Testing hierarchical pathway kinetics with residue data on cyantraniliprole

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Introduction

The purpose of this document is to test demonstrate how nonlinear hierarchical models (NLHM) based on the parent degradation models SFO, FOMC, DFOP and HS, with serial formation of two or more metabolites can be fitted with the mkin package.

It was assembled in the course of work package 1.2 of Project Number 173340 (Application of nonlinear hierarchical models to the kinetic evaluation of chemical degradation data) of the German Environment Agency carried out in 2022 and 2023.

The mkin package is used in version 1.2.9 which is currently under development. The newly introduced functionality that is used here is a simplification of excluding random effects for a set of fits based on a related set of fits with a reduced model, and the documentation of the starting parameters of the fit, so that all starting parameters of saem fits are now listed in the summary. The saemix package is used as a backend for fitting the NLHM, but is also loaded to make the convergence plot function available.

This document is processed with the knitr package, which also provides the kable function that is used to improve the display of tabular data in R markdown documents. For parallel processing, the parallel package is used.

```
library(mkin)
library(saemix)
library(parallel)
n_cores <- detectCores()

# We need to start a new cluster after defining a compiled model that is
# saved as a DLL to the user directory, therefore we define a function
# This is used again after defining the pathway model
start_cluster <- function(n_cores) {
   if (Sys.info()["sysname"] == "Windows") {
      ret <- makePSOCKcluster(n_cores)
   } else {
      ret <- makeForkCluster(n_cores)
   }
   return(ret)
}
cl <- start_cluster(n_cores)</pre>
```

Test data

The example data are taken from the final addendum to the DAR from 2014 and are distributed with the mkin package. Residue data and time step normalisation factors are read in using the function read_spreadsheet from the mkin package. This function also performs the time step normalisation.

```
data_file <- system.file(
  "testdata", "cyantraniliprole_soil_efsa_2014.xlsx",
  package = "mkin")
cyan_ds <- read_spreadsheet(data_file, parent_only = FALSE)</pre>
```

The following tables show the covariate data and the 5 datasets that were read in from the spreadsheet file.

```
pH <- attr(cyan_ds, "covariates")
kable(pH, caption = "Covariate data")</pre>
```

Table 1: Covariate data

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90
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)4
32
)5

```
for (ds_name in names(cyan_ds)) {
   print(
    kable(mkin_long_to_wide(cyan_ds[[ds_name]]),
        caption = paste("Dataset", ds_name),
        booktabs = TRUE, row.names = FALSE))
   cat("\n\\clearpage\n")
}
```

Table 2: Dataset Nambsheim

time	cyan	JCZ38	J9C38	JSE76	J9Z38
0.000000	105.79	NA	NA	NA	NA
3.210424	77.26	7.92	11.94	5.58	9.12
7.490988	57.13	15.46	16.58	12.59	11.74
17.122259	37.74	15.98	13.36	26.05	10.77
23.543105	31.47	6.05	14.49	34.71	4.96
43.875788	16.74	6.07	7.57	40.38	6.52
67.418893	8.85	10.34	6.39	30.71	8.90
107.014116	5.19	9.61	1.95	20.41	12.93
129.487080	3.45	6.18	1.36	21.78	6.99
195.835832	2.15	9.13	0.95	16.29	7.69
254.693596	1.92	6.92	0.20	13.57	7.16
321.042348	2.26	7.02	NA	11.12	8.66
383.110535	NA	5.05	NA	10.64	5.56
0.000000	105.57	NA	NA	NA	NA
3.210424	78.88	12.77	11.94	5.47	9.12
7.490988	59.94	15.27	16.58	13.60	11.74
17.122259	39.67	14.26	13.36	29.44	10.77
23.543105	30.21	16.07	14.49	35.90	4.96
43.875788	18.06	9.44	7.57	42.30	6.52
67.418893	8.54	5.78	6.39	34.70	8.90
107.014116	7.26	4.54	1.95	23.33	12.93
129.487080	3.60	4.22	1.36	23.56	6.99
195.835832	2.84	3.05	0.95	16.21	7.69
254.693596	2.00	2.90	0.20	15.53	7.16
321.042348	1.79	0.94	NA	9.80	8.66
383.110535	NA	1.82	NA	9.49	5.56

Table 3: Dataset Tama

time	cyan	JCZ38	J9Z38	JSE76
0.000000	106.14	NA	NA	NA
2.400833	93.47	6.46	2.85	NA
5.601943	88.39	10.86	4.65	3.85
12.804442	72.29	11.97	4.91	11.24
17.606108	65.79	13.11	6.63	13.79
32.811382	53.16	11.24	8.90	23.40
50.417490	44.01	11.34	9.98	29.56
80.027761	33.23	8.82	11.31	35.63
96.833591	40.68	5.94	8.32	29.09
146.450803	20.65	4.49	8.72	36.88
190.466072	17.71	4.66	11.10	40.97
240.083284	14.86	2.27	11.62	40.11
286.499386	12.02	NA	10.73	42.58
0.000000	109.11	NA	NA	NA
2.400833	96.84	5.52	2.04	2.02
5.601943	85.29	9.65	2.99	4.39
12.804442	73.68	12.48	5.05	11.47
17.606108	64.89	12.44	6.29	15.00
32.811382	52.27	10.86	7.65	23.30
50.417490	42.61	10.54	9.37	31.06
80.027761	34.29	10.02	9.04	37.87
96.833591	30.50	6.34	8.14	33.97
146.450803	19.21	6.29	8.52	26.15
190.466072	17.55	5.81	9.89	32.08
240.083284	13.22	5.99	10.79	40.66
286.499386	11.09	6.05	8.82	42.90

Table 4: Dataset Gross-Umstadt

time	cyan	JCZ38	J9Z38	JSE76
0.0000000	103.03	NA	NA	NA
2.1014681	87.85	4.79	3.26	0.62
4.9034255	77.35	8.05	9.89	1.32
10.5073404	69.33	9.74	12.32	4.74
21.0146807	55.65	14.57	13.59	9.84
31.5220211	49.03	14.66	16.71	12.32
42.0293615	41.86	15.97	13.64	15.53
63.0440422	34.88	18.20	14.12	22.02
84.0587230	28.26	15.64	14.06	25.60
0.0000000	104.05	NA	NA	NA
2.1014681	85.25	2.68	7.32	0.69
4.9034255	77.22	7.28	8.37	1.45
10.5073404	65.23	10.73	10.93	4.74
21.0146807	57.78	12.29	14.80	9.05
31.5220211	54.83	14.05	12.01	11.05
42.0293615	45.17	12.12	17.89	15.71
63.0440422	34.83	12.90	15.86	22.52
84.0587230	26.59	14.28	14.91	28.48
0.0000000	104.62	NA	NA	NA
0.8145225	97.21	NA	4.00	NA
1.9005525	89.64	3.59	5.24	NA
4.0726125	87.90	4.10	9.58	NA
8.1452251	86.90	5.96	9.45	NA
12.2178376	74.74	7.83	15.03	5.33
16.2904502	74.13	8.84	14.41	5.10
24.4356753	65.26	11.84	18.33	6.71
32.5809004	57.70	12.74	19.93	9.74
0.0000000	101.94	NA	NA	NA
0.8145225	99.94	NA	NA	NA
1.9005525	94.87	NA	4.56	NA
4.0726125	86.96	6.75	6.90	NA
8.1452251	80.51	10.68	7.43	2.58
12.2178376	78.38	10.35	9.46	3.69
16.2904502	70.05	13.73	9.27	7.18
24.4356753	61.28	12.57	13.28	13.19
32.5809004	52.85	12.67	12.95	13.69

Table 5: Dataset Sassafras

time	cyan	JCZ38	J9Z38	JSE76
0.000000	102.17	NA	NA	NA
2.216719	95.49	1.11	0.10	0.83
5.172343	83.35	6.43	2.89	3.30
11.083593	78.18	10.00	5.59	0.81
22.167186	70.44	17.21	4.23	1.09
33.250779	68.00	20.45	5.86	1.17
44.334371	59.64	24.64	3.17	2.72
66.501557	50.73	27.50	6.19	1.27
88.668742	45.65	32.77	5.69	4.54
0.000000	100.43	NA	NA	NA
2.216719	95.34	3.21	0.14	0.46
5.172343	84.38	5.73	4.75	0.62
11.083593	78.50	11.89	3.99	0.73
22.167186	71.17	17.28	4.39	0.66
33.250779	59.41	18.73	11.85	2.65
44.334371	64.57	22.93	5.13	2.01
66.501557	49.08	33.39	5.67	3.63
88.668742	40.41	39.60	5.93	6.17

Table 6: Dataset Lleida

time	cyan	JCZ38	J9Z38	JSE76
0.000000	102.71	NA	NA	NA
2.821051	79.11	5.70	8.07	0.97
6.582451	70.03	7.17	11.31	4.72
14.105253	50.93	10.25	14.84	9.95
28.210505	33.43	10.40	14.82	24.06
42.315758	24.69	9.75	16.38	29.38
56.421010	22.99	10.06	15.51	29.25
84.631516	14.63	5.63	14.74	31.04
112.842021	12.43	4.17	13.53	33.28
0.000000	99.31	NA	NA	NA
2.821051	82.07	6.55	5.60	1.12
6.582451	70.65	7.61	8.01	3.21
14.105253	53.52	11.48	10.82	12.24
28.210505	35.60	11.19	15.43	23.53
42.315758	34.26	11.09	13.26	27.42
56.421010	21.79	4.80	18.30	30.20
84.631516	14.06	6.30	16.35	32.32
112.842021	11.51	5.57	12.64	32.51

Parent only evaluations

As the pathway fits have very long run times, evaluations of the parent data are performed first, in order to determine for each hierarchical parent degradation model which random effects on the degradation model parameters are ill-defined.

```
cyan_sep_const <- mmkin(c("SFO", "FOMC", "DFOP", "SFORB", "HS"),
   cyan_ds, quiet = TRUE, cores = n_cores)
cyan_sep_tc <- update(cyan_sep_const, error_model = "tc")
cyan_saem_full <- mhmkin(list(cyan_sep_const, cyan_sep_tc))
status(cyan_saem_full) |> kable()
```

	const	tc
SFO	OK	OK
FOMC	OK	OK
DFOP	OK	OK
SFORB	OK	OK
HS	OK	OK

All fits converged successfully.

illparms(cyan_saem_full) |> kable()

	const	tc
SFO	$sd(cyan_0)$	$sd(cyan_0)$
FOMC	$sd(log_beta)$	$sd(cyan_0)$
DFOP	$sd(cyan_0)$	$sd(cyan_0), sd(log_k1)$
SFORB	$sd(cyan_free_0)$	$sd(cyan_free_0), sd(log_k_cyan_free_bound)$
HS	$sd(cyan_0)$	$sd(cyan_0)$

In almost all models, the random effect for the initial concentration of the parent compound is ill-defined. For the biexponential models DFOP and SFORB, the random effect of one additional parameter is ill-defined when the two-component error model is used.

anova(cyan_saem_full) |> kable(digits = 1)

	npar	AIC	BIC	Lik
SFO const	5	833.9	832.0	-412.0
SFO tc	6	831.6	829.3	-409.8
FOMC const	7	709.1	706.4	-347.6
FOMC tc	8	689.2	686.1	-336.6
DFOP const	9	703.0	699.5	-342.5
SFORB const	9	701.3	697.8	-341.7
HS const	9	718.6	715.1	-350.3
DFOP tc	10	703.1	699.2	-341.6
SFORB tc	10	700.0	696.1	-340.0
HS tc	10	716.7	712.8	-348.3

Model comparison based on AIC and BIC indicates that the two-component error model is preferable for all parent models with the exception of DFOP. The lowest AIC and BIC values are are obtained with the FOMC model, followed by SFORB and DFOP.

```
stopCluster(cl)
```

Pathway fits

Evaluations with pathway established previously

To test the technical feasibility of coupling the relevant parent degradation models with different transformation pathway models, a list of mkinmod models is set up below. As in the EU evaluation, parallel formation of metabolites JCZ38 and J9Z38 and secondary formation of metabolite JSE76 from JCZ38 is used.

```
if (!dir.exists("cyan dlls")) dir.create("cyan dlls")
cyan_path_1 <- list(</pre>
 sfo_path_1 = mkinmod(
   cyan = mkinsub("SFO", c("JCZ38", "J9Z38")),
   JCZ38 = mkinsub("SFO", "JSE76"),
    J9Z38 = mkinsub("SFO"),
   JSE76 = mkinsub("SFO"), quiet = TRUE,
   name = "sfo_path_1", dll_dir = "cyan_dlls", overwrite = TRUE),
 fomc_path_1 = mkinmod(
   cyan = mkinsub("FOMC", c("JCZ38", "J9Z38")),
    JCZ38 = mkinsub("SF0", "JSE76"),
   J9Z38 = mkinsub("SFO"),
   JSE76 = mkinsub("SFO"), quiet = TRUE,
   name = "fomc_path_1", dll_dir = "cyan_dlls", overwrite = TRUE),
  dfop_path_1 = mkinmod(
   cyan = mkinsub("DFOP", c("JCZ38", "J9Z38")),
    JCZ38 = mkinsub("SFO", "JSE76"),
    J9Z38 = mkinsub("SFO"),
   JSE76 = mkinsub("SFO"), quiet = TRUE,
   name = "dfop_path_1", dll_dir = "cyan_dlls", overwrite = TRUE),
  sforb_path_1 = mkinmod(
   cyan = mkinsub("SFORB", c("JCZ38", "J9Z38")),
   JCZ38 = mkinsub("SFO", "JSE76"),
   J9Z38 = mkinsub("SFO"),
    JSE76 = mkinsub("SFO"), quiet = TRUE,
   name = "sforb_path_1", dll_dir = "cyan_dlls", overwrite = TRUE),
 hs_path_1 = mkinmod(
    cyan = mkinsub("HS", c("JCZ38", "J9Z38")),
    JCZ38 = mkinsub("SFO", "JSE76"),
   J9Z38 = mkinsub("SFO"),
   JSE76 = mkinsub("SFO"), quiet = TRUE,
   name = "hs_path_1", dll_dir = "cyan_dlls", overwrite = TRUE)
cl_path_1 <- start_cluster(n_cores)</pre>
```

To obtain suitable starting values for the NLHM fits, separate pathway fits are performed for all datasets.

```
f_sep_1_const <- mmkin(
    cyan_path_1,
    cyan_ds,
    error_model = "const",
    cluster = cl_path_1,
    quiet = TRUE)
status(f_sep_1_const) |> kable()
```

	Nambsheim	Tama	Gross-Umstadt	Sassafras	Lleida
sfo_path_1	OK	OK	ОК	С	OK
fomc_path_1	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK
dfop path 1	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK

	Nambsheim	Tama	Gross-Umstadt	Sassafras	Lleida
sforb_path_1	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK
hs_path_1	\mathbf{C}	\mathbf{C}	C	\mathbf{C}	\mathbf{C}

```
f_sep_1_tc <- update(f_sep_1_const, error_model = "tc")
status(f sep 1 tc) |> kable()
```

	Nambsheim	Tama	Gross-Umstadt	Sassafras	Lleida
sfo_path_1	ОК	OK	OK	OK	OK
$fomc_path_1$	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK
$dfop_path_1$	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK
$sforb_path_1$	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK
hs_path_1	\mathbf{C}	OK	\mathbf{C}	OK	\mathbf{C}

Most separate fits converged successfully. The biggest convergence problems are seen when using the HS model with constant variance.

For the hierarchical pathway fits, those random effects that could not be quantified in the corresponding parent data analyses are excluded.

