

# Package ‘fitCTVARMx’

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**Description** Fit the continuous-time vector autoregressive model using the 'OpenMx' package.

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coef.fitctvaridmx	<i>Parameter Estimates</i>
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**Description**

Parameter Estimates

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'fitctvaridmx'  
coef(object, sigma = FALSE, theta = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	Object of class fitctvaridmx.
sigma	Logical. If sigma = TRUE, include estimates of the sigma matrix, if available. If sigma = FALSE, exclude estimates of the sigma matrix.
theta	Logical. If theta = TRUE, include estimates of the theta matrix, if available. If theta = FALSE, exclude estimates of the theta matrix.
...	additional arguments.

**Value**

Returns a list of vectors of parameter estimates.

**Author(s)**

Ivan Jacob Agaloos Pesigan

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**Description**

Parameter Estimates

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'fitctvarmx'  
coef(object, sigma = FALSE, theta = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	Object of class fitctvarmx.
sigma	Logical. If sigma = TRUE, include estimates of the sigma matrix, if available. If sigma = FALSE, exclude estimates of the sigma matrix.
theta	Logical. If theta = TRUE, include estimates of the theta matrix, if available. If theta = FALSE, exclude estimates of the theta matrix.
...	additional arguments.

**Value**

Returns a vector of parameter estimates.

**Author(s)**

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FitCTVARIDMx	<i>Fit the First Order Continuous-Time Vector Autoregressive Model by ID</i>
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**Description**

Fit the First Order Continuous-Time Vector Autoregressive Model by ID

**Usage**

```
FitCTVARIDMx(
  data,
  observed,
  id,
  time,
  phi_start = NULL,
  phi_lbound = NULL,
  phi_ubound = NULL,
  sigma_diag = TRUE,
  sigma_start = NULL,
  sigma_lbound = NULL,
  sigma_ubound = NULL,
  theta_fixed = TRUE,
  theta_start = NULL,
  theta_lbound = NULL,
  theta_ubound = NULL,
  mu0_fixed = TRUE,
  mu0_start = NULL,
  mu0_lbound = NULL,
  mu0_ubound = NULL,
```

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sigma0_fixed = TRUE,
sigma0_diag = TRUE,
sigma0_start = NULL,
sigma0_lbound = NULL,
sigma0_ubound = NULL,
try = 1000,
ncores = NULL
)

```

### Arguments

data	Data frame. A data frame object of data for potentially multiple subjects that contain a column of subject ID numbers (i.e., an ID variable), and at least one column of observed values.
observed	Character vector. A vector of character strings of the names of the observed variables in the data.
id	Character string. A character string of the name of the ID variable in the data.
time	Character string. A character string of the name of the TIME variable in the data.
phi_start	Numeric matrix. Optional starting values for phi.
phi_lbound	Numeric matrix. Optional lower bound for phi.
phi_ubound	Numeric matrix. Optional upper bound for phi.
sigma_diag	Logical. If sigma_diag = TRUE, sigma is a diagonal matrix.
sigma_start	Numeric matrix. Optional starting values for sigma.
sigma_lbound	Numeric matrix. Optional lower bound for sigma.
sigma_ubound	Optional upper bound for sigma.
theta_fixed	Logical. If theta_fixed = TRUE, the measurement error matrix theta is fixed to zero. If theta_fixed = FALSE, estimate the diagonal measurement error matrix theta.
theta_start	Optional starting values for theta. Ignored if theta_fixed = TRUE.
theta_lbound	Optional lower bound for theta. Ignored if theta_fixed = TRUE.
theta_ubound	Optional upper bound for theta. Ignored if theta_fixed = TRUE.
mu0_fixed	Logical. If mu0_fixed = TRUE, initial mean vector mu0 is fixed. If mu0_fixed = FALSE, initial mean vector mu0 is estimated.
mu0_start	Optional starting values for mu0. If mu0_fixed = TRUE, mu0_start will be used as fixed values. If mu0_fixed = FALSE, mu0_start will be used as starting values.
mu0_lbound	Optional lower bound for mu0. Ignored if mu0_fixed = TRUE.
mu0_ubound	Optional upper bound for mu0. Ignored if mu0_fixed = TRUE.
sigma0_fixed	Logical. If sigma0_fixed = TRUE, initial mean vector sigma0 is fixed. If sigma0_fixed = FALSE, initial mean vector sigma0 is estimated.
sigma0_diag	Logical. If sigma0_diag = TRUE, sigma0 is a diagonal matrix.

<code>sigma0_start</code>	Optional starting values for <code>sigma0</code> . If <code>sigma0_fixed = TRUE</code> , <code>sigma0_start</code> will be used as fixed values. If <code>sigma0_fixed = FALSE</code> , <code>sigma0_start</code> will be used as starting values.
<code>sigma0_lbound</code>	Optional lower bound for <code>sigma0</code> . Ignored if <code>sigma0_fixed = TRUE</code> .
<code>sigma0_ubound</code>	Optional upper bound for <code>sigma0</code> . Ignored if <code>sigma0_fixed = TRUE</code> .
<code>try</code>	Positive integer. Number of extra optimization tries.
<code>ncores</code>	Positive integer. Number of cores to use.

### Author(s)

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### References

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### See Also

Other CTVAR Functions: [FitCTVARmX\(\)](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:
# Generate data using the simStateSpace package-----
set.seed(42)
phi_mu <- matrix(
  data = c(
    -0.357, 0.771, -0.450,
    0.0, -0.511, 0.729,
    0, 0, -0.693
  ),
  nrow = 3
)
phi_sigma <- diag(3 * 3)
phi <- simStateSpace::SimPhiN(
  n = 5,
  phi = phi_mu,
  vcov_phi_vec_l = t(chol(phi_sigma))
)
sim <- simStateSpace::SimSSMOUIVary(
  n = 5,
  time = 100,
  delta_t = 0.10,
  mu0 = list(rep(x = 0, times = 3)),
  sigma0_l = list(t(chol(diag(3)))),
```

