# Package 'R2jags'

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attach.jags

Attach/detach elements of 'JAGS' objects to search path

## Description

These are wraper functions for attach.bugs and detach.bugs, which attach or detach three-way-simulation array of bugs object to the search path. See attach.all for details.

## Usage

```
attach.jags(x, overwrite = NA)
detach.jags()
```

## **Arguments**

x An rjags object.

overwrite

If TRUE, objects with identical names in the Workspace (.GlobalEnv) that are masking objects in the database to be attached will be deleted. If NA (the default) and an interactive session is running, a dialog box asks the user whether masking objects should be deleted. In non-interactive mode, behaviour is identical to overwrite=FALSE, i.e. nothing will be deleted.

## **Details**

See attach.bugs for details

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## References

Sibylle Sturtz and Uwe Ligges and Andrew Gelman. (2005). "R2WinBUGS: A Package for Running WinBUGS from R." *Journal of Statistical Software* 3 (12): 1–6.

## **Examples**

```
# See the example in ?jags for the usage.
```

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autojags	Function for auto-updating 'JAGS' until the model converges

## Description

The autojags takes a rjags object as input. autojags will update the model until it converges.

## Usage

## **Arguments**

object	an object of rjags class.
n.iter	number of total iterations per chain, default=1000
n.thin	thinning rate. Must be a positive integer, default=1
	further arguments pass to or from other methods.
Rhat	converegence criterion, default=1.1.
n.update	the max number of updates, default=2.
refresh	refresh frequency for progress bar, default is n.iter/50
progress.bar	type of progress bar. Possible values are "text", "gui", and "none". Type "text" is displayed on the R console. Type "gui" is a graphical progress bar in a new window. The progress bar is suppressed if progress.bar is "none"

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## References

Gelman, A., Carlin, J.B., Stern, H.S., Rubin, D.B. (2003): *Bayesian Data Analysis*, 2nd edition, CRC Press.

## **Examples**

```
# see ?jags for an example.
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jags

Run 'JAGS' from R

## **Description**

The jags function takes data and starting values as input. It automatically writes a jags script, calls the model, and saves the simulations for easy access in R.

## Usage

```
jags(data, inits, parameters.to.save, model.file="model.bug",
 n.chains=3, n.iter=2000, n.burnin=floor(n.iter/2),
 n.thin=max(1, floor((n.iter - n.burnin) / 1000)),
 DIC=TRUE, working.directory=NULL, jags.seed = 123,
 refresh = n.iter/50, progress.bar = "text", digits=5,
 RNGname = c("Wichmann-Hill", "Marsaglia-Multicarry",
              "Super-Duper", "Mersenne-Twister"),
 jags.module = c("glm","dic"), quiet = FALSE
 )
jags.parallel(data, inits, parameters.to.save, model.file = "model.bug",
             n.chains = 2, n.iter = 2000, n.burnin = floor(n.iter/2),
            n.thin = max(1, floor((n.iter - n.burnin)/1000)),
             n.cluster= n.chains, DIC = TRUE,
            working.directory = NULL, jags.seed = 123, digits=5,
             RNGname = c("Wichmann-Hill", "Marsaglia-Multicarry",
              "Super-Duper", "Mersenne-Twister"),
             jags.module = c("glm", "dic"),
             export_obj_names=NULL,
             envir = .GlobalEnv
             )
jags2(data, inits, parameters.to.save, model.file="model.bug",
 n.chains=3, n.iter=2000, n.burnin=floor(n.iter/2),
 n.thin=max(1, floor((n.iter - n.burnin) / 1000)),
 DIC=TRUE, jags.path="",
 working.directory=NULL, clearWD=TRUE,
 refresh = n.iter/50)
```

## Arguments

data

(1) a vector or list of the names of the data objects used by the model, (2) a (named) list of the data objects themselves, or (3) the name of a "dump" format file containing the data objects, which must end in ".txt", see example below for details.

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inits a list with n.chains elements; each element of the list is itself a list of start-

ing values for the BUGS model, or a function creating (possibly random) initial

values. If inits is NULL, JAGS will generate initial values for parameters.

parameters.to.save

character vector of the names of the parameters to save which should be moni-

tored.

model.file file containing the model written in BUGS code. Alternatively, as in **R2WinBUGS**,

model.file can be an R function that contains a BUGS model that is written to

a temporary model file (see tempfile) using write.model

n. chains number of Markov chains (default: 3)

n.iter number of total iterations per chain (including burn in; default: 2000)

n.burnin length of burn in, i.e. number of iterations to discard at the beginning. Default

is n.iter/2, that is, discarding the first half of the simulations. If n.burnin is 0,

jags() will run 100 iterations for adaption.

n.cluster number of clusters to use to run parallel chains. Default equals n.chains.

n.thin thinning rate. Must be a positive integer. Set n.thin > 1 to save memory

and computation time if n.iter is large. Default is  $\max(1, floor(n.chains * (n.iter-n.burnin) / 1000))$  which will only thin if there are at least 2000

simulations.

DIC logical; if TRUE (default), compute deviance, pD, and DIC. The rule pD=var(deviance)

/ 2 is used.

working.directory

sets working directory during execution of this function; This should be the

directory where model file is.

jags.seed random seed for JAGS, default is 123. This function is used for jags.parallell()

and does not work for jags(). Use set.seed() instead if you want to produce

identical result with jags().

jags.path directory that contains the JAGS executable. The default is "".

clearWD indicating whether the files 'data.txt', 'inits[1:n.chains].txt', 'codaIndex.txt',

'jagsscript.txt', and 'CODAchain[1:nchains].txt' should be removed af-

ter jags has finished, default=TRUE.

refresh refresh frequency for progress bar, default is n.iter/50

progress.bar type of progress bar. Possible values are "text", "gui", and "none". Type "text"

is displayed on the R console. Type "gui" is a graphical progress bar in a new

window. The progress bar is suppressed if progress.bar is "none"

digits as in write.model in the **R2WinBUGS** package: number of significant digits

used for BUGS input, see formatC. Only used if specifying a BUGS model as an R

function.

RNGname the name for random number generator used in JAGS. There are four RNGS sup-

plied by the base moduale in JAGS: Wichmann-Hill, Marsaglia-Multicarry,

Super-Duper, Mersenne-Twister

jags.module the vector of jags modules to be loaded. Default are "glm" and "dic". Input

NULL if you don't want to load any jags module.

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character vector of objects to export to the clusters.

envir default is .GlobalEnv

quiet Logical, whether to suppress stdout in jags.model().

## **Details**

To run:

- 1. Write a BUGS model in an ASCII file.
- 2. Go into R.
- 3. Prepare the inputs for the jags function and run it (see Example section).
- 4. The model will now run in JAGS. It might take awhile. You will see things happening in the R console.

BUGS version support:

• jags 1.0.3default

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## **Examples**

