intercept and slope.
betaprior	A character string in JAGS syntax to allow a user defined prior for the causal effect.
sigmaprior	A character string in JAGS syntax to allow a user defined prior for the residual standard deviation.
n.chains	Numeric indicating the number of chains used in the MCMC estimation, the default is 3 chains.
n.burn	Numeric indicating the burn-in period of the Bayesian MCMC estimation. The default is 1000 samples.
n.iter	Numeric indicating the number of iterations in the Bayesian MCMC estimation. The default is 5000 iterations.
seed	Numeric indicating the random number seed. The default is the rjags default.
rho	Numeric indicating the correlation coefficient input into the joint prior distribution. The default is 0.5.
...	Additional arguments passed through to <code>rjags::jags.model()</code> .

Value

An object of class `radialeggerjags` containing the following components:

AvgPleio The mean of the simulated pleiotropic effect

CausalEffect The mean of the simulated causal effect

StandardError Standard deviation of the simulated causal effect

sigma The mean of the simulated residual standard deviation

CredibleInterval The credible interval for the causal effect, which includes the lower (2.5%), median (50%) and upper intervals (97.5%)

samples Output of the Bayesian MCMC samples

Prior The specified priors

References

Bowden, J., et al., Improving the visualization, interpretation and analysis of two-sample summary data Mendelian randomization via the Radial plot and Radial regression. *International Journal of Epidemiology*, 2018. 47(4): p. 1264-1278. doi:10.1093/ije/dyy101.

Examples

```
if (requireNamespace("rjags", quietly = TRUE)) {
  fit <- mr_radialegger_rjags(bmi_insulin)
  summary(fit)
  plot(fit$samples)
  # 90% credible interval
  fitdf <- do.call(rbind.data.frame, fit$samples)
  cri90 <- quantile(fitdf$Estimate, probs = c(0.05, 0.95))
  print(cri90)
}
```

mr_radialegger_stan	<i>Bayesian inverse variance weighted model with a choice of prior distributions fitted using RStan.</i>
---------------------	--

Description

Bayesian inverse variance weighted model with a choice of prior distributions fitted using RStan

Usage

```
mr_radialegger_stan(
  data,
  prior = 1,
  n.chains = 3,
  n.burn = 1000,
```

```

    n.iter = 5000,
    rho = 0.5,
    seed = 12345,
    ...
  )

```

Arguments

data	A data of class <code>mr_format</code> .
prior	An integer for selecting the prior distributions; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 selects a non-informative set of priors; • 2 selects weakly informative priors; • 3 selects a pseudo-horseshoe prior on the causal effect; • 4 selects joint prior of the intercept and causal effect estimate.
n.chains	Numeric indicating the number of chains used in the HMC estimation in rstan, the default is 3 chains.
n.burn	Numeric indicating the burn-in period of the Bayesian HMC estimation. The default is 1000 samples.
n.iter	Numeric indicating the number of iterations in the Bayesian HMC estimation. The default is 5000 iterations.
rho	Numeric indicating the correlation coefficient input into the joint prior distribution. The default is 0.5.
seed	Numeric indicating the random number seed. The default is 12345.
...	Additional arguments passed through to <code>rstan::sampling()</code> .

Value

An object of class `rstan::stanfit`.

References

Bowden, J., et al., Improving the visualization, interpretation and analysis of two-sample summary data Mendelian randomization via the Radial plot and Radial regression. *International Journal of Epidemiology*, 2018. 47(4): p. 1264-1278. doi:10.1093/ije/dyy101.

Stan Development Team (2020). "RStan: the R interface to Stan." R package version 2.19.3, <https://mc-stan.org/>.

Examples

```

if (requireNamespace("rstan", quietly = TRUE)) {
  # Note we recommend setting n.burn and n.iter to larger values
  suppressWarnings({
    radegger_fit <- mr_radialegger_stan(bmi_insulin, n.burn = 500, n.iter = 1000, refresh = 0L)
  })
  print(radegger_fit)
}

```

mrinput_mr_format	<i>Convert an object of class MRInput from the MendelianRandomization package to the mrbayes mr_format class</i>
-------------------	--

Description

Creates a data.frame with class mr_format from an object of class MRInput generated by `MendelianRandomization::mr_in`

Usage

```
mrinput_mr_format(dat)
```

Arguments

dat Object from `MendelianRandomization::mr_input`.