In the code below, the output of the illparms function for the parent only fits is used as an argument no_random_effect to the mhmkin function. The possibility to do so was introduced in mkin version 1.2.2 which is currently under development.

```
f_saem_1 <- mhmkin(list(f_sep_1_const, f_sep_1_tc),
    no_random_effect = illparms(cyan_saem_full),
    cluster = cl_path_1)</pre>
```

status(f_saem_1) |> kable()

const	tc
FO	Fth, FO
OK	Fth, FO
Fth, FO	Fth, FO
Fth, FO	Fth, FO
FO	\mathbf{E}
	FO OK Fth, FO Fth, FO

The status information from the individual fits shows that all fits completed successfully. The matrix entries Fth and FO indicate that the Fisher Information Matrix could not be inverted for the fixed effects (theta) and the random effects (Omega), respectively. For the affected fits, ill-defined parameters cannot be determined using the illparms function, because it relies on the Fisher Information Matrix.

illparms(f_saem_1) |> kable()

	const	tc
sfo_path_1	NA	NA
$fomc_path_1$	$sd(log_k_J9Z38), sd(f_cyan_ilr_2), sd(f_JCZ38_qlogis)$	NA
dfop_path_1	NA	NA
$sforb_path_1$	NA	NA
hs_path_1	NA	\mathbf{E}

The model comparisons below suggest that the pathway fits using DFOP or SFORB for the parent compound provide the best fit.

anova(f_saem_1[, "const"]) |> kable(digits = 1)

	npar	AIC	BIC	Lik
sfo_path_1 const	16	2693.0	2686.8	-1330.5
$fomc_path_1 const$	18	2427.9	2420.9	-1196.0
$dfop_path_1 const$	20	2403.2	2395.4	-1181.6
$sforb_path_1 const$	20	2401.4	2393.6	-1180.7
$hs_path_1\ const$	20	2427.2	2419.4	-1193.6

anova(f_saem_1[1:4,]) |> kable(digits = 1)

	npar	AIC	BIC	Lik
sfo_path_1 const	16	2693.0	2686.8	-1330.5
sfo_path_1 tc	17	2657.6	2651.0	-1311.8
fomc_path_1 const	18	2427.9	2420.9	-1196.0
fomc_path_1 tc	19	2423.6	2416.2	-1192.8
$dfop_path_1 const$	20	2403.2	2395.4	-1181.6
$sforb_path_1 const$	20	2401.4	2393.6	-1180.7
$dfop_path_1 tc$	20	2398.0	2390.1	-1179.0
sforb_path_1 tc	20	2399.9	2392.1	-1180.0

For these two parent model, successful fits are shown below. Plots of the fits with the other parent models are shown in the Appendix.

```
plot(f_saem_1[["dfop_path_1", "tc"]])
```

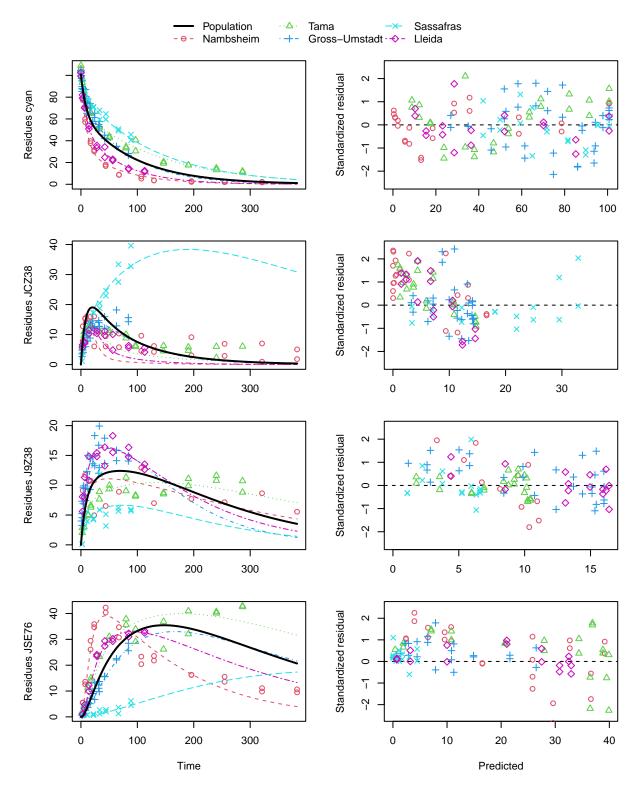


Figure 1: DFOP pathway fit with two-component error

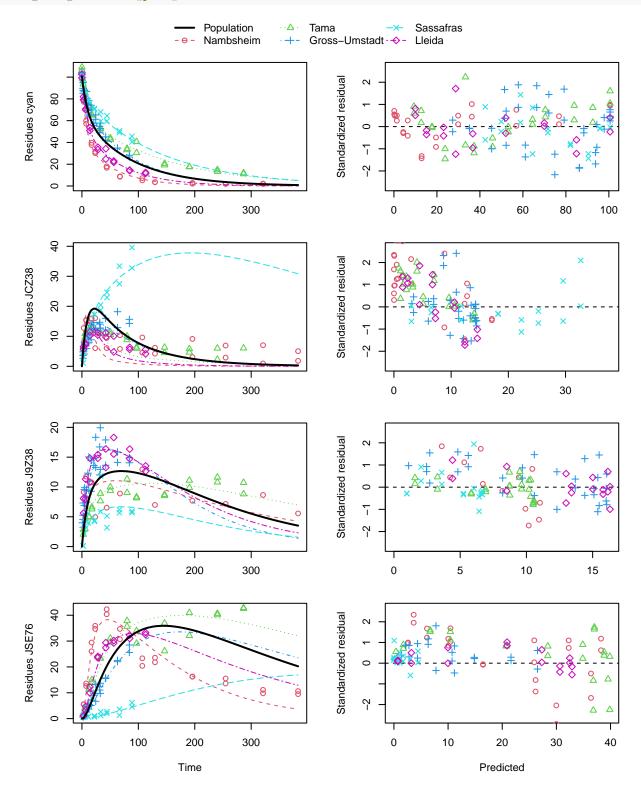


Figure 2: SFORB pathway fit with two-component error

A closer graphical analysis of these Figures shows that the residues of transformation product JCZ38 in the soils Tama and Nambsheim observed at later time points are strongly and systematically underestimated.

Alternative pathway fits

To improve the fit for JCZ38, a back-reaction from JSE76 to JCZ38 was introduced in an alternative version of the transformation pathway, in analogy to the back-reaction from K5A78 to K5A77. Both pairs of transformation products are pairs of an organic acid with its corresponding amide (Addendum 2014, p. 109). As FOMC provided the best fit for the parent, and the biexponential models DFOP and SFORB provided the best initial pathway fits, these three parent models are used in the alternative pathway fits.

```
cyan_path_2 <- list(</pre>
  fomc_path_2 = mkinmod(
    cyan = mkinsub("FOMC", c("JCZ38", "J9Z38")),
    JCZ38 = mkinsub("SFO", "JSE76"),
    J9Z38 = mkinsub("SFO"),
    JSE76 = mkinsub("SF0", "JCZ38"),
    name = "fomc_path_2", quiet = TRUE,
    dll_dir = "cyan_dlls",
    overwrite = TRUE
  ),
  dfop_path_2 = mkinmod(
    cyan = mkinsub("DFOP", c("JCZ38", "J9Z38")),
    JCZ38 = mkinsub("SFO", "JSE76"),
    J9Z38 = mkinsub("SFO"),
    JSE76 = mkinsub("SF0", "JCZ38"),
   name = "dfop_path_2", quiet = TRUE,
    dll_dir = "cyan_dlls",
   overwrite = TRUE
  ),
  sforb_path_2 = mkinmod(
    cyan = mkinsub("SFORB", c("JCZ38", "J9Z38")),
    JCZ38 = mkinsub("SFO", "JSE76"),
   J9Z38 = mkinsub("SFO"),
    JSE76 = mkinsub("SFO", "JCZ38"),
    name = "sforb_path_2", quiet = TRUE,
    dll_dir = "cyan_dlls",
    overwrite = TRUE
  )
)
cl_path_2 <- start_cluster(n_cores)</pre>
f_sep_2_const <- mmkin(</pre>
  cyan_path_2,
  cyan_ds,
  error_model = "const",
  cluster = cl_path_2,
  quiet = TRUE)
status(f_sep_2_const) |> kable()
```

	Nambsheim	Tama	Gross-Umstadt	Sassafras	Lleida
fomc_path_2	ОК	OK	OK	С	OK
dfop_path_2	OK	OK	OK	\mathbf{C}	OK
$sforb_path_2$	OK	OK	OK	OK	OK

Using constant variance, separate fits converge with the exception of the fits to the Sassafras soil data.

```
f_sep_2_tc <- update(f_sep_2_const, error_model = "tc")
status(f_sep_2_tc) |> kable()
```

	Nambsheim	Tama	Gross-Umstadt	Sassafras	Lleida
fomc_path_2	OK	OK	ОК	С	OK
$dfop_path_2$	OK	\mathbf{C}	OK	\mathbf{C}	OK
$sforb_path_2$	OK	OK	OK	\mathbf{C}	OK

Using the two-component error model, all separate fits converge with the exception of the alternative pathway fit with DFOP used for the parent and the Sassafras dataset.

```
f_saem_2 <- mhmkin(list(f_sep_2_const, f_sep_2_tc),
    no_random_effect = illparms(cyan_saem_full[2:4, ]),
    cluster = cl_path_2)</pre>
```

status(f_saem_2) |> kable()

	const	tc
fomc_path_2	Е	OK
$dfop_path_2$	OK	OK
$sforb_path_2$	OK	OK

The hierarchical fits for the alternative pathway completed successfully, with the exception of the model using FOMC for the parent compound and constant variance as the error model.

illparms(f saem 2) |> kable()

	const	tc
fomc_path_2 dfop_path_2 sforb_path_2	$E\\sd(f_JCZ38_qlogis), sd(f_JSE76_qlogis)\\sd(f_JCZ38_qlogis), sd(f_JSE76_qlogis)$	$\begin{array}{l} sd(f_JSE76_qlogis) \\ sd(f_JCZ38_qlogis), \ sd(f_JSE76_qlogis) \\ sd(f_JCZ38_qlogis), \ sd(f_JSE76_qlogis) \end{array}$

In all biphasic fits (DFOP or SFORB for the parent compound), the random effects for the formation fractions for the pathways from JCZ38 to JSE76, and for the reverse pathway from JSE76 to JCZ38 are ill-defined.

```
anova(f_saem_2[, "tc"]) |> kable(digits = 1)
```

	npar	AIC	BIC	Lik
fomc_path_2 tc	21	2249.0	2240.8	-1103.5
$dfop_path_2 tc$	22	2234.4	2225.8	-1095.2
$sforb_path_2~tc$	22	2239.7	2231.1	-1097.9

```
anova(f_saem_2[2:3,]) |> kable(digits = 1)
```

	npar	AIC	BIC	Lik
dfop_path_2 const	22	2288.4	2279.8	-1122.2
$sforb_path_2 const$	22	2283.3	2274.7	-1119.7
$dfop_path_2 tc$	22	2234.4	2225.8	-1095.2
$sforb_path_2 tc$	22	2239.7	2231.1	-1097.9

The variants using the biexponential models DFOP and SFORB for the parent compound and the two-component error model give the lowest AIC and BIC values and are plotted below. Compared with the original pathway, the AIC and BIC values indicate a large improvement. This is confirmed by the plots, which show that the metabolite JCZ38 is fitted much better with this model.

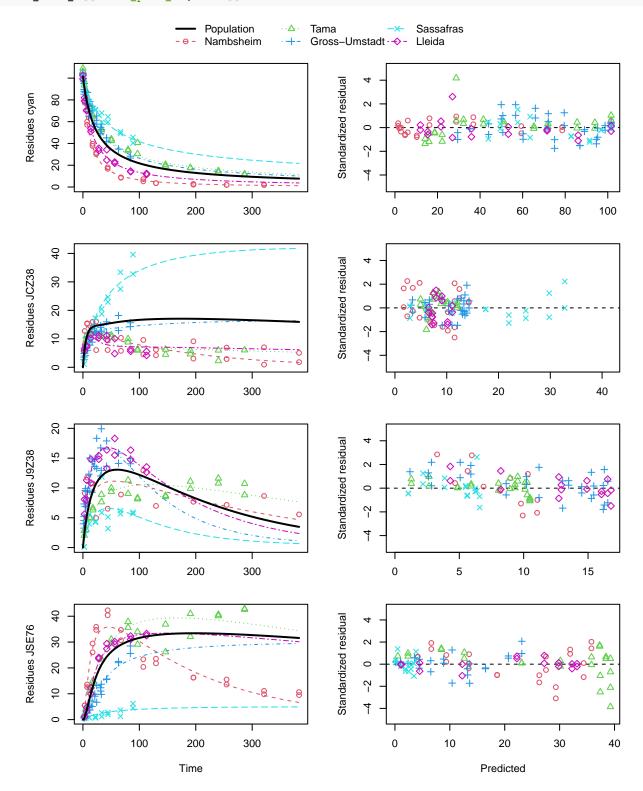


Figure 3: FOMC pathway fit with two-component error, alternative pathway

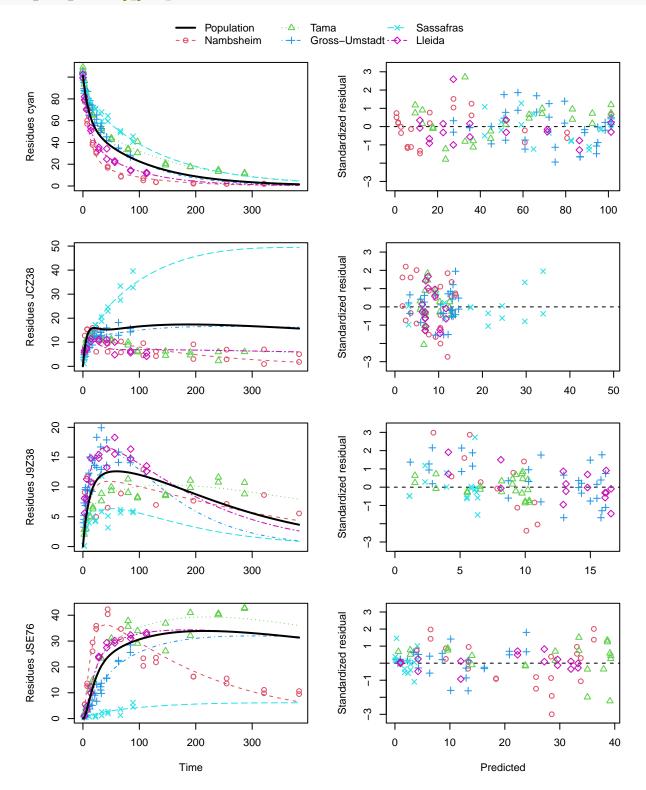


Figure 4: DFOP pathway fit with two-component error, alternative pathway

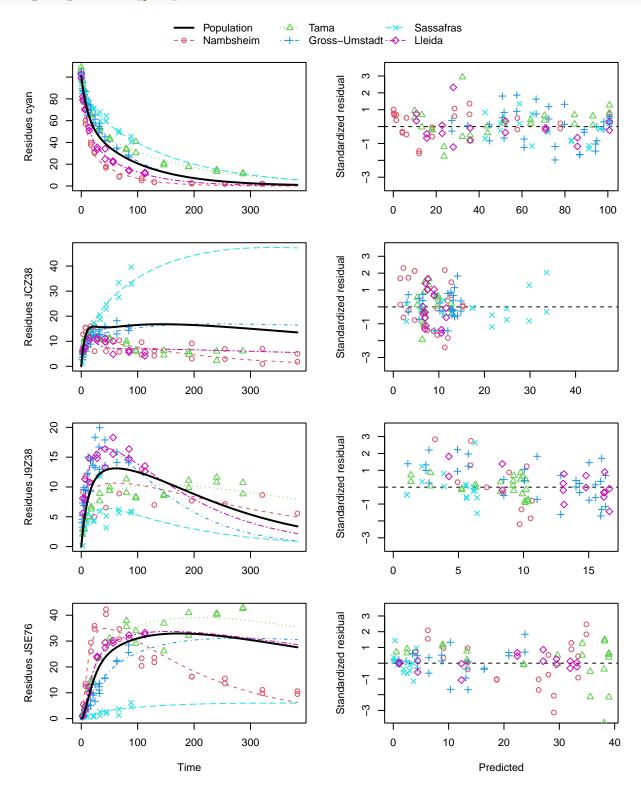


Figure 5: SFORB pathway fit with two-component error, alternative pathway

Refinement of alternative pathway fits

All ill-defined random effects that were identified in the parent only fits and in the above pathway fits, are excluded for the final evaluations below. For this purpose, a list of character vectors is created below that can be indexed by row and column indices, and which contains the degradation parameter names for which random effects should be excluded for each of the hierarchical fits contained in f_saem_2.