```
# An example model file is given in:
    model.file <- system.file(package="R2jags", "model", "schools.txt")
# Let's take a look:
    file.show(model.file)
# you can also write BUGS model as a R function, see below:
#=======#
# initialization #
#=========#
# data
    J <- 8.0
    y <- c(28.4,7.9,-2.8,6.8,-0.6,0.6,18.0,12.2)
    sd <- c(14.9,10.2,16.3,11.0,9.4,11.4,10.4,17.6)</pre>
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jags.data <- list("y","sd","J")</pre>
 jags.params <- c("mu","sigma","theta")</pre>
 jags.inits <- function(){</pre>
   list("mu"=rnorm(1), "sigma"=runif(1), "theta"=rnorm(J))
 }
 ## You can input data in 4 ways
 ## 1) data as list of character
 jagsfit <- jags(data=list("y","sd","J"), inits=jags.inits, jags.params,</pre>
               n.iter=10, model.file=model.file)
 ## 2) data as character vector of names
 jagsfit <- jags(data=c("y","sd","J"), inits=jags.inits, jags.params,</pre>
               n.iter=10, model.file=model.file)
 ## 3) data as named list
 jagsfit <- jags(data=list(y=y,sd=sd,J=J), inits=jags.inits, jags.params,</pre>
               n.iter=10, model.file=model.file)
 ## 4) data as a file
 fn <- "tmpbugsdata.txt"</pre>
 dump(c("y","sd","J"), file=fn)
 jagsfit <- jags(data=fn, inits=jags.inits, jags.params,</pre>
                 n.iter=10, model.file=model.file)
 unlink("tmpbugsdata.txt")
 ## You can write bugs model in R as a function
 schoolsmodel <- function() {</pre>
   for (j in 1:J){
                                        # J=8, the number of schools
     y[j] ~ dnorm (theta[j], tau.y[j]) # data model: the likelihood
     tau.y[j] <- pow(sd[j], -2)
                                       \# tau = 1/sigma^2
   for (j in 1:J){
                                        # hierarchical model for theta
     theta[j] ~ dnorm (mu, tau)
                                        \# tau = 1/sigma^2
   tau <- pow(sigma, -2)
   mu ~ dnorm (0.0, 1.0E-6)
                                        # noninformative prior on mu
   sigma ~ dunif (0, 1000)
                                        # noninformative prior on sigma
 jagsfit <- jags(data=jags.data, inits=jags.inits, jags.params,</pre>
               n.iter=10, model.file=schoolsmodel)
# RUN jags and postprocessing
#=======#
 jagsfit <- jags(data=jags.data, inits=jags.inits, jags.params,</pre>
   n.iter=5000, model.file=model.file)
 # Run jags parallely, no progress bar. R may be frozen for a while,
 # Be patient. Currenlty update afterward does not run parallelly
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```
jagsfit.p <- jags.parallel(data=jags.data, inits=jags.inits, jags.params,</pre>
  n.iter=5000, model.file=model.file)
# display the output
print(jagsfit)
plot(jagsfit)
# traceplot
traceplot(jagsfit.p)
traceplot(jagsfit)
# or to use some plots in coda
# use as.mcmmc to convert rjags object into mcmc.list
jagsfit.mcmc <- as.mcmc(jagsfit.p)</pre>
jagsfit.mcmc <- as.mcmc(jagsfit)</pre>
## now we can use the plotting methods from coda
#require(lattice)
#xyplot(jagsfit.mcmc)
#densityplot(jagsfit.mcmc)
# if the model does not converge, update it!
jagsfit.upd <- update(jagsfit, n.iter=100)</pre>
print(jagsfit.upd)
print(jagsfit.upd, intervals=c(0.025, 0.5, 0.975))
plot(jagsfit.upd)
# before update parallel jags object, do recompile it
recompile(jagsfit.p)
jagsfit.upd <- update(jagsfit.p, n.iter=100)</pre>
# or auto update it until it converges! see ?autojags for details
# recompile(jagsfit.p)
jagsfit.upd <- autojags(jagsfit.p)</pre>
jagsfit.upd <- autojags(jagsfit)</pre>
# to get DIC or specify DIC=TRUE in jags() or do the following#
dic.samples(jagsfit.upd$model, n.iter=1000, type="pD")
# attach jags object into search path see "attach.bugs" for details
attach.jags(jagsfit.upd)
# this will show a 3-way array of the bugs.sim object, for example:
# detach jags object into search path see "attach.bugs" for details
detach.jags()
# to pick up the last save session
# for example, load("RWorkspace.Rdata")
recompile(jagsfit)
```

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```
jagsfit.upd <- update(jagsfit, n.iter=100)</pre>
 recompile(jagsfit.p)
 jagsfit.upd <- update(jagsfit, n.iter=100)</pre>
#======#
# using jags2 #
#======#
 ## jags can be run and produces coda files, but cannot be updated once it's done
 ## You may need to edit "jags.path" to make this work,
 ## also you need a write access in the working directory:
 ## e.g. setwd("d:/")
 ## NOT RUN HERE
 ## Not run:
   jagsfit <- jags2(data=jags.data, inits=jags.inits, jags.params,</pre>
     n.iter=5000, model.file=model.file)
   print(jagsfit)
   plot(jagsfit)
   # or to use some plots in coda
   # use as.mcmmc to convert rjags object into mcmc.list
   jagsfit.mcmc <- as.mcmc.list(jagsfit)</pre>
   traceplot(jagsfit.mcmc)
   #require(lattice)
   #xyplot(jagsfit.mcmc)
   #densityplot(jagsfit.mcmc)
## End(Not run)
```