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mu = list(rep(x = 0, times = 3)),
phi = phi,
sigma_l = list(t(chol(diag(3)))),
nu = list(rep(x = 0, times = 3)),
lambda = list(diag(3)),
theta_l = list(matrix(data = 0, nrow = 3, ncol = 3))
)
data <- as.data.frame(sim)

# Fit the model-----
library(fitCTVARMx)
fit <- FitCTVARIDMx(
  data = data,
  observed = c("y1", "y2", "y3"),
  id = "id"
)
print(fit)
summary(fit)
coef(fit)
vcov(fit)

## End(Not run)

```

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FitCTVARMx

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*Fit the First-Order Continuous-Time Vector Autoregressive Model*


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## Description

Fit the First-Order Continuous-Time Vector Autoregressive Model

## Usage

```

FitCTVARMx(
  data,
  observed,
  id,
  time,
  phi_start = NULL,
  phi_lbound = NULL,
  phi_ubound = NULL,
  sigma_diag = TRUE,
  sigma_start = NULL,
  sigma_lbound = NULL,
  sigma_ubound = NULL,
  theta_fixed = TRUE,
  theta_start = NULL,
  theta_lbound = NULL,
  theta_ubound = NULL,

```

```

    mu0_fixed = TRUE,
    mu0_start = NULL,
    mu0_lbound = NULL,
    mu0_ubound = NULL,
    sigma0_fixed = TRUE,
    sigma0_diag = TRUE,
    sigma0_start = NULL,
    sigma0_lbound = NULL,
    sigma0_ubound = NULL,
    try = 1000,
    ncores = NULL
)

```

### Arguments

data	Data frame. A data frame object of data for potentially multiple subjects that contain a column of subject ID numbers (i.e., an ID variable), and at least one column of observed values.
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phi_lbound	Numeric matrix. Optional lower bound for phi.
phi_ubound	Numeric matrix. Optional upper bound for phi.
sigma_diag	Logical. If sigma_diag = TRUE, sigma is a diagonal matrix.
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<code>sigma0_fixed</code>	Logical. If <code>sigma0_fixed = TRUE</code> , initial mean vector <code>sigma0</code> is fixed. If <code>sigma0_fixed = FALSE</code> , initial mean vector <code>sigma0</code> is estimated.
<code>sigma0_diag</code>	Logical. If <code>sigma0_diag = TRUE</code> , <code>sigma0</code> is a diagonal matrix.
<code>sigma0_start</code>	Optional starting values for <code>sigma0</code> . If <code>sigma0_fixed = TRUE</code> , <code>sigma0_start</code> will be used as fixed values. If <code>sigma0_fixed = FALSE</code> , <code>sigma0_start</code> will be used as starting values.
<code>sigma0_lbound</code>	Optional lower bound for <code>sigma0</code> . Ignored if <code>sigma0_fixed = TRUE</code> .
<code>sigma0_ubound</code>	Optional upper bound for <code>sigma0</code> . Ignored if <code>sigma0_fixed = TRUE</code> .
<code>try</code>	Positive integer. Number of extra optimization tries.
<code>ncores</code>	Positive integer. Number of cores to use.

### Value

Returns an object of class `fitctvarmx` which is a list with the following elements:

**call** Function call.

**args** List of function arguments.

**fun** Function used ("FitCTVARMx").

**output** A fitted OpenMx model.

### Author(s)

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### References

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    0, 0, -0.693
  ),
  nrow = 3
),
sigma_l = t(chol(diag(3))),
nu = rep(x = 0, times = 3),
lambda = diag(3),
theta_l = matrix(data = 0, nrow = 3, ncol = 3)
)
data <- as.data.frame(sim)

# Fit the model-----
library(fitCTVARMx)
fit <- FitCTVARMx(
  data = data,
  observed = c("y1", "y2", "y3"),
  id = "id"
)
print(fit)
summary(fit)
coef(fit)
vcov(fit)

## End(Not run)

```

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print.fitctvaridmx	<i>Print Method for Object of Class fitctvaridmx</i>
