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Title Fitting RT-MPT Models

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Description Fit response-time extended multinomial processing tree (RT-MPT) models by Klauer and
Kellen (2018) <doi:10.1016/j.jmp.2017.12.003>. The RT-MPT class not only incorporate
frequencies like traditional multinomial processing tree (MPT) models, but also laten-
cies. This enables it
to estimate process completion times and encoding plus motor execution times next to the pro-
cess probabilities
of traditional MPTs. 'rtmpt' is a Bayesian framework and posterior samples are sampled us-
ing a Metropolis-Gibbs
sampler like the one described in the Klauer and Kellen (2018), but with some modifica-
tions. Other than in
the original C++ program we use the free and open source GNU Scientific Li-
brary (GSL). There is also the
possibility to suppress single process completion times.

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fit_rtmpt	*Posterior sample, diagnostics and some optional stuff*

Description

Given model and data, this function calls an altered version of the C++ program by Klauer and Kellen (2018) to sample from the posterior distribution via a Metropolis-Gibbs sampler and storing it in an mcmc.list called samples. Posterior predictive checks developed by Klauer (2010), deviance information criterion (DIC; Spiegelhalter et al., 2002), 99% and 95% highest density intervals (HDI) together with the median will be provided for the main parameters in a list called diags. Optionally, the indices widely applicable information criterion (WAIC; Watanabe, 2010; Vehtari et al., 2017) and leave-one-out cross-validation (LOO; Vehtari et al., 2017) can be saved. Additionally the log-likelihood (LogLik) can also be stored. Some specifications of the function call are also saved in specs.

Usage

```
fit_rtmpt(model, data, n.chains = 4, n.iter = 5000, n.burnin = 200,
  n.thin = 1, Rhat_max = 1.05, Irep = 1000, prior_params = NULL,
  indices = FALSE, save_log_lik = FALSE, old_label = FALSE)
```

Arguments

model	A list of the class rtmpt_model.
data	Optimally, a list of class rtmpt_data. Also possible is a data.frame or a path to the text file. Both, data.frame and the text file must contain the column names "subj", "group", "tree", "cat", and "rt" preferably but not necessarily in this order. The values of the latter must be in milliseconds. It is always advised to use [to_rtmpt_data](#) first, which gives back an rtmpt_data list with informations about the changes in the data, that were needed.
n.chains	Number of chains to use. Default is 4. Must be larger than 1 and smaller or equal to 16.
n.iter	Number of samples per chain. Default is 5000.
n.burnin	Number of warm-up samples. Default is 200.
n.thin	Thinning factor. Default is 1.
Rhat_max	Maximal Potential scale reduction factor: A lower threshold that needs to be reached before the actual sampling starts. Default is 1.05

Irep   Every `Irep` samples an interim state with the current maximal potential scale reduction factor is shown. Default is 1000. The following statements must hold true for `Irep`:

- `n.burnin` is smaller than or equal to `Irep`,
- `Irep` is a multiple of `n.thin` and
- `n.iter` is a multiple of `Irep / n.thin`.

prior_params   Named list with prior parameters. All parameters have default values, that lead to uninformative priors. Vectors are not allowed. Allowed parameters are:

- `mean_of_exp_mu_beta`: This is the a priori expected exponential rate ($E(exp(beta))$ = $E(lambda)$) and `1/mean_of_exp_mu_beta` is the a priori expected process time ($1/E(exp(beta)) = E(tau)$). The default mean is set to `10`, such that the expected a priori process time is `0.1` seconds.

- `var_of_exp_mu_beta`: The a priori group-specific variance of the exponential rates. Since `exp(mu_beta)` is Gamma distributed, the rate of the distribution is just mean divided by variance and the shape is the mean times the rate. The default is set to `100`.

- `mean_of_mu_gamma`: This is the a priori expected *mean parameter* of the encoding and response execution times, which follow a normal distribution truncated from below at zero, so `E(mu_gamma)` < `E(gamma)`. The default is `0`.

- `var_of_mu_gamma`: The a priori group-specific variance of the *mean parameter*. Its default is `10`.

- `mean_of_omega_sqr`: This is the a priori expected residual variance ($E(omega^2)$). Its distribution differs from the one used in the paper. Here it is a Gamma distribution instead of an improper one. The default is `0.005`.

- `var_of_omega_sqr`: The a priori variance of the residual variance ($Var(omega^2)$). The default is `0.01`. The default of the mean and variance is equivalent to a shape and rate of `0.0025` and `0.5`, respectivly.

- `df_of_sigma_sqr`: A priori degrees of freedom for the individual variance of the response executions. The individual variance has a scaled inverse chi-squared prior with `df_of_sigma_sqr` degrees of freedom and `omega^2` as scale. `2` is the default and it should be an integer.