status(f_saem_3) |> kable()

	const	tc
fomc_path_2	E	Fth
$dfop_path_2$	Fth	Fth
$sforb_path_2$	Fth	Fth

With the exception of the FOMC pathway fit with constant variance, all updated fits completed successfully. However, the Fisher Information Matrix for the fixed effects (Fth) could not be inverted, so no confidence intervals for the optimised parameters are available.

```
illparms(f_saem_3) |> kable()
```

	const	tc
fomc_path_2	Е	
dfop_path_2 sforb_path_2		

anova(f_saem_3[, "tc"]) |> kable(digits = 1)

	npar	AIC	BIC	Lik
$fomc_path_2 tc$	19	2249.1	2241.6	-1105.5
$dfop_path_2 tc$	20	2237.3	2229.5	-1098.6
$\underline{\rm sforb_path_2\ tc}$	20	2241.3	2233.5	-1100.7

```
anova(f_saem_3[2:3,]) |> kable(digits = 1)
```

	npar	AIC	BIC	Lik
dfop_path_2 const	20	2282.2	2274.4	-1121.1
sforb_path_2 const	20	2279.7	2271.9	-1119.9

	npar	AIC	BIC	Lik
dfop_path_2 tc	20	2237.3	2229.5	-1098.6
$sforb_path_2 tc$	20	2241.3	2233.5	-1100.7

While the AIC and BIC values of the best fit (DFOP pathway fit with two-component error) are lower than in the previous fits with the alternative pathway, the practical value of these refined evaluations is limited as no confidence intervals are obtained.

stopCluster(cl_path_2)

Conclusion

It was demonstrated that a relatively complex transformation pathway with parallel formation of two primary metabolites and one secondary metabolite can be fitted even if the data in the individual datasets are quite different and partly only cover the formation phase.

The run times of the pathway fits were several hours, limiting the practical feasibility of iterative refinements based on ill-defined parameters and of alternative checks of parameter identifiability based on multistart runs.

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Appendix

Plots of fits that were not refined further

plot(f_saem_1[["sfo_path_1", "tc"]])

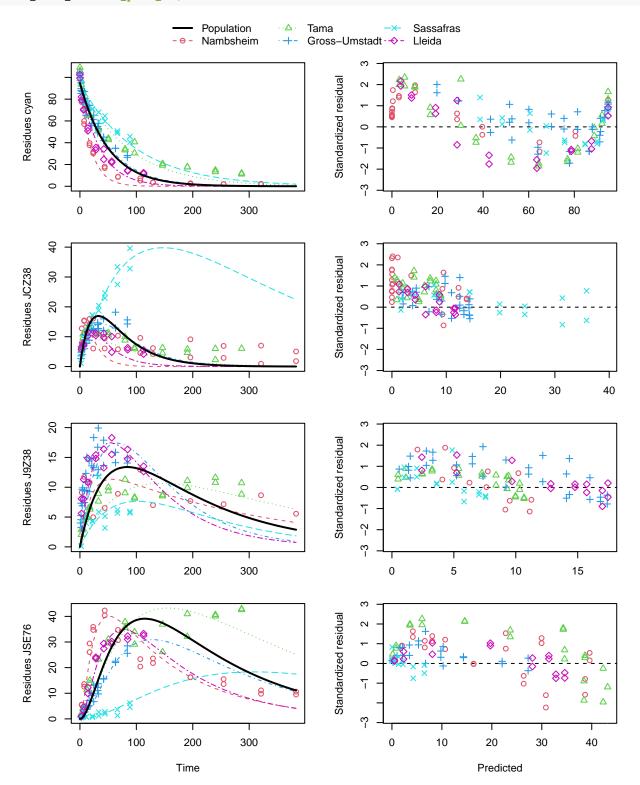


Figure 6: SFO pathway fit with two-component error

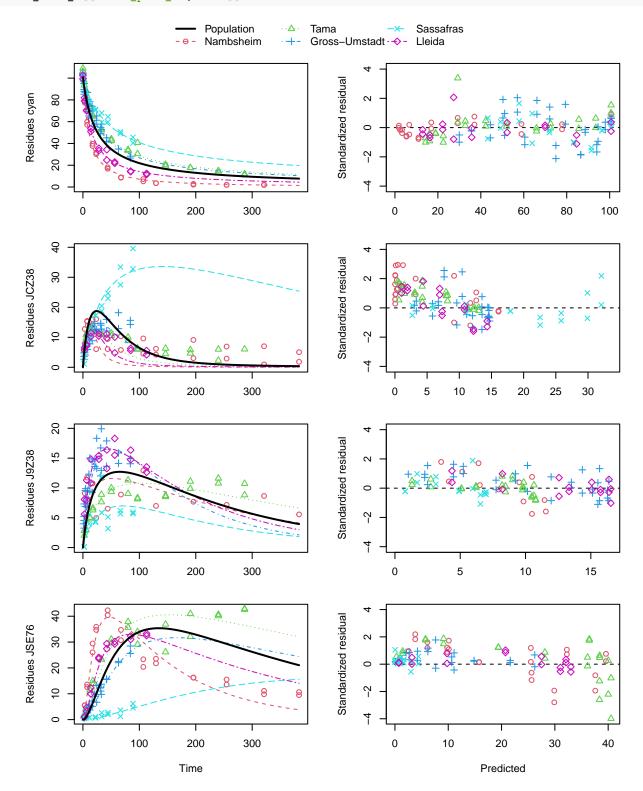


Figure 7: FOMC pathway fit with two-component error

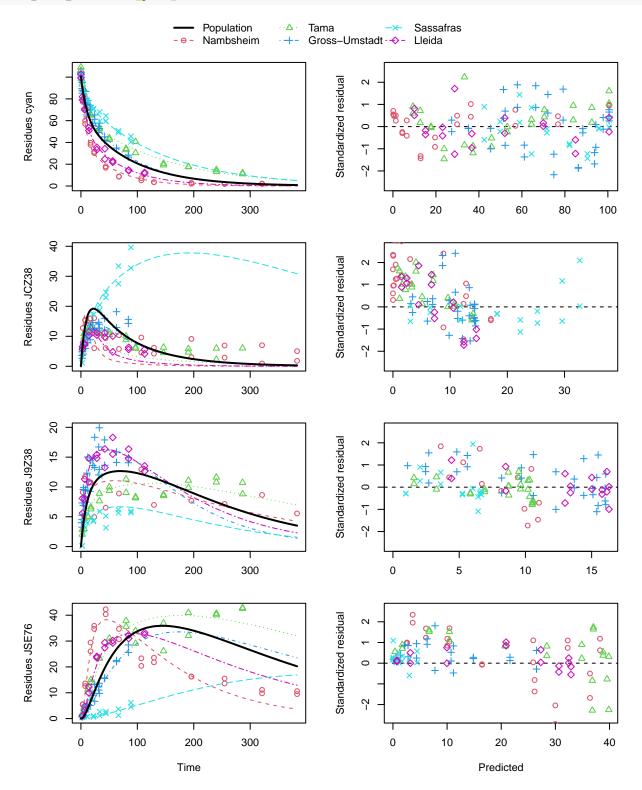


Figure 8: HS pathway fit with two-component error

Hierarchical fit listings

Pathway 1

Listing 1: Hierarchical SFO path 1 fit with constant variance

```
saemix version used for fitting:
mkin version used for pre-fitting: 1.2.9
R version used for fitting:
Date of fit: Thu Feb 13 18:32:35 2025
Date of summary: Thu Feb 13 19:05:54 2025
d_{cyan}/dt = - k_{cyan} * cyan
d_JCZ38/dt = + f_cyan_to_JCZ38 * k_cyan * cyan - k_JCZ38 * JCZ38
d_J9Z38/dt = + f_cyan_to_J9Z38 * k_cyan * cyan - k_J9Z38 * J9Z38
d_JSE76/dt = + f_JCZ38_to_JSE76 * k_JCZ38 * JCZ38 - k_JSE76 * JSE76
433 observations of 4 variable(s) grouped in 5 datasets
Model predictions using solution type deSolve
Fitted in 530.472 s
Using 300, 100 iterations and 10 chains
Variance model: Constant variance
Starting values for degradation parameters:
                                                log_k_J9Z38
                                                                log_k_JSE76
        cvan 0
                                log_k_JCZ38
                  log_k_cyan
       95.3304
                     -3.8459
                                    -3.1305
                                                     -5.0678
                                                                    -5.3196
                 f_cyan_ilr_2 f_JCZ38_qlogis
 f cyan ilr 1
                      23.5335
        0.8158
                                     11.8774
Fixed degradation parameter values:
None
Starting values for random effects (square root of initial entries in omega):
               \verb|cyan_0| \log_k\_cyan | \log_k\_JCZ38 | \log_k\_J9Z38 | \log_k\_JSE76|
                4.797
cyan_0
                          0.0000
                                       0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                               0.0000
                          0.9619
log_k_cyan
                0.000
                                       0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                               0.0000
                0.000
                                       2.139
                                                    0.000
log_k_JCZ38
                          0.0000
                                                               0.0000
log_k_J9Z38
                0.000
                          0.0000
                                       0.000
                                                    1.639
                                                               0.0000
log_k_JSE76
                0.000
                          0.0000
                                       0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                               0.7894
f_cyan_ilr_1
                0.000
                          0.0000
                                       0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                               0.0000
                          0.0000
                                       0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                               0.0000
f_cyan_ilr_2
                0.000
f_JCZ38_qlogis 0.000
                          0.0000
                                       0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                               0.0000
               {\tt f\_cyan\_ilr\_1~f\_cyan\_ilr\_2~f\_JCZ38\_qlogis}
cyan_0
                    0.0000
                                   0.000
                                                    0.00
log_k_cyan
                     0.0000
                                   0.000
                                                    0.00
log_k_JCZ38
                     0.0000
                                   0.000
                                                    0.00
log_k_J9Z38
                     0.0000
                                   0.000
                                                    0.00
log_k_JSE76
                     0.0000
                                   0.000
                                                    0.00
f_cyan_ilr_1
                     0.7714
                                   0.000
                                                    0.00
f_cyan_ilr_2
                     0.0000
                                   9.247
                                                    0.00
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                     0.0000
                                   0.000
                                                   16.61
Starting values for error model parameters:
a.1
Results:
Likelihood computed by importance sampling
   AIC BIC logLik
  2693 2687 -1331
Optimised parameters:
                    est.
                               lower
                                          upper
                  95.1279 9.354e+01 9.671e+01
cyan_0
log_k_cyan
                  -3.8527 -4.367e+00 -3.338e+00
log_k_JCZ38
                  -3.0381 -4.187e+00 -1.889e+00
log_k_J9Z38
                  -5.0095 -5.623e+00 -4.396e+00
                  -5.3357 -6.025e+00 -4.646e+00
log_k_JSE76
f_cyan_ilr_1
                   0.8050 5.174e-01 1.093e+00
                  12.4820 -1.050e+06
f_cyan_ilr_2
                                      1.051e+06
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                   1.2912 3.561e-01 2.226e+00
a.1
                   4.8393
                                  NA
                                              NA
SD.log_k_cyan
                   0.5840
                                  NA
                                              NA
SD.log_k_JCZ38
                   1.2740
                                              NA
                                  NA
SD.log_k_J9Z38
                   0.3172
                                  NA
                                              NA
SD.log_k_JSE76
                   0.5677
                                              NA
                                  NA
                   0.2623
                                              NΑ
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1
                                  NA
```

```
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2 1.3724
SD.f_JCZ38_qlogis 0.1464
                                                NA
                                                                NA
Correlation is not available
Random effects:
est. lower u
SD.log_k_cyan 0.5840 NA
SD.log_k_JCZ38 1.2740 NA
SD.log_k_J9Z38 0.3172 NA
SD.log_k_JSE76 0.5677 NA
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1 0.2623 NA
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2 1.3724 NA
SD.f_JCZ38_qlogis 0.1464 NA
                                                NA
                                                NA
                                                NA
                                               NA
Variance model:
      est. lower upper
a.1 4.839 NA
Backtransformed parameters:
                                          lower
                 est. lower upper 95.127935 93.542456 96.713413
cyan_0
                       0.021221 0.012687 0.035497
0.047924 0.015189 0.151213
k_cyan
k_JCZ38
             0.021221 0.012687 0.035497
0.047924 0.015189 0.151213
0.006674 0.003612 0.012332
k_J9Z38
k_JSE76
                         0.004817 0.002417 0.009601
{\tt Resulting} \ {\tt formation} \ {\tt fractions:}
                         ff
ff
cyan_JCZ38 7.574e-01
cyan_J9Z38 2.426e-01
cyan_sink 9.839e-08
JCZ38_JSE76 7.843e-01
JCZ38_sink 2.157e-01
Estimated disappearance times:
        DT50 DT90
cyan 32.66 108.50
JCZ38 14.46 48.05
J9Z38 103.86 345.00
JSE76 143.91 478.04
```

