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BayLum-package	<i>Chronological Bayesian Models Integrating Optically Stimulated Luminescence and C-14 Dating</i>
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## Description

A collection of various R functions for Bayesian analysis of luminescence data and C-14 age estimates. This includes, amongst others, data import, export, application of age and palaeodose models.

## Details

This package is based on the functions: [Generate\\_DataFile](#) and [Generate\\_DataFile\\_MG](#) to import luminescence data. These functions create a list containing all informations to compute age of single-grain OSL measurements for the first function and multi-grain OSL measurements for the second.

The functions: [Age\\_Computation](#) and [AgeS\\_Computation](#) use Bayesian analysis for OSL age estimation for one or various samples according to different models (e.g. different dose-response curves and different equivalent dose distributions around the palaeodose).

It is possible to consider various BIN/BINX-files per sample, to compute ages of samples in stratigraphic constraints and to integrate systematic errors.

It is possible to calibrate C-14 age with the function [AgeC14\\_Computation](#). We can also estimate chronology containing 14C age and OSL samples with the function [Age\\_OSLC14](#).

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## References

Philippe, A., Guérin, G., Kreutzer, S., 2019. BayLum - An R package for Bayesian analysis of OSL ages: An introduction. Quaternary Geochronology 49, 16–24. doi: [10.1016/j.quageo.2018.05.009](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.quageo.2018.05.009)

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AgeC14_Computation	<i>Bayesian analysis for C-14 age estimations of various samples</i>
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## Description

This function calibrates the C-14 age of samples to get an age (in ka). The user can choose one of the following radiocarbon calibration curve: Northern or Southern Hemisphere or marine atmospheric. It must be the same curve for all samples.

## Usage

```
AgeC14_Computation(Data_C14Cal, Data_SigmaC14Cal, SampleNames, Nb_sample,
  PriorAge = rep(c(10, 50), Nb_sample), SavePdf = FALSE,
  OutputFileName = c("MCMCplot", "HPD_CalC-14Curve", "summary"),
  OutputFilePath = c(""), SaveEstimates = FALSE,
  OutputTableName = c("DATA"), OutputTablePath = c(""),
  StratiConstraints = c(), sepSC = c(", "), Model = c("full"),
  CalibrationCurve = c("AtmosphericNorth"), Iter = 50000, t = 5,
  n.chains = 3, quiet = FALSE)
```

## Arguments

Data_C14Cal	<b>numeric (required)</b> : corresponding to C-14 age estimate.
Data_SigmaC14Cal	<b>numeric (required)</b> : corresponding to the error of C-14 age estimates.
SampleNames	<b>character (required)</b> : names of sample. The length of this vector is equal to Nb_sample.

Nb_sample	<b>integer</b> : number of samples.
PriorAge	<b>numeric</b> (with default): lower and upper bounds for age parameter of each sample in years (not in ka). Note that, <code>length(PriorAge) == 2 * Nb_sample</code> and <code>PriorAge[2i-1, 2i]</code> corresponds to the lower and upper bounds of sample whose number ID is equal to <code>i</code> .
SavePdf	<b>logical</b> (with default): if TRUE save graphs in pdf file named <code>OutputFileName</code> in folder <code>OutputFilePath</code> .
OutputFileName	<b>character</b> (with default): name of the pdf file that will be generated by the function if <code>SavePd=TRUE</code> , <code>length(OutputFileName)===3</code> , see <b>PLOT OUTPUT</b> in <b>Value</b> section for more informations.
OutputFilePath	<b>character</b> (with default): path to the pdf file that will be generated by the function if <code>SavePdf=TRUE</code> . If it is not equal to "", it must be terminated by <code>"/"</code> .
SaveEstimates	<b>logical</b> (with default): if TRUE save Bayes estimates, credible interval at level 68% and 95% and the result of the gelman en Rubin test of convergency, in a csv table named <code>OutputFileName</code> in folder <code>OutputFilePath</code> .
OutputTableName	<b>logical</b> (with default): name of the table that will be generated by the function if <code>SaveEstimates=TRUE</code> .
OutputTablePath	<b>character</b> (with default): path to the table that will be generated by the function if <code>SaveEstimates=TRUE</code> . If it is not equal to "", it must be terminated by <code>"/"</code> .
StratiConstraints	<b>numeric</b> matrix or <b>character</b> (with default): input object for the stratigraphic relation between samples. If there is stratigraphic relation between samples see the details section for instructions regarding how to correctly fill <code>StratiConstraints</code> ; the user can refer to a matrix (numeric matrix) or to a csv file (character). If there is no stratigraphic relation default value is suitable.
sepSC	<b>character</b> (with default): if <code>StratiConstraints</code> is character, indicate column separator in <code>StratiConstraints</code> csv file.
Model	<b>character</b> (with default): if <b>"full"</b> , error on estimate calibration curve is taken account. If <b>"naive"</b> this error is not taken account in the age estimate.
CalibrationCurve	<b>character</b> (with default): calibration curve choosen. Allowed inputs are <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>"AtmosphericNorth"</b> for Northern Hemisphere atmospheric radiocarbon calibration curve,</li> <li>• <b>"Marine"</b> for Marine radiocarbon calibration curve,</li> <li>• <b>"AtmosphericSouth"</b> for Southern Hemisphere atmospheric radiocarbon calibration curve</li> <li>• <b>a csv file, with tree columns, the first column is dedicated to "Cal.BP", the second to "XC-14.age", the third to "Error". The decimal of this file must be a dot, and the separator must be a comma.</b></li> </ul>
Iter	<b>integer</b> (with default): number of iterations for the MCMC computation (for more information see <a href="#">rjags::jags.model</a> ).
t	<b>integer</b> (with default): 1 every <code>t</code> iterations of the MCMC is considered for sampling the posterior distribution (for more information see <a href="#">rjags::jags.model</a> ).
n.chains	<b>integer</b> (with default): number of independent chains for the model (for more information see <a href="#">rjags::jags.model</a> ).
quiet	<b>logical</b> (with default): enables/disables <a href="#">rjags</a> messages

## Details

**\*\* How to fill StratiConstraints? \*\***

If there is stratigraphic relations between samples, *C-14 age in Data\_C14Cal must be ordered by order of increasing ages.*

The user can fill the StratiConstraints matrix as follow.

1. **Size of the matrix:** row number of StratiConstraints matrix is equal to Nb\_sample+1, and column number is equal to Nb\_sample.
2. **First line of the matrix:** for all  $i$  in  $\{1, \dots, \text{Nb\_Sample}\}$ ,  $\text{StratiConstraints}[1, i] = 1$  that means the lower bound of the sample age (given in  $\text{PriorAge}[2i-1]$ ) for the sample whose number ID is equal to  $i$ , is taken into account.
3. **Sample relations:** for all  $j$  in  $\{2, \dots, \text{Nb\_Sample}+1\}$  and all  $i$  in  $\{j, \dots, \text{Nb\_Sample}\}$ ,  $\text{StratiConstraints}[j, i] = 1$  if sample age whose number ID is equal to  $j-1$  is lower than sample age whose number ID is equal to  $i$ . Otherwise,  $\text{StratiConstraints}[j, i] = 0$ .

Note that  $\text{StratiConstraints}_{\{2:\text{Nb\_sample}+1, 1:\text{Nb\_sample}\}}$  is a upper triangular matrix.

The user can also use `SCMatrix` or `SC_Ordered` (if all samples are ordered) functions to construct the StratiConstraints matrix.

The user can also refer to a .csv file that contains the relation between samples as defined above. The user must take care about the separator used in the csv file using the argument `sepSC`.

**\*\* More precision on Model \*\***

We propose two models "full" or "naive". If `Model = 'full'` that means measurement error and error on calibration curve are taken account in the Bayesian model; if `Model = "naive"` that means only error on measurement are taken account in the mode.

More precisely, the model considered here, as the one developed by Christen, JA (1994), assume multiplicative effect of errors to address the problem of outliers. In addition, to not penalise variables that are not outliers and damage their estimation, we introduce a structure of mixture, that means only variable that are considered as outlier have in addition a multiplicative error.

## Value

### NUMERICAL OUTPUT

1. **A list containing the following objects:**
  - **Sampling:** that corresponds to a sample of the posterior distributions of the age parameters;
  - **Outlier:** stating the names of samples that are considered as outliers;
  - **Model:** stating which model was chosen ("full" or "naive");
  - **CalibrationCurve:** stating which radiocarbon calibration curve was chosen;
  - **PriorAge:** stating the priors used for the age parameter;
  - **StratiConstraints:** stating the stratigraphic relations between samples considered in the model.
2. **The Gelman and Rubin test of convergency:** print the result of the Gelman and Rubin test of convergency for the age estimate for each sample. A result close to one is expected. In addition, the user must visually assess the convergency of the trajectories by looking at the graph generated by the function (see **PLOT OUTPUT** for more informations). If both convergencies (Gelman and Rubin test and plot checking) are satisfactory, the user can

consider the estimates as valid. Otherwise, the user may try increasing the number of MCMC iterations (`Iter`) or being more precise if it is possible on the `PriorAge` parameter to reach convergency.

3. **Credible intervals and Bayes estimates:** prints the Bayes estimates, the credible intervals at 95% and 68% for the age parameters for each sample.

## PLOT OUTPUT

1. **MCMC trajectories:** A graph with the MCMC trajectories and posterior distributions of the age parameter is displayed.  
On each line, the plot on the left represents the MCMC trajectories, and the one on the right the posterior distribution of the parameter.
2. **Summary of sample age estimates:** plot credible intervals and Bayes estimate of each sample age on one graph.

To give the results in a publication, we recommend to give the Bayes estimate of the parameters as well as the credible interval at 95% or 68%.

## Note

Please note that the initial values for all MCMC are currently all the same for all chains since we rely on the automatic initial value generation of JAGS. This is not optimal and will be changed in future. However, it does not affect the quality of the age estimates if the chains have converged.

## Author(s)

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Reimer PJ, Bard E, Bayliss A, Beck JW, Blackwell PC, Bronl Ramsey C, Buck CE, Cheng H, Edwards RL, Friedrich M, Grootes PM, Guilderson TP, Hafliðason H, Hajdas I, Hatte C, Heaton TJ, Hoffmann DL, Hogg AG, Hughen KA, Kaiser KF, Kromer B, Manning SW, Niu M, Reimer RW, Richards DA, Scott EM, Southon JR, Staff RA, Turney CSM, van der Plicht J. 2013. IntCal13 and Marine13 radiocarbon age calibration curves 0-50000 years cal BP. *Radiocarbon* 55(4):1869-1887.

Hogg AG, Hua Q, Blackwell PG, Niu M, Buck CE, Guilderson TP, Heaton TJ, Palmer JG, Reimer PJ, Reimer RW, Turney CSM, Zimmerman SRH. 2013. SHCal13 Southern Hemisphere calibration, 0-50000 years cal BP. *Radiocarbon* 55(4):1889-1903

## See Also

[rjags](#), [plot\\_MCMC](#), [SCMatrix](#), [plot\\_Ages](#)

## Examples

```
## Load data
data(DATA_C14, envir = environment())
C14Cal <- DATA_C14$C14[,1]
SigmaC14Cal <- DATA_C14$C14[,2]
Names <- DATA_C14$Names
nb_sample <- length(Names)
```

```
## Age computation of samples without stratigraphic relations
Age <- AgeC14_Computation(
  Data_C14Cal = C14Cal,
  Data_SigmaC14Cal = SigmaC14Cal,
  SampleNames = Names,
  Nb_sample = nb_sample,
  PriorAge = rep(c(20,60),nb_sample),
  Iter = 500,
  quiet = TRUE)
```

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AgeS

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*Output of `AgeS_Computation` function for the samples: "GDB5" and "GDB3"*


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## Description

Output of `AgeS_Computation` function for the samples: "GDB5" and "GDB3", there is no stratigraphic relation neither systematic errors.

## Usage

```
data("AgeS")
```

## Format

A list containing

`Sampling` MCMC.list that corresponds to a sample of the posterior distributions of the ages (in ka), palaeodoses (in Gy) and equivalent dose dispersions (in Gy) parameters of samples "GDB5" and "GDB3";

`Model_GrowthCurve` stating which dose response fitting option was chosen to run the function

`Distribution` stating which distribution was chosen to model the dispersion of individual equivalent dose values around the palaeodose of the sample;

`PriorAge` stating the priors used for the age parameter (in ka);

`StratiConstraints` stating the matrix of stratigraphic relations between samples considered in the model;

`CovarianceMatrix` stating the covariance matrix of error used in the model, highlighting not common errors between samples in our cases (diagonal matrix).

## References

Tribolo, C., Asrat, A., Bahain, J. J., Chapon, C., Douville, E., Fragnol, C., Hernandez, M., Hovers, E., Leplongeon, A., Martin, L., Pleurdeau, D, Pearson, O , Puaud, S, Assefa, Z. (2017). Across the Gap: Geochronological and Sedimentological Analyses from the Late Pleistocene-Holocene Sequence of Goda Buticha, Southeastern Ethiopia. PloS one, 12(1), e0169418.

## Examples

```
data(AgeS)
str(AgeS)
```

## Description

This function computes the age (in ka) of at least two samples according to the model developed in Combes and Philippe (2017), based on outputs of [Generate\\_DataFile](#) or [Generate\\_DataFile\\_MG](#) or both of them using [combine\\_DataFiles](#).

Samples, for which data is available in several BIN files, can be analysed.

Single-grain or Multi-grain OSL measurements can be analysed simultaneously.

## Usage

```
AgeS_Computation(DATA, SampleNames, Nb_sample, PriorAge = rep(c(0.01,
  100), Nb_sample), BinPerSample = rep(1, Nb_sample), SavePdf = FALSE,
  OutputFileName = c("MCMCplot", "summary"), OutputFilePath = c(""),
  SaveEstimates = FALSE, OutputTableName = c("DATA"),
  OutputTablePath = c(""), THETA = c(), sepTHETA = c(", "),
  StratiConstraints = c(), sepSC = c(", "), LIN_fit = TRUE,
  Origin_fit = FALSE, distribution = c("cauchy"), Iter = 50000,
  t = 5, n.chains = 3, jags_method = "rjags", quiet = FALSE, ...)
```

## Arguments

DATA	<a href="#">list</a> of objects: LT, sLT, ITimes, dLab, ddot_env, regDose, J, K, Nb_measurement, provided by the function <a href="#">Generate_DataFile</a> or <a href="#">Generate_DataFile_MG</a> or <a href="#">combine_DataFiles</a> . DATA contains informations for more than one sample. If there is stratigraphic relations between samples, informations in DATA must be ordered by order of increasing ages. See the details section to for more informations.
SampleNames	<a href="#">character</a> vector: names of samples. The length of this vector is equal to Nb_sample.
Nb_sample	<a href="#">integer</a> : number of samples, Nb_sample>1.
PriorAge	<a href="#">numeric</a> vector (with default): lower and upper bounds for age parameter of each sample (in ka). Note that, length(PriorAge)=2*Nb_sample and PriorAge[2i-1, 2i] correponds to the lower and upper bounds of sample whose number ID is equal to i.
BinPerSample	<a href="#">integer</a> vector (with default): vector with the number of BIN files per sample. The length of this vector is equal to Nb_sample. BinPerSample[i] correponds to the number of BIN files for the sample whose number ID is equal to i. For more information to fill this vector, we refer to detatils in <a href="#">Generate_DataFile</a> or in <a href="#">Generate_DataFile_MG</a> .
SavePdf	<a href="#">logical</a> (with default): if TRUE save graphs in pdf file named OutputFileName in folder OutputFilePath.
OutputFileName	<a href="#">character</a> (with default): name of the pdf file that will be generated by the function if SavePdf = TRUE; length(OutputFileName)=2, see <b>PLOT OUTPUT</b> in <b>Value</b> section for more informations.
OutputFilePath	<a href="#">character</a> (with default): path to the pdf file that will be generated by the function if SavePdf=TRUE. If it is not equal to "", it must be terminated by "/".