- `sf_of_scale_matrix_SIGMA`: The original scaling matrix (S) of the (scaled) inverse Wishart distribution for the process related parameters is an identity matrix S=I. `sf_of_scale_matrix_SIGMA` is a scaling factor, that scales this matrix (S=`sf_of_scale_matrix_SIGMA`*I). Its default is `1`.

- `sf_of_scale_matrix_GAMMA`: The original scaling matrix (S) of the (scaled) inverse Wishart distribution for the encoding and motor execution parameters is an identity matrix S=I. `sf_of_scale_matrix_GAMMA` is a scaling factor, that scales this matrix (S=`sf_of_scale_matrix_GAMMA`*I). Its default is `1`.

- `prec_epsilon`: This is epsilon in the paper. It is the precision of mu_alpha and all xi (scaling parameter in the scaled inverse Wishart distribution). Its default is also `1`.

- `add_df_to_invWish`: If P is the number of parameters or rather the size of the scale matrix used in the (scaled) inverse Wishart distribution then `add_df_to_invWish` is the number of degrees of freedom that can be added to it. So `DF = P + add_df_to_invWish`. The default for `add_df_to_invWish` is 1, such that the correlations are uniformly distributed within `[-1,1]`.

indices	Model selection indices. If set to TRUE the log-likelihood for each iteration and trial will be stored temporarily and with that the WAIC and LOO will be calculated via the loo package. If you want to have this log-likelihood matrix stored in the output of this function, you can set save_log_lik to TRUE. The default for indices is FALSE.
save_log_lik	If set to TRUE and indices = TRUE the log-likelihood matrix for each iteration and trial will be saved in the output as a matrix. Its default is FALSE.
old_label	If set to TRUE the old labels of "subj" and "group" of the data will be used in the elements of the output list. Default is FALSE.

Value

A list of the class rtmpt_fit containing

- samples: the posterior samples as an mcmc.list object,
- diags: some diagnostics like deviance information criterion, posterior predictive checks for the frequencies and latencies, potential scale reduction factors, and also the 99% and 95% HDIs and medians for the group-level parameters,
- specs: some model specifications like the model, arguments of the model call, and information about the data transformation,
- indices (optional): if enabled, WAIC and LOO,
- LogLik (optional): if enabled, the log-likelihood matrix used for WAIC and LOO.
- summary includes posterior mean and median of the main parameters.

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Examples

```
###############################################################################
# Detect-Guess variant of the Two-High Threshold model.
# The encoding and motor execution times are assumed to be equal for each response.
###############################################################################
```

```
mdl_2HTM <- "
# targets
do+(1-do)*g
(1-do)*(1-g)

# lures
(1-dn)*g
dn+(1-dn)*(1-g)

# do: detect old; dn: detect new; g: guess
"

model <- to_rtmpt_model(mdl_file = mdl_2HTM)

data_file <- system.file("extdata/data.txt", package="rtmpt")
data <- read.table(file = data_file, header = TRUE)
data_list <- to_rtmpt_data(raw_data = data, model = model)

# This might take some time
rtmpt_out <- fit_rtmpt(model = model, data = data_list)
rtmpt_out

# Type ?SimData for another working example.
```

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fit_rtmpt_SBC   *Simulate data from RT-MPT models*

Description

Simulate data from RT-MPT models using rtmpt_model objects. The difference to [sim_rtmpt_data](#) is that here only scalars are allowed. This makes it usable for SBC. You can specify the random seed, number of subjects, number of trials, and some parameters (same as prior_params from [fit_rtmpt](#)).

Usage

```
fit_rtmpt_SBC(model, seed, n.eff_samples = 99, n.chains = 4,
  n.iter = 5000, n.burnin = 200, n.thin = 1, Rhat_max = 1.05,
  Irep = 1000, n.subj = 40, n.trials = 30, prior_params = NULL)
```

Arguments

model	A list of the class rtmpt_model.
seed	Random seed number.
n.eff_samples	Number of effective samples. Default is 99, leading to 100 possible ranks (from 0 to 99).
n.chains	Number of chains to use. Default is 4. Must be larger than 1 and smaller or equal to 16.
n.iter	Number of samples per chain. Default is 5000. Must be larger or equal to n.eff_samples.
n.burnin	Number of warm-up samples. Default is 200.

n.thin   Thinning factor. Default is 1.