Listing 2: Hierarchical SFO path 1 fit with two-component error

```
saemix version used for fitting:
                                     3.3
mkin version used for pre-fitting: 1.2.9
R version used for fitting:
                                    4.4.2
Date of fit: Thu Feb 13 18:31:56 2025
Date of summary: Thu Feb 13 19:05:54 2025
Equations:
d_{yan}/dt = - k_{yan} * cyan
d_JCZ38/dt = + f_cyan_to_JCZ38 * k_cyan * cyan - k_JCZ38 * JCZ38
d_J9Z38/dt = + f_cyan_to_J9Z38 * k_cyan * cyan - k_J9Z38 * J9Z38
\label{eq:d_JSE76_dt} $\tt d_JSE76/dt = + f_JCZ38\_to_JSE76 * k\_JCZ38 * JCZ38 - k\_JSE76 * JSE76$
433 observations of 4 variable(s) grouped in 5 datasets
Model predictions using solution type deSolve
Fitted in 491.09 s
Using 300, 100 iterations and 10 chains
Variance model: Two-component variance function
Starting values for degradation parameters:
                                                                 log_k_JSE76
        cyan_0
                log_k_cyan log_k_JCZ38
                                                 log_k_J9Z38
       96.0039
                      -3.8907
                                      -3.1276
                                                     -5.0069
                                                                     -4.9367
  f_cyan_ilr_1
                 f_cyan_ilr_2 f_JCZ38_qlogis
        0.7937
                      22.3422
                                     17.8932
Fixed degradation parameter values:
Starting values for random effects (square root of initial entries in omega):
               cyan\_0 \ log\_k\_cyan \ log\_k\_JCZ38 \ log\_k\_J9Z38 \ log\_k\_JSE76
cyan_0
                           0.000
                0.000
log_k_cyan
                           0.962
                                         0.00
                                                     0.00
                                                                0.0000
log_k_JCZ38
                0.000
                           0.000
                                         2.04
                                                     0.00
                                                                0.0000
                0.000
                                                     1.72
log_k_J9Z38
                           0.000
                                         0.00
                                                                0.0000
log_k_JSE76
                0.000
                           0.000
                                         0.00
                                                     0.00
                                                                0.9076
f_cyan_ilr_1
                0.000
                           0.000
                                         0.00
                                                     0.00
                                                                0.0000
f_cyan_ilr_2
                0.000
                           0.000
                                         0.00
                                                     0.00
                                                                0.0000
f_JCZ38_qlogis 0.000
                           0.000
                                         0.00
                                                     0.00
                                                               0.0000
               f_cyan_ilr_1 f_cyan_ilr_2 f_JCZ38_qlogis
                     0.0000
                                    0.000
                                                    0.00
cyan 0
log_k_cyan
                     0.0000
                                    0.000
                                                    0.00
log_k_JCZ38
                     0.0000
                                    0.000
                                                    0.00
log_k_J9Z38
                     0.0000
                                    0.000
                                                    0.00
log_k_JSE76
                     0.0000
                                    0.000
                                                    0.00
                     0.7598
                                    0.000
                                                    0.00
f_cyan_ilr_1
f cyan ilr 2
                     0.0000
                                    8.939
                                                    0.00
{\tt f\_JCZ38\_qlogis}
                     0.0000
                                    0.000
                                                   14.49
Starting values for error model parameters:
a.1 b.1
 1 1
Results:
Likelihood computed by importance sampling
  AIC BIC logLik
  2658 2651 -1312
Optimised parameters:
                      est. lower upper
cyan_0
                  94.81681
                              NA
                                     NA
log_k_cyan
                  -3.91558
                                     NA
                  -3.12715
log_k_JCZ38
                               NA
                                     NA
log_k_J9Z38
                  -5.04840
                               NA
                                     NA
log_k_JSE76
                  -5.10443
                               {\tt NA}
                                     NA
f_cyan_ilr_1
                   0.80760
                               NA
                                     NΑ
f_cyan_ilr_2
                  48.66960
                               {\tt NA}
                                     NA
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                   3.03397
                                     NA
a.1
                   3.93879
                               NA
                                     NA
b.1
                   0.08057
                                     NA
SD.log_k_cyan
                   0.58921
                               NA
                                     NA
SD.log_k_JCZ38
                   1.29813
                                     NA
SD.log_k_J9Z38
                   0.68372
                               NA
                                     NA
SD.log_k_JSE76
                   0.35128
                               NA
                                     NA
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1
                   0.38352
                               NA
                                     NA
                   4.98884
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2
SD.f_JCZ38_qlogis 1.75636
                                     NA
Correlation is not available
```

```
Random effects:
                               est. lower upper
0.5892 NA NA
SD.log_k_cyan 0.5892 NA
SD.log_k_JCZ38 1.2981 NA
SD.log_k_J9Z38 0.6837 NA
SD.log_k_J9Z5F6 0.3513 NA
SD.fog_k_id=0.2625 NA
                                                         NA
                                                         NA
                                                         NA
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1 0.3835 NA
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2 4.9888 NA
SD.f_CZ38_qlogis 1.7564 NA
                                                         NA
                                                         NA
                                                       NA
 Variance model:
est. lower upper a.1 3.93879 NA NA b.1 0.08057 NA NA
{\tt Backtransformed\ parameters:}
est. lower u
cyan_0 94.81681 NA
k_cyan 0.01993 NA
k_JCZ38 0.04384 NA
k_J9238 0.00642 NA
k_JSE76 0.00607 NA
                                est. lower upper
                                                           NA
                                                 NA NA
                                                           NA
R_JSE76 0.00607 NA NA NA f_cyan_to_JS238 0.75807 NA NA f_cyan_to_J9Z38 0.24193 NA NA f_JCZ38_to_JSE76 0.95409 NA NA
Resulting formation fractions:
 cyan_JCZ38 0.75807
 cyan_J9Z38 0.24193
 cyan_sink 0.00000
 JCZ38_JSE76 0.95409
 JCZ38_sink 0.04591
Estimated disappearance times: DT50 \, DT90 \,
 cyan 34.78 115.54
JCZ38 15.81 52.52
 J9Z38 107.97 358.68
 JSE76 114.20 379.35
```

Listing 3: Hierarchical FOMC path 1 fit with constant variance

```
saemix version used for fitting:
                                     3.3
mkin version used for pre-fitting: 1.2.9
R version used for fitting:
                                   4.4.2
Date of fit: Thu Feb 13 18:34:08 2025
Date of summary: Thu Feb 13 19:05:54 2025
Equations:
d_{\text{cyan}}/dt = - (alpha/beta) * 1/((time/beta) + 1) * cyan
d_JCZ38/dt = + f_cyan_to_JCZ38 * (alpha/beta) * 1/((time/beta) + 1) *
          cyan - k_JCZ38 * JCZ38
d_{J9Z38}/dt = + f_{cyan_to_J9Z38} * (alpha/beta) * 1/((time/beta) + 1) *
          cyan - k_J9Z38 * J9Z38
d_JSE76/dt = + f_JCZ38\_to_JSE76 * k_JCZ38 * JCZ38 - k_JSE76 * JSE76
433 observations of 4 variable(s) grouped in 5 datasets
Model predictions using solution type deSolve
Fitted in 623.314 s
Using 300, 100 iterations and 10 chains
Variance model: Constant variance
Starting values for degradation parameters:
               log_k_JCZ38
                                log_k_J9Z38
                                                log_k_JSE76
                                                             f_cyan_ilr_1
       cyan_0
      101.2314
                     -3.3680
                                     -5.1108
                                                    -5.9416
                                                                    0.7144
 f_cyan_ilr_2 f_JCZ38_qlogis
                                   log_alpha
                                                   log_beta
       7.0229
                      14.9234
                                     -0.1791
                                                     2.9811
Fixed degradation parameter values:
Starting values for random effects (square root of initial entries in omega):
               cyan_0 log_k_JCZ38 log_k_J9Z38 log_k_JSE76 f_cyan_ilr_1
               5.416
                           0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                                0.0000
cyan 0
                                          0.0
log_k_JCZ38
                0.000
                            2.439
                                          0.0
                                                    0.000
                                                                0.0000
log_k_J9Z38
                0.000
                            0.000
                                          1.7
                                                    0.000
                                                                0.0000
                0.000
log_k_JSE76
                            0.000
                                          0.0
                                                    1.856
                                                                0.0000
f cvan ilr 1
               0.000
                           0.000
                                          0.0
                                                    0.000
                                                                0.7164
f cyan ilr 2
                0.000
                            0.000
                                          0.0
                                                    0.000
                                                                0.0000
f_JCZ38_qlogis
               0.000
                            0.000
                                          0.0
                                                    0.000
                                                                0.0000
log_alpha
               0.000
                            0.000
                                          0.0
                                                    0.000
                                                                0.0000
               0.000
                            0.000
                                          0.0
                                                    0.000
                                                                0.0000
log_beta
               f_cyan_ilr_2 f_JCZ38_qlogis log_alpha log_beta
                      0.00
                                              0.0000 0.0000
cyan 0
                                      0.00
log_k_JCZ38
                       0.00
                                      0.00
                                              0.0000
                                                       0.0000
log_k_J9Z38
                       0.00
                                     0.00
                                              0.0000
                                                       0.0000
log_k_JSE76
                       0.00
                                     0.00
                                              0.0000
                                                       0.0000
f_cyan_ilr_1
                                              0.0000
                                                       0.0000
                      0.00
                                     0.00
f_cyan_ilr_2
                      11.57
                                     0.00
                                              0.0000
                                                       0.0000
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                                                       0.0000
                                              0.0000
                       0.00
                                     18.81
                                              0.4144
log_alpha
                       0.00
                                      0.00
                                                       0.0000
                                              0.0000
                                                       0.5077
log_beta
                      0.00
                                      0.00
Starting values for error model parameters:  \\
a.1
 1
Results:
Likelihood computed by importance sampling
  AIC BIC logLik
  2428 2421 -1196
Optimised parameters:
                      est.
                             lower
                                       upper
cyan_0
                  101.1664 98.51265 103.8202
log_k_JCZ38
                   -3.3883 -4.78250 -1.9941
                   -5.3087 -5.91564
log_k_J9Z38
                                    -4.7017
log_k_JSE76
                   -6.1313 -7.30061
                                    -4.9619
f_cyan_ilr_1
                   0.7456 0.43782
                                     1.0534
f_cyan_ilr_2
                    0.8181 0.24956
                                     1.3866
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                   2.0467 0.61165
                                      3.4817
                   -0.2391 -0.62806
                                     0.1499
log_alpha
                    2.8739 2.67664
log_beta
                                      3.0711
                    3.4160 3.17960
                                      3.6525
                    2.4355 0.40399
                                      4.4671
SD.cyan_0
SD.log_k_JCZ38
                    1.5654 0.57311
                                      2.5576
SD.log_k_J9Z38
                    0.4645 -0.06533
                                      0.9943
SD.log_k_JSE76
                    0.9841 0.10738
                                      1.8609
                   0.3285 0.10546
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1
                                      0.5515
```

```
SD.log_alpha
Correlation:
              cyan_0 1__JCZ3 1__J9Z3 1__JSE7 f_cy__1 f_cy__2 f_JCZ38 log_lph
log_k_JCZ38 -0.0159
log_k_J9Z38
              -0.0546 0.0080
log_k_JSE76 -0.0337 0.0016 0.0074
f_cyan_ilr_1 -0.0095 0.0194 -0.1573 0.0003
f_cyan_ilr_2 -0.2733 0.0799 0.3059 0.0263 0.0125
f_JCZ38_qlogis 0.0755 -0.0783 -0.0516 0.1222 -0.1155 -0.5231
log_beta
Random effects:
                           lower upper
                   est.
                 2.4355 0.40399 4.4671
SD.cyan_0
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1 0.3285 0.10546 0.5515
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2 0.2276 -0.38711 0.8424
SD.f_JCZ38_qlogis 0.8340 -0.20970 1.8777
               0.4250 0.16017 0.6898
SD.log_alpha
Variance model:
est. lower upper a.1 3.416 3.18 3.652
Backtransformed parameters:
               est. lower upper 1.012e+02 9.851e+01 103.82023
cyan_0
                3.377e-02 8.375e-03 0.13614
4.948e-03 2.697e-03 0.00908
k_JCZ38
k_J9Z38
k_JSE76
                2.174e-03 6.751e-04 0.00700
f_cyan_to_JCZ38 6.389e-01 NA
f_cyan_to_J9Z38 2.226e-01 NA
                                           NΑ
f_cyan_to_J9Z38 2.226e-01
                                           NA
f_JCZ38_to_JSE76 8.856e-01 6.483e-01 0.97016 alpha 7.873e-01 5.336e-01 1.16166 beta 1.771e+01 1.454e+01 21.56509
beta
Resulting formation fractions:
               ff
cyan_JCZ38 0.6389
cyan_J9Z38 0.2226
cyan_sink 0.1385
JCZ38_JSE76 0.8856
JCZ38_sink 0.1144
Estimated disappearance times:
DT50 DT90 DT50back
cyan 25.00 312.06 93.94
JCZ38 20.53 68.19
                          NA
J9Z38 140.07 465.32
                          NA
JSE76 318.86 1059.22
```

Listing 4: Hierarchical FOMC path 1 fit with two-component error

```
saemix version used for fitting:
                                      3.3
mkin version used for pre-fitting: 1.2.9
R version used for fitting:
                                    4.4.2
Date of fit: Thu Feb 13 18:32:56 2025
Date of summary: Thu Feb 13 19:05:54 2025
d_{\text{cyan}}/dt = - (alpha/beta) * 1/((time/beta) + 1) * cyan
d_JCZ38/dt = + f_cyan_to_JCZ38 * (alpha/beta) * 1/((time/beta) + 1) *
          cyan - k_JCZ38 * JCZ38
d_{J9Z38}/dt = + f_{cyan_to_J9Z38} * (alpha/beta) * 1/((time/beta) + 1) *
           cyan - k_J9Z38 * J9Z38
d_JSE76/dt = + f_JCZ38\_to_JSE76 * k_JCZ38 * JCZ38 - k_JSE76 * JSE76
433 observations of 4 variable(s) grouped in 5 datasets
Model predictions using solution type deSolve
Fitted in 550.58 s
Using 300, 100 iterations and 10 chains
Variance model: Two-component variance function
Starting values for degradation parameters:
                log_k_JCZ38
                                 log_k_J9Z38
                                                log_k_JSE76
                                                              f_cyan_ilr_1
        cyan_0
     101.13294
                     -3.32499
                                    -5.09097
                                                    -5.93566
                                                                    0.71359
 f_cyan_ilr_2 f_JCZ38_qlogis
                                   log_alpha
                                                    log_beta
      10.30315
                     14.62272
                                    -0.09633
                                                     3.10634
Fixed degradation parameter values:
Starting values for random effects (square root of initial entries in omega):
               cyan_0 log_k_JCZ38 log_k_J9Z38 log_k_JSE76 f_cyan_ilr_1
                5.649
                            0.000
                                         0.00
                                                                 0.0000
cyan 0
                                                     0.00
log_k_JCZ38
                0.000
                            2.319
                                         0.00
                                                      0.00
                                                                 0.0000
log_k_J9Z38
                0.000
                            0.000
                                         1.73
                                                     0.00
                                                                 0.0000
                0.000
log_k_JSE76
                            0.000
                                         0.00
                                                      1.86
                                                                 0.0000
f cvan ilr 1
                0.000
                            0.000
                                         0.00
                                                     0.00
                                                                 0.7183
f cyan ilr 2
                0.000
                            0.000
                                         0.00
                                                     0.00
                                                                 0.0000
f_JCZ38_qlogis
               0.000
                            0.000
                                         0.00
                                                     0.00
                                                                 0.0000
log_alpha
                0.000
                            0.000
                                         0.00
                                                     0.00
                                                                 0.0000
                0.000
                            0.000
                                         0.00
                                                                 0.0000
log_beta
                                                     0.00
               f_cyan_ilr_2 f_JCZ38_qlogis log_alpha log_beta
                       0.00
                                      0.00
                                              0.0000
                                                      0.0000
cyan 0
log_k_JCZ38
                       0.00
                                      0.00
                                              0.0000
                                                       0.0000
log_k_J9Z38
                       0.00
                                      0.00
                                              0.0000
                                                       0.0000
log_k_JSE76
                       0.00
                                      0.00
                                              0.0000
                                                       0.0000
f_cyan_ilr_1
                                      0.00
                                              0.0000
                                                       0.0000
                       0.00
f_cyan_ilr_2
                      12.85
                                      0.00
                                              0.0000
                                                       0.0000
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                                                       0.0000
                                              0.0000
                       0.00
                                      18.54
log_alpha
                       0.00
                                      0.00
                                              0.3142
                                                       0.0000
                                              0.0000
                                                       0.7333
log_beta
                       0.00
                                      0.00
Starting values for error model parameters:  \\
a.1 b.1
 1 1
Results:
Likelihood computed by importance sampling
  AIC BIC logLik
  2424 2416 -1193
Optimised parameters:
                       est. lower upper
cyan_0
                  100.65667
log_k_JCZ38
                   -3.45782
                               NΑ
                                     NΑ
log_k_J9Z38
                   -5.23476
                               NA
                                     NA
log_k_JSE76
                   -5.71827
f_cyan_ilr_1
                    0.68389
                               NA
                                     NA
f_cyan_ilr_2
                    0.61027
                                      NA
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                  116.27482
                               NA
                                     NA
                   -0.14484
log_alpha
                                     NA
                    3.03220
log_beta
                                      NA
                    3.11051
                                     NA
a.1
b.1
                    0.04508
                               NA
                                      ΝA
                    1.39961
SD.log_k_JCZ38
                                     NA
SD.log_k_J9Z38
                    0.57920
                               NA
                                      NA
SD.log_k_JSE76
                    0.68364
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1
                    0.31477
                               NA
                                      NA
```

```
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2 0.37716
SD.f_JCZ38_qlogis 5.52695
                                      NA
                                              NA
SD.log_alpha
                        0.22823
SD.log_beta
                        0.39161
                                              NA
Correlation is not available
Random effects:
                        est. lower upper
SD.log_k_JCZ38 1.3996 NA
SD.log_k_J9Z38 0.5792 NA
SD.log_k_JSE76 0.6836 NA
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1 0.3148 NA
                                          NA
                                          NA
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2 0.3772
                                          NA
SD.f_JCZ38_qlogis 5.5270
SD.log_alpha 0.2282
SD.log_beta 0.3916
                                          NA
                                   NA
SD.log_beta
                                          NA
Variance model:
est. lower upper
a.1 3.11051 NA NA
b.1 0.04508 NA NA
Backtransformed parameters:
                       est. lower upper
.007e+02 NA NA
                    1.007e+02
cyan_0
                                     NΑ
                                             NΑ
```


 cyan_0
 1.007e+02

 k_JCZ38
 3.150e-02

 k_J9Z38
 5.328e-03

 k_JSE76
 3.285e-03
 NA k_JSE76 NA NA f_cyan_to_JCZ38 5.980e-01 NA NA f_cyan_to_J9Z38 2.273e-01 f_JC238_to_JSE76 1.000e+00 NA NA NΑ 8.652e-01 2.074e+01 alpha NA NA beta NΑ

