

Monolix Requirements

- Monolix versions 2016 and later
- Requiring to run the following Monolix tasks: POPULATION PARAMETERS, EBEs, STANDARD ERRORS and PLOTS
- Make sure to export charts data (in Monolix: Settings -> Preferences -> Export -> switch on the **Export charts data** button)
- Select at least the following plots to be displayed and saved: **individual fits** and **scatter plot of the residuals**

NONMEM Requirements

- NONMEM Version 7.2/7.3/7.4
- Preferred output tables according "sdtab, patab, cotab, catab" convention
- Simulation are required for creation of VPC (e.g. sdtab1sim)

nlmixr Requirements

- Fit objects need to be generated by nlmixr and have data attached.
- Standard errors are required (a successful covariance plot) for full diagnostic checks. Can use `'bootstrapFit()'` to get standard error estimates if necessary

Controller Creation for Monolix

- Define the location of your working directory

```
theophylline_path = file.path(system.file(
  package = 'ggPMX'), 'testdata', 'theophylline')
work_dir = file.path(theophylline_path, 'Monolix')
```
 - Define the location of your modeling dataset

```
input_data = file.path(theophylline_path, 'data_pk.csv')
```
 - Create controller using function `pmx_mlx()`

```
ctr = pmx_mlx(directory = work_dir, input = input_data,
  dv = 'Y', cats=c('SEX'), conts=c('AGE0', 'WT0'))
```
- Automatic parsing of .mlxtran files:

```
ctr = pmx_mlxtran(file_name, call, endpoint)
file_name: "path to .mlxtran file" (Monolix project)
```

Controller Creation for NONMEM

- Define the location of your working directory

```
work_dir = file.path(system.file(
  package = 'ggPMX'), 'testdata', 'extdata')
```
- Define the location of your modeling file

```
model_file = 'run001.lst'
```
- Create controller using function `pmx_nm()` and model_file (e.g. .lst)

```
ctr = pmx_nm(directory = work_dir, file = model_file)
Using the run-number:
ctr = pmx_nm(directory = work_dir, runno = '001')
Using individual tables:
ctr = pmx_nm(directory = work_dir, table_names = 'sdtab')
```

Controller Creation for nlmixr

- Generate a fit object with the nlmixr package
Check out github.com/nlmixrdevelopment/nlmixr

```
fit <- nlmixr(modelFunction, modelData, est="saem") # typically
```
- Define the location of your modeling file

```
ctr = pmx_nlmixr(fit = fit, dv = 'Y', dvid = 'DVID',
  cats=c('SEX'), conts=c('AGE0', 'WT0'), vpc = TRUE)
```

Note: VPC takes time and does not need to be created if you do not plan to use the VPC plots. In that case, set `vpc` argument to FALSE.

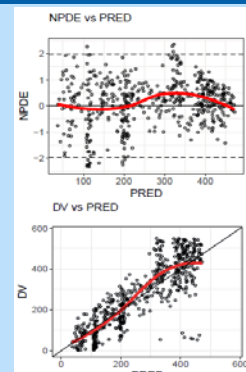
Key Features

Library of **diagnostic plots** for nonlinear mixed-effects model building and evaluation; **Consistent, reproducible** and **efficient** workflow; High quality graphics, ready-to-use in **submission documents and publications**; Advanced Features for **customization** and **stratification**; Automated generation of PDF, Word or PNG outputs for reporting purpose; **Controller is the user interface object of ggPMX**, it contains all underlying information to generate diagnostics plot

Default Plots

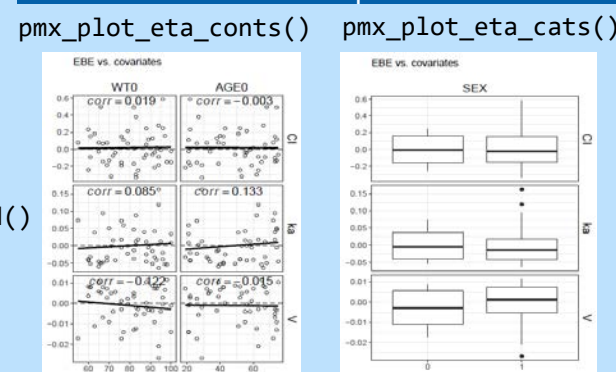
- Default plots visualized using the functions `pmx_plot_xx()`, where `xx` is a placeholder for the plot name
- Use of `%>%` operator on controller to generate diagnostics plot `ctr %>% pmx_plot_npde_pred()`
- List of plot names `xx` available by printing the controller