Rhat_max   Maximal Potential scale reduction factor: A lower threshold that needs to be
                  reached before the actual sampling starts. Default is 1.05

Irep   Every Irep samples an interim state with the current maximal potential scale
                  reduction factor is shown. Default is 1000. The following statements must hold
                  true for Irep:

                       • n.burnin is smaller than or equal to Irep,
                       • Irep is a multiple of n.thin and
                       • n.iter is a multiple of Irep / n.thin.

n.subj   Number of subjects. Default is 40.

n.trials   Number of trials per tree. Default is 30.

prior_params   Named list of parameters from which the data will be generated. This must
                  be the same named list as prior_params from fit_rtmpt and has the same
                  defaults. It is not recommended to use the defaults since they lead to many
                  probabilities close or equal to 0 and/or 1 and to RTs close or equal to 0. Allowed
                  parameters are:

                       • mean_of_exp_mu_beta: This is the expected exponential rate (E(exp(beta))
                         = E(lambda)) and 1/mean_of_exp_mu_beta is the expected process time
                         (1/E(exp(beta)) = E(tau)). The default mean is set to 10, such that the
                         expected process time is 0.1 seconds.
                       • var_of_exp_mu_beta: The group-specific variance of the exponential rates.
                         Since exp(mu_beta) is Gamma distributed, the rate of the distribution is
                         just mean divided by variance and the shape is the mean times the rate. The
                         default is set to 100.
                       • mean_of_mu_gamma: This is the expected *mean parameter* of the encoding
                         and response execution times, which follow a normal distribution truncated
                         from below at zero, so E(mu_gamma) < E(gamma). The default is 0.
                       • var_of_mu_gamma: The group-specific variance of the *mean parameter*. Its
                         default is 10.
                       • mean_of_omega_sqr: This is the expected residual variance (E(omega^2)).
                         The default is 0.005.
                       • var_of_omega_sqr: The variance of the residual variance (Var(omega^2)).
                         The default is 0.01. The default of the mean and variance is equivalent to
                         a shape and rate of 0.0025 and 0.5, respectivly.
                       • df_of_sigma_sqr: degrees of freedom for the individual variance of the
                         response executions. The individual variance follows a scaled inverse chi-
                         squared distribution with df_of_sigma_sqr degrees of freedom and omega^2
                         as scale. 2 is the default and it should be an integer.
                       • sf_of_scale_matrix_SIGMA: The original scaling matrix (S) of the (scaled)
                         inverse Wishart distribution for the process related parameters is an iden-
                         tity matrix S=I. sf_of_scale_matrix_SIGMA is a scaling factor, that scales
                         this matrix (S=sf_of_scale_matrix_SIGMA*I). Its default is 1.
                       • sf_of_scale_matrix_GAMMA: The original scaling matrix (S) of the (scaled)
                         inverse Wishart distribution for the encoding and motor execution param-
                         eters is an identity matrix S=I. sf_of_scale_matrix_GAMMA is a scaling
                         factor that scales this matrix (S=sf_of_scale_matrix_GAMMA*I). Its de-
                         fault is 1.
                       • prec_epsilon: This is epsilon in the paper. It is the precision of mu_alpha
                         and all xi (scaling parameter in the scaled inverse Wishart distribution). Its
                         default is also 1.

- add_df_to_invWish: If P is the number of parameters or rather the size of the scale matrix used in the (scaled) inverse Wishart distribution then add_df_to_invWish is the number of degrees of freedom that can be added to it. So DF = P + add_df_to_invWish. The default for add_df_to_invWish is 1, such that the correlations are uniformly distributed within [-1,1].

Value

A list of the class rtmpt_sbc containing

- ranks: the rank statistic for all parameters,
- sim_list: an object of the class rtmpt_sim,
- fit_list: an object of the class rtmpt_fit,
- specs: some specifications like the model, seed number, etc.,

Author(s)

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Examples

```
###############################################################################
# Detect-Guess variant of the Two-High Threshold model.
# The encoding and motor execution times are assumed to be different for each response.
###############################################################################


mdl_2HTM <- "
# targets
d+(1-d)*g      ; 0
(1-d)*(1-g)    ; 1

# lures
(1-d)*g        ; 0
d+(1-d)*(1-g) ; 1

# d: detect; g: guess
"

model <- to_rtmpt_model(mdl_file = mdl_2HTM)

params <- list(mean_of_exp_mu_beta = 10,
               var_of_exp_mu_beta = 10,
               mean_of_mu_gamma = 0.5,
               var_of_mu_gamma = 0.0025,
               mean_of_omega_sqr = 0.005,
               var_of_omega_sqr = 0.000025,
               df_of_sigma_sqr = 10,
               sf_of_scale_matrix_SIGMA = 0.1,
               sf_of_scale_matrix_GAMMA = 0.01,
               prec_epsilon = 10,
               add_df_to_invWish = 5)

SBC_out <- fit_rtmpt_SBC(model, seed = 123, prior_params = params)
SBC_out$ranks
```

```
# For 2000 replications
## This takes too long to run and in addition Rhat should always be
## checked as well as the effective sample size.
R = 2000
rank_mat <- data.frame()

for (r in 1:R) {
  SBC_out <- fit_rtmpt_SBC(model, seed = r*123, prior_params = params, n.eff_samples = 99)
  rank_mat <- rbind(rank_mat, SBC_out$ranks)
}

## pearson chi square for testing uniformity
x <- apply(rank_mat[1:R,], 2, table)
expect <- R/100 # 100 = number of bins/cells (0:99)
pearson <- apply(X = x, MARGIN = 2, FUN = function(x) {sum((x-expect)^2/expect)})
z95 <- qchisq(0.95, 99) # 99 = degrees of freedom
sum(pearson>z95) / length(pearson)
```