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## Description

Print Method for Object of Class fitctvaridmx

## Usage

```

## S3 method for class 'fitctvaridmx'
print(x, means = TRUE, ...)

```

## Arguments

x	an object of class fitctvaridmx.
means	Logical. If means = TRUE, return means. Otherwise, the function returns raw estimates.
...	further arguments.

**Author(s)**

Ivan Jacob Agaloos Pesigan

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print.fitctvarmx	<i>Print Method for Object of Class fitctvarmx</i>
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**Description**

Print Method for Object of Class fitctvarmx

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'fitctvarmx'  
print(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	an object of class fitctvarmx.
...	further arguments.

**Author(s)**

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summary.fitctvaridmx	<i>Summary Method for Object of Class fitctvaridmx</i>
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**Description**

Summary Method for Object of Class fitctvaridmx

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'fitctvaridmx'  
summary(object, means = TRUE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	an object of class fitctvaridmx.
means	Logical. If means = TRUE, return means. Otherwise, the function returns raw estimates.
...	further arguments.

**Author(s)**

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summary.fitctvarmx	<i>Summary Method for Object of Class fitctvarmx</i>
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**Description**

Summary Method for Object of Class fitctvarmx

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'fitctvarmx'
summary(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	an object of class fitctvarmx.
...	further arguments.

**Author(s)**

Ivan Jacob Agaloos Pesigan

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vcov.fitctvaridmx	<i>Sampling Covariance Matrix of the Parameter Estimates</i>
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**Description**

Sampling Covariance Matrix of the Parameter Estimates

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'fitctvaridmx'
vcov(object, sigma = FALSE, theta = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	Object of class fitctvaridmx.
sigma	Logical. If sigma = TRUE, include estimates of the sigma matrix, if available. If sigma = FALSE, exclude estimates of the sigma matrix.
theta	Logical. If theta = TRUE, include estimates of the theta matrix, if available. If theta = FALSE, exclude estimates of the theta matrix.
...	additional arguments.

**Value**

Returns a list of sampling variance-covariance matrices.

**Author(s)**

Ivan Jacob Agaloos Pesigan

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vcov.fitctvarmx

*Sampling Covariance Matrix of the Parameter Estimates*

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**Description**

Sampling Covariance Matrix of the Parameter Estimates

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'fitctvarmx'  
vcov(object, sigma = FALSE, theta = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	Object of class fitctvarmx.
sigma	Logical. If sigma = TRUE, include estimates of the sigma matrix, if available. If sigma = FALSE, exclude estimates of the sigma matrix.
theta	Logical. If theta = TRUE, include estimates of the theta matrix, if available. If theta = FALSE, exclude estimates of the theta matrix.
...	additional arguments.

**Value**

Returns a list of sampling variance-covariance matrices.

**Author(s)**

Ivan Jacob Agaloos Pesigan

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