SaveEstimates	<b>logical</b> (with default): if TRUE save Bayes estimates, credible interval at level 68% and 95% and the result of the gelman en Rubin test of convergency, in a csv table named OutputFileName in folder OutputFilePath.
OutputTableName	<b>character</b> (with default): name of the table that will be generated by the function if SaveEstimates = TRUE.
OutputTablePath	<b>character</b> (with default): path to the table that will be generated by the function if SaveEstimates = TRUE. If it is not equal to "", it must be terminated by "/".
THETA	<b>numeric matrix</b> or <b>character</b> (with default): input object for systematic and individual error. If systematic errors are considered, see the details section for instructions regarding how to correctly fill THETA; the user can refer to a matrix (numeric matrix) or to a csv file (character). Otherwise, default value is suitable, and only individual errors are considered.
sepTHETA	<b>character</b> (with default): if THETA is character, indicate column separator in THETA CSV-file.
StratiConstraints	<b>numeric matrix</b> or <b>character</b> (with default): input object for the stratigraphic relation between samples. If there is stratigraphic relation between samples see the details section for instructions regarding how to correctly fill StratiConstraints; the user can refer to a matrix (numeric matrix) or to a csv file (character). If there is no stratigraphic relation default value is suitable.
sepSC	<b>character</b> (with default): if StratiConstraints is character, indicate column separator in StratiConstraints .csv file.
LIN_fit	<b>logical</b> (with default): if TRUE (default) allows a linear component, on top of the (default) saturating exponential curve, for the fitting of dose response curves. See details section for more informations on the proposed dose response curves.
Origin_fit	<b>logical</b> (with default): if TRUE, forces the dose response curves to pass through the origin. See details section for more informations on the proposed growth curves.
distribution	<b>character</b> (with default): type of distribution that defines how individual equivalent dose values are distributed around the palaeodose. Allowed inputs are "cauchy", "gaussian", "lognormal_A" and "lognormal_M", see details section for more informations.
Iter	<b>integer</b> (with default): number of iterations for the MCMC computation (for more information see <a href="#">jags.model</a> ). If jags_method = "rjparallel" this number is limited to 1000 (it will be automatically adapted).
t	<b>integer</b> (with default): 1 every t iterations of the MCMC is considered for sampling the posterior distribution (for more information see <a href="#">jags.model</a> ).
n.chains	<b>integer</b> (with default): number of independent chains for the model (for more information see <a href="#">jags.model</a> ).
jags_method	<b>character</b> (with default): select computation method, supported are "rjags" (the default) and rjparallel using package 'runjags'. The latter option uses the function <a href="#">runjags::autorun.jags</a> to allow a full automated processing.
quiet	<b>logical</b> (with default): enables/disables rjags messages
...	further arguments that can be passed to control the Bayesian process, see details for supported arguments

**Details****Supported . . . arguments**

ARGUMENT	INPUT	METHOD	DEFAULT	DESCRIPTION
max.time	<a href="#">character</a>	rjparallel	Inf	maximum allowed processing time, e.g., 10m for 10 minutes (cf. <a href="#">runjags::autorun.jags</a> )
interacitve	<a href="#">logical</a>	rjparallel	FALSE	enable/disable interactive mode (cf. <a href="#">runjags::autorun.jags</a> )
startburnin	<a href="#">integer</a>	rjparallel	4000	number of burnin iterations (cf. <a href="#">runjags::autorun.jags</a> )
startsample	<a href="#">integer</a>	rjparallel	10000	total number of samples to assess convergence (cf. <a href="#">runjags::autorun.jags</a> )

### How to fill StratiConstraints

If there is stratigraphic relations between samples, *informations in DATA must be ordered by order of increasing ages*. To do this the user can either fill right Names in [Generate\\_DataFile](#) or in [Generate\\_DataFile\\_MG](#) (as it is indicated in Details section of these function), or ordered by order of increasing ages outputs of [Generate\\_DataFile](#) or [Generate\\_DataFile\\_MG](#) in [combine\\_DataFiles](#)

The user can fill the StratiConstraints matrix as follow.

1. **Size of the matrix:** row number of StratiConstraints matrix is equal to Nb\_sample+1, and column number is equal to Nb\_sample.
2. **First line of the matrix:** for all  $i$  in  $\{1, \dots, Nb\_Sample\}$ ,  $StratiConstraints[1, i] = 1$  that means the lower bound of the sample age (given in  $PriorAge[2i-1]$ ) for the sample whose number ID is equal to  $i$ , is taken into account.
3. **Sample relations:** for all  $j$  in  $\{2, \dots, Nb\_Sample+1\}$  and all  $i$  in  $\{j, \dots, Nb\_Sample\}$ ,  $StratiConstraints[j, i] = 1$  if sample age whose number ID is equal to  $j-1$  is lower than sample age whose number ID is equal to  $i$ . Otherwise,  $StratiConstraints[j, i] = 0$ .

Note that  $StratiConstraints_{\{2:Nb\_sample+1, 1:Nb\_sample\}}$  is a upper triangular matrix.

The user can also use [SCMatrix](#) or [SC\\_Ordered](#) (if all samples are ordered) functions to construct the StratiConstraints matrix.

The user can also refer to a csv file that contains the relation between samples as defined above. The user must take care about the separator used in the csv file using the argument sepSC.

### How to fill THETA covariance matrix concerning common and individual error?

If systematic errors are considered, the user can fill the THETA matrix as follow.

- row number of THETA is equal the column number, equal to Nb\_sample.
- For all  $i$  in  $\{1, \dots, Nb\_sample\}$ ,  $THETA[i, i]$  contains individual error plus systematic error of the sample whose number ID is equal to  $i$ .
- For all  $i, j$  in  $\{1, \dots, Nb\_sample\}$  and  $i$  different from  $j$ ,  $THETA[i, j]$  contains common error between samples whose number ID are equal to  $i$  and  $j$ .

Note that  $THETA[i, j]$  is a symetric matrix.

The user can also refer to a .csv file that contains the errors as defined above.

Alternatively you can use the function [create\\_ThetaMatrix](#).

### Option on growth curves

As for [Age\\_Computation](#) and [Palaeodose\\_Computation](#), the user can choose from 4 dose response curves:

- **Saturating exponential plus linear growth** (AgesMultiCS2\_EXPLIN):  
for all  $x$  in  $\mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $f(x) = a(1 - \exp(-x/b)) + cx + d$ ; select

- LIN\_fit=TRUE
- Origin\_fit=FALSE
- **Saturating exponential growth** (AgesMultiCS2\_EXP):  
for all  $x$  in  $\mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $f(x)=a(1-\exp(-x/b))+d$ ; select
  - LIN\_fit=FALSE
  - Origin\_fit=FALSE
- **Saturating exponential plus linear growth and fitting through the origin** (AgesMultiCS2\_EXPLINZO):  
for all  $x$  in  $\mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $f(x)=a(1-\exp(-x/b))+cx$ ; select
  - LIN\_fit=TRUE
  - Origin\_fit=TRUE
- **Saturating exponential growth and fitting through the origin** (AgesMultiCS2\_EXPZO):  
for all  $x$  in  $\mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $f(x)=a(1-\exp(-x/b))$ ; select
  - LIN\_fit=FALSE
  - Origin\_fit=TRUE

### Option on equivalent dose distribution around the palaeodose

The user can choose between :

- **cauchy**: a Cauchy distribution with location parameter equal to the palaeodose of the sample;
- **gaussian**: a Gaussian distribution with mean equal to the palaeodose of the sample;
- **lognormal\_A**: a log-normal distribution with mean or **A**verage equal to the palaeodose of the sample;
- **lognormal\_M**: a log-normal distribution with **M**edian equal to the palaeodose of the sample.

### Value

#### NUMERICAL OUTPUT

##### 1. A list of type BayLum.list containing the following objects:

- **Sampling**: that corresponds to a sample of the posterior distributions of the age (in ka), palaeodose (in Gy) and equivalent dose dispersion (in Gy) parameters for each sample;
- **Model\_GrowthCurve**: stating which dose response fitting option was chosen;
- **Distribution**: stating which distribution was chosen to model the dispersion of individual equivalent dose values around the palaeodose of the sample;
- **PriorAge**: stating the priors used for the age parameter (in ka);
- **StratiConstraints**: stating the stratigraphic relations between samples considered in the model;
- **CovarianceMatrix**: stating the covariance matrix of error used in the model, highlighting common errors between samples or not.

##### 2. The Gelman and Rubin test of convergency: prints the result of the Gelman and Rubin test of convergency for the age, palaeodose and equivalent dose dispersion parameters for each sample. A result close to one is expected.

In addition, the user must visually assess the convergency of the trajectories by looking at the graph generated by the function (see **PLOT OUTPUT** for more informations).

If both convergencies (Gelman and Rubin test and plot checking) are satisfactory, the user can consider the estimates as valid. Otherwise, the user may try increasing the number of MCMC iterations (Iter) or being more precise on the PriorAge parameter (for example specify if it is a young sample  $c(0.01, 10)$  an old sample  $c(10, 100)$ ), or changing the parameter distribution or the growth curve, to reach convergency.

3. **Credible intervals and Bayes estimates:** prints the Bayes estimates, the credible intervals at 95% and 68% for the age, palaeodose and equivalent dose dispersion parameters for each sample.

### PLOT OUTPUT

1. **MCMC trajectories:** A graph with the MCMC trajectories and posterior distributions of the age, palaeodose and equivalent dose dispersion parameters is displayed, there is one page per sample.  
The first line of the figure corresponds to the age parameter, the second to the palaeodose parameter and the third to the equivalent dose dispersion parameter. On each line, the plot on the left represents the MCMC trajectories, and the one on the right the posterior distribution of the parameter.
2. **Summary of sample age estimates:** plot credible intervals and Bayes estimate of each sample age on a same graph.

To give the results in a publication, we recommend to give the Bayes estimate of the parameters as well as the credible interval at 95% or 68%.

### Note

Please note that the initial values for all MCMC are currently all the same for all chains since we rely on the automatic initial value generation of JAGS. This is not optimal and will be changed in future. However, it does not affect the quality of the age estimates if the chains have converged.

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### See Also

[Generate\\_DataFile](#), [Generate\\_DataFile\\_MG](#), [rjags](#), [plot\\_MCMC](#), [SCMatrix](#), [Age\\_Computation](#), [Palaeodose\\_Computation](#), [plot\\_Ages](#), [create\\_ThetaMatrix](#), [runjags::autorun.jags](#)

### Examples

```
## load data
data(DATA1,envir = environment())
data(DATA2,envir = environment())
Data <- combine_DataFiles(DATA2,DATA1)

## Age computation of samples GDB5 and GDB3,
priorage <- c(1,10,20,60) # these samples are not young

## without common error and without stratigraphic constraints
```

```

Age <- AgeS_Computation(
  DATA = Data,
  Nb_sample = 2,
  SampleNames = c("GDB5", "GDB3"),
  PriorAge = priorage,
  Iter = 50,
  n.chains = 2,
  quiet = TRUE
)

## Age computation of samples GDB5 and GDB3,
## without common error, assuming GDB5 age younger than GDB3 age
## Not run:
Nb_sample <- 2
SC <- matrix(
  data = c(1,1,0,1,0,0),
  ncol = 2,
  nrow = (Nb_sample+1), byrow = T)

##standard
Age <- AgeS_Computation(
  DATA = Data,
  Nb_sample = Nb_sample,
  SampleNames = c("GDB5", "GDB3"),
  PriorAge = priorage,
  StratiConstraints = SC,
  Iter = 10000,
  quiet = FALSE,
  jags_method = "rjags"
)

##parallel mode
Age <- AgeS_Computation(
  DATA = Data,
  Nb_sample = Nb_sample,
  SampleNames = c("GDB5", "GDB3"),
  PriorAge = priorage,
  StratiConstraints = SC,
  Iter = 10000,
  quiet = FALSE,
  jags_method = "rjparallel"
)

## End(Not run)

```

## Description

This function computes the age (in ka) of a sample according to the model developed in Combes and Philippe (2017), based on an output of [Generate\\_DataFile](#) or [Generate\\_DataFile\\_MG](#). A sample, for which data is available in several BIN files, can be analysed.