Value

Object of class mr_format, the mrbayes format

Examples

```
if (requireNamespace("MendelianRandomization", quietly = TRUE)) {
  dat <- MendelianRandomization::mr_input(
    bx = bmi_insulin$beta.exposure,
    bxse = bmi_insulin$se.exposure,
    by = bmi_insulin$beta.outcome,
    byse = bmi_insulin$se.outcome,
    snps = bmi_insulin$rsid
  )
  dat <- mrinput_mr_format(dat)
  head(dat)
  class(dat)
}
```

mvmr_egger_rjags	<i>Bayesian implementation of the MVMR-Egger model with choice of prior distributions fitted using JAGS.</i>
------------------	--

Description

Bayesian implementation of the MVMR-Egger model with choice of prior distributions fitted using JAGS.

Usage

```
mvmr_egger_rjags(
  object,
  prior = "default",
  betaprior = "",
  sigmaprior = "",
  orientate = 1,
  n.chains = 3,
  n.burn = 1000,
  n.iter = 5000,
  seed = NULL,
  rho = 0.5,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

object	A data object of class <code>mvmr_format</code> .
prior	A character string for selecting the prior distributions; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "default" selects a non-informative set of priors; • "weak" selects weakly informative priors; • "pseudo" selects a pseudo-horseshoe prior on the causal effect; • "joint" selects a joint prior on the intercept and slopes.
betaprior	A character string in JAGS syntax to allow a user defined prior for the causal effect.
sigmaprior	A character string in JAGS syntax to allow a user defined prior for the residual standard deviation.
orientate	Numeric value to indicate the oriented exposure
n.chains	Numeric indicating the number of chains used in the MCMC estimation, the default is 3 chains.
n.burn	Numeric indicating the burn-in period of the Bayesian MCMC estimation. The default is 1000 samples.
n.iter	Numeric indicating the number of iterations in the Bayesian MCMC estimation. The default is 5000 iterations.
seed	Numeric indicating the random number seed. The default is the rjags default.
rho	Numeric indicating the correlation coefficient input into the joint prior distribution. The default value is 0.5.
...	Additional arguments passed through to <code>rjags::jags.model()</code> .

Value

An object of class `mveggerjags` containing the following components:

AvgPleio The mean of the simulated pleiotropic effect

CausalEffect The mean of the simulated causal effect

StandardError Standard deviation of the simulated causal effect

sigma The value of the residual standard deviation

CredibleInterval The credible interval for the causal effect, which includes the lower (2.5%), median (50%) and upper intervals (97.5%)

samples Output of the Bayesian MCMC samples

Priors The specified priors

References

Bowden et al., Mendelian randomization with invalid instruments: effect estimation and bias detection through Egger regression. *International Journal of Epidemiology* 2015. 44(2): p. 512-525. [doi:10.1093/ije/dyv080](https://doi.org/10.1093/ije/dyv080)

Examples

```
if (requireNamespace("rjags", quietly = TRUE)) {
## Not run:
dat <- mvmr_format(
  rsid = dodata$rsid,
  xbeta = cbind(dodata$ldlcbeta, dodata$hdlcbeta, dodata$tgbeta),
  ybeta = dodata$chdbeta,
  xse = cbind(dodata$ldlcse, dodata$hdlcse, dodata$tgse),
  yse = dodata$chdse
)

fit <- mvmr_egger_rjags(dat)
summary(fit)
plot(fit$samples)
# 90% credible interval
fitdf <- do.call(rbind.data.frame, fit$samples)
cri90 <- sapply(fitdf, quantile, probs = c(0.05, 0.95))
print(cri90)

## End(Not run)
}
```

mvmr_egger_stan

Bayesian implementation of the MVMR-Egger model with choice of prior distributions fitted using RStan.

Description

Bayesian implementation of the MVMR-Egger model with choice of prior distributions fitted using RStan.

Usage

```
mvmr_egger_stan(
  data,
  prior = 1,
  n.chains = 3,
  n.burn = 1000,
  n.iter = 5000,
  seed = 12345,
  rho = 0.5,
  orientate = 1,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

data	A data of class <code>mvmr_format</code> .
prior	An integer for selecting the prior distributions; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 selects a non-informative set of priors; • 2 selects weakly informative priors; • 3 selects a pseudo-horseshoe prior on the causal effect;
n.chains	Numeric indicating the number of chains used in the HMC estimation in rstan, the default is 3 chains.
n.burn	Numeric indicating the burn-in period of the Bayesian HMC estimation. The default is 1000 samples.
n.iter	Numeric indicating the number of iterations in the Bayesian HMC estimation. The default is 5000 iterations.
seed	Numeric indicating the random number seed. The default is 12345.
rho	Numeric indicating the correlation coefficient input into the joint prior distribution. The default is 0.5.
orientate	Numeric value to indicate the oriented exposure.
...	Additional arguments passed through to <code>rstan::sampling()</code> .