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set_params	*Set constants for probability parameters and suppress process times in a* rtmpt_model *list*

Description

By using parameter = "probs" you can specify which of the probability parameters should be set to a constant by using values between zero and one. If you use NA the probability will be estimated. By using parameter = "tau_minus" or parameter = "tau_plus" you can suppress process times/rates. Here 0 will suppress the named process and NA allows the process time/rate to be estimated.

Usage

```
set_params(model, parameter, names, values = NA)
```

Arguments

model
: A list of the class rtmpt_model.

parameter
: Character of length one indicating the parameter to change. Allowed characters:

  - "probs": probability parameters
  - "tau_minus": rate parameters of the exponential distribution of the process times that lead to a negative outcome
  - "tau_plus": rate parameters of the exponential distribution of the process times that lead to a positive outcome

names
: Character vector with process names.

values
: Numerical vector of length length(names). By using parameter = "probs" you have the following options

  - NA: estimate the named probability
  - 0 < values < 1: set the named probability to a constant value between zero and one

Example: set_params(model = model,parameter = "probs",names = c("do","dn","g"),value
= c(NA,NA,.5)) will set the guessing "old" (g) to the constant 0.5 in the 2HT
model. By using parameter = "tau_minus" or parameter = "tau_plus" you
have two options:

- NA: estimate the process time/rate
- 0: suppress the process time/rate

Example: set_params(model = model,parameter = "tau_minus",names = c("do","dn","g"),v
= c(NA,NA,0)) will suppress the process-completion time for guessing "new"
in the 2HT model. This of course does not make sense here, but for some mod-
els it might be useful if you assume that a time-consuming process is not as-
sociated with certain process-outcome pairs (e.g., for technical parameters not
corresponding to a psychological process).

Value

A list of the class rtmpt_model.

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See Also

set_resps

Examples

```
################################################################################
# Detect-Guess variant of the Two-High Threshold model.
# The encoding and motor execution times are assumed to be equal for each category.
# The process completion times for both failed detections will be suppressed.
################################################################################

mdl_2HTM <- "
# targets
do+(1-do)*g
(1-do)*(1-g)

# lures
(1-dn)*g
dn+(1-dn)*(1-g)

# do: detect old; dn: detect new; g: guess
"

model <- to_rtmpt_model(mdl_file = mdl_2HTM)

## removing the process times for the failed detection ("tau_minus")
## of the detection parameters ("dn", "do")
model <- set_params(model = model, parameter = "tau_minus",
                    names = c("dn", "do"), values = c(0,0))
```

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set_resps *Set responses in a* rtmpt_model

Description

Change the responses for a tree and the categories within that tree.

Usage

```
set_resps(model, tree, categories, values = 0)
```

Arguments

model	A list of the class rtmpt_model.
tree	Character or numerical value of the tree for which the responses should be changed.
categories	Character or numerical vector identifying category/ies within the specified tree for which the responses should be changed.
values	Numerical vector of length length(categories) providing the responses. Default is 0.

Value

A list of the class rtmpt_model.

Author(s)

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See Also

[set_params](#)

Examples

```
########################################################################
# Detect-Guess variant of the Two-High Threshold model.
# The encoding and motor execution times will be set to different values
#   for each response.
########################################################################

mdl_2HTM <- "
# targets
do+(1-do)*g
(1-do)*(1-g)

# lures
(1-dn)*g
dn+(1-dn)*(1-g)

# do: detect old; dn: detect new; g: guess
"
```

```
model <- to_rtmpt_model(mdl_file = mdl_2HTM)

## changing the model to have two different encoding and response execution
## times for "old" and "new" responses.
for(i in c(0,1)) model <- set_resps(model = model, tree = i,
                                    categories = i*2+1, values = 1)
```

SimData   *Data simulated from the restricted 2HTM*

Description

Data set generated from a restricted Two-High Threshold model.

Usage

```
SimData
```

Format

A data frame with five variables:

subj subjects number

group group label of the subjects

tree condition of the current trial

cat observed response category

rt observed response time in ms

Details

Fourty subjects with thirty trials per condition (Studied items, new Items) were simulated.