**Usage**

```
Age_Computation(DATA, SampleName, PriorAge = c(0.01, 100),
  BinPerSample = c(1), SavePdf = FALSE,
  OutputFileName = c("MCMCplot"), OutputFilePath = c(""),
  SaveEstimates = FALSE, OutputTableName = c("DATA"),
  OutputTablePath = c(""), LIN_fit = TRUE, Origin_fit = FALSE,
  distribution = c("cauchy"), I = 1, Iter = 50000, t = 5,
  n.chains = 3, quiet = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

DATA	<a href="#">list</a> of objects: LT, sLT, ITimes, dLab, ddot_env, regDose, J, K, Nb_measurement, provided by the function <a href="#">Generate_DataFile</a> or <a href="#">Generate_DataFile_MG</a> . DATA can contain information for more than one sample.
SampleName	<a href="#">character</a> : name of the sample.
PriorAge	<a href="#">numeric</a> (with default): lower and upper bounds for the sample age parameter (in ka). Note that, length(PriorAge)=2.
BinPerSample	<a href="#">integer</a> (with default): vector with the number of BIN files per sample. If in DATA there is more than one sample, the BinPerSample vector must be the same as that used to run the function <a href="#">Generate_DataFile</a> or in <a href="#">Generate_DataFile_MG</a> for generating the DATA object.
SavePdf	<a href="#">logical</a> (with default): if TRUE save graph in pdf file named OutputFileName in folder OutputFilePath.
OutputFileName	<a href="#">character</a> (with default): name of the pdf file that will be generated by the function if SavePdf = TRUE; length(OutputFileName) = 2, see <b>PLOT OUTPUT</b> in <b>Value</b> section for more informations.
OutputFilePath	<a href="#">character</a> (with default): path to the pdf file that will be generated by the function if SavePdf = TRUE. If it is not equal to "", it must be terminated by "/".
SaveEstimates	<a href="#">logical</a> (with default): if TRUE save Bayes estimates and credible interval at level 68% and 95% and the result of the gelman en Rubin test of convergency, in a csv table named OutputFileName in folder OutputFilePath.
OutputTableName	<a href="#">character</a> (with default): name of the table that will be generated by the function if SaveEstimates = TRUE.
OutputTablePath	<a href="#">character</a> (with default): path to the table that will be generated by the function if SaveEstimates = TRUE. If it is not equal to "", it must be terminated by "/".
LIN_fit	<a href="#">logical</a> (with default): if TRUE (default) allows a linear component, on top of the (default) saturating exponential curve, for the fitting of dose response curves. See details section for more informations on the proposed dose response curves.
Origin_fit	<a href="#">logical</a> (with default): if TRUE, forces the dose response curves to pass through the origin. See details section for more informations on the proposed growth curves.
distribution	<a href="#">character</a> (with default): type of distribution that defines how individual equivalent dose values are distributed around the palaeodose. Allowed inputs are "cauchy", "gaussian", "lognormal_A" and "lognormal_M", see details section for more informations.
I	<a href="#">integer</a> (with default): if DATA contains data from more than one sample, I indicates the ID number of the sample to be analysed.

Iter	<a href="#">integer</a> (with default): number of iterations for the MCMC computation (for more information see <a href="#">jags.model</a> ).
t	<a href="#">integer</a> (with default): 1 every t iterations of the MCMC is considered for sampling the posterior distribution (for more information see <a href="#">jags.model</a> ).
n.chains	<a href="#">integer</a> (with default): number of independent chains for the model (for more information see <a href="#">jags.model</a> ).
quiet	<a href="#">logical</a> (with default): enables/disables <a href="#">rjags</a> messages

## Details

### Option on growth curves

As for [AgeS\\_Computation](#) and [Palaeodose\\_Computation](#), the user can choose from 4 dose response curves:

- **Saturating exponential plus linear growth** (AgeMultiBF\_EXPLIN):  
for all  $x$  in  $\mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $f(x) = a(1 - \exp(-x/b)) + cx + d$ ; select
  - LIN\_fit=TRUE
  - Origin\_fit=FALSE
- **Saturating exponential growth** (AgeMultiBF\_EXP):  
for all  $x$  in  $\mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $f(x) = a(1 - \exp(-x/b)) + d$ ; select
  - LIN\_fit = FALSE
  - Origin\_fit = FALSE
- **Saturating exponential plus linear growth and fitting through the origin** (AgeMultiBF\_EXPLINZO):  
for all  $x$  in  $\mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $f(x) = a(1 - \exp(-x/b)) + cx$ ; select
  - LIN\_fit=TRUE
  - Origin\_fit=TRUE
- **Saturating exponential growth and fitting through the origin** (AgeMultiBF\_EXPZO):  
for all  $x$  in  $\mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $f(x) = a(1 - \exp(-x/b))$ ; select
  - LIN\_fit=FALSE
  - Origin\_fit=TRUE

### Option on equivalent dose distribution around the palaeodose

The use can choose between :

- cauchy: a Cauchy distribution with location parameter equal to the palaeodose of the sample
- gaussian: a Gaussian distribution with mean equal to the palaeodose of the sample
- lognormal\_A: a log-normal distribution with mean or Average equal to the palaeodose of the sample
- lognormal\_M: a log-normal distribution with Median equal to the palaeodose of the sample

## Value

### NUMERICAL OUTPUT

1. A list containing the following objects:



- **Sampling** that corresponds to a sample of the posterior distributions of the age (in ka), palaeodose (in Gy) and equivalent dose dispersion (in Gy) parameters.
  - **Model\_GrowthCurve**, stating which dose response fitting option was chosen;
  - **Distribution**, stating which distribution was chosen to model the dispersion of individual equivalent dose values around the palaeodose of the sample;
  - **PriorAge**, stating the priors used for the age parameter (in ka).
2. **The Gelman and Rubin test of convergency**: prints the result of the Gelman and Rubin test of convergency for the age, palaeodose and equivalent dose dispersion parameters. A result close to one is expected.  
In addition, the user must visually assess the convergency of the trajectories by looking at the graph generated by the function (see **PLOT OUTPUT** for more informations).  
If both convergencies (Gelman and Rubin test and plot checking) are satisfactory, the user can consider the printed estimates as valid. Otherwise, the user may try increasing the number of MCMC iterations (*Iter*), or being more precise on the *PriorAge* parameter (for example specify if it is a young sample `c(0.01,10)` an old sample `c(10,100)`), or changing the parameter distribution or the growth curve, to reach convergency.
  3. **Credible intervals and Bayes estimates**: prints the Bayes estimates, the credible intervals at 95% and 68% for the age, palaeodose and equivalent dose dispersion parameters of the sample.

### PLOT OUTPUT

A graph with the MCMC trajectories and posterior distributions of the age, palaeodose and equivalent dose dispersion parameters is displayed.

The first line of the figure corresponds to the age parameter, the second to the palaeodose parameter and the third to the equivalent dose dispersion parameter. On each line, the plot on the left represents the MCMC trajectories, and the one on the right the posterior distribution of the parameter.

To give the results in a publication, we recommend to give the Bayes estimate of the parameter as well as the credible interval at 95% or 68%.

### Note

Please note that the initial values for all MCMC are currently all the same for all chains since we rely on the automatic initial value generation of JAGS. This is not optimal and will be changed in future. However, it does not affect the quality of the age estimates if the chains have converged.

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### See Also

[Generate\\_DataFile](#), [Generate\\_DataFile\\_MG](#), [rjags](#), [plot\\_MCMC](#), [AgeS\\_Computation](#), [Palaeodose\\_Computation](#)

## Examples

```
## load data file generated by the function Generate_DataFile
data(DATA1,envir = environment())
priorage <- c(10,60) # GDB3 is an old sample
Age <- Age_Computation(
  DATA = DATA1,
  SampleName = "GDB3",
  PriorAge = priorage,
  Iter = 100,
  quiet = TRUE)
```

Age\_OSLC14

*Bayesian analysis for age estimation of OSL measurements and C-14 ages of various samples*

## Description

This function compute an age of OSL data of at least two samples and calibrate 14C ages of samples to get an age (in ka).

Age of OSL data are computed according to the model given in Combes and Philippe (2017). Single-grain or Multi-grain OSL measurements can be analysed simultaneously (with output of [Generate\\_DataFile](#) or [Generate\\_DataFile\\_MG](#) or both of them using [combine\\_DataFiles](#)). Samples, for which data is available in several BIN files, can be analysed.

For C14 data, the user can choose one of the following radiocarbon calibration curve: Northern or Southern Hemisphere or marine atmospheric.

## Usage

```
Age_OSLC14(DATA, Data_C14Cal, Data_SigmaC14Cal, Nb_sample, SampleNames,
  SampleNature, PriorAge = rep(c(10, 60), Nb_sample), SavePdf = FALSE,
  OutputFileName = c("MCMCplot", "HPD_Cal14CCurve", "summary"),
  OutputFilePath = c(""), SaveEstimates = FALSE,
  OutputTableName = c("DATA"), OutputTablePath = c(""),
  StratiConstraints = c(), sepSC = c(", "), BinPerSample = rep(1,
  sum(SampleNature[1, ])), THETA = c(), sepTHETA = c(", "),
  LIN_fit = TRUE, Origin_fit = FALSE, distribution = c("cauchy"),
  Model_C14 = c("full"), CalibrationCurve = c("AtmosphericNorth"),
  Iter = 50000, t = 5, n.chains = 3, quiet = FALSE)
```

## Arguments

- |             |   |
|-------------|---|
| DATA        | list of objects: LT, sLT, ITimes, dLab, ddot_env, regDose, J, K, Nb_measurement, provided by the function <a href="#">Generate_DataFile</a> or <a href="#">Generate_DataFile_MG</a> or <a href="#">combine_DataFiles</a> . DATA contains information for more than one sample. If there is stratigraphic relations between samples, informations in DATA must be ordered by order of increasing ages. See the details section to for more informations. |
| Data_C14Cal | numeric vector: corresponding to 14C age estimate (in years, conversion in ka is automatically done in the function). If there is stratigraphic relations between samples, Data_C14Cal must be ordered by order of increasing ages.   |

Data_SigmaC14Cal	numeric vector: corresponding to the error of 14C age estimates.
Nb_sample	integer: number of samples (OSL data and 14C age), (Nb_sample>3, at least to sample of OSL data and one sample of 14C age).
SampleNames	character vector: sample names for both OSL data and C14 data. The length of this vector is equal to Nb_sample. If there is stratigraphic relation, this vector must be ordered by increasing order (to mix OSL samples and 14C ages if it is needed).
SampleNature	numeric matrix: states the nature of the sample. Row number of SampleNature matrix is equal to 2 and column number is equal to Nb_sample. First line of the matrix: SampleNature[1,i] states if sample whose number ID is equal to i, is an OSL sample <b>1</b> or not <b>0</b> . Second line of the matrix: SampleNature[2,i] states if sample whose number ID is equal to i, is an 14C sample <b>1</b> or not <b>0</b> .
PriorAge	numeric vector (with default): lower and upper bounds for age parameter of each sample ( <b>in ka</b> ). Note that, length(PriorAge)=2*Nb_sample and PriorAge[2i-1,2i] corresponds to the lower and upper bounds of sample whose number ID is equal to i.
SavePdf	boolean (with default): if TRUE save graphs in pdf file named OutputFileName in folder OutputFilePath.
OutputFileName	character (with default): name of the pdf file that will be generated by the function if SavePdf=TRUE, length(OutputFileName)=3, see <b>PLOT OUTPUT</b> in <b>Value</b> section for more informations.
OutputFilePath	character (with default): path to the pdf file that will be generated by the function if SavePdf=TRUE. If it is not equal to "", it must be terminated by "/".
SaveEstimates	boolean (with default): if TRUE save Bayes estimates, credible interval at level 68% and 95% and the result of the gelman en Rubin test of convergency, in a csv table named OutputFileName in folder OutputFilePath.
OutputTableName	character (with default): name of the table that will be generated by the function if SaveEstimates=TRUE.
OutputTablePath	character (with default): path to the table that will be generated by the function if SaveEstimates=TRUE. If it is not equal to "", it must be terminated by "/".
StratiConstraints	numeric matrix or character(with default): input object for the stratigraphic relation between samples. If there is stratigraphic relation between samples see the details section for instructions regarding how to correctly fill StratiConstraints, the user can refer to a matrix (numeric matrix) or to a csv file (character). Otherwise, default value is suitable.
sepSC	character (with default): if StratiConstraints is character, indicate column separator in StratiConstraints csv file.
BinPerSample	integer vector (with default): vector with the number of BIN files per OSL sample. The length of this vector is equal to the number of OSL samples. BinPerSample[i] corresponds to the number of BIN files for the sample whose number ID is equal to i. For more information to fill this vector, we refer to details in <a href="#">Generate_DataFile</a> or in <a href="#">Generate_DataFile_MG</a> .
THETA	numeric matrix or character (with default): input object for systematic and individual error for OSL samples. If systematic errors are considered, see the details section for instructions regarding how to correctly fill THETA; the user can refer

	to a matrix (numeric matrix) or to a csv file (character). Otherwise, default value is suitable, and only individual error is considered.
sepTHETA	character (with default): if THETA is character, indicate column separator in THETA csv file.
LIN_fit	logical (with default): if TRUE (default) allows a linear component, on top of the (default) saturating exponential curve, for the fitting of dose response curves, for OSL samples. See details for more informations on the proposed dose response curves.
Origin_fit	logical (with default): if TRUE, forces the dose response curves to pass through the origin. See details for more informations on the proposed growth curves, for OSL samples.
distribution	character (with default): type of distribution that defines how individual equivalent dose values are distributed around the palaeodose, for OSL samples. Allowed inputs are <b>"cauchy"</b> , <b>"gaussian"</b> , <b>"lognormal_A"</b> and <b>"lognormal_M"</b> , see details for more informations.
Model_C14	character (with default): if <b>"full"</b> , error on estimate calibration curve is taken account, for 14C samples. If <b>"naive"</b> this error is not taken account in the age estimate.
CalibrationCurve	character (with default): calibration curve choosen, for 14C samples. Allowed inputs are <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>"AtmosphericNorth"</b> for Northern Hemisphere atmospheric radiocarbon calibration curve,</li> <li>• <b>"Marine"</b> for Marine radiocarbon calibration curve,</li> <li>• <b>"AtmosphericSouth"</b> for Southern Hemisphere atmospheric radiocarbon calibration curve,</li> <li>• <b>a csv file, with tree columns, the first column is dedicated to "Cal.BP", the second to "X14C.age", the third to "Error". The decimal of this file must be a dot, and the separator must be a comma.</b></li> </ul>
Iter	integer (with default): number of iterations for the MCMC computation (for more information see <a href="#">jags.model</a> ).
t	integer (with default): 1 every t iterations of the MCMC is considered for sampling the posterior distribution (for more information see <a href="#">jags.model</a> ).
n.chains	integer (with default): number of independent chains for the model (for more information see <a href="#">jags.model</a> ).
quiet	<a href="#">logical</a> (with default): enables/disables <a href="#">rjags</a> messages

## Details

Note that there is tree type of arguments in the previous list. There are arguments for informations concerning only OSL samples: DATA, BinPerSample, THETA, sepTHETA, LIN\_fit, Origin\_fit, distribution.

There are arguments for informations concerning only C14 samples: Data\_C14Cal, Data\_SigmaC14Cal, Model\_C14, CalibrationCurve.

There are arguments for informations concerning all the samples: Nb\_sample, SampleNames, SampleNature, PriorAge, SavePdf, OutputFileName, OutputFilePath, SaveEstimates, OutputTableName, OutputTablePath, StratiConstraints, sepSC.

### **\*\* How to fill StratiConstraints ? \*\***

If there is stratigraphic relations between samples, **14C estimate age in Data\_C14Cal must be ordered by order of increasing ages, as informations in DATA**. Names in SampleNames must be ordered and corresponds to the order in Data\_C14Cal and in DATA, also if it is needed to mix names of OSL samples and 14C samples.

The user can fill the StratiConstraints matrix as follow.

1. **Size of the matrix:** row number of StratiConstraints matrix is equal to Nb\_sample+1, and column number is equal to Nb\_sample.
2. **First line of the matrix:** for all  $i$  in  $\{1, \dots, Nb\_Sample\}$ ,  $StratiConstraints[1, i] = 1$  that means the lower bound of the sample age (given in  $PriorAge[2i-1]$ ) for the sample whose number ID is equal to  $i$ , is taken into account.
3. **Sample relations:** for all  $j$  in  $\{2, \dots, Nb\_Sample+1\}$  and all  $i$  in  $\{j, \dots, Nb\_Sample\}$ ,  $StratiConstraints[j, i] = 1$  if sample age whose number ID is equal to  $j-1$  is lower than sample age whose number ID is equal to  $i$ . Otherwise,  $StratiConstraints[j, i] = 0$ .

Note that  $StratiConstraints_{\{2:Nb\_sample+1, 1:Nb\_sample\}}$  is a upper triangular matrix.

The user can also use [SCMatrix](#) or [SC\\_Ordered](#) (if all samples are ordered) function to construe the StratiConstraints matrix.

The user can also refer to a csv file that contains the relation between samples as defined above. The user must take care about the separator used in the csv file using the argument sepSC.

### **\*\* How to fill THETA covariance matrix concerning common and individual error? \*\***

If systematic errors are considered, the user can fill the THETA matrix as follow.

- row number of THETA is equal the column number, equal to Nb\_sample.
- For all  $i$  in  $\{1, \dots, Nb\_sample\}$ ,  $THETA[i, i]$  contains individual error plus systematic error of the sample whose number ID is equal to  $i$ .
- For all  $i, j$  in  $\{1, \dots, Nb\_sample\}$  and  $i$  different from  $j$ ,  $THETA[i, j]$  contains common error between samples whose number ID are equal to  $i$  and  $j$ .

Note that  $THETA[i, j]$  is a symetric matrix.

The user can also refer to a .csv file that contains the errors as defined above.

### **\*\* Option on growth curves \*\***

As for [Age\\_Computation](#) and [Palaeodose\\_Computation](#), the user can choose from 4 dose response curves:

- **Saturating exponential plus linear growth** (AgesMultiCS2\_EXPLIN):  
for all  $x$  in  $\mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $f(x) = a(1 - \exp(-x/b)) + cx + d$ ; select
  - LIN\_fit=TRUE
  - Origin\_fit=FALSE
- **Saturating exponential growth** (AgesMultiCS2\_EXP):  
for all  $x$  in  $\mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $f(x) = a(1 - \exp(-x/b)) + d$ ; select
  - LIN\_fit=FALSE
  - Origin\_fit=FALSE

- **Saturating exponential plus linear growth and fitting through the origin** (AgesMultiCS2\_EXPLINZ0):  
for all  $x$  in  $\mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $f(x)=a(1-\exp(-x/b))+cx$ ; select
  - LIN\_fit=TRUE
  - Origin\_fit=TRUE
- **Saturating exponential growth and fitting through the origin** (AgesMultiCS2\_EXPZ0):  
for all  $x$  in  $\mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $f(x)=a(1-\exp(-x/b))$ ; select
  - LIN\_fit=FALSE
  - Origin\_fit=TRUE

**\*\* Option on equivalent dose distribution around the palaeodose \*\***

The use can choose between :

- **cauchy**: a Cauchy distribution with location parameter equal to the palaeodose of the sample
- **gaussian**: a Gaussian distribution with mean equal to the palaeodose of the sample
- **lognormal\_A**: a log-normal distribution with mean or **Average** equal to the palaeodose of the sample
- **lognormal\_M**: a log-normal distribution with **Median** equal to the palaeodose of the sample

**\*\* More precision on Model \*\***

We propose two models "full" or "naive". If Model='full' that means measurement error and error on calibration curve are taken account in the Bayesian model; if Model="naive" that means only error on measurement are taken account in the mode.

More precisely, the model considered here, as the one developed by Christen, JA (1994), assume multiplicative effect of errors to address the problem of outliers. In addition, to not penalise variables that are not outliers and damage theirs estimation, we introduce a structure of mixture, that means only variable that are considered as outlier have in addition a multiplicative error.

## Value

### NUMERICAL OUTPUT

**1. A list containing the following objects:**

- **Sampling**: that corresponds to a sample of the posterior distributions of the age parameters (in  $k_a$  for both C14 samples and OSL samples);
- **PriorAge**: stating the priors used for the age parameter;
- **StratiConstraints**: stating the stratigraphic relations between samples considered in the model;
- **Model\_OSL\_GrowthCurve**: stating which dose response fitting option was chosen;
- **Model\_OSL\_Distribution**: stating which distribution was chosen to model the dispersion of individual equivalent dose values around the palaeodose of the sample;
- **Model\_C14**: stating which model was chosen ("full" or "naive");
- **CalibrationCurve**: stating which radiocarbon calibration curve was chosen;
- **Outlier**: stating the names of samples that must be outliers.

2. **The Gelman and Rubin test of convergency:** prints the result of the Gelman and Rubin test of convergency for the age estimate for each sample. A result close to one is expected. In addition, the user must visually assess the convergency of the trajectories by looking at the graph generated by the function (see **PLOT OUTPUT** for more informations). If both convergencies (Gelman and Rubin test and plot checking) are satisfactory, the user can consider the estimates as valid. Otherwise, the user may try increasing the number of MCMC iterations (*Iter*) or be more precise on the *PriorAge* parameter to reach convergency.
3. **Credible intervals and Bayes estimates:** prints the Bayes estimates, the credible intervals at 95% and 68% for the age parameters for each sample.

### PLOT OUTPUT

1. **MCMC trajectories:** A graph with the MCMC trajectories and posterior distributions of the age parameter is displayed. On each line, the plot on the left represents the MCMC trajectories, and the one on the right the posterior distribution of the parameter.
2. **Age estimate and HPD at 95% of 14C samples on calibration curve:** plot age estimate and HPD on calibration plot.
3. **Summary of sample age estimates:** plot credible intervals and Bayes estimate of each sample age on a same graph.

### Note

Please note that the initial values for all MCMC are currently all the same for all chains since we rely on the automatic initial value generation of JAGS. This is not optimal and will be changed in future. However, it does not affect the quality of the age estimates if the chains have converged.

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### See Also

[rjags](#), [plot\\_MCMC](#), [SCMatrix](#), [plot\\_Ages](#)

### Examples