Resulting formation fractions:

ff cyan_JCZ38 0.5980 cyan_J9Z38 0.2273 cyan_sink 0.1746 JCZ38_JSE76 1.0000 JCZ38_sink 0.0000

Estimated disappearance times: DT50 DT90 DT50back

cyan 25.48 276.2 83.15 JCZ38 22.01 73.1 NA J9Z38 130.09 432.2 NA JSE76 210.98 700.9 NA

Listing 5: Hierarchical DFOP path 1 fit with constant variance

```
saemix version used for fitting:
                                       3.3
mkin version used for pre-fitting: 1.2.9
R version used for fitting:
                                     4.4.2
Date of fit: Thu Feb 13 18:33:28 2025
Date of summary: Thu Feb 13 19:05:54 2025
* cyan
d_JCZ38/dt = + f_{cyan_to_JCZ38} * ((k1 * g * exp(-k1 * time) + k2 * (1 - k2 * time)) + k2 * (1 - k2 * time))
           g) * exp(-k2 * time)) / (g * exp(-k1 * time) + (1 - g) * exp(-k2 * time))) * cyan - k_JCZ38 * JCZ38
d_{J9Z38}/dt = + f_{cyan_to_{J9Z38}} * ((k1 * g * exp(-k1 * time) + k2 * (1 - k2 * time)) + k2 * (1 - k2 * time))
           g) * \exp(-k2 * time)) / (g * \exp(-k1 * time) + (1 - g) *
            exp(-k2 * time))) * cyan - k_J9Z38 * J9Z38
d_JSE76/dt = + f_JCZ38_to_JSE76 * k_JCZ38 * JCZ38 - k_JSE76 * JSE76
Data:
433 observations of 4 variable(s) grouped in 5 datasets
Model predictions using solution type deSolve
Fitted in 583.053 s
Using 300, 100 iterations and 10 chains
Variance model: Constant variance
Starting values for degradation parameters:
                log_k_JCZ38
                                                  log_k_JSE76 f_cyan_ilr_1
        cyan_0
                                 log_k_J9Z38
      102.0643
                       -3.4008
                                       -5.0024
                                                       -5.8612
                                                                        0.6855
  f_cyan_ilr_2 f_JCZ38_qlogis
                                                                      g_qlogis
                                        log_k1
                                                        log_k2
        1.2366
                       13.6901
                                       -1.8641
                                                       -4.5063
                                                                        -0.6468
Fixed degradation parameter values:
Starting values for random effects (square root of initial entries in omega):
                cyan_0 log_k_JCZ38 log_k_J9Z38 log_k_JSE76 f_cyan_ilr_1
                 4.466
cvan 0
                             0.000
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
log_k_JCZ38
                 0.000
                             2.382
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
                                                                    0.0000
log_k_J9Z38
                 0.000
                             0.000
                                          1.595
                                                       0.000
                                                                    0.0000
log_k_JSE76
                 0.000
                             0.000
                                          0.000
                                                       1.245
                                                                    0.0000
                 0.000
                             0.000
                                                                    0.6852
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
f_cyan_ilr_1
                 0.000
                             0.000
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
                                                                    0.0000
f cvan ilr 2
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                0.000
                             0.000
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
                                                                    0.0000
log_k1
                 0.000
                             0.000
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
                                                                    0.0000
log_k2
                0.000
                             0.000
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
                                                                    0.0000
                0.000
                             0.000
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
                                                                    0.0000
g_qlogis
                f_cyan_ilr_2 f_JCZ38_qlogis log_k1 log_k2 g_qlogis
                                        0.00 0.0000 0.0000
                        0.00
                                                               0.000
cvan 0
log_k_JCZ38
                        0.00
                                        0.00 0.0000 0.0000
                                                               0.000
log_k_J9Z38
                                        0.00 0.0000 0.0000
                                                               0.000
                        0.00
log_k_JSE76
                        0.00
                                        0.00 0.0000 0.0000
                                                               0.000
                                        0.00 0.0000 0.0000
f_cyan_ilr_1
                        0.00
                                                               0.000
f_cyan_ilr_2
                        1.28
                                        0.00 0.0000 0.0000
                                                               0.000
                                       16.08 0.0000 0.0000
                                                               0.000
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                        0.00
                                        0.00 0.9866 0.0000
log_k1
                        0.00
                                                               0.000
                                        0.00 0.0000 0.5953
log_k2
                        0.00
                                                               0.000
g_qlogis
                        0.00
                                        0.00 0.0000 0.0000
                                                               1.583
Starting values for error model parameters:
a.1
  1
Results:
Likelihood computed by importance sampling
   AIC BIC logLik
  2403 2395 -1182
Optimised parameters:
                       est. lower upper
cyan_0
                   102.5565
                                NA
                                      NA
log_k_JCZ38
                    -3.4729
                                      NA
log_k_J9Z38
                    -5.1533
                                      NA
log_k_JSE76
                    -5.6669
                                      NA
f_cyan_ilr_1
                     0.6665
                                      NA
                                NA
                     0.5191
f_cyan_ilr_2
                                      NA
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                    37.0113
                                NA
                                      NA
log_k1
                    -1.8497
                    -4.4931
                                      NA
log_k2
                                NA
```

```
g_qlogis -0.6383
a.1 3.2397
SD.log_k_JCZ38 1.4286
SD.log_k_J9Z38 0.5312
SD.log_k_JSE76 0.6627
                                             NA
                                            NA
                                             NA
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1
                        0.3013
                                             NA
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2
                        0.2980
                                            NA
SD.f_JCZ38_qlogis 0.1637
                                            NA
SD.log_k1
                         0.5069
                                     NA
                                            NA
SD.log_k2
                        0.3828
                                            NA
                                    NA NA
SD.g_qlogis
                        0.8641
```

Correlation is not available

Random effects:

	est.	lower	upper
SD.log_k_JCZ38	1.4286	NA	NA
SD.log_k_J9Z38	0.5312	NA	NA
SD.log_k_JSE76	0.6627	NA	NA
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1	0.3013	NA	NA
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2	0.2980	NA	NA
SD.f_JCZ38_qlogis	0.1637	NA	NA
SD.log_k1	0.5069	NA	NA
SD.log_k2	0.3828	NA	NA
SD.g_qlogis	0.8641	NA	NA

Variance model:

est. lower upper a.1 3.24 NA NA

Backtransformed parameters:

	est.	lower	upper
cyan_0	1.026e+02	NA	NA
k_JCZ38	3.103e-02	NA	NA
k_J9Z38	5.780e-03	NA	NA
k_JSE76	3.459e-03	NA	NA
f_cyan_to_JCZ38	5.813e-01	NA	NA
f_cyan_to_J9Z38	2.265e-01	NA	NA
f_JCZ38_to_JSE76	1.000e+00	NA	NA
k1	1.573e-01	NA	NA
k2	1.119e-02	NA	NA
g	3.456e-01	NA	NA

Resulting formation fractions:

ff cyan_JCZ38 0.5813 cyan_J9Z38 0.2265 cyan_sink 0.1922 JCZ38_JSE76 1.0000 JCZ38_sink 0.0000

Estimated disappearance times: DT50 DT90 DT50back DT50_k1 DT50_k2 cyan 25.23 167.94 50.55 4.407 61.97 JCZ38 22.34 74.22 NA NA NA NA JSE76 200.41 665.76 NA NA NA NA

Listing 6: Hierarchical DFOP path 1 fit with two-component error

```
saemix version used for fitting:
                                       3.3
mkin version used for pre-fitting: 1.2.9
R version used for fitting:
                                      4.4.2
Date of fit: Thu Feb 13 18:37:24 2025
Date of summary: Thu Feb 13 19:05:54 2025
* cyan
d_JCZ38/dt = + f_{cyan_to_JCZ38} * ((k1 * g * exp(-k1 * time) + k2 * (1 - cyan_to_JCZ38))
           g) * exp(-k2 * time)) / (g * exp(-k1 * time) + (1 - g) * exp(-k2 * time))) * cyan - k_JCZ38 * JCZ38
d_{J9Z38}/dt = + f_{cyan_to_{J9Z38}} * ((k1 * g * exp(-k1 * time) + k2 * (1 - k2 * time)) + k2 * (1 - k2 * time))
           g) * exp(-k2 * time)) / (g * exp(-k1 * time) + (1 - g) *
            exp(-k2 * time))) * cyan - k_J9Z38 * J9Z38
d_JSE76/dt = + f_JCZ38_to_JSE76 * k_JCZ38 * JCZ38 - k_JSE76 * JSE76
Data:
433 observations of 4 variable(s) grouped in 5 datasets
Model predictions using solution type deSolve
Fitted in 818.805 s
Using 300, 100 iterations and 10 chains
Variance model: Two-component variance function
Starting values for degradation parameters:
                                                  log_k_JSE76 f_cyan_ilr_1
        cyan_0
                 log_k_JCZ38
                                  log_k_J9Z38
      101.3964
                       -3.3626
                                       -4.9792
                                                       -5.8727
                                                                       0.6814
  f_cyan_ilr_2 f_JCZ38_qlogis
                                                                     g_qlogis
                                       log_k1
                                                       log_k2
        6.8713
                       13.6901
                                       -1.9222
                                                       -4.5035
                                                                       -0.7172
Fixed degradation parameter values:
Starting values for random effects (square root of initial entries in omega):
                cyan_0 log_k_JCZ38 log_k_J9Z38 log_k_JSE76 f_cyan_ilr_1
cvan 0
                5.317
                             0.000
                                          0.000
                                                      0.000
                                                                   0.0000
log_k_JCZ38
                 0.000
                             2.272
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
                                                                   0.0000
log_k_J9Z38
                 0.000
                             0.000
                                          1.633
                                                       0.000
                                                                   0.0000
log_k_JSE76
                 0.000
                             0.000
                                          0.000
                                                       1.271
                                                                   0.0000
                 0.000
                             0.000
                                          0.000
                                                                   0.6839
                                                       0.000
f_cyan_ilr_1
                 0.000
                             0.000
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
                                                                   0.0000
f cvan ilr 2
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                0.000
                             0.000
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
                                                                   0.0000
log_k1
                 0.000
                             0.000
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
                                                                   0.0000
log_k2
                0.000
                             0.000
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
                                                                   0.0000
                0.000
                             0.000
                                          0.000
                                                      0.000
                                                                   0.0000
g_qlogis
                f_cyan_ilr_2 f_JCZ38_qlogis log_k1 log_k2 g_qlogis
                                       0.00 0.0000 0.0000
                        0.00
                                                               0.000
cvan 0
log_k_JCZ38
                        0.00
                                        0.00 0.0000 0.0000
                                                               0.000
log_k_J9Z38
                                       0.00 0.0000 0.0000
                                                               0.000
                        0.00
                                       0.00 0.0000 0.0000
log_k_JSE76
                        0.00
                                                               0.000
f_cyan_ilr_1
                        0.00
                                       0.00 0.0000 0.0000
                                                               0.000
f_cyan_ilr_2
                       11.95
                                       0.00 0.0000 0.0000
                                                               0.000
                                       16.08 0.0000 0.0000
                                                               0.000
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                        0.00
                                       0.00 0.9496 0.0000
log_k1
                        0.00
                                                               0.000
                                        0.00 0.0000 0.5846
log_k2
                        0.00
                                                               0.000
g_qlogis
                        0.00
                                        0.00 0.0000 0.0000
                                                               1.719
Starting values for error model parameters:
a.1 b.1
Results:
Likelihood computed by importance sampling
   AIC BIC logLik
  2398 2390 -1179
Optimised parameters:
                        est. lower upper
cyan_0
                   100.69709
                                NA
                                       NA
log_k_JCZ38
                    -3.46669
                                       NA
log_k_J9Z38
                    -5.05076
                                 NA
                                       NA
log_k_JSE76
                    -5.55558
                                       NA
                                NA
f_cyan_ilr_1
                     0.66045
                                 NA
                                       ΝA
                     0.84275
f_cyan_ilr_2
                                       NA
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                    64.22404
                                NA
                                       NA
log_k1
                    -2.17715
                    -4.55002
                                       NA
log_k2
                                NA
```

```
-0.55920
2.95785
g_qlogis
                              NA
                                    NA
b.1
                   0.04456
                                    NA
SD.log_k_JCZ38
                   1.39881
                              NA
                                    NA
SD.log_k_J9Z38
                   0.67788
SD.log_k_JSE76
                   0.52603
                                    NA
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1
                   0.32490
                                    NA
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2
                   0.53923
                                    NA
SD.f_JCZ38_qlogis
                   2.75576
                                    NA
SD.log_k2
                   0.30694
SD.g_qlogis
                   0.83619
Correlation is not available
Random effects:
                   est. lower upper
              1.3988
SD.log_k_JCZ38
```

SD.log_k_JSE76 0.5260 NA NA NA NA SD.f_cyan_ilr_1 0.3249 NA NA SD.f_cyan_ilr_2 0.5392 NA NA SD.f_JCZ38_qlogis 2.7558 NA NA 0.3069 SD.log_k2 NA NA 0.8362 NA NA SD.g_qlogis

Variance model:

est. lower upper a.1 2.95785 NA NA b.1 0.04456 NA NA

Backtransformed parameters:

est. lower upper 1.007e+02 cyan_0 k_JCZ38 NA 3.122e-02 NΑ NΑ .._39238 k_JSE76 6.404e-03 NA NA 3.866e-03 NA f_cyan_to_JCZ38 6.187e-01 NA NA f_cyan_to_J9Z38 2.431e-01 NA NA f_JCZ38_to_JSE76 1.000e+00 NA NA 1.134e-01 NA k1 NA k2 1.057e-02 NA NA g 3.637e-01 NA

Resulting formation fractions:

cyan_JCZ38 0.6187 cyan_J9Z38 0.2431 cyan_sink 0.1382 JCZ38_JSE76 1.0000 JCZ38_sink 0.0000