Scatter plots

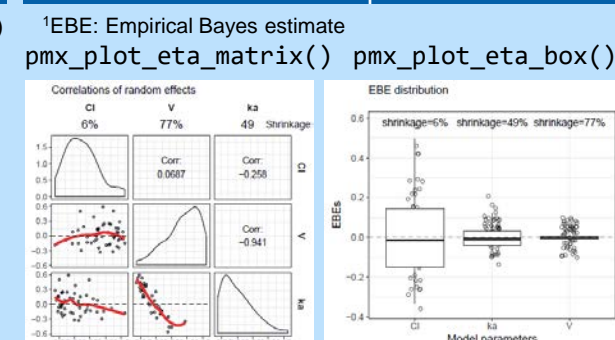


```
pmx_plot_npde_pred()
pmx_plot_npde_time()
pmx_plot_iwres_ipred()
pmx_plot_iwres_time()
pmx_plot_abs_iwres_ipred()
pmx_plot_dv_pred()
pmx_plot_dv_ipred()
```

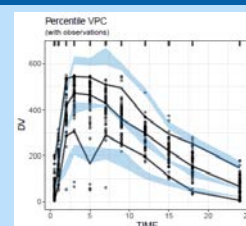
Covariate plots



EBE-based plots¹



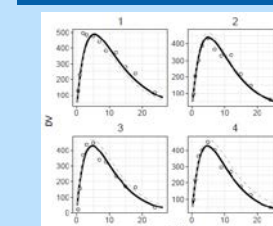
VPC



```
pmx_plot_vpc()

[Arguments]
ctr, type, idv, obs, pi, ci,
rug, bin, is.legend, dname
```

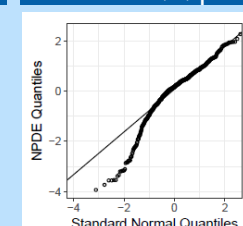
Individual plots



Several pages of plots are generated:

```
pmx_plot_individual(
  npage = 1,
  facets=list(
    nrow=3, ncol=2))
```

QQ-plots and density plots²



```
pmx_plot_eta_hist()
pmx_plot_eta_qq()
pmx_plot_npde_qq()
pmx_plot_iwres_qq()
pmx_plot_iwres_dens()
```

Automated Diagnostics Report

`pmx_report()` - [Arguments]: `ctr`, `name`, `save_dir`, `format`, `template`, `footnote`, `edit`, `title`,...

Three types of format (*format argument*):

- "**report**": produces `name.pdf` and `name.docx` reports, located in `save_dir` with default diagnostic plots
- "**plots**": produces a folder named `ggpmx_GOF` located in `save_dir` containing all default diagnostic plots (pdf and .png format)
- "**both**": is a combination of both options above

Report Customization: Create Custom Template

- Start from a generated R Markdown (.Rmd):

```
ctr %>% pmx_report(name = "DiagnosticPlots1",
  save_dir = work_dir, format = "both")
```
- Modify resulting R Markdown (`Diagnostic_plots1.Rmd`) as desired (e.g. change the size, settings of some figures) into new template
- Create a report using the customized template:

```
ctr %>% pmx_report(name = "DiagnosticPlots2", save_dir =
  work_dir, format = "report", template =
  file.path(work_dir, "DiagnosticPlots2.Rmd"))
```

Visual Predictive Check (VPC) for NONMEM/nlmixr users

NONMEM: Simulation tables are required for creation of VPC (e.g. sdtab1sim). They are loaded automatically if detected and the sim object is created automatically. For post-hoc simulation, you can also specify:

```
ctr = pmx_nm(directory = work_dir, file = model_file,
  simfile = "my_simulation.ctl")
```

nlmixr: VPC will be automatically enabled with controller creation

```
ctr = pmx_nlmixr(fit = fit, vpc = TRUE)
```

Multiple-endpoint models (PKPD models)

- ggPMX produces one set of diagnostics plots per endpoint
- Select the endpoint (if more than one) at the level of the Controller -> create **endpoint** object with `pmx_endpoint()` and pass it to Controller.