Examples

```
####################################################################
# Detect-Guess variant of the restricted Two-High Threshold model.
####################################################################

head(SimData)

mdl_2HTM <- "
# targets
d+(1-d)*g     ; 0
(1-d)*(1-g)   ; 1

# lures
(1-d)*g       ; 0
d+(1-d)*(1-g) ; 1

# d: detect; g: guess
"
```

```
model <- to_rtmpt_model(mdl_file = mdl_2HTM)

data <- to_rtmpt_data(raw_data = SimData, model = model)

# this might take some time to run
rtmpt_out <- fit_rtmpt(model = model, data = data)

# convergence
## traceplot and summary of the first six parameters
plot(rtmpt_out$samples[,1:6])
summary(rtmpt_out)
```

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sim_rtmpt_data   *Simulate data from RT-MPT models*

Description

Simulate data from RT-MPT models using rtmpt_model objects. You can specify the random
seed, number of subjects, number of trials per tree, and some parameters (mainly the same as
prior_params from fit_rtmpt).

Usage

```
sim_rtmpt_data(model, seed, n.subj, n.trials, params = NULL)
```

Arguments

model	A list of the class rtmpt_model.
seed	Random seed number.
n.subj	Number of subjects.
n.trials	Number of trials per tree.
params	Named list of parameters from which the data will be generated. This must be the same named list as prior_params from fit_rtmpt, except for "mean_of_mu_alpha" and "var_of_mu_alpha", and has the same defaults. The difference to prior_params is, that vectors are allowed, but must match the length of the parameters in the model. It is not recommended to use the defaults since they lead to many probabilities close or equal to 0 and/or 1 and to RTs close or equal to 0. Allowed parameters are:

- mean_of_mu_alpha: Probit transformed mean probability. If you want
  to have a group-level mean probability of 0.6, use mean_of_mu_alpha =
  qnorm(0.6) in the params list. Default is 0 or qnorm(.5).
- var_of_mu_alpha: Variance of the probit transformed group-level mean
  probability. If specified, mu_alpha will be sampled from N(mean_of_mu_alpha, var_of_mu_alp
  If not, mu_alpha = mean_of_mu_alpha.
- mean_of_exp_mu_beta: This is the expected exponential rate (E(exp(beta))
  = E(lambda)) and 1/mean_of_exp_mu_beta is the expected process time
  (1/E(exp(beta)) = E(tau)). The default mean is set to 10, such that the
  expected process time is 0.1 seconds. For a mean process time of 200 ms,
  wirte mean_of_exp_mu_beta = 1000/200.

- var_of_exp_mu_beta: The group-specific variance of the exponential rates. Since exp(mu_beta) is Gamma distributed, the rate of the distribution is just mean divided by variance and the shape is the mean times the rate. If specified, exp(mu_beta) is sampled from Gammashape = mean_of_exp_mu_beta^2/var_of_ex = mean_of_exp_mu_beta/var_of_exp_mu_beta). If not, mu_alpha = mean_of_exp_mu_beta.
- mean_of_mu_gamma: This is the expected *mean parameter* of the encoding and response execution times, which follow a normal distribution truncated from below at zero, so E(mu_gamma) < E(gamma). The default is 0. For a mean motor time of 550 ms write mean_of_mu_gamma = 550/1000.
- var_of_mu_gamma: The group-specific variance of the *mean parameter*. If specified, mu_gamma is sampled from N(mean_of_mu_gamma, var_of_mu_gamma). If not, mu_gamma = mean_of_mu_gamma.
- mean_of_omega_sqr: This is the expected residual variance (E(omega^2)). The default is 0.005.
- var_of_omega_sqr: The variance of the residual variance (Var(omega^2)). If specified, omega_sqr is sampled from GAMMA(shape = mean_of_omega_sqr^2/var_of_om = mean_of_omega_sqr/var_of_omega_sqr). If not, omega_sqr = mean_of_omega_sqr. 0.01. The default of the mean and variance is equivalent to a shape and rate of 0.0025 and 0.5, respectivly.
- df_of_sigma_sqr: Degrees of freedom for the individual variance of the response executions. The individual variance follows a scaled inverse chi-squared distribution with df_of_sigma_sqr degrees of freedom and omega^2 as scale. 2 is the default and it should be an integer.
- sf_of_scale_matrix_SIGMA: The original scaling matrix (S) of the (scaled) inverse Wishart distribution for the process related parameters is an identity matrix S=I. sf_of_scale_matrix_SIGMA is a scaling factor, that scales this matrix (S=sf_of_scale_matrix_SIGMA*I). Its default is 1.
- sf_of_scale_matrix_GAMMA: The original scaling matrix (S) of the (scaled) inverse Wishart distribution for the encoding and motor execution parameters is an identity matrix S=I. sf_of_scale_matrix_GAMMA is a scaling factor that scales this matrix (S=sf_of_scale_matrix_GAMMA*I). Its default is 1.
- prec_epsilon: This is epsilon in the paper. It is the precision of xi (scaling parameter in the scaled inverse Wishart distribution). Its default is also 1.
- add_df_to_invWish: If P is the number of parameters or rather the size of the scale matrix used in the (scaled) inverse Wishart distribution then add_df_to_invWish is the number of degrees of freedom that can be added to it. So DF = P + add_df_to_invWish. The default for add_df_to_invWish is 1, such that the correlations are uniformly distributed within [-1, 1].
- SIGMA: Variance-covariance matrix of the process-related parameters. It must match the number of process-related parameters to be estimated. If scalars or vectors are given, they will be transformed into diagonal matrices using diag(SIGMA). If not specified it will be randomly generated using diag(xi)%*%LaplacesDemon::rinvwishart(nu, S)%*%diag(xi), where nu is the number of process-related group-level parameters to be estimated plus add_df_to_invWish, S is the identity matrix multiplied by sf_of_scale_matrix_SIGMA, and xi (randomly generated from N(1, 1/prec_epsilon)) are the scaling factors for the scaled inverse wishart distribution. If SIGMA is used, sf_of_scale_matrix_SIGMA and add_df_to_invWish will be ignored for the process-related parameters.
- GAMMA: Variance-covariance matrix of the motor time parameters. It must