```
## Load data
# OSL data
data(DATA1,envir = environment())
data(DATA2,envir = environment())
Data <- combine_DataFiles(DATA2,DATA1)
```

```
# 14C data
C14Cal <- DATA_C14$C14[1,1]
SigmaC14Cal <- DATA_C14$C14[1,2]
Names <- DATA_C14$Names[1]

# Prior Age
prior=rep(c(1,60),3)
samplenature=matrix(data=c(1,0,1,0,1,0),ncol=3,nrow=2,byrow=TRUE)
SC <- matrix(data=c(1,1,1,0,1,1,0,0,1,0,0,0),ncol=3,nrow=4,byrow=TRUE)

## Age computation of samples
Age <- Age_OSLC14(DATA=Data,Data_C14Cal=C14Cal,Data_SigmaC14Cal=SigmaC14Cal,
  SampleNames=c("GDB5",Names,"GDB3"),Nb_sample=3,SampleNature=samplenature,
  PriorAge=prior,StratiConstraints=SC,Iter=50,n.chains=2)
```

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AtmosphericNorth\_CalC14

*Atmospheric North data for calibration of 14C age*

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## Description

As 14C years is not equal to calendar years because atmospheric 14C concentration varies through time. Hence, data in AtmosphericNorth\_CalC14 allows a calibration for mid-latitude Northern Hemisphere atmosphere reservoir.

## Usage

```
data("AtmosphericNorth_CalC14")
```

## Format

A data frame with 5 variables.

CAL.BP a numeric vector corresponding to calendar years before present

X14C.age a numeric vector corresponding to 14C age

Error a numeric vector corresponding to error around 14C age measurement

## References

Reimer PJ, Bard E, Bayliss A, Beck JW, Blackwell PC, Bronk Ramsey C, Buck CE, Cheng H, Edwards RL, Friedrich M, Grootes PM, Guilderson TP, Hafliðason H, Hajdas I, Hatté C, Heaton TJ, Hoffmann DL, Hogg AG, Hughen KA, Kaiser KF, Kromer B, Manning SW, Niu M, Reimer RW, Richards DA, Scott EM, Southon JR, Staff RA, Turney CSM, van der Plicht J. 2013. IntCal13 and Marine13 radiocarbon age calibration curves 0-50000 years cal BP. Radiocarbon 55(4)=1869-1887.

## Examples

```
data(AtmosphericNorth_CalC14)
## maybe str(AtmosphericNorth_CalC14) ; head(AtmosphericNorth_CalC14) ...
```



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AtmosphericSouth\_CalC14

*Atmospheric South data for calibration of 14C age*


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### Description

As 14C years is not equal to calendar years because atmospheric 14C concentration varies through time. Hence, data in AtmosphericSouth\_CalC14 allows a calibration for mid-latitude Southern Hemisphere atmosphere reservoir.

### Usage

```
data("AtmosphericSouth_CalC14")
```

### Format

A data frame with 3 variables.

CAL.BP a numeric vector corresponding to calendar years before present

X14C.age a numeric vector corresponding to 14C age

Error a numeric vector corresponding to error around 14C age measurement

### References

Reimer PJ, Bard E, Bayliss A, Beck JW, Blackwell PC, Bronk Ramsey C, Buck CE, Cheng H, Edwards RL, Friedrich M, Grootes PM, Guilderson TP, Hafflidason H, Hajdas I, Hatte C, Heaton TJ, Hoffmann DL, Hogg AG, Hughen KA, Kaiser KF, Kromer B, Manning SW, Niu M, Reimer RW, Richards DA, Scott EM, Southon JR, Staff RA, Turney CSM, van der Plicht J. 2013. IntCal13 and Marine13 radiocarbon age calibration curves 0-50000 years cal BP. Radiocarbon 55(4)=1869-1887.

### Examples

```
data(AtmosphericSouth_CalC14)
## maybe str(AtmosphericSouth_CalC14) ; head(AtmosphericSouth_CalC14) ...
```

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combine\_DataFiles      *Old function Concat\_DataFile()*


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### Description

Combine objects generated by [Generate\\_DataFile](#) and [Generate\\_DataFile\\_MG](#)

### Usage

```
combine_DataFiles(...)
```

```
Concat_DataFile(...)
```

### Arguments

...      list objects generated by [Generate\\_DataFile](#) or [Generate\\_DataFile\\_MG](#)

## Details

The function allows to combine data already generated by [Generate\\_DataFile](#) or [Generate\\_DataFile\\_MG](#). The number of input objects is not limited and the function works similar to the standard base R function `c()`, but preserves the particular structure of the objects imported and generated by 'Bay-Lum'. The elements are combined by list element names.

Combining such data is rather useful in two scenarios:

- The data have been already imported and treated and then stored in RData-files. Using the function `combine_DataFiles()` will significantly speed up the processing time,
- simultaneous analysis of single and multi-grain OSL measurements.

## Value

A nested list combining the input objects.

## Function version

0.1.1

## Author(s)

Sebastian Kreutzer, IRAMAT-CRP2A, UMR 5060, CNRS - Université Bordeaux Montaigne (France), adapting the idea from the function 'Concat\_DataFile()' by Claire Christophe.

## See Also

[Generate\\_DataFile](#), [Generate\\_DataFile\\_MG](#)

## Examples

```
# load data files
data(DATA1,envir = environment())
data(DATA2,envir = environment())

#combine objects
DATA3 <- combine_DataFiles(DATA1, DATA2)
str(DATA3)
```

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create_ThetaMatrix	<i>Create Theta Matrix</i>
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## Description

Create the  $\Theta$  matrix with the shared uncertainties that can be used as input in, e.g., [AgeS\\_Computation](#) and [Age\\_OSLC14](#) which is used for the covariance matrix  $\Sigma$  (Combès & Philippe, 2017)

## Usage

```
create_ThetaMatrix(input, output_file = NULL, sigma_s, ...)
```

## Arguments

input	<a href="#">character</a> or <a href="#">data.frame</a> ( <i>optional</i> ): input data frame or file connection to import a CSV-file with the needed information. If nothing is provided the function returns an input template. The argument output_file can be used to write this input template to the file system
output_file	<a href="#">character</a> ( <i>optional</i> ): file path for the output CSV-file, the field separator is hard set to ",", ". Please use <a href="#">utils::write.table</a> for more flexibility.
sigma_s	<a href="#">numeric</a> ( <b>required</b> ): named character with values for systematic uncertainties. Those values are lab-specific. Can be set to NULL to remove systematic uncertainties. The order of the <i>named</i> vector is not important, but the naming! <b>Note</b> : some of the uncertainties have a unit, please check details.
...	further arguments that can be passed to <a href="#">utils::read.table</a> (for the CSV-file import)

## Details

The function intends to ease the creation of the *Theta* matrix, which cannot be created straight forward, e.g., base R functions such as `stats::cov`. The relationship between the covariance matrix *Sigma* and *Theta* is given with

$$\Sigma_{ij} = A_i * A_j * \Theta_{ij}$$

For details see Combès & Philippe, 2017 and Guérin et al. (under review).

## Input modes

The function supports two different operation modes:

1. input is left empty: the function returns a [data.frame](#) template that can be used as input (the option output\_file works as well)
2. input is fed with a [data.frame](#) or a character (file path), the  $\Theta$  matrix is returned

## Input format

The function expects either a CSV-file or a [data.frame](#) as input. To create template you can run the function leaving the argument input empty (see example). Please note the format of the input table ([data.frame](#)) needs to kept as specified in the template.

The following table lists the meaning of the columns:

COLUMN	DESCRIPTION	UNIT
SAMPLE_ID	sample name	-
DR_BETA_K	standard error beta-dose rate K	Gy/ka
DR_BETA_U	standard error beta-dose rate U	Gy/ka
DR_BETA_Th	standard error beta-dose rate Th	Gy/ka
DR_GAMMA_K	standard error gamma-dose rate K	Gy/ka
DR_GAMMA_U	standard error gamma-dose rate U	Gy/ka
DR_GAMMA_Th	standard error gamma-dose rate Th	Gy/ka
DR_GAMMA_TOTAL	standard error total gamma-dose rate	Gy/ka
DR_TOTAL	total dose rate	Gy/ka
DR_TOTAL_X	standard error total dose rate	Gy/ka

*Note: All columns can be set to 0 or NA, no column must be left empty! If a value > 0 is provided for DR\_GAMMA\_TOTAL this value is taken and values in, e.g., DR\_GAMMA\_K are discarded (set to 0)!*

### Systematic uncertainties

The following table provides informaton on the named argument that can be provided via the argument `sigma_s`

ARGUMENT	DESCRIPTION	UNIT
<code>s_betaK</code>	relative uncertainty K concentration	-
<code>s_betaU</code>	relative uncertainty U concentration	-
<code>s_betaTh</code>	relative uncertainty Th concentration	-
<code>s_gammaK</code>	relative uncertainty K concentration	-
<code>s_gammaU</code>	relative uncertainty U concentration	-
<code>s_gammaTh</code>	relative uncertainty Th concentration	-
<code>s_gammaDR</code>	relative uncertainty gamma-dose rate	-
<code>s_CAL</code>	relative uncertainty beta-source calibration	-
<code>s_intDR</code>	absolute uncertainty internal dose rate	Gy/ka

### Value

A symetric *Theta* matrix or if input is missing, a [data.frame](#) with an input template

### Function version

0.1.0

### Author(s)

Sebastian Kreutzer, IRAMAT-CRP2A, UMR 5060, CNRS-Université Bordeaux Montaigne (France), based on an 'MS Excel' sheet by Guillaume Guérin, IRAMAT-CRP2A, UMR 5060, CNRS-Université Bordeaux Montaigne (France)

### References

Combès, B., Philippe, A., 2017. Bayesian analysis of individual and systematic multiplicative errors for estimating ages with stratigraphic constraints in optically stimulated luminescence dating. *Quaternary Geochronology* 39, 24–34. doi: [10.1016/j.quageo.2017.02.003](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.quageo.2017.02.003)

### See Also

[AgeS\\_Computation](#), [Age\\_OSLC14](#), [utils::read.table](#), [utils::write.table](#)

### Examples