Value

An object of class `rstan::stanfit`.

References

Bowden J, Davey Smith G, Burgess S. Mendelian randomization with invalid instruments: effect estimation and bias detection through Egger regression. *International Journal of Epidemiology*, 2015, 44, 2, 512-525. doi:10.1093/ije/dyv080.

Stan Development Team (2020). "RStan: the R interface to Stan." R package version 2.19.3, <https://mc-stan.org/>.

Examples

```
if (requireNamespace("rstan", quietly = TRUE)) {
  # Note we recommend setting n.burn and n.iter to larger values
  dat <- mvmr_format(
    rsid = dodata$rsid,
    xbeta = cbind(dodata$ldlcbeta, dodata$hdlcbeta, dodata$tgbeta),
    ybeta = dodata$chdbeta,
    xse = cbind(dodata$ldlcse, dodata$hdlcse, dodata$tgse),
    yse = dodata$chdse
  )
  suppressWarnings(mvegger_fit <- mvmr_egger_stan(dat, n.burn = 500, n.iter = 1000, refresh = 0L))
  print(mvegger_fit)
}
```

mvmr_format	<i>Organises the summary level data for use in the Bayesian MR functions</i>
-------------	--

Description

Organises the summary level data for use in the Bayesian MR functions

Usage

```
mvmr_format(rsid, xbeta, ybeta, xse, yse)
```

Arguments

rsid	A vector of genetic variants used for analysis, if unspecified a vector is automatically generated.
xbeta	A matrix of multiple instrument-phenotypes associations.
ybeta	A numeric vector of the instrument-outcome associations.
xse	The matrix for corresponding standard errors of the instrument-phenotypes associations xbeta.
yse	The standard errors of the instrument-outcome associations ybeta.

Value

A formatted data frame for analysis of class mvmr_format.

Examples

```
data(dodata)
dat <- mvmr_format(
  rsid = dodata$rsid,
  xbeta = cbind(dodata$ldlcbeta, dodata$hdlcbeta, dodata$tgbeta),
  ybeta = dodata$chdbeta,
  xse = cbind(dodata$ldlcse, dodata$hdlcse, dodata$tgse),
  yse = dodata$chdse
)
class(dat)
```

mvmr_ivw_rjags	<i>Bayesian multivariate inverse variance weighted model with a choice of prior distributions fitted using JAGS.</i>
----------------	--

Description

Bayesian multivariate inverse variance weighted model with a choice of prior distributions fitted using JAGS.

Usage

```
mvmr_ivw_rjags(
  object,
  prior = "default",
  betaprior = "",
  n.chains = 3,
  n.burn = 1000,
  n.iter = 5000,
  seed = NULL,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

object	A data object of class <code>mvmr_format</code> .
prior	A character string for selecting the prior distributions; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "default" selects a non-informative set of priors; • "weak" selects weakly informative priors; • "pseudo" selects a pseudo-horseshoe prior on the causal effect.
betaprior	A character string in JAGS syntax to allow a user defined prior for the causal effect.
n.chains	Numeric indicating the number of chains used in the MCMC estimation, the default is 3 chains.
n.burn	Numeric indicating the burn-in period of the Bayesian MCMC estimation. The default is 1000 samples.

<code>n.iter</code>	Numeric indicating the number of iterations in the Bayesian MCMC estimation. The default is 5000 iterations.
<code>seed</code>	Numeric indicating the random number seed. The default is the rjags default.
<code>...</code>	Additional arguments passed through to <code>rjags::jags.model()</code> .

Value

An object of class `mvivwjags` containing the following components:

CausalEffect The mean of the simulated causal effects

StandardError Standard deviation of the simulated causal effects

CredibleInterval The credible interval for the causal effect, which indicates the lower (2.5%), median (50%) and upper intervals (97.5%)

samples Output of the Bayesian MCMC samples with the different chains

Priors The specified priors

References

Burgess, S., Butterworth, A., Thompson S.G. Mendelian randomization analysis with multiple genetic variants using summarized data. *Genetic Epidemiology*, 2013, 37, 7, 658-665 doi:[10.1002/gepi.21758](https://doi.org/10.1002/gepi.21758).

Examples