match the number of motor time parameters to be estimated. If scalars
or vectors are given, they will be transformed into diagonal matrices using
diag(SIGMA). If not specified it will be randomly generated using diag(xi)%*%LaplacesDemon
where nu is the number of motor time group-level parameters to be es-
timated plus add_df_to_invWish, S is the identity matrix multiplied by
sf_of_scale_matrix_GAMMA, and xi (randomly generated from N(1,1/prec_epsilon))
are the scaling factors for the scaled inverse wishart distribution. If GAMMA
is used, sf_of_scale_matrix_GAMMA and add_df_to_invWish will be ig-
nored for the motor time parameters.

Value

A list of the class rtmpt_sim containing

- data: the data.frame with the simulated data,

- gen_list: a list containing lists of the group-level and subject-specific parameters for the
  process-related parameters and the motor-related parameters, and the trial-specific probabili-
  ties, process-times, and motor-times,

- specs: some specifications like the model, seed number, etc.,

Author(s)

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Examples

```
################################################################################
# Detect-Guess variant of the Two-High Threshold model.
# The encoding and motor execution times are assumed to be different for each response.
################################################################################

mdl_2HTM <- "
# targets
do+(1-do)*g      ; 0
(1-do)*(1-g)     ; 1

# lures
(1-dn)*g         ; 0
dn+(1-dn)*(1-g) ; 1

# do: detect old; dn: detect new; g: guess
"

model <- to_rtmpt_model(mdl_file = mdl_2HTM)

# random group-level parameters
params <- list(mean_of_mu_alpha = 0,
               #var_of_mu_alpha = 1
               mean_of_exp_mu_beta = 10,
               var_of_exp_mu_beta = 10,
               mean_of_mu_gamma = 0.5,
               var_of_mu_gamma = 0.0025,
               mean_of_omega_sqr = 0.005,
               var_of_omega_sqr = 0.000025,
               df_of_sigma_sqr = 10,
```

```
                        sf_of_scale_matrix_SIGMA = 0.1,
                        sf_of_scale_matrix_GAMMA = 0.01,
                        prec_epsilon = 10,
                        add_df_to_invWish = 5)

    sim_dat <- sim_rtmpt_data(model, seed = 123, n.subj = 40, n.trials = 30, params = params)

    # fixed group-level parameters
    params <- list(mean_of_mu_alpha = 0,
                    mean_of_exp_mu_beta = 10,
                    mean_of_mu_gamma = 0.5,
                    mean_of_omega_sqr = 0.005,
                    df_of_sigma_sqr = 10,
                    sf_of_scale_matrix_SIGMA = 0.1,
                    sf_of_scale_matrix_GAMMA = 0.01,
                    prec_epsilon = 10,
                    add_df_to_invWish = 5,
                    SIGMA = diag(9),   # independent process-related params
                    GAMMA = diag(2))   # independent motor time params

    sim_dat <- sim_rtmpt_data(model, seed = 123, n.subj = 40, n.trials = 30, params = params)
```

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sim_rtmpt_data_SBC   *Simulate data from RT-MPT models*

Description

Simulate data from RT-MPT models using `rtmpt_model` objects. The difference to `sim_rtmpt_data` is that here only scalars are allowed. This makes it usable for SBC. You can specify the random seed, number of subjects, number of trials, and some parameters (same as prior_params from `fit_rtmpt`).