```
##(1) return template data.frame (no file output)
create_ThetaMatrix()

## Not run:
##(2) return template as data.frame + file
file_path <- tempfile(fileext = ".csv")
create_ThetaMatrix(output_file = file_path )

##NOT RUNNING EXAMPLE for sigma_s
calc_ThetaMatrix(...,
sigma_s = c(
  s_betaK = 0.010,
```

```
s_betaU = 0.007,
s_betaTh = 0.006,
s_gammaK = 0.010,
s_gammaU = 0.007,
s_gammaTh = 0.006,
s_gammaDR = 0.05,
s_CAL = 0.020,
s_intDR = 0.030))
```

```
## End(Not run)
```

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DATA1

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*DATA of sample named GDB3*


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### Description

list of objects: LT, sLT, ITimes, dLab, ddot\_env, regDose, J,K,Nb\_measurement obtained using [Generate\\_DataFile](#) function with single-grain OSL measurements of the sample GDB3.

### Usage

```
data("DATA1")
```

### Format

A list containing:

LT: (one list per sample): each list contains all L/T values for the corresponding sample;  
sLT: (one list per sample): each list contains all uncertainties on L/T values for the corresponding sample;  
ITimes: (one list per sample): each list contains irradiation time values for the corresponding sample;  
dLab= a matrix containing in line i, the laboratory dose rate and its variance for sample i;  
ddot\_env: a matrix containing in line i, the environmental dose rate and its variance (excluding the common error terms) for sample i;  
regDose: (one list per sample): each list contains all regenerated doses;  
J: a vector giving, for each BIN file, the number of aliquots selected for the analysis;  
K: a vector giving, for each BIN file, the number of regenerative doses in the SAR protocol;  
Nb\_measurement: a vector giving, for each BIN file, the number of measurements;

### References

For more informations on this sample we refer to the following publication:

Tribolo, C., Asrat, A., Bahain, J. J., Chapon, C., Douville, E., Fragnol, C., Hernandez, M., Hovers, E., Leplongeon, A., Martin, L., Pleurdeau, D, Pearson, O , Puaud, S, Assefa, Z. (2017). Across the Gap: Geochronological and Sedimentological Analyses from the Late Pleistocene-Holocene Sequence of Goda Buticha, Southeastern Ethiopia. PloS one, 12(1), e0169418.

**Examples**

```
data(DATA1)
str(DATA1)
```

DATA2

*DATA on sample named GDB5***Description**

list of objects: LT, sLT, ITimes, dLab, ddot\_env, regDose, J,K,Nb\_measurement obtained using [Generate\\_DataFile](#) function with single-grain OSL measurements of the sample GDB5.

**Usage**

```
data("DATA2")
```

**Format**

A data frame containing:

LT: (one list per sample): each list contains all L/T values for the corresponding sample;  
sLT: (one list per sample): each list contains all uncertainties on L/T values for the corresponding sample;  
ITimes: (one list per sample): each list contains irradiation time values for the corresponding sample;  
dLab: a matrix containing in line *i*, the laboratory dose rate and its variance for sample *i*;  
ddot\_env: a matrix containing in line *i*, the environmental dose rate and its variance (excluding the common error terms) for sample *i*;  
regDose: (one list per sample): each list contains all regenerated doses;  
J: a vector giving, for each BIN file, the number of aliquots selected for the analysis;  
K: a vector giving, for each BIN file, the number of regenerative doses in the SAR protocol;  
Nb\_measurement: , a vector giving, for each BIN file, the number of measurements;

**References**

For more informations on this sample we refer to the following publication:

Tribolo, C., Asrat, A., Bahain, J. J., Chapon, C., Douville, E., Fragnol, C., Hernandez, M., Hovers, E., Leplongeon, A., Martin, L., Pleurdeau, D, Pearson, O , Puaud, S, Assefa, Z. (2017). Across the Gap: Geochronological and Sedimentological Analyses from the Late Pleistocene-Holocene Sequence of Goda Buticha, Southeastern Ethiopia. PloS one, 12(1), e0169418.

**Examples**

```
data(DATA2)
str(DATA2)
```

DATA3

*DATA of sample named FER1***Description**

list of objects: LT, sLT, ITimes, dLab, ddot\_env, regDose, J,K,Nb\_measurement obtained using [Generate\\_DataFile](#) function with multi-grain OSL measurements of the sample FER1.

**Usage**

```
data("DATA3")
```

**Format**

A list containing:

LT: (one list per sample): each list contains all L/T values for the corresponding sample;

sLT: (one list per sample): each list contains all uncertainties on L/T values for the corresponding sample;

ITimes: (one list per sample): each list contains irradiation time values for the corresponding sample;

dLab= a matrix containing in line i, the laboratory dose rate and its variance for sample i;

ddot\_env: a matrix containing in line i, the environmental dose rate and its variance (excluding the common error terms) for sample i;

regDose: (one list per sample): each list contains all regenerated doses;

J: a vector giving, for each BIN file, the number of aliquots selected for the analysis;

K: a vector giving, for each BIN file, the number of regenerative doses in the SAR protocol;

Nb\_measurement: a vector giving, for each BIN file, the number of measurements;

**References**

For more informations on this sample we refer to the following publication:

Guerin, G., Frouin, M., Talamo, S., Aldeias, V., Bruxelles, L., Chiotti, L., Goldberg, P., Hublin, J.J., Jain, M., Lahaye, C., Madelaine, S., Maureille, B., McPherron, S., Mercier, N., Murray, A., Sandgathe, D., Steele, T., Thomsen, K., Turq, A. (2015). A multi-method luminescence dating of the Palaeolithic sequence of La Ferrassie based on new excavations adjacent to the La Ferrassie 1 and 2 skeletons. *Journal of Archaeological Science*, 58, 147-166.

**Examples**

```
data(DATA3)
str(DATA3)
```

DATA\_C14

*C14 cal age estiamte and its error***Description**

C14 cal age estiamtes and theirs error of samples S-EVA-26510, S-EVA-26506, S-EVA-26507, S-EVA-26508.

**Usage**

```
data("DATA_C14")
```

**Format**

A list containing:

Names: character vector of the sample names;

C14: numeric matrix, in the first column the 14C Cal age of the samples, and in the second column theirs errors.

**References**

For more informations on this sample we refer to the following publication:

Guerin, G., Frouin, M., Talamo, S., Aldeias, V., Bruxelles, L., Chiotti, L., Goldberg, P., Hublin, J.J., Jain, M., Lahaye, C., Madelaine, S., Maureille, B., McPherron, S., Mercier, N., Murray, A., Sandgathe, D., Steele, T., Thomsen, K., Turq, A. (2015). A multi-method luminescence dating of the Palaeolithic sequence of La Ferrassie based on new excavations adjacent to the La Ferrassie 1 and 2 skeletons. *Journal of Archaeological Science*, 58, 147-166.

**Examples**

```
data(DATA_C14)
(DATA_C14)
```

Generate\_DataFile

*Generates, from one (or several) BIN-file(s) of Single-grain OSL measurements, a list of luminescence data and information before statistical analysis*

**Description**

This function is used to generate, from the BIN file(s), a list of values of: **Single-grain** OSL intensities and associated uncertainties, regenerative doses, etc., which will be the input of the Bayesian models. To be easy-to-use, this function requires a rigorous organisation - all needed files should be arranged in one folder - of informations concerning each BIN file.

It is possible to process data for various samples simultaneously and to consider more than one BIN file per sample.



## Usage

```
Generate_DataFile(Path, FolderNames, Nb_sample,
  Nb_binfile = length(FolderNames), BinPerSample = rep(1, Nb_sample),
  sepDP = c(", "), sepDE = c(", "), sepDS = c(", "), sepR = c("="),
  verbose = TRUE, ...)
```

## Arguments

Path	<b>character (required)</b> : the path to the project folder, containing one or more subfolders in which the BIN files are located. If it is not equal to "", it must be terminated by "/".
FolderNames	<b>character (required)</b> : list of names of the sub-folders containing the BIN files <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>each subfolder must contain a BIN file and associated csv files. See details for more informations on associated csv files required in the subfolders. If there is more than one BIN file per sample, see the details section for instructions regarding how to correctly fill the FolderNames vector.</li> </ul>
Nb_sample	<b>integer (required)</b> : number of samples.
Nb_binfile	<b>integer</b> (with default): number of BIN files. It must be equal to, or greater than Nb_sample.
BinPerSample	<b>integer</b> vector (with default): vector with the number of BIN files per sample. The length of this vector must be equal to Nb_sample and the sum of entries of this vector must be equal to Nb_binfile. If there is more than one BIN file per sample, see the details section for instructions regarding how to correctly fill BinPerSample vector. Otherwise, this vector must contain a list of 1 values.
sepDP	<b>character</b> (with default): column separator in the DiscPose.csv files.
sepDE	<b>character</b> (with default): column separator in the DoseEnv.csv files.
sepDS	<b>character</b> (with default): column separator in the DoseLab.csv files.
sepR	<b>character</b> (with default): column separator in the Rule.csv files.
verbose	<b>logical</b> (with default): enable/disable verbose mode
...	further arguments that can be passed to <a href="#">Luminescence::read_BIN2R</a> .

## Details

With Path and FolderNames, this function goes to the subfolders containing the BIN files and associated information to compute the luminescence data.

### **\*\* What are the required files in each subfolder? \*\***

Each subfolder can be named, for example, as the sample name followed by a number; it must contain:

- **bin.BIN**: the bin file renamed as bin.BIN (note: the name of all files matters);
- **DiscPos.csv**: a two columns csv file containing the list of disc and grain position number of the previously selected grains (typically this list will include the position of grains based on their sensitivity, recycling or other properties);
- **DoseEnv.csv**: a two columns file containing the observation of the natural (or environmental), dose rate, and its non-shared variance (i.e. after removing all shared errors), both in Gy. Note: the user shall provide the squared value of the error associated with the dose rate experienced by the sample grains in nature;

- **DoseSource.csv**: a two columns file containing the observation of the laboratory dose rate, and its variance (squared error) both in Gy;
- **rule.csv**: a csv file containing information on
  - beginSignal= the first channel for summing the natural or regenerative OSL signal (typically 1 or 6);
  - endSignal= the last channel for summing the natural or regenerative OSL signal (typically 5 or 10);
  - beginBackground= the first channel for background estimation of the natural or regenerative OSL signal (typically 76 or 81);
  - endBackground= the last channel for background estimation of the natural or regenerative OSL signal (typically 95 or 100);
  - beginTest=,
  - endTest=,
  - beginTestBackground=,
  - endTestBackground= same values as above, for the test dose response (typically the same values should be used);
  - inflatePercent= uncertainty arising from the instrument reproducibility (typically 0.02, i.e. 2%);
  - nbOfLastCycleToRemove= number of cycles at the end of the SAR protocol which should not be included in the dose response curve fitting (typically 1 if only a recycling test is performed, or 2 if both recycling and IR depletion are tested).

**\*\* How to fill the FolderNames vector? \*\***

FolderNames is a vector of length Nb\_binfile. FolderNames[i] is the name (e.g., Sample1-File1, or successive names separated by "/" signs, if BIN files are in subfolders, e.g. Sample1/File1) of the subfolder containing all informations on the BIN file of ID number i. The names in FolderNames are ordered following two rules:

- The names in the FolderNames vector must be ordered following the sample order (the names of subfolders containing BIN files for the same sample should follow each other in the FolderNames vector, e.g. Sample1, Sample2-File1, Sample2-File2, etc.).
- If stratigraphic constraints apply to samples, and so a **Bayesian model with stratigraphic constraints** is implemented, then the names in the FolderNames vector must be ordered by order of increasing ages.

For example, FolderNames=c(noun1, noun2), in which case noun1 (respectively, noun2) corresponds to the subfolder name containing the BIN file of sample 1 (respectively of sample 2). In addition, if we know that sample 1 is younger than sample 2, then FolderNames vector is correctly filled.

If conversely, FolderNames=c(noun2, noun1), the analysis performed by [AgeS\\_Computation](#) would not be consistent.

**\*\* How to fill the BinPerSample vector? \*\***

BinPerSample[i] corresponds to the number of BIN files for the sample whose number ID is equal to i.

For example, let us consider a case with two samples (Sample1 and Sample2), with 2 BIN files for Sample1 and 1 for Sample2. In this case, Nb\_binfile=3 and Nb\_sample=2. The user may then set FolderNames=c("Sample1-File1", "Sample1-File2", "Sample2-File1"), in which case "Sample1-File1"

is the name of the subfolder containing the first BIN file for Sample1, "Sample1-File2" the name of the subfolder for the second BIN file of Sample1; eventually, "Sample2-File1" is the name of the subfolder containing the BIN file for the second sample. In this case, BinPerSample=c(2,1).

For the general BIN-file structure, the reader is referred to the following website: <http://www.nutech.dtu.dk/>

The function `read_BIN2R` developed in `Luminescence` package is used to read the BIN files.

## Value

A list containing the following objects:

- **LT** (one list per sample); each list contains all L/T values for the corresponding sample;
- **sLT** (one list per sample); each list contains all uncertainties on L/T values for the corresponding sample;
- **ITimes** (one list per sample); each list contains irradiation time values for the corresponding sample;
- **dLab**, a matrix containing in line *i*, the laboratory dose rate and its variance for sample *i*;
- **ddot\_env**, a matrix containing in line *i*, the environmental dose rate and its variance (excluding the common error terms) for sample *i*;
- **regDose** (one list per sample); each list contains all regenerated doses;
- **J**, a vector giving, for each BIN file, the number of aliquots selected for the analysis;
- **K**, a vector giving, for each BIN file, the number of regenerative doses in the SAR protocol;
- **Nb\_measurement**, a vector giving, for each BIN file, the number of measurements.

## \*\* How to save this list \*\*

You can save this list in a `.RData` object. To do this, you can use the function `save`. Then, to load this list you can use the function `load` (see example section for more details).

## Author(s)

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## See Also

[read\\_BIN2R](#), [combine\\_DataFiles](#), [Generate\\_DataFile\\_MG](#), [LT\\_RegenDose](#) [Age\\_Computation](#), [AgeS\\_Computation](#), [Palaeodose\\_Computation](#)

## Examples

```
## Example for one sample with one Bin File
path<- system.file("extdata/samp1", "", package="BayLum")
folder=""
nbsample=1 # give the number of sample
Data <- Generate_DataFile(
  Path = path,
  FolderNames = folder,
  Nb_sample = nbsample,
  verbose = FALSE)
str(Data)

## to save information in RData object in folder containing bin file
```

```
# save(Data,file=c(paste(path,folder,'Data.RData',sep="")))
## to load information containing Data.RData object
# load(file=c(paste(path,folder,"Data.RData",sep="")))
```

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Generate_DataFile_MG	<i>Generates, from one (or several) BIN file(s) of Multi-grain OSL measurements, a list of luminescence data and information before statistical analysis</i>
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## Description

This function is used to generate, from the BIN file(s), a list of values of:

## Usage