Only for Monolix :

- Endpoint index (`code`) in modeling dataset (usually `dvid`) should be mapped to Monolix output index `X` (`file.code`), i.e. `predictionsX.txt` and `finegridX.txt`, where `X=1,2,...`

```
ep = pmx_endpoint( code = "4", label = "some_label",
  unit = "some_unit", file.code = "2", trans="log10")
```

```
ctr = pmx_mlx(..., dvid = "YTYPE", endpoint = ep)
```

For Monolix, NONMEM and nlmixr :

- If `code` and `file.code` index match, use simplified syntax (no endpoint object): `ctr = pmx_* (... , dvid = "YTYPE", endpoint = 1)`
**can be pmx_mlx/pmx_nm or pmx_nlmixr*

Visual Predictive Check (VPC) for Monolix users

- To produce the VPC, a simulation file is required (e.g. `sim.csv`), with (at least) the following columns: ID (individual identifiers), REP (simulation replicate number), TIME, DV (dependent variable)
- Create a simulation object to use as argument in Controller creation:

```
sim = pmx_sim(file = "sim.csv", irun = "rep", idv = "TIME")
```
- Change bins:

```
pmx_plot_vpc(bin = pmx_vpc_bin(style="equal", n=10))
```
- Change prediction and confidence intervals, data points properties:

```
pmx_plot_vpc(type = "percentile",
  pi = pmx_vpc_pi(interval = c(0.1, 0.9),
  ci = pmx_vpc_ci(interval = c(0.1, 0.9),
  obs = pmx_vpc_obs(color="blue", shape=18, size=2))
```

Plot Customization

Any plot can be customized in two ways:

1. Individually, by specifying options:

```
pmx_plot_npde_time(ctr, smooth = list(color = "blue"),
  point = list(shape = 4), is.draft = TRUE,
  labels = list(x = "TIME after first dose (days)",
    y = "Normalized PDE"))
```

2. Globally, at the level of Controller creation, using `pmx_settings`, e.g. adding a DRAFT label to all plots, modify labels using `cats.labels`:

```
mySet = pmx_settings(is.draft=TRUE, use.labels=TRUE,
  cats.labels=list(SEX=c("0"="Male", "1"="Female")))
ctr = pmx_mlx(config = "standing", ..., settings = mySet)
```

Stratification and Filtering

Two ways of **stratifying** a plot:

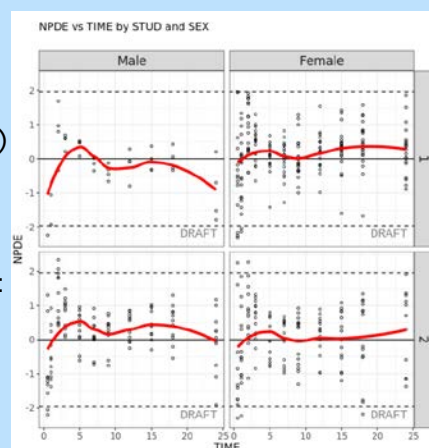
1. using the stratification function by categorical covariates and providing the plot name in argument:

```
pmx_plot_cats(ctr, "npde_time")
```

2. using arguments `strat.facet` (discrete) or `strat.color` (continuous) in `pmx_plot_xx()`.

Allows two-dimensional stratification:

```
pmx_plot_npde_time(ctr,
  strat.facet = STUD~SEX)
```



Two ways of **filtering** the data:

1. Locally, at the level of a plot:

```
ctr %>% pmx_plot_dv_pred(
  filter = DV > mean(DV) & PRED < median(PRED))
```

2. Globally, at the level of the Controller, affecting all subsequent plots:

```
ctr %>% pmx_filter(
  data_set = "prediction",
  ID == 5 & TIME < 2)
```

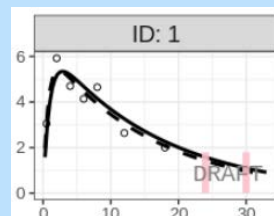
Visualization of Censored data

Create controller with BLOQ (below limit of quantification) data (BLQ column in input dataset):

```
ctr %>% pmx_mlxtran(file_name = mlx_file,
  bloq = pmx_bloq(cens = "BLQ",
    limit="LIMIT"))
```

```
ctr %>% pmx_plot_individual()
```

The above applies also to ULOQ (upper limit of quantification, or right-censored data)



Parameter Table

Create a table with parameter estimates, either use:

```
param_tab <- ctr %>% get_data("estimates")
```

Or use:

```
param_tab <- ctr %>% param_table()
```

VPC Plot Customization Help

Sometimes, calling the standard `vpc` function will not result in a usable `vpc`-plot.