Estimated disappearance times: DT50 DT90 DT50back DT50_k1 DT50_k2

 DTSO
 DT90
 DT50back
 DT50_k1
 DT50_k2

 cyan
 26.35
 175.12
 52.72
 6.114
 65.6

 JC238
 22.20
 73.75
 NA
 NA
 NA

 J9Z38
 108.23
 359.53
 NA
 NA
 NA

 JSE76
 179.30
 595.62
 NA
 NA
 NA

Listing 7: Hierarchical SFORB path 1 fit with constant variance

```
saemix version used for fitting:
                                      3.3
mkin version used for pre-fitting: 1.2.9
R version used for fitting:
                                     4.4.2
Date of fit: Thu Feb 13 18:32:56 2025
Date of summary: Thu Feb 13 19:05:54 2025
d_cyan_free/dt = - k_cyan_free * cyan_free - k_cyan_free_bound *
           cyan_free + k_cyan_bound_free * cyan_bound
d_cyan_bound/dt = + k_cyan_free_bound * cyan_free - k_cyan_bound_free *
           cyan_bound
\label{eq:d_JCZ38} $$ d_JCZ38/dt = + f_cyan_free_to_JCZ38 * k_cyan_free * cyan_free - k_JCZ38 $$
           * JCZ38
\label{eq:d_J9Z38} $$ d_{J9Z38} + f_{cyan_free_to_J9Z38} * k_{cyan_free} * cyan_free_k_{J9Z38} $$
           * J9Z38
d_JSE76/dt = + f_JCZ38_to_JSE76 * k_JCZ38 * JCZ38 - k_JSE76 * JSE76
433 observations of 4 variable(s) grouped in 5 datasets
Model predictions using solution type deSolve
Fitted in 551.176 s
Using 300, 100 iterations and 10 chains
Variance model: Constant variance
Starting values for degradation parameters:
          cyan_free_0
                             log_k_cyan_free log_k_cyan_free_bound
             102.0643
                                     -2.8987
                                 log_k_JCZ38
                                                        log_k_J9Z38
log_k_cyan_bound_free
              -3.4717
                                      -3.4008
                                                             -5.0024
          log_k_JSE76
                                f_cyan_ilr_1
                                                       f_cyan_ilr_2
               -5.8613
       f_JCZ38_qlogis
              13.7395
Fixed degradation parameter values:
Starting values for random effects (square root of initial entries in omega):
                       cyan_free_0 log_k_cyan_free log_k_cyan_free_bound
                             4.466
                                            0.0000
cyan free 0
                             0.000
                                             0.6158
log_k_cyan_free
                                                                     0.000
                             0.000
                                             0.0000
                                                                     1.463
log_k_cyan_free_bound
log_k_cyan_bound_free
                             0.000
                                             0.0000
                                                                     0.000
log_k_JCZ38
                             0.000
                                             0.0000
                                                                     0.000
log_k_J9Z38
                             0.000
                                             0.0000
                                                                     0.000
log_k_JSE76
                             0.000
                                             0.0000
                                                                     0.000
f_cyan_ilr_1
                             0.000
                                                                     0.000
                                             0.0000
f_cyan_ilr_2
                             0.000
                                             0.0000
                                                                     0.000
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                             0.000
                                            0.0000
                                                                     0.000
                      log_k_cyan_bound_free log_k_JCZ38 log_k_J9Z38 log_k_JSE76
                                        0.000
                                                    0.000
cyan free 0
                                                                 0.000
                                                                             0.000
log_k_cyan_free
                                        0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                             0.000
log_k_cyan_free_bound
                                       0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                             0.000
                                        1.058
                                                                 0.000
                                                                             0.000
log_k_cyan_bound_free
                                                    0.000
                                                                 0.000
log_k_JCZ38
                                       0.000
                                                    2.382
                                                                             0.000
log_k_J9Z38
                                                                 1.595
                                        0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                                             0.000
log_k_JSE76
                                        0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                             1,245
                                                                 0.000
f_cyan_ilr_1
                                        0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                                             0.000
f_cyan_ilr_2
                                       0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                             0.000
{\tt f\_JCZ38\_qlogis}
                                       0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                             0.000
                       f\_cyan\_ilr\_1 \ f\_cyan\_ilr\_2 \ f\_JCZ38\_qlogis
cyan_free_0
                             0.0000
                                            0.00
                                                             0.00
log_k_cyan_free
                             0.0000
                                            0.00
                                                             0.00
log_k_cyan_free_bound
                             0.0000
                                             0.00
                                                             0.00
log_k_cyan_bound_free
                             0.0000
                                             0.00
                                                             0.00
log_k_JCZ38
                             0.0000
                                             0.00
                                                             0.00
log_k_J9Z38
                             0.0000
                                             0.00
                                                            0.00
log_k_JSE76
                             0.0000
                                             0.00
                                                             0.00
f_cyan_ilr_1
                             0.6852
                                             0.00
                                                            0.00
f_cyan_ilr_2
                             0.0000
                                             1.28
                                                            0.00
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                             0.0000
                                             0.00
                                                           16.13
Starting values for error model parameters:
Likelihood computed by importance sampling
```

```
AIC BIC logLik
  2401 2394 -1181
Optimised parameters:
                            est. lower upper
                        102.8136
cyan_free_0
log_k_cyan_free
                         -2.7935
                                          NA
log_k_cyan_free_bound
                         -2.5440
                                          NA
log_k_cyan_bound_free
                         -3.4303
log_k_JCZ38
                         -3.5010
                                          NA
log_k_J9Z38
                         -5.1226
                                          NA
log_k_JSE76
                         -5.6314
                                    NA
                                          NA
f_cyan_ilr_1
                          0.6609
f_cyan_ilr_2
                          0.5085
                                    NA
                                          NA
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                         44.0153
                          3.2318
a.1
                                    NA
                                          NA
SD.log_k_cyan_free
                          0.3211
                                          NA
SD.log_k_cyan_free_bound
                          0.8408
                                    NA
                                          NA
SD.log_k_cyan_bound_free
                          0.5724
                                    NA
                                          NA
SD.log_k_JCZ38
                          1.4925
                                    NA
                                          NA
SD.log_k_J9Z38
                          0.5816
                                          NA
                                    NA
SD.log_k_JSE76
                          0.6037
                                          NA
                                    NA
                          0.3115
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1
                                    NA
                                          NA
                          0.3436
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2
                                    NA
                                          NA
SD.f_JCZ38_qlogis
                          4.8937
                                    NΑ
                                          NA
Correlation is not available
Random effects:
                          est. lower upper
SD.log_k_cyan_free
                        0.3211 NA
                                        NA
SD.log_k_cyan_free_bound 0.8408
                                  NΑ
                                        NΑ
{\tt SD.log\_k\_cyan\_bound\_free~0.5724}
                                        NA
SD.log_k_JCZ38
                       1.4925
                                  NΑ
                                        NΑ
SD.log_k_J9Z38
                        0.5816
                                  NA
                                        NA
SD.log_k_JSE76
                        0.6037
                                        NA
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1
                        0.3115
                                  NΑ
                                        NΑ
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2
                        0.3436
                                  NA
                                        NA
SD.f_JCZ38_qlogis
                        4.8937
                                  NA
                                        NA
Variance model:
    est. lower upper
a.1 3.232 NA
Backtransformed parameters:
                         est. lower upper
cyan_free_0
                    1.028e+02
                                NA
k_cyan_free
                    6.120e-02
                                       NA
k_cyan_free_bound
                    7.855e-02
                                 NA
                                       NA
k_cyan_bound_free
                  3.238e-02
                                       NA
k_JCZ38
                    3.017e-02
                                 NA
                                       NA
k_J9Z38
                    5.961e-03
k_JSE76
                    3.584e-03
                                 NA
                                       NA
f_cyan_free_to_JCZ38 5.784e-01
                                       NA
f_cyan_free_to_J9Z38 2.271e-01
                                 NA
                                       NA
f_JCZ38_to_JSE76
                   1.000e+00
Estimated Eigenvalues of SFORB model(s):
cyan_b1 cyan_b2 cyan_g
0.15973 0.01241 0.33124
Resulting formation fractions:
cyan_free_JCZ38 0.5784
cyan_free_J9Z38 0.2271
cyan_free_sink 0.1945
cyan_free
               1.0000
JCZ38_JSE76
               1.0000
JCZ38_sink
               0.0000
Estimated disappearance times:
      DT50 DT90 DT50back DT50_cyan_b1 DT50_cyan_b2
      24.51 153.18
                      46.11
                                    4.34
                                                55.87
cyan
JCZ38 22.98 76.33
                       NA
                                    NA
                                                   NA
J9Z38 116.28 386.29
                         NA
                                      NA
                                                   NA
JSE76 193.42 642.53
                                      NA
                                                   NA
```

Listing 8: Hierarchical SFORB path 1 fit with two-component error

```
saemix version used for fitting:
                                       3.3
mkin version used for pre-fitting: 1.2.9
R version used for fitting:
                                     4.4.2
                Thu Feb 13 18:36:44 2025
Date of fit:
Date of summary: Thu Feb 13 19:05:54 2025
d_cyan_free/dt = - k_cyan_free * cyan_free - k_cyan_free_bound *
           cyan_free + k_cyan_bound_free * cyan_bound
d_cyan_bound/dt = + k_cyan_free_bound * cyan_free - k_cyan_bound_free *
           cyan_bound
\label{eq:d_JCZ38} $$ d_JCZ38/dt = + f_cyan_free_to_JCZ38 * k_cyan_free * cyan_free - k_JCZ38 $$
           * JCZ38
\label{eq:d_J9Z38} $$ d_{J9Z38} + f_{cyan_free_to_J9Z38} * k_{cyan_free} * cyan_free_k_{J9Z38} $$
           * J9Z38
d_JSE76/dt = + f_JCZ38_to_JSE76 * k_JCZ38 * JCZ38 - k_JSE76 * JSE76
433 observations of 4 variable(s) grouped in 5 datasets
Model predictions using solution type deSolve
Fitted in 778.828 s
Using 300, 100 iterations and 10 chains
Variance model: Two-component variance function
Starting values for degradation parameters:
          cyan_free_0
                             log_k_cyan_free log_k_cyan_free_bound
                                      -2.9881
             101.3964
                                 log_k_JCZ38
                                                        log_k_J9Z38
log_k_cyan_bound_free
               -3.4376
                                      -3.3626
                                                             -4.9792
          log_k_JSE76
                                f_cyan_ilr_1
                                                       f_cyan_ilr_2
               -5.8727
       f_JCZ38_qlogis
              13.7395
Fixed degradation parameter values:
Starting values for random effects (square root of initial entries in omega):
                       cyan_free_0 log_k_cyan_free log_k_cyan_free_bound
                             5.317
                                             0.0000
cyan free 0
                                             0.7301
log_k_cyan_free
                             0.000
                                                                     0.000
                             0.000
                                             0.0000
                                                                     1.384
log_k_cyan_free_bound
log_k_cyan_bound_free
                             0.000
                                             0.0000
                                                                     0.000
log_k_JCZ38
                             0.000
                                             0.0000
                                                                     0.000
log_k_J9Z38
                             0.000
                                             0.0000
                                                                     0.000
log_k_JSE76
                             0.000
                                             0.0000
                                                                     0.000
f_cyan_ilr_1
                             0.000
                                             0.0000
                                                                     0.000
f_cyan_ilr_2
                             0.000
                                             0.0000
                                                                     0.000
                                                                     0.000
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                             0.000
                                             0.0000
                       {\tt log\_k\_cyan\_bound\_free~log\_k\_JCZ38~log\_k\_J9Z38~log\_k\_JSE76}
                                        0.000
                                                    0.000
cyan free 0
                                                                 0.000
                                                                              0.000
log_k_cyan_free
                                        0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                              0.000
log_k_cyan_free_bound
                                        0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                              0.000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                              0.000
log_k_cyan_bound_free
                                        1.109
                                                    0.000
                                                                 0.000
log_k_JCZ38
                                        0.000
                                                    2.272
                                                                              0.000
log_k_J9Z38
                                                                 1.633
                                        0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                                              0.000
log_k_JSE76
                                        0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                              1,271
                                                                 0.000
f_cyan_ilr_1
                                        0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                                              0.000
f_cyan_ilr_2
                                        0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                             0.000
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                                        0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                              0.000
                       f\_cyan\_ilr\_1 \ f\_cyan\_ilr\_2 \ f\_JCZ38\_qlogis
cyan_free_0
                             0.0000
                                             0.00
                                                             0.00
log_k_cyan_free
                             0.0000
                                             0.00
                                                             0.00
log_k_cyan_free_bound
                             0.0000
                                             0.00
                                                             0.00
log_k_cyan_bound_free
                             0.0000
                                             0.00
                                                             0.00
log_k_JCZ38
                             0.0000
                                             0.00
                                                             0.00
log_k_J9Z38
                             0.0000
                                             0.00
                                                             0.00
log_k_JSE76
                             0.0000
                                             0.00
                                                             0.00
f_cyan_ilr_1
                             0.6838
                                             0.00
                                                             0.00
f_cyan_ilr_2
                             0.0000
                                            11.69
                                                             0.00
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                             0.0000
                                             0.00
                                                            16.13
Starting values for error model parameters:
Results:
Likelihood computed by importance sampling
```

```
AIC BIC logLik
  2400 2392 -1180
Optimised parameters:
                            est. lower upper
                        100.56004
cyan_free_0
log_k_cyan_free
                        -3.12657
                                          NA
log_k_cyan_free_bound
                         -3.16825
                                          NA
log_k_cyan_bound_free
                         -3.66003
log_k_JCZ38
                         -3.47278
log_k_J9Z38
                         -5.06823
                                     NA
log_k_JSE76
                         -5.54327
                                     NA
                                          NA
f_cyan_ilr_1
                        0.66631
                                     NA
f_cyan_ilr_2
                          0.82898
                                     NA
                                           NA
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                         38.31115
                                     NA
                          2.98352
a.1
                                     NA
                                          NA
                          0.04388
b.1
                                     NA
                                          NA
SD.log_k_cyan_free
                          0.49145
                                     NA
                                          NA
SD.log_k_cyan_bound_free 0.27347
                                     NA
                                          NA
SD.log_k_JCZ38
                          1.41193
                                     NA
                                          NA
SD.log_k_J9Z38
                          0.66073
                                     NA
                                          NA
SD.log_k_JSE76
                          0.55885
                                     NA
                                          NA
                          0.33020
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1
                                     NΑ
                                          NA
                          0.51367
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2
                                     NA
                                          NA
SD.f_JCZ38_qlogis
                          5.52122
                                     NΑ
                                          NA
Correlation is not available
Random effects:
                         est. lower upper
SD.log_k_cyan_free
                       0.4914 NA
                                       NA
SD.log_k\_cyan\_bound\_free 0.2735
                                        NΑ
                                  NΑ
                 1.4119
SD.log_k_JCZ38
                                        NA
SD.log_k_J9Z38
                       0.6607
                                  NΑ
                                        NΑ
                       0.5589
SD.log_k_JSE76
                                  NA
                                        NA
                       0.3302
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1
                                        NA
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2
                       0.5137
                                 NΑ
                                        NΑ
SD.f_JCZ38_qlogis
                       5.5212
                                       NA
Variance model:
     est. lower upper
a.1 2.98352 NA
b.1 0.04388 NA
                    NA
                    NA
{\tt Backtransformed\ parameters:}
                         est. lower upper
cyan_free_0
                    1.006e+02
k_cyan_free
                    4.387e-02
                                      NA
k_cyan_free_bound
                    4.208e-02
                                      NA
k_cyan_bound_free 2.573e-02
                                      NA
k_JCZ38
                    3.103e-02
                                 NA
                                      NA
k_J9Z38
                    6.294e-03
k_JSE76
                    3.914e-03
                                 NA
                                      NA
f_cyan_free_to_JCZ38 6.188e-01
                                      NA
f_cyan_free_to_J9Z38 2.412e-01
                                 NA
                                      NA
f_JCZ38_to_JSE76
                  1.000e+00
Estimated Eigenvalues of SFORB model(s):
cyan_b1 cyan_b2 cyan_g
0.10044 0.01124 0.36580
Resulting formation fractions:
cyan_free_JCZ38 0.6188
cyan_free_J9Z38 0.2412
cyan_free_sink 0.1400
cyan_free
              1.0000
JCZ38_JSE76
               1.0000
JCZ38_sink
               0.0000
Estimated disappearance times:
      DT50 DT90 DT50back DT50_cyan_b1 DT50_cyan_b2
                     49.48
                                  6.901
      26.05 164.4
                                              61.67
cyan
                     NA
                                  NA
JCZ38 22.34 74.2
                                                 NA
J9Z38 110.14 365.9
                       NA
                                    NA
                                                 NA
JSE76 177.11 588.3
                       NA
                                    NΑ
                                                 NΑ
```