```
Generate_DataFile_MG(Path, FolderNames, Nb_sample,
  Nb_binfile = length(FolderNames), BinPerSample = rep(1, Nb_sample),
  sepD = c(","), sepDE = c(","), sepDS = c(","), sepR = c("="),
  verbose = TRUE, ...)
```

## Arguments

Path	<b>character (required)</b> : the path to the project folder, containing one or more subfolders in which the BIN files are located. If it is not equal to "", it must be terminated by "/".
FolderNames	<b>character (required)</b> vector: list of names of the sub-folders containing the BIN files <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• each subfolder must contain a BIN file and associated csv files. See details for more informations on associated csv files required in the subfolders. If there is more than one BIN file per sample, see the details section for instructions regarding how to correctly fill the FolderNames vector.</li> </ul>
Nb_sample	<b>integer (required)</b> : number of samples.
Nb_binfile	<b>integer</b> (with default): number of BIN files. It must be equal to, or greater than Nb_sample.
BinPerSample	<b>integer</b> vector (with default): vector with the number of BIN files per sample. The length of this vector must be equal to Nb_sample and the sum of entries of this vector must be equal to Nb_binfile. If there is more than one BIN file per sample, see the details section for instructions regarding how to correctly fill BinPerSample vector. Otherwise, this vector must contain a list of 1 values.
sepD	<b>character</b> (with default): column separator in the DiscPose.csv files.
sepDE	<b>character</b> (with default): column separator in the DoseEnv.csv files.
sepDS	<b>character</b> (with default): column separator in the DoseLab.csv files.
sepR	<b>character</b> (with default): column separator in the Rule.csv files.
verbose	<b>logical</b> (with default): enable/disable verbose mode
...	further arguments that can be passed to <a href="#">Luminescence::read_BIN2R</a> .

## Details

**Multi-grain** OSL intensities and associated uncertainties, regenerative doses, etc., which will be the input of the Bayesian models. To be easy-to-use, this function requires a rigorous organisation - all needed files should be arranged in one folder - of informations concerning each BIN file.

It is possible to process data for various samples simultaneously and to consider more than one BIN-file per sample.

With Path and FolderNames, this function goes to the subfolders containing the BIN files and associated information to compute the luminescence data.

### **\*\* What are the required files in each subfolder? \*\***

Each subfolder can be named, for example, as the sample name followed by a number; it must contain:

- **bin.BIN**, the bin file renamed as bin.BIN (note: the name of all files matters);
- **Disc.csv**, a one columns csv file containing the list of disc number of the previously selected grains (typically this list will include the position of grains based on their sensitivity, recycling or other properties);
- **DoseEnv.csv**, a two columns file containing the observation of the natural (or environmental), dose rate, and its non-shared variance (i.e. after removing all shared errors), both in Gy. Note: the user shall provide the squared value of the error associated with the dose rate experienced by the sample grains in nature;
- **DoseSource.csv**, a two columns file containing the observation of the laboratory dose rate, and its variance (squared error), both in Gy;
- **rule.csv**, a csv file containing information on
  - beginSignal= the first channel for summing the natural or regenerative OSL signal (typically 1 or 6);
  - endSignal= the last channel for summing the natural or regenerative OSL signal (typically 5 or 10);
  - beginBackground= the first channel for background estimation of the natural or regenerative OSL signal (typically 76 or 81);
  - endBackground= the last channel for background estimation of the natural or regenerative OSL signal (typically 95 or 100);
  - beginTest,
  - endTest,
  - beginTestBackground,
  - endTestBackground= same values as above, for the test dose response (typically the same values should be used);
  - inflatePercent= uncertainty arising from the instrument reproducibility (typically 0.02, i.e. 2%);
  - nbOfLastCycleToRemove= number of cycles at the end of the SAR protocol which should not be included in the dose response curve fitting (typically 1 if only a recycling test is performed, or 2 if both recycling and IR depletion are tested).

### **\*\* How to fill the FolderNames vector? \*\***

FolderNames is a vector of length Nb\_binfile. FolderNames[i] is the name (e.g., Sample1-File1, or successive names separated by "/" signs, if BIN files are in subfolders, e.g. Sample1/File1) of the

subfolder containing all informations on the BIN file of ID number  $i$ . The names in `FolderNames` are ordered following two rules:

- The names in the `FolderNames` vector must be ordered following the sample order (the names of subfolders containing BIN files for the same sample should follow each other in the `FolderNames` vector, e.g. `Sample1`, `Sample2-File1`, `Sample2-File2`, etc.).
- If stratigraphic constraints apply to samples, and so a **Bayesian model with stratigraphic constraints** is implemented, then the names in the `FolderNames` vector must be ordered by order of increasing ages.  
For example, `FolderNames=c(noun1, noun2)`, in which case `noun1` (respectively, `noun2`) corresponds to the subfolder name containing the BIN file of sample 1 (respectively of sample 2). In addition, if we know that sample 1 is younger than sample 2, then `FolderNames` vector is correctly filled.  
If conversely, `FolderNames=c(noun2, noun1)`, the analysis performed by [AgeS\\_Computation](#) would not be consistent.

#### **\*\* How to fill the BinPerSample vector? \*\***

`BinPerSample[i]` corresponds to the number of BIN files for the sample whose number ID is equal to  $i$ .

For example, let us consider a case with two samples (`Sample1` and `Sample2`), with 2 BIN files for `Sample1` and 1 for `Sample2`. In this case, `Nb_binfile=3` and `Nb_sample=2`. The user may then set `FolderNames=c("Sample1-File1", "Sample1-File2", "Sample2-File1")`, in which case `"Sample1-1"` is the name of the subfolder containing the first BIN file for `Sample1`, `"Sample1-File2"` the name of the subfolder for the second BIN file of `Sample1`; eventually, `"Sample2-1"` is the name of the subfolder containing the BIN file for the second sample. In this case, `BinPerSample=c(2,1)`.

For the general BIN-file structure, the reader is referred to the following website: <http://www.nutech.dtu.dk/>

The function [read\\_BIN2R](#) developed in [Luminescence](#) package is used to read the BIN files.

#### **Value**

A list containing the following objects:

- **LT** (one list per sample); each list contains all L/T values for the corresponding sample;
- **sLT** (one list per sample); each list contains all uncertainties on L/T values for the corresponding sample;
- **ITimes** (one list per sample); each list contains irradiation time values for the corresponding sample;
- **dLab**, a matrix containing in line  $i$ , the laboratory dose rate and its variance for sample  $i$ ;
- **ddot\_env**, a matrix containing in line  $i$ , the environmental dose rate and its variance (excluding the common error terms) for sample  $i$ ;
- **regDose** (one list per sample); each list contains all regenerated doses;
- **J**, a vector giving, for each BIN file, the number of aliquots selected for the analysis;
- **K**, a vector giving, for each BIN file, the number of regenerative doses in the SAR protocol;
- **Nb\_measurement**, a vector giving, for each BIN file, the number of measurements;

#### **\*\* How to save this list \*\***

You can save this list in a `.RData` object. To do this, you can use the fonction [save](#). Then, to load this list you can use the function [load](#) (see example section fore more details).

**Note**

The function imports only BIN/BINX-file records which have been previously selected.

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**See Also**

[read\\_BIN2R](#), [combine\\_DataFiles](#), [LT\\_RegenDose Age\\_Computation](#), [AgeS\\_Computation](#), [Palaeodose\\_Computation](#)

**Examples**

```
path <- system.file("extdata/FER1", "", package="BayLum")
folder <- ""
# give the number of sample
nbsample <- 1
DATA <- Generate_DataFile_MG(
  Path = path,
  FolderNames = folder,
  Nb_sample = nbsample)
str(DATA)

# to save information in RData object in folder containing bin file
#save(DATA, file=c(paste(path, folder, 'DATA.RData', sep="")))
# to load information containing DATA.RData object
#load(file=c(paste(path, folder, "DATA.RData", sep="")))
```

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LT\_RegenDose

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*Plots Lx/Tx as a function of the regenerative dose*


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**Description**

This function plots Lx/Tx values as a function of regenerative dose, for every selected aliquot and for each sample.

**Usage**

```
LT_RegenDose(DATA, Path, FolderNames, SampleNames = FolderNames,
  Nb_sample, BinPerSample = rep(1, Nb_sample), SG = rep(TRUE,
  Nb_sample), sepDP = c(", "), nrow = 3L, ncol = nrow)
```

**Arguments**

DATA	<b>list (required):</b> list of objects LT, sLT, ITimes, dLab, ddot_env, regDose, J, K, Nb_measurement, provided by <a href="#">Generate_DataFile</a> or <a href="#">Generate_DataFile_MG</a> or <a href="#">combine_DataFiles</a> . DATA can contain information from more than one sample.
Path	<b>character (required):</b> path to the project folder (the same as the one used in <a href="#">Generate_DataFile</a> or <a href="#">Generate_DataFile_MG</a> to provide DATA)

FolderNames	<b>character (required)</b> : vector of names of the sub-folders containing the BIN files, which were used by <a href="#">Generate_DataFile</a> or <a href="#">Generate_DataFile_MG</a> to generate the DATA object.
SampleNames	<b>character</b> (with default): Names of samples. To use if there is more than one bin file per sample.
Nb_sample	<b>integer (required)</b> : ID number (in [1,Nb_sample]) of the sample selected for plotting L/T as a function of regenerative doses. Required if the DATA object contains information for more than one sample.
BinPerSample	<b>integer</b> (with default): integer vector (with default): vector with the number of BIN files per sample, which was used in <a href="#">Generate_DataFile</a> or <a href="#">Generate_DataFile_MG</a> to generate the DATA object.
SG	<b>logical</b> (with default): vector to set the type of measurement for each sample (length(SG)=Nb_sample). If the sample of number ID equal to i, SG[i]=TRUE if it is a Single-grain OSL measurements, SG[i]=FALSE if it is a Multi-grain OSL measurements.
sepDP	<b>character</b> (with default): column separator in the DiscPose.csv file or in Disc.csv file. It must be the same separator for all samples, for Single-grain OSL measurements or Multi-grain OSL measurements.
nrow	<b>integer</b> (with default): controls the arangement of the plots, here the number of rows. Can be set to NULL.
ncol	<b>integer</b> (with default): controls the arangement of the plots, here the number of columns. Can be set to NULL.

## Details

To fill FolderNames and BinPerSample, we refer to the **Detail** section from the [Generate\\_DataFile](#) or [Generate\\_DataFile](#) function. As well for a precise description of input DATA.

## Value

Lx/Tx plots; there are as many plots as selected aliquots in the DiscPos.csv file. There are 9 plots per page. There is not interpolation.

## Author(s)

Claire Christophe, Sebastian Kreutzer, Anne Philippe, Guillaume Guérin

## See Also

[Generate\\_DataFile](#), [Generate\\_DataFile\\_MG](#)

## Examples

```
## load data file generated by the function Generate_DataFile
data(DATA3,envir = environment())
path<- system.file("extdata/FER1", "", package="BayLum")
folder=""
samplername="FER1"
LT_RegenDose(DATA=DATA3,Path=path,FolderNames=folder,SampleNames=samplername,Nb_sample=1,SG=FALSE)
```



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Marine_CalC14	<i>Marine data for calibration of 14C age</i>
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### Description

As 14C years is not equal to calendar years because atmospheric 14C concentration varies through time. Hence, data in marine\_CalC14 allows a calibration for hypothetical "global" marine reservoir.

### Usage

```
data("Marine_CalC14")
```

### Format

A data frame with 3 variables.

CAL.BP a numeric vector corresponding to calendar years before present

X14C.age a numeric vector corresponding to 14C age

Error a numeric vector corresponding to error around 14C age measurement

### References

Reimer PJ, Bard E, Bayliss A, Beck JW, Blackwell PC, Bronl Ramsey C, Buck CE, Cheng H, Edwards RL, Friedrich M, Grootes PM, Guilderson TP, Haflidason H, Hajdas I, Hatte C, Heaton TJ, Hoffmann DL, Hogg AG, Hughen KA, Kaiser KF, Kromer B, Manning SW, Niu M, Reimer RW, Richards DA, Scott EM, Southon JR, Staff RA, Turney CSM, van der Plicht J. 2013. IntCal13 and Marine13 radiocarbon age calibration curves 0-50000 years cal BP. Radiocarbon 55(4)=1869-1887.

### Examples

```
data(Marine_CalC14)
## maybe str(Marine_CalC14) ; head(Marine_CalC14) ...
```

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MCMCsample	<i>MCMC sample from the posterior distribution of the dataset GDB5</i>
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### Description

MCMC samples from the posterior distribution of "A" for age, "D" for palaeodose and "sD" for dispersion of equivalent doses around "D", of the data set GDB5.

### Usage

```
data("MCMCsample")
```

### Format

It is a matrix with 6000 rows and three columns.

A The first column of the matrix is sampled from the posterior distribution of the parameter A

D The first column of the matrix is sampled from the posterior distribution of the parameter D

sD The first column of the matrix is sampled from the posterior distribution of the parameter sD

## References

Tribolo, C., Asrat, A., Bahain, J. J., Chapon, C., Douville, E., Fragnol, C., Hernandez, M., Hovers, E., Leplongeon, A., Martin, L., Pleurdeau, D., Pearson, O., Puaud, S., Assefa, Z. (2017). Across the Gap: Geochronological and Sedimentological Analyses from the Late Pleistocene-Holocene Sequence of Goda Buticha, Southeastern Ethiopia. PloS one, 12(1), e0169418.

## Examples

```
data(MCMCsample)
## maybe str(MCMCsample) ; plot(MCMCsample[,1],type="l") ...
```

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ModelC14	<i>Likelihood of C14 samples for JAGS models use in Age_0SLC14</i>
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## Description

A list of models for C14 data to define likelihood in JAGS models.

## Usage

```
data("ModelC14")
```

## Format

This list contains:

full a model considering error on calibration curve.

naive a model not considering error on calibration curve.

## References

Reimer PJ, Bard E, Bayliss A, Beck JW, Blackwell PC, Bronl Ramsey C, Buck CE, Cheng H, Edwards RL, Friedrich M, Grootes PM, Guilderson TP, Hafliðason H, Hajdas I, Hatte C, Heaton TJ, Hoffmann DL, Hogg AG, Hughen KA, Kaiser KF, Kromer B, Manning SW, Niu M, Reimer RW, Richards DA, Scott EM, Southon JR, Staff RA, Turney CSM, van der Plicht J. 2013. IntCal13 and Marine13 radiocarbon age calibration curves 0-50000 years cal BP. Radiocarbon 55(4):1869-1887.

Hogg AG, Hua Q, Blackwell PG, Niu M, Buck CE, Guilderson TP, Heaton TJ, Palmer JG, Reimer PJ, Reimer RW, Turney CSM, Zimmerman SRH. 2013. SHCal13 Southern Hemisphere calibration, 0-50000 years cal BP. Radiocarbon 55(4):1889-1903

## Examples