Usage

```
sim_rtmpt_data_SBC(model, seed, n.subj, n.trials, params = NULL)
```

Arguments

model	A list of the class `rtmpt_model`.
seed	Random seed number.
n.subj	<- Number of subjects.
n.trials	<- Number of trials per tree.
params	Named list of parameters from which the data will be generated. This must be the same named list as `prior_params` from `fit_rtmpt` and has the same defaults. It is not recommended to use the defaults since they lead to many probabilities close or equal to 0 and/or 1 and to RTs close or equal to 0. Allowed parameters are:

      • mean_of_exp_mu_beta: This is the expected exponential rate (E(exp(beta)) = E(lambda)) and 1/mean_of_exp_mu_beta is the expected process time (1/E(exp(beta)) = E(tau)). The default mean is set to 10, such that the expected process time is 0.1 seconds.

- var_of_exp_mu_beta: The group-specific variance of the exponential rates.
  Since exp(mu_beta) is Gamma distributed, the rate of the distribution is
  just mean divided by variance and the shape is the mean times the rate. The
  default is set to 100.

- mean_of_mu_gamma: This is the expected *mean parameter* of the encoding
  and response execution times, which follow a normal distribution truncated
  from below at zero, so E(mu_gamma) < E(gamma). The default is 0.

- var_of_mu_gamma: The group-specific variance of the *mean parameter*. Its
  default is 10.

- mean_of_omega_sqr: This is the expected residual variance (E(omega^2)).
  The default is 0.005.

- var_of_omega_sqr: The variance of the residual variance (Var(omega^2)).
  The default is 0.01. The default of the mean and variance is equivalent to
  a shape and rate of 0.0025 and 0.5, respectivly.

- df_of_sigma_sqr: degrees of freedom for the individual variance of the
  response executions. The individual variance follows a scaled inverse chi-
  squared distribution with df_of_sigma_sqr degrees of freedom and omega^2
  as scale. 2 is the default and it should be an integer.

- sf_of_scale_matrix_SIGMA: The original scaling matrix (S) of the (scaled)
  inverse Wishart distribution for the process related parameters is an iden-
  tity matrix S=I. sf_of_scale_matrix_SIGMA is a scaling factor, that scales
  this matrix (S=sf_of_scale_matrix_SIGMA*I). Its default is 1.

- sf_of_scale_matrix_GAMMA: The original scaling matrix (S) of the (scaled)
  inverse Wishart distribution for the encoding and motor execution param-
  eters is an identity matrix S=I. sf_of_scale_matrix_GAMMA is a scaling
  factor that scales this matrix (S=sf_of_scale_matrix_GAMMA*I). Its de-
  fault is 1.

- prec_epsilon: This is epsilon in the paper. It is the precision of mu_alpha
  and all xi (scaling parameter in the scaled inverse Wishart distribution). Its
  default is also 1.

- add_df_to_invWish: If P is the number of parameters or rather the size
  of the scale matrix used in the (scaled) inverse Wishart distribution then
  add_df_to_invWish is the number of degrees of freedom that can be added
  to it. So DF = P + add_df_to_invWish. The default for add_df_to_invWish
  is 1, such that the correlations are uniformly distributed within [-1,1].

Value

A list of the class rtmpt_sim containing

- data: the data.frame with the simulated data,

- gen_list: a list containing lists of the group-level and subject-specific parameters for the
  process-related parameters and the motor-related parameters, and the trial-specific probabili-
  ties, process-times, and motor-times,

- specs: some specifications like the model, seed number, etc.,

Author(s)

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Examples

```
###################################################################################
# Detect-Guess variant of the Two-High Threshold model.
# The encoding and motor execution times are assumed to be different for each response.
###################################################################################

mdl_2HTM <- "
# targets
do+(1-do)*g      ; 0
(1-do)*(1-g)     ; 1

# lures
(1-dn)*g         ; 0
dn+(1-dn)*(1-g) ; 1

# do: detect old; dn: detect new; g: guess
"

model <- to_rtmpt_model(mdl_file = mdl_2HTM)

params <- list(mean_of_exp_mu_beta = 10,
               var_of_exp_mu_beta = 10,
               mean_of_mu_gamma = 0.5,
               var_of_mu_gamma = 0.0025,
               mean_of_omega_sqr = 0.005,
               var_of_omega_sqr = 0.000025,
               df_of_sigma_sqr = 10,
               sf_of_scale_matrix_SIGMA = 0.1,
               sf_of_scale_matrix_GAMMA = 0.01,
               prec_epsilon = 10,
               add_df_to_invWish = 5)

sim_dat <- rtmpt:::sim_rtmpt_data_SBC(model, seed = 123, n.subj = 40,
                                      n.trials = 30, params = params)
```