Listing 9: Hierarchical HS path 1 fit with constant variance

```
saemix version used for fitting:
mkin version used for pre-fitting: 1.2.9
R version used for fitting:
                                    4.4.2
Date of fit: Thu Feb 13 18:33:28 2025
Date of summary: Thu Feb 13 19:05:54 2025
Equations:
d_{\text{cyan}}/dt = - \text{ ifelse(time <= tb, k1, k2) * cyan}
d_JCZ38/dt = + f_cyan_to_JCZ38 * ifelse(time <= tb, k1, k2) * cyan -
           k_JCZ38 * JCZ38
d_{J9Z38}/dt = + f_{cyan_{to_{J9Z38}} * ifelse(time <= tb, k1, k2) * cyan -
           k_J9Z38 * J9Z38
d_JSE76/dt = + f_JCZ38_to_JSE76 * k_JCZ38 * JCZ38 - k_JSE76 * JSE76
433 observations of 4 variable(s) grouped in 5 datasets
Model predictions using solution type deSolve
Fitted in 583.355 s
Using 300, 100 iterations and 10 chains
Variance model: Constant variance
Starting values for degradation parameters:
                 log_k_JCZ38
                                 log_k_J9Z38
                                                 log_k_JSE76
                                                               f_cyan_ilr_1
        cyan_0
      102.8845
                      -3.4495
                                      -4.9355
                                                     -5.6040
                                                                     0.6468
 f_cyan_ilr_2 f_JCZ38_qlogis
                                      log_k1
                                                     log_k2
                                                                     log_tb
        1.2396
                                      -2.9079
                                                     -4.1810
                                                                     1.7813
Fixed degradation parameter values:
Starting values for random effects (square root of initial entries in omega):
               cyan_0 log_k_JCZ38 log_k_J9Z38 log_k_JSE76 f_cyan_ilr_1
                5.406
                                         0.00
                                                     0.000
                                                                 0.0000
cyan 0
                             0.00
log_k_JCZ38
                0.000
                             2.33
                                          0.00
                                                     0.000
                                                                 0.0000
log_k_J9Z38
                0.000
                             0.00
                                          1.59
                                                     0.000
                                                                 0.0000
log_k_JSE76
                0.000
                             0.00
                                          0.00
                                                     1.013
                                                                 0.0000
f cvan ilr 1
                0.000
                             0.00
                                          0.00
                                                     0.000
                                                                 0.6367
f cyan ilr 2
                0.000
                             0.00
                                          0.00
                                                     0.000
                                                                 0.0000
f_JCZ38_qlogis
               0.000
                             0.00
                                          0.00
                                                     0.000
                                                                 0.0000
                0.000
                             0.00
                                          0.00
                                                     0.000
                                                                 0.0000
log_k1
                0.000
                                          0.00
                                                     0.000
                                                                 0.0000
log k2
                             0.00
                0.000
                                                     0.000
                                                                 0.0000
                             0.00
                                          0.00
log_tb
               f_cyan_ilr_2 f_JCZ38_qlogis log_k1 log_k2 log_tb
                      0.000
                                      0.00 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000
cvan 0
log_k_JCZ38
                      0.000
                                      0.00 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000
log_k_J9Z38
                      0.000
                                      0.00 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000
log_k_JSE76
                      0.000
                                      0.00 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000
                      0.000
                                      0.00 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000
f_cyan_ilr_1
                      2.038
                                      0.00 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000
f_cyan_ilr_2
                      0.000
                                     10.33 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                                      0.00 0.7006 0.0000 0.0000
                      0.000
log_k1
log_k2
                      0.000
                                      0.00 0.0000 0.8928 0.0000
log_tb
                      0.000
                                      0.00 0.0000 0.0000 0.6773
Starting values for error model parameters:
a.1
 1
Results:
Likelihood computed by importance sampling
  AIC BIC logLik
  2427 2419 -1194
Optimised parameters:
                      est.
                                lower
                  101.9660 1.005e+02 1.035e+02
log_k_JCZ38
                   -3.4698 -4.716e+00 -2.224e+00
log_k_J9Z38
                   -5.0947 -5.740e+00 -4.450e+00
log_k_JSE76
                   -5.5977 -6.321e+00 -4.875e+00
f_cyan_ilr_1
                    0.6595 3.734e-01 9.456e-01
f_cyan_ilr_2
                    0.5905 1.664e-01 1.015e+00
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                   25.8627 -4.224e+05 4.225e+05
                   -3.0884 -3.453e+00 -2.723e+00
log_k1
log_k2
                   -4.3877 -4.778e+00 -3.998e+00
                    2.3057 1.715e+00 2.896e+00
log_tb
                    3.3228
                                   NA
                                               NA
SD.log_k_JCZ38
                    1.4071
                                   NA
SD.log_k_J9Z38
                    0.5774
                                   NA
                                               NA
```

```
SD.log_k_JSE76
                   0.6214
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1
                   0.3058
                                  NA
                                            NA
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2
                   0.3470
                                            NA
SD.f_JCZ38_qlogis
                   0.0644
                                  NA
                                            NA
SD.log_k1
                   0.3994
SD.log_k2
                   0.4373
                                  NA
                                            NA
SD.log_tb
                   0.6419
```

Correlation is not available

Random effects:

est. lower upper SD.log_k_JCZ38 1.4071 NA SD.log_k_J9Z38 0.5774 SD.log_k_JSE76 0.6214 NA NA SD.f_cyan_ilr_1 0.3058 NA NA SD.f_cyan_ilr_2 0.3470 NA NA SD.f_JCZ38_qlogis 0.0644 NA NA 0.3994 SD.log_k1 NA NA SD.log_k2 0.4373 NA NA SD.log_tb 0.6419

Variance model:

est. lower upper a.1 3.323 NA NA

${\tt Backtransformed\ parameters:}$

est. lower upper 1.020e+02 1.005e+02 1.035e+02 cyan_0 k_JCZ38 3.112e-02 8.951e-03 1.082e-01 6.129e-03 3.216e-03 1.168e-02 k_J9Z38 k_JSE76 3.706e-03 1.798e-03 7.639e-03 f_cyan_to_J9Z38 2.318e-01 f_JCZ38_to_JSE76 1.000e+00 0.000e+00 1.000e+00 4.558e-02 3.164e-02 6.565e-02 1.243e-02 8.417e-03 1.835e-02 k1 k2 tb 1.003e+01 5.557e+00 1.811e+01

Resulting formation fractions:

cyan_JCZ38 5.890e-01 cyan_J9Z38 2.318e-01 cyan_sink 1.793e-01 JCZ38_JSE76 1.000e+00 JCZ38_sink 5.861e-12

Estimated disappearance times:

 cyan
 DT50
 DT90
 DT50back
 DT50_k1
 DT50_k2

 cyan
 29.02
 158.51
 47.72
 15.21
 55.77

 JCZ38
 22.27
 73.98
 NA
 NA
 NA

 J9Z38
 113.09
 375.69
 NA
 NA
 NA

 JSE76
 187.01
 621.23
 NA
 NA
 NA

Pathway 2

Listing 10: Hierarchical FOMC path 2 fit with two-component error

```
saemix version used for fitting:
mkin version used for pre-fitting: 1.2.9
R version used for fitting:
Date of fit: Thu Feb 13 18:46:09 2025
Date of summary: Thu Feb 13 19:05:54 2025
d_{cyan}/dt = - (alpha/beta) * 1/((time/beta) + 1) * cyan
d_JCZ38/dt = + f_cyan_to_JCZ38 * (alpha/beta) * 1/((time/beta) + 1) *
           cyan - k_JCZ38 * JCZ38 + f_JSE76_to_JCZ38 * k_JSE76 * JSE76
d_J9Z38/dt = + f_cyan_to_J9Z38 * (alpha/beta) * 1/((time/beta) + 1) *
          cyan - k_J9Z38 * J9Z38
d_JSE76/dt = + f_JCZ38_to_JSE76 * k_JCZ38 * JCZ38 - k_JSE76 * JSE76
Data:
433 observations of 4 variable(s) grouped in 5 datasets
Model predictions using solution type deSolve
Fitted in 513.642 s
Using 300, 100 iterations and 10 chains
Variance model: Two-component variance function
Starting values for degradation parameters:
                                                log_k_JSE76 f_cyan_ilr_1
        cyan_0
                 log_k_JCZ38
                                 log_k_J9Z38
      102.4477
                      -1.8631
                                     -5.1087
                                                    -2.5114
                                                                    0.6826
  f_cyan_ilr_2 f_JCZ38_qlogis f_JSE76_qlogis
                                                  log_alpha
                                                                   log_beta
                                                    -0.1564
                                                                    2.9781
        4.7944
                      15.9616
                                     13.1566
Fixed degradation parameter values:
Starting values for random effects (square root of initial entries in omega):
               cyan_0 log_k_JCZ38 log_k_J9Z38 log_k_JSE76 f_cyan_ilr_1
cyan_0
                7.701
                            0.000
                                        0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                                0.0000
log_k_JCZ38
                0.000
                            1.448
                                        0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                                 0.0000
log_k_J9Z38
                0.000
                            0.000
                                        1.724
                                                    0.000
                                                                 0.0000
log_k_JSE76
                0.000
                            0.000
                                        0.000
                                                    3.659
                                                                 0.0000
f_cyan_ilr_1
                0.000
                            0.000
                                        0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                                 0.6356
f_cyan_ilr_2
                0.000
                            0.000
                                        0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                                 0.0000
f_JCZ38_qlogis
               0.000
                            0.000
                                        0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                                 0.0000
f_JSE76_qlogis
               0.000
                            0.000
                                        0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                                 0.0000
log_alpha
                0.000
                            0.000
                                        0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                                 0.0000
log_beta
               0.000
                            0.000
                                        0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                                 0.0000
               f_cyan_ilr_2 f_JCZ38_qlogis f_JSE76_qlogis log_alpha log_beta
cyan_0
                       0.00
                                      0.00
                                                     0.00
                                                             0.0000
                                                                      0.0000
log_k_JCZ38
                       0.00
                                      0.00
                                                     0.00
                                                             0.0000
                                                                      0.0000
log_k_J9Z38
                       0.00
                                      0.00
                                                     0.00
                                                             0.0000
                                                                      0.0000
log_k_JSE76
                       0.00
                                      0.00
                                                     0.00
                                                             0.0000
                                                                      0.0000
f_cyan_ilr_1
                       0.00
                                      0.00
                                                     0.00
                                                             0.0000
                                                                      0.0000
f_cyan_ilr_2
                      10.32
                                      0.00
                                                     0.00
                                                             0.0000
                                                                      0.0000
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                       0.00
                                     12.23
                                                     0.00
                                                             0.0000
                                                                      0.0000
f_JSE76_qlogis
                       0.00
                                      0.00
                                                     14.99
                                                              0.0000
                                                                      0.0000
                       0.00
                                      0.00
                                                     0.00
                                                             0.3924
                                                                      0.0000
log_alpha
                                                     0.00
                                                             0.0000
                                                                      0.5639
log_beta
                       0.00
                                      0.00
Starting values for error model parameters:
Results:
Likelihood computed by importance sampling
   AIC BIC logLik
  2249 2241 -1104
Optimised parameters:
                       est.
                                 lower
                                           upper
                  101.55265 9.920e+01 103.9059
cyan 0
log_k_JCZ38
                   -2.32302 -2.832e+00
                                         -1.8142
log_k_J9Z38
                   -5.13082 -5.942e+00
                                         -4.3199
log_k_JSE76
                   -3.01756 -4.262e+00
                                         -1.7736
f_cyan_ilr_1
                    0.70850 3.657e-01
                                          1.0513
                    0.95775 2.612e-01
{\tt f\_cyan\_ilr\_2}
                                          1.6543
                    3.86105 9.248e-01
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                                          6.7973
f_JSE76_qlogis
                    7.51583 -1.120e+02 127.0392
                   -0.15308 -4.508e-01
                                          0.1446
log_alpha
                    2.99165 2.711e+00
log_beta
                                          3.2720
a.1
                    2.04034 1.843e+00
                                          2.2382
```

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0.06924 5.749e-02
                                       0.0810
SD.log_k_JCZ38
                  0.50818 1.390e-01
                                       0.8774
SD.log_k_J9Z38
                  0.86597 2.652e-01
                                       1.4667
SD.log_k_JSE76
                  1.38092 4.864e-01
                                       2.2754
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1
                  0.38204 1.354e-01
                                       0.6286
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2
                  0.55129 7.198e-02
                                       1.0306
SD.f_JCZ38_qlogis
                  1.88457 1.711e-02
                                       3.7520
SD.f_JSE76_qlogis
                  2.64018 -2.450e+03 2454.9447
                  0.31860 1.047e-01
SD.log_alpha
                                       0.5325
                  0.24195 1.273e-02
SD.log_beta
                                       0.4712
Correlation:
             cyan_0 1__JCZ3 1__J9Z3 1__JSE7 f_cy__1 f_cy__2 f_JCZ38 f_JSE76
log_k_JCZ38
             -0.0235
             -0.0442 0.0047
log_k_J9Z38
log_k_JSE76
             -0.0023 0.0966 0.0006
f_cyan_ilr_1
             -0.0032 0.0070 -0.0536 -0.0001
f_cyan_ilr_2 -0.5189 0.0452 0.1152 0.0013 -0.0304
f_JCZ38_qlogis 0.1088 -0.0848 -0.0240 0.0040 -0.0384 -0.2303
f_JSE76_qlogis -0.0545 0.1315 0.0195 0.0020 0.0252 0.1737 -0.5939
             -0.0445 0.0056 0.0261 0.0019 -0.0055 0.0586 -0.0239 -0.0284
log_alpha
log_beta
              -0.2388 0.0163 0.0566 0.0040 -0.0078 0.2183 -0.0714 -0.0332
              log_lph
log_k_JCZ38
log_k_J9Z38
log_k_JSE76
f_cyan_ilr_1
f_cyan_ilr_2
f_JCZ38_qlogis
f_JSE76_qlogis
log_alpha
              0.2135
log_beta
Random effects:
                  est.
                           lower
0.8774
                                    1.4667
2.2754
                                    0.6286
                                    1.0306
SD.f_JCZ38_qlogis 1.8846 1.711e-02
                                    3.7520
SD.f_JSE76_qlogis 2.6402 -2.450e+03 2454.9447
             0.3186 1.047e-01 0.5325
SD.log_alpha
SD.log_beta
                0.2420 1.273e-02
                                   0.4712
Variance model:
est. lower upper a.1 2.04034 1.84252 2.238
b.1 0.06924 0.05749 0.081
Backtransformed parameters:
cyan_0
               1.016e+02 9.920e+01 103.9059
k_JCZ38
               9.798e-02 5.890e-02 0.1630
k_J9Z38
               5.912e-03 2.627e-03
                                    0.0133
k JSE76
                4.892e-02 1.410e-02 0.1697
                                   NA
f_cyan_to_JCZ38 6.432e-01 NA
f_cyan_to_J9Z38 2.362e-01 NA
f_cyan_to_J9Z38 2.362e-01
                                        NA
f_JCZ38_to_JSE76 9.794e-01 7.160e-01 0.9989
f_JSE76_to_JCZ38 9.995e-01 2.268e-49 1.0000
              8.581e-01 6.371e-01
alpha
              1.992e+01 1.505e+01 26.3646
beta
Resulting formation fractions:
                 ff
cyan_JCZ38 0.6432301
cyan_J9Z38 0.2361657
cyan_sink 0.1206042
JCZ38_JSE76 0.9793879
JCZ38_sink 0.0206121
JSE76_JCZ38 0.9994559
JSE76_sink 0.0005441
Estimated disappearance times:
       DT50 DT90 DT50back
      24.759 271.61 81.76
JCZ38 7.075 23.50
                         NA
J9Z38 117.249 389.49
                         NA
JSE76 14.169 47.07
                         NA
```

Listing 11: Hierarchical DFOP path 2 fit with constant variance