```
data(Model_AgeC14)
writelines(Model_AgeC14$full)
```

ModelOSL

*Likelihood of OSL samples for JAGS models use in Age\_OSLC14***Description**

A list of models for OSL data to define likelihood in JAGS models.

**Usage**

```
data("ModelOSL")
```

**Format**

This list contains:

**AgesMultiCS2\_EXPLIN** a list of 4 models that all consider a saturating exponential plus linear growth. These 4 models have different distribution to describe equivalent dose values around the palaeodose.

**AgesMultiCS2\_EXP** a list of 4 models that all consider a saturating exponential growth. These 4 models have different distribution to describe equivalent dose values around the palaeodose.

**AgesMultiCS2\_EXPZO** a list of 4 models that all consider a saturating exponential plus linear growth and fitting through the origin. These 4 models have different distribution to describe equivalent dose values around the palaeodose.

**AgesMultiCS2\_EXPLINZO** a list of 4 models that all consider a saturating exponential growth and fitting through the origin. These 4 models have different distribution to describe equivalent dose values around the palaeodose.

**Details**

The different distributions to describe equivalent dose values around the palaeodose are:

**cauchy** a Cauchy distribution with position parameter equal to the palaeodose of the sample

**gaussian** a Gaussian distribution with mean equal to the palaeodose of the sample

**lognormal\_A** a log-normal distribution with mean or Average equal to the palaeodose of the sample

**lognormal\_M** a log-normal distribution with Median equal to the palaeodose of the sample

For more information we refer to the function [AgeS\\_Computation](#), section Details.

**References**

Plummer, M. (2003). JAGS: A program for analysis of Bayesian graphical models using Gibbs sampling. In Proceedings of the 3rd international workshop on distributed statistical computing, volume 124, page 125. Technische Universit at Wien, Austria.

Plummer, M. (2015). JAGS Version 4.0. 0 user manual.

**Examples**

```
data(ModelOSL)
## The JAGS model of the likelihood for a saturating exponential plus linear growth
## (a function of the type \code{f(x)=a(1-exp(-x/b))+cx+d})
## and a gaussian distribution of equivalent doses around the palaeodose:
writeLines(ModelOSL$AgesMultiOSL_EXPLIN$gaussian)
```

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ModelPrior

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*Prior for JAGS models use in Age\_OSLC14*


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### Description

A list to define prior in JAGS models, taking account OSL data and C14 data in stratigraphic constraint. The difficulty is in the fact that each cases is different. The youngest sample can be a C14 as well as a OSL sample. To resolve this problem we consider diferent cases thanks to this list.

### Usage

```
data("ModelPrior")
```

### Format

This list contains:

Sample1\_C14 model considering that the youngest sample is a C14 sample

Sample1\_OSL model considering that the youngest sample is a OSL sample

C14\_OSL model considering that the second sample is a C14 sample

OSL\_C14 model considering that the second sample is a OSL sample

C14 model considering that the last sample is a C14 sample

OSL model considering that the last sample is a OSL sample

### References

Plummer, M. (2003). JAGS: A program for analysis of Bayesian graphical models using Gibbs sampling. In Proceedings of the 3rd international workshop on distributed statistical computing, volume 124, page 125. Technische Universit at Wien, Austria.

Plummer, M. (2015). JAGS Version 4.0. 0 user manual.

### Examples

```
data(ModelPrior)
## ModelPrior[[OSL]]
writeLines(ModelPrior$OSL)
```

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Model\_Age

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*JAGS models use in Age\_Computation*


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### Description

A list of JAGS models use to a Bayesian analysis of OSL age of one sample. There are models for various growth curves and various distrubution to describe equivalent dose distribution around the palaeodose.

### Usage

```
data("Model_Age")
```

## Format

This list contains:

`AgeMultiBF_EXPLIN` a list of 4 models that all consider a saturating exponential plus linear growth. These 4 models have different distribution to describe equivalent dose values around the palaeodose.

`AgeMultiBF_EXP` a list of 4 models that all consider a saturating exponential growth. These 4 models have different distribution to describe equivalent dose values around the palaeodose.

`AgeMultiBF_EXPZO` a list of 4 models that all consider a saturating exponential plus linear growth and fitting through the origin. These 4 models have different distribution to describe equivalent dose values around the palaeodose.

`AgeMultiBF_EXPLINZO` a list of 4 models that all consider a saturating exponential growth and fitting through the origin. These 4 models have different distribution to describe equivalent dose values around the palaeodose.

## Details

The different distributions to describe equivalent dose values around the palaeodose are:

`cauchy` a Cauchy distribution with position parameter equal to the palaeodose of the sample

`gaussian` a Gaussian distribution with mean equal to the palaeodose of the sample

`lognormal_A` a log-normal distribution with mean or Average equal to the palaeodose of the sample

`lognormal_M` a log-normal distribution with Median equal to the palaeodose of the sample

For more information we refer to the function [Age\\_Computation](#), section Details.

## References

Plummer, M. (2003). JAGS: A program for analysis of Bayesian graphical models using Gibbs sampling. In Proceedings of the 3rd international workshop on distributed statistical computing, volume 124, page 125. Technische Universit at Wien, Austria.

Plummer, M. (2015). JAGS Version 4.0. 0 user manual.

## See Also

[rjags](#)

## Examples

```
data(Model_Age)
## Terminal print
## The JAGS model for a saturating exponential plus linear growth
## (a function of the type \code{f(x)=a(1-exp(-x/b))+cx+d})
## and a gaussian distribution of equivalent doses around the palaeodose:
writelines(Model_Age$AgeMultiBF_EXPLIN$cauchy)
```

Model\_AgeC14

*JAGS models use in AgeC14\_Computation***Description**

A list of JAGS models use to a Bayesian analysis of C14 calibration age of various sample. Stratigraphic relations can be taken in count to calibrate C14 ages. This ages take into account that some data can be an outlier.

**Usage**

```
data("Model_AgeC14")
```

**Format**

This list contains:

full a model considering error on calibration curve.

naive a model not considering error on calibration curve.

**References**

Reimer PJ, Bard E, Bayliss A, Beck JW, Blackwell PC, Bronl Ramsey C, Buck CE, Cheng H, Edwards RL, Friedrich M, Grootes PM, Guilderson TP, Haffidason H, Hajdas I, Hatte C, Heaton TJ, Hoffmann DL, Hogg AG, Hughen KA, Kaiser KF, Kromer B, Manning SW, Niu M, Reimer RW, Richards DA, Scott EM, Southon JR, Staff RA, Turney CSM, van der Plicht J. 2013. IntCal13 and Marine13 radiocarbon age calibration curves 0-50000 years cal BP. Radiocarbon 55(4):1869-1887.

Hogg AG, Hua Q, Blackwell PG, Niu M, Buck CE, Guilderson TP, Heaton TJ, Palmer JG, Reimer PJ, Reimer RW, Turney CSM, Zimmerman SRH. 2013. SHCal13 Southern Hemisphere calibration, 0-50000 years cal BP. Radiocarbon 55(4):1889-1903

**See Also**

[rjags](#)

**Examples**

```
data(Model_AgeC14)
writeLines(Model_AgeC14$full)
```

Model\_AgeS

*JAGS models use in AgeS\_Computation***Description**

A list of JAGS models use to a Bayesian analysis of OSL age of various samples. There are models for various growth curves and various distrubution to describe equivalent dose distribution around the palaeodose.

**Usage**

```
data("Model_AgeS")
```

**Format**

This list contains:

`AgesMultiCS2_EXPLAIN` a list of 4 models that all consider a saturating exponential plus linear growth. These 4 models have different distribution to describe equivalent dose values around the palaeodose.

`AgesMultiCS2_EXP` a list of 4 models that all consider a saturating exponential growth. These 4 models have different distribution to describe equivalent dose values around the palaeodose.

`AgesMultiCS2_EXPZ0` a list of 4 models that all consider a saturating exponential plus linear growth and fitting through the origin. These 4 models have different distribution to describe equivalent dose values around the palaeodose.

`AgesMultiCS2_EXPLAINZ0` a list of 4 models that all consider a saturating exponential growth and fitting through the origin. These 4 models have different distribution to describe equivalent dose values around the palaeodose.

**Details**

The different distributions to describe equivalent dose values around the palaeodose are:

`cauchy` a Cauchy distribution with postition parameter equal to the palaeodose of the sample

`gaussian` a Gaussian distribution with mean equal to the palaeodose of the sample

`lognormal_A` a log-normal distribution with mean or Average equal to the palaeodose of the sample

`lognormal_M` a log-normal distribution with Median equal to the palaeodose of the sample

For more information we refer to the function [AgeS\\_Computation](#), section Details.

**References**

Plummer, M. (2003). JAGS: A program for analysis of Bayesian graphical models using Gibbs sampling. In Proceedings of the 3rd international workshop on distributed statistical computing, volume 124, page 125. Technische Universit at Wien, Austria.

Plummer, M. (2015). JAGS Version 4.0. 0 user manual.

**See Also**

[rjags](#)

## Examples

```
data(Model_AgeS)
## The JAGS model for a saturating exponential plus linear growth
## (a function of the type  $f(x)=a(1-\exp(-x/b))+cx+d$ )
## and a gaussian distribution of equivalent doses around the palaeodose:
writelines(Model_AgeS$AgesMultiCS2_EXP$gaussian)
```

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Model\_Palaeodose

*JAGS models use in Palaeodose\_Computation*


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## Description

A list of JAGS models use to a Bayesian analysis of OSL palaeodose of one or various samples. There are models for various growth curves and various distribution to describe equivalent dose distribution around the palaeodose.

## Usage

```
data("Model_Palaeodose")
```

## Format

This list contains:

**PalaeodosesMultiBF\_EXPLIN** a list of 4 models that all consider a saturating exponential plus linear growth. These 4 models have different distribution to describe equivalent dose values around the palaeodose.

**PalaeodosesMultiBF\_EXP** a list of 4 models that all consider a saturating exponential growth. These 4 models have different distribution to describe equivalent dose values around the palaeodose.

**PalaeodosesMultiBF\_EXPZO** a list of 4 models that all consider a saturating exponential plus linear growth and fitting through the origin. These 4 models have different distribution to describe equivalent dose values around the palaeodose.

**PalaeodosesMultiBF\_EXPLINZO** a list of 4 models that all consider a saturating exponential growth and fitting through the origin. These 4 models have different distribution to describe equivalent dose values around the palaeodose.

## Details

The different distributions to describe equivalent dose values around the palaeodose are:

**cauchy** a Cauchy distribution with position parameter equal to the palaeodose of the sample

**gaussian** a Gaussian distribution with mean equal to the palaeodose of the sample

**lognormal\_A** a log-normal distribution with mean or Average equal to the palaeodose of the sample

**lognormal\_M** a log-normal distribution with Median equal to the palaeodose of the sample

For more information we refer to the function [Palaeodose\\_Computation](#), section Details.



## References

Plummer, M. (2003). JAGS: A program for analysis of Bayesian graphical models using Gibbs sampling. In Proceedings of the 3rd international workshop on distributed statistical computing, volume 124, page 125. Technische Universit at Wien, Austria.

Plummer, M. (2015). JAGS Version 4.0. 0 user manual.

## See Also

[rjags](#)

## Examples

```
data(Model_Palaeodose)
writeLines(Model_Palaeodose$PalaeodosesMultiBF_EXPLIN$gaussian)
```

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Palaeodose\_Computation

*Bayesian analysis for the palaeodose estimation of various samples*

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## Description

This function computes the palaeodose (in Gy) of one or various samples according to the model developed in Combes et al (2015), based on an output of [Generate\\_DataFile](#) or [Generate\\_DataFile\\_MG](#) or both of them using [combine\\_DataFiles](#).

Samples, for which data is available in several BIN files, can be analysed.

Single-grain or Multi-grain OSL measurements can be analysed simultaneously.

## Usage