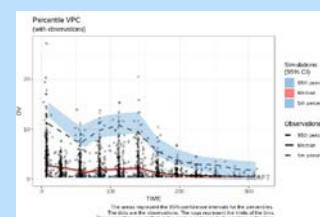
```
ctr %>% pmx_plot_vpc()
```

Using different style of binning might result in better plots. Many styles are available: "fixed", "sd", "equal", "pretty", "quantile", "kmeans", "hclust" or "jenks".



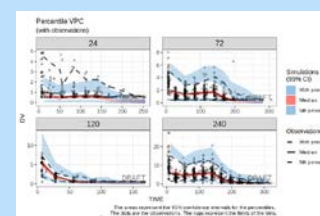
```
ctr %>% pmx_plot_vpc(bin=pmx_vpc_bin(style = "equal"))
```

Sometimes, it is helpful to stratify according to a covariate. Furthermore, it is possible to set the scales on the y- and x-axis free.



```
ctr %>% pmx_plot_vpc(bin=pmx_vpc_bin(style = "equal"),
  strat.facet = "DOSE", facets = list(scales = "free"))
```

There are more options to set e.g. `scale_y_log10`. Use `?pmx_plot_vpc` for further help.



Simulation with simulx for Monolix

Create simulated object using `simulx`

```
mysim <- simulx(project=myprojfilename, nrep=100)
```

Retrieve simulated dataset (assumed to be in variable `y1`):

```
simdata <- mysim$y1
```

Need to revert the original IDs as in modeling dataset for `ggPMX`. Rename ID column to same name as in modeling dataset, e.g. "id" in the example below:

```
simdata <- simdata %>%
  left_join(., mysim$originalId) %>%
  mutate(id = oriId) %>%
  select(-oriId, -newId)
```

Save the simulated dataset in a csv file:

```
mysimfilename <- "my_VPC.csv"
write.csv(simdata, file = mysimfilename, quote = FALSE,
  row.names = FALSE)
```

Creation of an independent copy of the controller

The controller is an 'R6' object, it behaves like a reference object. Some functions (methods) can have a side effect on the controller and modify it internally. Technically speaking we talk about chaining not piping here. However , using `pmx_copy` user can work on a copy of the controller.

```
ctr_copy = pmx_copy(ctr, keep_globals=FALSE)
```

Labeling of axes

There are different ways to modify the labels of axes in `ggPMX`:

Modifying labels globally

Using customized labels for all plots by modifying controller

```
ctr %>% set_abbrev(
  IPRED = "Individual Prediction (ug/ml)",
  PRED = "Population Prediction (ug/ml)",
  DV = "Observed Drug Concentration (ug/ml)")
```

Changes can be applied using the user-specified label names for all plots by modifying the controller, use `abbrev` set to `TRUE` by default for all `ggPMX` plots

```
ctr %>% pmx_mlxtran(file_name = mlxtran_path,
  settings = pmx_settings(use.abbrev = TRUE))
```

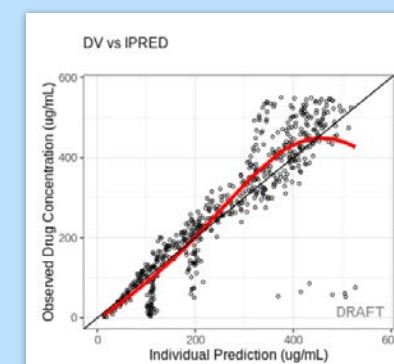
`use.abbrev = TRUE` is now default

```
ctr %>% pmx_plot_dv_ipred()
```

Modifying labels locally

Individual specification of label-names within the plot:

```
ctr %>% pmx_plot_dv_ipred(
  labels = list(
    x = "Individual Prediction (ug/ml)",
    y = "Observed Drug Concentration (ug/ml)"))
```



Using simulated censored data (Monolix)

If you want to use simulated BLOQ (below limit of quantification) in `ggPMX` you can specify `sim_bloq` within the controller.

Using `sim_bloq` at the controller level:

```
ctr = pmx_mlx(directory = work_dir, input = input_data,
  sim_bloq = TRUE)
```

```
ctr %>% pmx_plot_iwres_time() #will plot simulated BLOQs
ctr %>% pmx_plot_iwres_time(sim_bloq = FALSE) # will plot LOQs
```

If a default controller is created, `sim_bloq = TRUE` can also be used at the individual plot level:

```
ctr = pmx_mlx(directory = work_dir, input = input_data)
```

```
# Will plot simulated BLOQs:
ctr %>% pmx_plot_iwres_time(sim_bloq = TRUE)
```