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to_rtmpt_data   *Transform data for use in* `fit_rtmpt`

Description

Transform data, such that it can be used in `fit_rtmpt`. This implies changing each value/label in "subj", "group", "tree", and "cat" to numbers such that it starts from zero (e.g. data$tree = c(1,1,3,3,2,2,...) will be changed to data$tree = c(0,0,2,2,1,1,...)) and the columns will be ordered in the right way. "rt" must be provided in milliseconds. If it has decimal places it will be rounded to a whole number. `fit_rtmpt` will automatically call this function if its input is not already an rtmpt_data list, but it is advised to use it anyway because it provides information about the transformations of the data.

Usage

```
to_rtmpt_data(raw_data, model)
```

Arguments

`raw_data`	data.frame or path to data containing columns "subj", "group", "tree", "cat", and "rt". If not provided in this order it will be reordered and unused variables will be moved to the end of the new data frame.
`model`	A list of the class `rtmpt_model`.

Value

A list of the class `rtmpt_data` containing transformed data and information about the transformation that has been done.

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Examples

```
################################################################################
# Detect-Guess variant of the Two-High Threshold model.
# The encoding and motor execution times are assumed to be equal for each response.
################################################################################

eqn_2HTM <- "
# CORE MPT EQN
# tree ; cat  ; mpt
target ; hit  ; do
target ; hit  ; (1-do)*g
target ; miss ; (1-do)*(1-g)

  lure ;  f_a ; (1-dn)*g
  lure ;  c_r ; dn
  lure ;  c_r ; (1-dn)*(1-g)
"

model <- to_rtmpt_model(eqn_file = eqn_2HTM)

data_file <- system.file("extdata/labeled_data.txt", package="rtmpt")
data <- read.table(file = data_file, header = TRUE)

data_list <- to_rtmpt_data(raw_data = data, model = model)
data_list
```

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to_rtmpt_model	*Create a model list for* `fit_rtmpt`

Description

Create a model list of the class `rtmpt_model` by providing either `eqn_file` or `mdl_file`. If both are provided `mdl_file` will be used.

Usage

```
to_rtmpt_model(eqn_file = NULL, mdl_file = NULL)
```

Arguments

eqn_file	Character string as shown in example 2 or path to the text file that specifies the (RT-)MPT model with standard .eqn syntax (Heck et al., 2018; Hu, 1999). E.g. `studied ; hit ; (1-do)*g` for a correct guess in the detect-guess 2HT model.
mdl_file	Character string as shown in example 1 or path to the text file that specifies the (RT-)MPT model and gives on each line the equation of one category using + to separate branches and * to separate processes (Singmann and Kellen, 2013). E.g. `do+(1-do)*g` for the category "hit" in the detect-guess 2HT model.

Value

A list of the class `rtmpt_model`.

Note

Within a branch of a (RT-)MPT model it is not allowed to have the same process two or more times.

Author(s)

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See Also

- set_params
- set_resps

Examples

```
###########################################################################
# Detect-Guess variant of the Two-High Threshold model
#   with constant guessing and
#   suppressed process completion times for both failed detections.
# The encoding and motor execution times are assumed to be different for each response.
###########################################################################

## 1. using the mdl syntax
mdl_2HTM <- "
# targets
do+(1-do)*g      ; 0
(1-do)*(1-g)     ; 1

# lures
(1-dn)*g         ; 0
dn+(1-dn)*(1-g) ; 1
```

```
# do: detect old; dn: detect new; g: guess

# OPTIONAL MPT CONSTRAINTS
#   set probabilities to constants:
const_prob: g=0.5

#   suppress process times:
suppress_process: dn-, do-
"

model <- to_rtmpt_model(mdl_file = mdl_2HTM)
model

## 2. using the eqn syntax
eqn_2HTM <- "
# CORE MPT EQN
# tree ; cat ; mpt
    0 ;   0 ; do
    0 ;   0 ; (1-do)*g
    0 ;   1 ; (1-do)*(1-g)

    1 ;   2 ; (1-dn)*g
    1 ;   3 ; dn
    1 ;   3 ; (1-dn)*(1-g)

# OPTIONAL MPT CONSTRAINTS
#   set probabilities to constants:
const_prob: g=0.5

#   suppress process times:
suppress_process: dn-, do-

#     tree ; cat ; RESP
resp:   0 ;   0 ;    0
resp:   0 ;   1 ;    1
resp:   1 ;   2 ;    0
resp:   1 ;   3 ;    1
# different motor execution times for old and new responses.
"

model <- to_rtmpt_model(eqn_file = eqn_2HTM)
model
```

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