```
Palaeodose_Computation(DATA, SampleNames, Nb_sample,
  BinPerSample = rep(1, Nb_sample), SavePdf = FALSE,
  OutputFileName = c("MCMCplot"), OutputFilePath = c(""),
  SaveEstimates = FALSE, OutputTableName = c("DATA"),
  OutputTablePath = c(""), LIN_fit = TRUE, Origin_fit = FALSE,
  distribution = c("cauchy"), Iter = 50000, t = 5, n.chains = 3)
```

## Arguments

DATA	list of objects: LT, sLT, ITimes, dLab, ddot_env, regDose, J, K, Nb_measurement, provided by <a href="#">Generate_DataFile</a> or <a href="#">Generate_DataFile_MG</a> . DATA contains information for more than one sample.
SampleNames	character vector: names of sample. The length of this vector is equal to Nb_sample.
Nb_sample	integer: number of samples.
BinPerSample	integer vector (with default): vector with the number of BIN files per sample. The length of this vector is equal to Nb_sample. BinPerSample[i] corresponds to the number of BIN files for the sample whose number ID is equal to i. For more information to fill this vector, we refer to details in <a href="#">Generate_DataFile</a> or <a href="#">Generate_DataFile_MG</a> .
SavePdf	boolean (with default): if TRUE save graph in pdf file named OutputFileName in folder OutputFilePath.

OutputFileName	character (with default): name of the pdf files that will be generated by the function.
OutputFilePath	character (with default): path to the pdf files that will be generated by the function.
SaveEstimates	boolean (with default): if TRUE save Bayes estimates and credible interval at level 68 in a csv table named OutputFileName in folder OutputFilePath.
OutputTableName	character (with default): name of the table that will be generated by the function if SaveEstimates=TRUE.
OutputTablePath	character (with default): path to the table that will be generated by the function if SaveEstimates=TRUE.
LIN_fit	logical (with default): if TRUE (default) allows a linear component, on top of the (default) saturating exponential curve, for the fitting of dose response curves. Please see details for more informations on the proposed dose response curves.
Origin_fit	logical (with default): if TRUE, forces the dose response curves to pass through the origin. Please see details for more informations on the proposed growth curves.
distribution	character (with default): type of distribution that defines how individual equivalent dose values are distributed around the palaeodose. Allowed inputs are "cauchy", "gaussian", "lognormal_A" and "lognormal_M".
Iter	integer (with default): number of iterations for the MCMC computation (for more information see <a href="#">jags.model</a> ).
t	integer (with default): 1 every t iterations of the MCMC is considered for sampling the posterior distribution (for more information see <a href="#">jags.model</a> ).
n.chains	integer (with default): number of independent chains for the model (for more information see <a href="#">jags.model</a> ).

## Details

### \*\* Option on growth curves \*\*

As for [Age\\_Computation](#) and [AgeS\\_Computation](#), the user can choose from 4 dose response curves:

- **Saturating exponential plus linear growth** (PalaeodosesMultiBF\_EXPLIN):  
for all  $x$  in  $\mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $f(x)=a(1-\exp(-x/b))+cx+d$ ; select
  - LIN\_fit=TRUE
  - Origin\_fit=FALSE
- **Saturating exponential growth** (PalaeodosesMultiBF\_EXP):  
for all  $x$  in  $\mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $f(x)=a(1-\exp(-x/b))+d$ ; select
  - LIN\_fit=FALSE
  - Origin\_fit=FALSE
- **Saturating exponential plus linear growth and fitting through the origin** (PalaeodosesMultiBF\_EXPLINZ0):  
for all  $x$  in  $\mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $f(x)=a(1-\exp(-x/b))+cx$ ; select
  - LIN\_fit=TRUE
  - Origin\_fit=TRUE
- **Saturating exponential growth and fitting through the origin** (PalaeodosesMultiBF\_EXPZ0):  
for all  $x$  in  $\mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $f(x)=a(1-\exp(-x/b))$ ; select

- LIN\_fit=FALSE
- Origin\_fit=TRUE

### **\*\* Option on equivalent dose distribution around the palaeodose \*\***

The use can choose between :

- **cauchy**: a Cauchy distribution with location parameter equal to the palaeodose of the sample
- **gaussian**: a Gaussian distribution with mean equal to the palaeodose of the sample
- **lognormal\_A**: a log-normal distribution with mean or Average equal to the palaeodose of the sample
- **lognormal\_M**: a log-normal distribution with Median equal to the palaeodose of the sample

### **Value**

#### **NUMERICAL OUTPUT**

##### **1. A list containing the following objects:**

- **Sampling** that corresponds to a sample of the posterior distributions of palaeodose and equivalent dose dispersion parameters (both in Gy).
- **Model\_GrowthCurve**, stating which dose response fitting option was chosen;
- **Distribution**, stating which distribution was chosen to model the dispersion of individual equivalent dose values around the palaeodose of the sample.

##### **2. The Gelman and Rubin test of convergency:** prints the result of the Gelman and Rubin test of convergency for palaeodose and equivalent dose dispersion parameters for each sample. A result close to one is expected.

In addition, the user must visually assess the convergency of the trajectories by looking at the pdf file generated by the function (see **PLOT OUTPUT** for more informations).

If both convergencies (Gelman and Rubin test and plot checking) are satisfactory, the user can consider the printed estimates as valid. Otherwise, the user may try increasing the number of MCMC iterations (**Iter**) to reach convergency.

##### **3. Credible intervals and Bayes estimates:** prints the Bayes estimates, the credible intervals at 95% and 68% for the palaeodose and equivalent dose dispersion parameters for each sample.

#### **PLOT OUTPUT**

##### **1. MCMC trajectories** A graph with the MCMC trajectories and posterior distributions of the palaeodose and equivalent dose dispersion parameters is displayed, there is one page per sample.

The first line of the figure corresponds to the palaeodose parameter and the second to the equivalent dose dispersion parameter. On each line, the plot on the left represents the MCMC trajectories, and the one on the right the posterior distribution of the parameter.

##### **2. Summary of palaeodose estimates:** plot credible intervals and Bayes estimate of each sample palaeodose on a same graph.

To give result in a publication, we recommend to give the Bayes estimate of the parameters as well as the credible interval at 95% or 68%.

### **Note**

Please note that the initial values for all MCMC are currently all the same for all chains since we rely on the automatic initial value generation of JAGS. This is not optimal and will be changed in future. However, it does not affect the quality of the age estimates if the chains have converged.

**Author(s)**

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**References**

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**See Also**

[Generate\\_DataFile](#), [Generate\\_DataFile\\_MG](#), [combine\\_DataFiles](#), [rjags](#), [plot\\_MCMC](#), [Age\\_Computation](#), [AgeS\\_Computation](#)

**Examples**

```
## Load data
data(DATA1,envir = environment())
## Palaeodose computation of samples GDB3
P=Palaeodose_Computation(DATA=DATA1,Nb_sample=1,SampleNames=c("GDB5"),Iter=100)
```

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plot\_Ages

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*Create age plot*


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**Description**

Create age plot

**Usage**

```
plot_Ages(object, sample_names = NULL, sample_order = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	<b>list (required)</b> : Output as created by functions like <a href="#">AgeC14_Computation</a> .
sample_names	<b>character</b> (optional): alternative sample names used for the plotting. If the length of the provided <b>character</b> vector is shorter than the real number of samples, the names are recycled.
sample_order	<b>numeric</b> (optional): argument to rearrange the sample order, e.g., sample_order = c(4:1) plots the last sample first.
...	further arguments to control the plot output, standard arguments are: cex, xlim, main, xlab, col further (non-standard) arguments are: grid (TRUE/FALSE), legend (TRUE/FALSE), legend.text ( <b>character</b> input needed), legend.pos <a href="#">graphics::legend</a>

**Details**

This function creates an age plot showing the mean ages along with the credible intervals. The function provides various arguments to modify the plot output, however, for an ultimate control the function returns the [data.frame](#) extracted from the input object for own plots.

**Value**

The function returns a plot and the [data.frame](#) used to display the data

**Function version**

0.1.3

**Author(s)**

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based on code written by Claire Christophe

**See Also**

[AgeC14\\_Computation](#), [AgeS\\_Computation](#)

**Examples**

```
## load data
data(DATA_C14,envir = environment())
C14Cal <- DATA_C14$C14[,1]
SigmaC14Cal <- DATA_C14$C14[,2]
Names <- DATA_C14$Names
nb_sample <- length(Names)

## Age computation
Age <- AgeC14_Computation(
  Data_C14Cal = C14Cal,
  Data_SigmaC14Cal = SigmaC14Cal,
  SampleNames = Names,
  Nb_sample = nb_sample,
  PriorAge = rep(c(20,60),nb_sample),
  Iter = 500,
  quiet = TRUE)

## plot output
plot_Ages(Age)
```

**Description**

This function uses the output of [rjags::jags.model](#) to visualise the traces of the MCMC and the corresponding densities. In particular it displays the posterior distributions of the age, if it is calculated, palaeodose and the equivalent dose dispersion parameters of the sample. The function output is very similar to plot output produced with the 'coda' package, but tailored to meet the needs in the context of the 'BayLum' package.

## Usage

```
plot_MCMC(object, sample_names = NULL, variables = c("A", "D", "sD"),
  axes_labels = c(A = "Age (ka)", D = "D (Gy)", sD = "sD (Gy)"),
  n.chains = NULL, n.iter = 1000L, smooth = FALSE, rug = TRUE,
  plot_single = FALSE, ...)
```

## Arguments

object	<a href="#">coda::mcmc.list</a> or <a href="#">coda::mcmc</a> ( <b>required</b> ): Output generated by <a href="#">rjags::jags.model</a> , e.g., in <a href="#">Age_Computation</a>
sample_names	<a href="#">character</a> (optional): Names of the used samples. This argument overrides the optional argument <code>mtext</code> .
variables	<a href="#">character</a> (with default): Variables in your <a href="#">coda::mcmc</a> object to be plotted.
axes_labels	<a href="#">character</a> (with default): Axes labels used for the trace and density plots. The labels should be provided as named <a href="#">character vector</a> with the parameter names as the names used to assign the axes labelling. The labelling for the x-axis (trace plots) and y-axis (density plot) cannot be modified.
n.chains	<a href="#">numeric</a> (optional): Set the number of chains to visualise, if nothing is provided the number of chains is determined from the input object
n.iter	<a href="#">integer</a> (with default): Set the number of iterations to be visualised in the trace plots, regardless of the size of the input dataset as long as the real number of iterations is $> n.iter$ . Please note that large numbers impact the plot performance.
smooth	<a href="#">logical</a> (with default): Enable/disables smooth of trace plots using <a href="#">stats::smooth</a>
rug	<a href="#">logical</a> (with default): Enable/disables <a href="#">rug</a> under density plots
plot_single	<a href="#">logical</a> (with default): Enables/disables the single plot mode of the function, i.e. if set to TRUE every plot is returned in a single plot and own <a href="#">par</a> settings can be applied.
...	further arguments that can be passed to modify the plot output. Supported arguments are <code>lwd</code> , <code>lty</code> , <code>col</code> , <code>type</code> , <code>cex</code> , <code>mtext</code> , cf. <a href="#">mtext</a> for <code>mtext</code> and <a href="#">plot.default</a> for the other arguments.

## Details

The function is used in the function [Age\\_Computation](#), [AgeS\\_Computation](#) and [Palaeodose\\_Computation](#), but can be used also as standalone plot function.

## Value

Two plots: Traces of the MCMC chains and the corresponding density plots. This plots are similar to [coda::traceplot](#) and [coda::densplot](#).

## Function version

0.1.3

## Author(s)

Sebastian Kreutzer, IRAMAT-CRP2A, UMR 5060, CNRS-Université Bordeaux Montaigne (France).  
This function is a re-written version of the function 'MCMC\_plot()' by Claire Christophe

**See Also**

[Age\\_Computation](#), [AgeS\\_Computation](#), [Palaeodose\\_Computation](#), [rjags::coda.samples](#) and [rjags](#) packages.

**Examples**

```
data(MCMCsample,envir = environment())
object <- coda::as.mcmc(MCMCsample)
plot_MCMC(object)
```

plot\_Scatterplots

*Display Scatter Plot Matrix of the Bayesian Age Results***Description**

Create a hexbin plot matrix ([hexbin::hexplom](#)) of age results returned by the bayesian age calculation.

**Usage**

```
plot_Scatterplots(object, variables = c("A"), sample_names = NULL,
  sample_selection = NULL, n.chains = NULL, plot_type = "hexbin",
  plot_mode = "matrix", ...)
```

```
ScatterSamples(...)
```

**Arguments**

object	<a href="#">coda::mcmc.list</a> or a <a href="#">data.frame</a> ( <b>required</b> ): mcmc list objects generated by <a href="#">rjags::jags.model</a> in <a href="#">AgeS_Computation</a> , <a href="#">AgeC14_Computation</a> or <a href="#">Age_OSLC14</a> . If a <a href="#">data.frame</a> is provided, only the first two columns are taken and NA values are automatically removed.
variables	<a href="#">character</a> ( <i>with default</i> ): variable to be selected for the scatter plot, e.g., "A". Please note that you can only select one variable at the time
sample_names	<a href="#">character</a> ( <i>optional</i> ): sample names shown in the plot matrix
sample_selection	<a href="#">numeric</a> ( <i>with default</i> ): vector of samples to be plotted in the scatter matrix, e.g., c(1,2) will plot the first two samples, c(1,3) will plot samples 1 and 3 and c(1:3) will plot the first three samples
n.chains	<a href="#">integer</a> ( <i>with default</i> ): allows to limit the number of chains shown, by default the results of all chains are plotted.
plot_type	<a href="#">character</a> ( <i>with default</i> ): switch between different plot types, "hexbin" (the default), based on the function <a href="#">hexbin::hexplom</a> and <a href="#">smoothScatter</a> (the alternative) based on a highly customised plot function using the function <a href="#">graphics::smoothScatter</a>
plot_mode	<a href="#">character</a> ( <i>with default</i> ): switch between a matrix plot mode and a single plot mode. The plot mode single only works for plot_type = <a href="#">smoothScatter</a> and creates a single plot panel for each sample. Please note that this cannot be further combined with other par settings.

... further arguments to control the plot output, standard plot arguments supported are main, xlab, ylab, xlim, ylim, cex. For additional arguments supporting a fine tuning of the plot, see details.

Details

Additional supported plot arguments

The following table lists additional arguments supported by the function in order to fine tune the graphical output. Such arguments, can just be added in the function call. Example, for disabling the `graphics::rug` in the plot mode `smoothScatter` you can type `plot_Scatterplots(..., rug = FALSE)` Please note that not all arguments are supported by all plot types.

ARGUMENT	SUPPORTED BY PLOT TYPE	DESCRIPTION
colramp	hexbin and smoothScatter	Option to define an own colour ramp, by defining an own func
pscales	hexbin and smoothScatter	Controls the number of ticks shown on the plot axes, please no
bw_smoothScatter	smoothScatter	Controls the bandwidth of the smooth scatter, cf. <code>graphics::smo</code>
rug	smoothScatter	enables/disables rugs
nlevels	smoothScatter	controls the number of isolines shown (cf. <code>graphics::contour</code> )
nrpoints	smoothScatter	defines the number of nrpoints to be plotted <code>graphics::smoo</code>
col_contour	smoothScatter	defines the colour of the contour lines
col_nrpoints	smoothScatter	sets colour of the nrpoints in the scatter plot

Value

A scatter plot based on `hexbin::hexplom`

Function version

0.3.1

Author(s)

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See Also

[Age\\_Computation](#), [AgeS\\_Computation](#), [AgeC14\\_Computation](#), and [rjags](#) packages.

Examples

```
data(AgeS,envir = environment())

##hexbin
plot_Scatterplots(
  object = AgeS$Sampling,
  sample_names = c("GDB5", "GDB3"),
  sample_selection = c(1,2)
)

##scatter smooth (matrix)
plot_Scatterplots(
  object = AgeS$Sampling,
```



```

sample_names = c("GDB5", "GDB3"),
sample_selection = c(1,2),
plot_type = "smoothScatter")

##scatter smooth (single)
plot_Scatterplots(
  object = AgeS$Sampling,
  sample_names = c("GDB5", "GDB3"),
  sample_selection = c(1,2),
  plot_type = "smoothScatter",
  plot_mode = "single")

```

SCMatrix

*Definition of the stratigraphic constraint matrix***Description**

This function helps to define the stratigraphic relation between samples, with questions. The output of this function can be used in function AgeS\_Computation.

**Usage**

```
SCMatrix(Nb_sample, SampleNames)
```

**Arguments**

Nb_sample	interger: the sample number.
SampleNames	charcater vector: sample names.

**Details**

Ask if sample i is younger than sample j to construc the stratigraphic constrain matrix.

**Value**

A Matrix that summarise the ordered relation between samples. This matrix can be intergrate in AgeS\_Computation function. We refer to detail on AgeS\_Computation for more information concerning this matrix.

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

AgeS\_Computation

**Examples**

```
## Assume that "sample1" is younger than "sample2"
## That means the expected value is 1.
## It is an interactive function.
## Not run:
SCMatrix(Nb_sample=2,SampleNames=c("sample1","sample2"))
## Enter the value 1

## End(Not run)
```

SC\_Ordered

*Create stratigraphically ordered sample matrix***Description**

Construct the stratigraphic matrix used in the functions [AgeS\\_Computation](#) and [AgeC14\\_Computation](#) for samples that are all ordered by increasing age.

**Usage**

```
SC_Ordered(Nb_sample)
```

**Arguments**

Nb\_sample      **integer (required)**: the number of samples

**Value**

Stratigraphic matrix where each sample are ordered by increasing order. This matrix can be integrated in the function [AgeS\\_Computation](#). Please see [AgeS\\_Computation](#) for more information on this matrix.

**Author(s)**

Claire Christophe, Anne Philippe, Sebastian Kreutzer, Guillaume Guérin

**See Also**

[AgeS\\_Computation](#), [SCMatrix](#)

**Examples**

```
# compute the stratigraphic matrix for 3 samples such that the first sample is younger
# than the second, and the second is younger than the third
SC <- SC_Ordered(Nb_sample = 3)
```

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