jags2bugs

Read jags output files in CODA format

## **Description**

This function reads Markov Chain Monte Carlo output in the CODA format produced by **jags** and returns an object of class mcmc.list for further output analysis using the **coda** package.

## Usage

```
jags2bugs(path=getwd(), parameters.to.save,
    n.chains=3, n.iter=2000, n.burnin=1000, n.thin=2,
    DIC=TRUE)
```

## **Arguments**

path

sets working directory during execution of this function; This should be the directory where CODA files are.

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parameters.to.save

character vector of the names of the parameters to save which should be moni-

tored.

n. chains number of Markov chains (default: 3)

n.iter number of total iterations per chain (including burn in; default: 2000)

n.burnin length of burn in, i.e. number of iterations to discard at the beginning. Default

is n. iter/2, that is, discarding the first half of the simulations.

n. thin thinning rate, default is 2

DIC logical; if TRUE (default), compute deviance, pD, and DIC. The rule pD=var(deviance)

/ 2 is used.

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recompile	Function for recompiling rjags object	
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## **Description**

The recompile takes a rjags object as input. recompile will re-compile the previous saved rjags object.

## Usage

```
recompile(object, n.iter, refresh, progress.bar)
## S3 method for class 'rjags'
recompile(object, n.iter=100, refresh=n.iter/50,
    progress.bar = "text")
```

## **Arguments**

object an object of rjags class.

n.iter number of iteration for adapting, default is 100

refresh refresh frequency for progress bar, default is n. iter/50

progress.bar type of progress bar. Possible values are "text", "gui", and "none". Type "text"

is displayed on the R console. Type "gui" is a graphical progress bar in a new

window. The progress bar is suppressed if progress.bar is "none"

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## **Examples**

```
# see ?jags for an example.
```

traceplot

Trace plot of bugs object

## Description

Displays a plot of iterations vs. sampled values for each variable in the chain, with a separate plot per variable.

## Usage

```
traceplot(x, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'rjags'
traceplot(x, mfrow = c(1, 1), varname = NULL,
  match.head = TRUE, ask = TRUE,
  col = rainbow( x$n.chains ),
  lty = 1, lwd = 1, ...)
```

## Arguments

X	A bugs object
mfrow	graphical parameter (see par)
varname	vector of variable names to plot
match.head	matches the variable names by the beginning of the variable names in bugs object
ask	logical; if TRUE, the user is <i>ask</i> ed before each plot, see par(ask=.).
col	graphical parameter (see par)
lty	graphical parameter (see par)
lwd	graphical parameter (see par)
	further graphical parameters

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## See Also

```
{\tt densplot}, {\tt plot.mcmc}, {\tt traceplot}
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