```
if (requireNamespace("rjags", quietly = TRUE)) {
  dat <- mvmr_format(
    rsid = dodata$rsid,
    xbeta = cbind(dodata$ldlcbeta, dodata$hdlcbeta, dodata$tgbeta),
    ybeta = dodata$chdbeta,
    xse = cbind(dodata$ldlcse, dodata$hdlcse, dodata$tgse),
    yse = dodata$chdse
  )

  fit <- mvmr_ivw_rjags(dat)
  print(fit)
  summary(fit)
  plot(fit$samples)
  # 90% credible interval
  fitdf <- do.call(rbind.data.frame, fit$samples)
  cri90 <- sapply(fitdf, quantile, probs = c(0.05, 0.95))
  print(cri90)
}
```

mvmr_ivw_stan	<i>Bayesian multivariate inverse variance weighted model with a choice of prior distributions fitted using RStan.</i>
---------------	---

Description

Bayesian multivariate inverse variance weighted model with a choice of prior distributions fitted using RStan.

Usage

```
mvmr_ivw_stan(
  data,
  prior = 1,
  n.chains = 3,
  n.burn = 1000,
  n.iter = 5000,
  seed = 12345,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

data	A data of class <code>mvmr_format</code> .
prior	An integer for selecting the prior distributions; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 selects a non-informative set of priors; • 2 selects weakly informative priors; • 3 selects a pseudo-horseshoe prior on the causal effect.
n.chains	Numeric indicating the number of chains used in the HMC estimation in rstan, the default is 3 chains.
n.burn	Numeric indicating the burn-in period of the Bayesian HMC estimation. The default is 1000 samples.
n.iter	Numeric indicating the number of iterations in the Bayesian MCMC estimation. The default is 5000 iterations.
seed	Numeric indicating the random number seed. The default is 12345.
...	Additional arguments passed through to <code>rstan::sampling()</code> .

Value

An object of class `rstan::stanfit`.

References

Burgess, S., Butterworth, A., Thompson S.G. Mendelian randomization analysis with multiple genetic variants using summarized data. *Genetic Epidemiology*, 2013, 37, 7, 658-665 doi:[10.1002/gepi.21758](https://doi.org/10.1002/gepi.21758).

Stan Development Team (2020). "RStan: the R interface to Stan." R package version 2.19.3, <https://mc-stan.org/>.

Examples

```
if (requireNamespace("rstan", quietly = TRUE)) {  
  dat <- mvnr_format(  
    rsid = dodata$rsid,  
    xbeta = cbind(dodata$ldlcbeta, dodata$hdlcbeta, dodata$tgbeta),  
    ybeta = dodata$chdbeta,  
    xse = cbind(dodata$ldlcse, dodata$hdlcse, dodata$tgse),  
    yse = dodata$chdse  
  )  
  suppressWarnings(mvivr_fit <- mvnr_ivw_stan(dat, refresh = 0L))  
  print(mvivr_fit)  
  rstan::traceplot(mvivr_fit)  
}
```

Index

* datasets

- bmi_insulin, [3](#)
- dodata, [4](#)

bmi_insulin, [3](#)

dodata, [4](#)

MendelianRandomization::mr_input, [15](#)

mr_egger_rjags, [5](#)

mr_egger_stan, [7](#)

mr_format, [5](#), [7](#), [8](#), [9](#), [11](#), [12](#), [14](#)

mr_ivw_rjags, [9](#)

mr_ivw_stan, [10](#)

mr_radialegger_rjags, [12](#)

mr_radialegger_stan, [13](#)

mr_bayes (mr_bayes-package), [2](#)

mr_bayes-package, [2](#)

mr_input_mr_format, [15](#)

mvmr_egger_rjags, [15](#)

mvmr_egger_stan, [17](#)

mvmr_format, [16](#), [18](#), [19](#), [20](#), [22](#)

mvmr_ivw_rjags, [20](#)

mvmr_ivw_stan, [22](#)

rjags::jags.model(), [6](#), [10](#), [12](#), [16](#), [21](#)

rstan::sampling(), [7](#), [11](#), [14](#), [18](#), [22](#)

rstan::stanfit, [7](#), [11](#), [14](#), [18](#), [22](#)