```
saemix version used for fitting:
                                       3.3
mkin version used for pre-fitting: 1.2.9
R version used for fitting:
                                     4.4.2
Date of fit: Thu Feb 13 18:47:03 2025
Date of summary: Thu Feb 13 19:05:54 2025
* cyan
d_JCZ38/dt = + f_{cyan_to_JCZ38} * ((k1 * g * exp(-k1 * time) + k2 * (1 - k2 * time)) + k2 * (1 - k2 * time))
           g) * exp(-k2 * time)) / (g * exp(-k1 * time) + (1 - g) * exp(-k2 * time))) * cyan - k_JCZ38 * JCZ38 +
           f_JSE76_to_JCZ38 * k_JSE76 * JSE76
d_{J9Z38}/dt = + f_{cyan_to_{J9Z38}} * ((k1 * g * exp(-k1 * time) + k2 * (1 - k1 * time)) + k2 * (1 - k1 * time)) + k2 * (1 - k1 * time)) + k2 * (1 - k1 * time))
           g) * exp(-k2 * time)) / (g * exp(-k1 * time) + (1 - g) * exp(-k2 * time))) * cyan - k_J9238 * J9238
d_JSE76/dt = + f_JCZ38_to_JSE76 * k_JCZ38 * JCZ38 - k_JSE76 * JSE76
433 observations of 4 variable(s) grouped in 5 datasets
Model predictions using solution type deSolve
Fitted in 567.679 s
Using 300, 100 iterations and 10 chains
Variance model: Constant variance
Starting values for degradation parameters:
                                  log_k_J9Z38
                                                   log_k_JSE76
                 log_k_JCZ38
        cyan_0
                                                                 f_cyan_ilr_1
                       -2.3107
      102.4380
                                       -5.3123
                                                       -3.7120
                                                                        0.6757
 f_cyan_ilr_2 f_JCZ38_qlogis f_JSE76_qlogis
                                                        log_k1
                                                                        log_k2
        1.1439
                       13.1194
                                                                       -4.4557
      g_qlogis
        -0.5644
Fixed degradation parameter values:
Starting values for random effects (square root of initial entries in omega):
               cyan_0 log_k_JCZ38 log_k_J9Z38 log_k_JSE76 f_cyan_ilr_1
                 4.591
                            0.0000
                                          0.000
                                                         0.0
                                                                    0.0000
cyan 0
log_k_JCZ38
                 0.000
                            0.7966
                                                                    0.0000
                                          0.000
                                                         0.0
log_k_J9Z38
                 0.000
                            0.0000
                                          1.561
                                                                    0.0000
                                                         0.0
log_k_JSE76
                 0.000
                            0.0000
                                                                    0.0000
                                          0.000
                                                         0.8
                 0.000
                            0.0000
                                          0.000
                                                                    0.6349
f_cyan_ilr_1
                                                         0.0
f_cyan_ilr 2
                0.000
                            0.0000
                                          0.000
                                                         0.0
                                                                    0.0000
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                0.000
                            0.0000
                                          0.000
                                                         0.0
                                                                    0.0000
f_JSE76_qlogis
                0.000
                            0.0000
                                          0.000
                                                                    0.0000
                                                         0.0
                            0.0000
                                          0.000
log_k1
                0.000
                                                         0.0
                                                                    0.0000
                 0.000
                            0.0000
                                          0.000
                                                                    0.0000
log_k2
                                                         0.0
                0.000
                            0.0000
                                          0.000
                                                                    0.0000
g_qlogis
                                                         0.0
                f_cyan_ilr_2 f_JCZ38_qlogis f_JSE76_qlogis log_k1 log_k2
cyan 0
                       0.000
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.000 0.0000
log_k_JCZ38
                       0.000
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.000 0.0000
log_k_J9Z38
                       0.000
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.000 0.0000
                                                        0.00 0.000 0.0000
log_k_JSE76
                       0.000
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.000 0.0000
f_cyan_ilr_1
                       0.000
                                        0.00
f_cyan_ilr_2
                       1.797
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.000 0.0000
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                       0.000
                                       13.86
                                                        0.00 0.000 0.0000
f_JSE76_qlogis
                       0.000
                                        0.00
                                                       13.91 0.000 0.0000
log_k1
                       0.000
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 1.106 0.0000
log_k2
                       0.000
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.000 0.6141
g_qlogis
                       0.000
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.000 0.0000
                g_qlogis
cyan_0
                   0.000
log_k_JCZ38
                   0.000
log_k_J9Z38
                   0.000
log_k_JSE76
                   0.000
f_cyan_ilr_1
                   0.000
f_cyan_ilr_2
                   0.000
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                   0.000
f_JSE76_qlogis
                   0.000
                   0.000
log_k1
log_k2
                   0.000
g_qlogis
                   1.595
Starting values for error model parameters:
a.1
 1
```

```
Results:
Likelihood computed by importance sampling
  AIC BIC logLik
 2288 2280 -1122
Optimised parameters:
                     est.
                               lower
                                          upper
                 102.7204 1.014e+02 1.040e+02
cyan_0
log_k_JCZ38
                  -2.8925 -4.044e+00 -1.741e+00
log_k_J9Z38
                  -5.1430 -5.828e+00 -4.457e+00
log_k_JSE76
                  -3.5577 -4.174e+00 -2.941e+00
                  0.6929 3.788e-01 1.007e+00
f_cyan_ilr_1
f_cyan_ilr_2
                   0.6066 5.342e-02 1.160e+00
                   9.8071 -2.819e+03 2.838e+03
f_JCZ38_qlogis
f_JSE76_qlogis
                   2.2229 5.684e-01 3.877e+00
                  -1.9339 -2.609e+00 -1.258e+00
log_k1
log_k2
                  -4.4709 -4.935e+00 -4.007e+00
                  -0.4987 -1.373e+00 3.757e-01
g_qlogis
                   2.7368 2.545e+00 2.928e+00
a.1
SD.log_k_JCZ38
                   1.2747
                           4.577e-01 2.092e+00
SD.log_k_J9Z38
                   0.6758 1.418e-01 1.210e+00
SD.log_k_JSE76
                   0.5869 1.169e-01 1.057e+00
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1
                   0.3392 1.161e-01 5.622e-01
                   0.4200 8.501e-02 7.550e-01
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2
SD.f_JCZ38_qlogis
                   0.8511 -1.137e+06 1.137e+06
                   0.3767 -5.238e-01 1.277e+00
SD.f_JSE76_qlogis
                   0.7475 2.601e-01 1.235e+00
SD.log_k1
SD.log k2
                   0.5179 1.837e-01 8.521e-01
                   0.9817 3.553e-01 1.608e+00
SD.g\_qlogis
Correlation:
              cyan_0 1__JCZ3 1__J9Z3 1__JSE7 f_cy__1 f_cy__2 f_JCZ38 f_JSE76
log k JCZ38
              -0.0351
log_k_J9Z38
              -0.0541 0.0043
              -0.0078 0.0900 -0.0014
log_k_JSE76
f_cyan_ilr_1
              -0.0249 0.0268 -0.0962 0.0000
f_cyan_ilr_2 -0.3560 0.0848 0.1545 -0.0022 0.0463
f_JCZ38_qlogis 0.2005 -0.1226 -0.0347 0.0514 -0.1840 -0.5906
f_JSE76_qlogis -0.1638  0.1307  0.0266  0.0001  0.1645  0.5181 -0.9297
log_k1
               0.0881 -0.0071 0.0005 -0.0070 -0.0064 -0.0346 0.0316 -0.0341
               log_k2
g_qlogis
               0.0198 -0.0002 -0.0109 0.0034 0.0017 -0.0176 0.0044 0.0051
              log_k1 log_k2
log_k_JCZ38
log_k_J9Z38
log_k_JSE76
f_cyan_ilr_1
f_cyan_ilr_2
f_JCZ38_qlogis
f_JSE76_qlogis
log_k1
log_k2
               0.0276
              -0.0283 -0.0309
g_qlogis
Random effects:
                   est.
                             lower
                                       upper
SD.log_k_JCZ38 1.2747 4.577e-01 2.092e+00
SD.log_k_J9Z38 0.6758 1.418e-01 1.210e+00
SD.log_k_JSE76 0.5869 1.169e-01 1.057e+00
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1
                0.3392 1.161e-01 5.622e-01
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2 0.4200 8.501e-02 7.550e-01
SD.f_JCZ38_qlogis 0.8511 -1.137e+06 1.137e+06
SD.f_JSE76_qlogis 0.3767 -5.238e-01 1.277e+00
SD.log_k1
                0.7475 2.601e-01 1.235e+00
                0.5179 1.837e-01 8.521e-01
SD.log_k2
SD.g_qlogis
                0.9817 3.553e-01 1.608e+00
Variance model:
    est. lower upper
a.1 2.737 2.545 2.928
Backtransformed parameters:
                              lower
                     est.
                                        upper
                102.72037 1.014e+02 104.00464
cvan 0
                 0.05544 1.752e-02 0.17539
k JCZ38
k_J9Z38
                  0.00584 2.942e-03
                                      0.01159
                  0.02850 1.539e-02
k JSE76
                                      0.05279
                  0.59995
                               NA
f_cyan_to_JCZ38
                                           NA
f_cyan_to_J9Z38
                  0.22519
                                NA
                                           NA
f_JCZ38_to_JSE76
                  0.99994 0.000e+00
                                     1.00000
f_JSE76_to_JCZ38 0.90229 6.384e-01
                                      0.97971
                  0.14459 7.357e-02
                                      0.28414
k1
                  0.01144 7.192e-03
k2
                                      0.01819
```

Listing 12: Hierarchical DFOP path 2 fit with two-component error

```
saemix version used for fitting:
                                        3.3
mkin version used for pre-fitting: 1.2.9
R version used for fitting:
                                      4.4.2
Date of fit: Thu Feb 13 18:49:50 2025
Date of summary: Thu Feb 13 19:05:54 2025
* cyan
d_JCZ38/dt = + f_{cyan_to_JCZ38} * ((k1 * g * exp(-k1 * time) + k2 * (1 - k2 * time)) + k2 * (1 - k2 * time))
           g) * exp(-k2 * time)) / (g * exp(-k1 * time) + (1 - g) * exp(-k2 * time))) * cyan - k_JCZ38 * JCZ38 +
           f_JSE76_to_JCZ38 * k_JSE76 * JSE76
d_{J9Z38}/dt = + f_{cyan_to_{J9Z38}} * ((k1 * g * exp(-k1 * time) + k2 * (1 - k1 * time)) + k2 * (1 - k1 * time)) + k2 * (1 - k1 * time)) + k2 * (1 - k1 * time))
           g) * exp(-k2 * time)) / (g * exp(-k1 * time) + (1 - g) * exp(-k2 * time))) * cyan - k_J9238 * J9238
d_JSE76/dt = + f_JCZ38_to_JSE76 * k_JCZ38 * JCZ38 - k_JSE76 * JSE76
433 observations of 4 variable(s) grouped in 5 datasets
Model predictions using solution type deSolve
Fitted in 734.852 s
Using 300, 100 iterations and 10 chains
Variance model: Two-component variance function
Starting values for degradation parameters:
                                  log_k_J9Z38
                                                   log_k_JSE76
                  log_k_JCZ38
        cyan_0
                                                                 f_cyan_ilr_1
                       -1.4493
      101.7393
                                       -5.0118
                                                       -2.1269
                                                                        0.6720
 f_cyan_ilr_2 f_JCZ38_qlogis f_JSE76_qlogis
                                                        log_k1
                                                                        log_k2
        7.3362
                       13.4423
      g_qlogis
        -0.5806
Fixed degradation parameter values:
Starting values for random effects (square root of initial entries in omega):
               cyan_0 log_k_JCZ38 log_k_J9Z38 log_k_JSE76 f_cyan_ilr_1
                 5.604
                               0.00
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
                                                                    0.0000
cyan 0
log_k_JCZ38
                 0.000
                               2.77
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
                                                                    0.0000
log_k_J9Z38
                 0.000
                                          1.662
                                                       0.000
                                                                    0.0000
                               0.00
log_k_JSE76
                 0.000
                               0.00
                                          0.000
                                                       5.021
                                                                    0.0000
                 0.000
                               0.00
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
                                                                    0.6519
f_cyan_ilr_1
f_cyan_ilr 2
                0.000
                               0.00
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
                                                                    0.0000
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                0.000
                               0.00
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
                                                                    0.0000
f_JSE76_qlogis
                0.000
                               0.00
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
                                                                    0.0000
log_k1
                0.000
                               0.00
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
                                                                    0.0000
                 0.000
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
                                                                    0.0000
log_k2
                               0.00
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
g_qlogis
                0.000
                               0.00
                                                                    0.0000
                f_cyan_ilr_2 f_JCZ38_qlogis f_JSE76_qlogis log_k1 log_k2
cyan 0
                        0.00
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.0000 0.0000
log_k_JCZ38
                        0.00
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.0000 0.0000
log_k_J9Z38
                        0.00
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.0000 0.0000
                                                        0.00 0.0000 0.0000
log_k_JSE76
                        0.00
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.0000 0.0000
f_cyan_ilr_1
                        0.00
                                        0.00
f_cyan_ilr_2
                       13.37
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.0000 0.0000
                                                        0.00 0.0000 0.0000
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                        0.00
                                       14.21
f_JSE76_qlogis
                        0.00
                                        0.00
                                                       14.58 0.0000 0.0000
log_k1
                        0.00
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.8453 0.0000
log_k2
                        0.00
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.0000 0.5969
g_qlogis
                        0.00
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.0000 0.0000
                g_qlogis
cyan_0
                    0.00
log_k_JCZ38
                    0.00
log_k_J9Z38
                    0.00
log_k_JSE76
                    0.00
f_cyan_ilr_1
                    0.00
f_cyan_ilr_2
                    0.00
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                    0.00
f_JSE76_qlogis
                    0.00
                    0.00
log_k1
log_k2
                    0.00
g_qlogis
                    1.69
Starting values for error model parameters:
 1 1
```

```
Results:
Likelihood computed by importance sampling
  AIC BIC logLik
 2234 2226 -1095
Optimised parameters:
                    est.
                            lower
                                      upper
                101.25496 99.14662 103.36331
cyan_0
log_k_JCZ38
                 -2.55593 -3.32972 -1.78215
log_k_J9Z38
                 -5.07103 -5.85423 -4.28783
                 -3.25468 -4.17577 -2.33360
0.70139 0.35924 1.04355
log_k_JSE76
f_cyan_ilr_1
f_cyan_ilr_2
                  1.07712
                          0.17789
                                    1.97636
                 3.57483 0.05990 7.08976
f_JCZ38_qlogis
f_JSE76_qlogis
                 4.54884 -7.25628 16.35395
                 -2.38201 -2.51639 -2.24763
-4.66741 -4.91865 -4.41617
log_k1
log_k2
                 -0.28446 -1.14192 0.57300
g_qlogis
                  2.05925
                          1.86481
                                    2.25369
a.1
                  0.06172
                          0.05062
                                    0.07282
b.1
                           0.25296
SD.log_k_JCZ38
                  0.81137
                                    1.36977
                  0.83542
                          0.25395
                                    1.41689
SD.log_k_J9Z38
SD.log_k_JSE76
                  0.97903
                           0.30100
                                    1.65707
                  0.37878
                          0.13374
                                    0.62382
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1
                  0.67274
                          0.10102
                                    1.24446
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2
SD.f_JCZ38_qlogis
                  1.35327 -0.42359
                                    3.13012
SD.f_JSE76_qlogis
                  1.43956 -19.14972 22.02884
                  0.25329 0.07521
SD.log k2
                                   0.43138
                  0.95167 0.35149
                                   1.55184
SD.g_qlogis
Correlation:
             cyan_0 1__JCZ3 1__J9Z3 1__JSE7 f_cy__1 f_cy__2 f_JCZ38 f_JSE76
             -0.0265
log k JCZ38
log_k_J9Z38
             -0.0392 0.0024
              0.0011 0.1220 -0.0016
log_k_JSE76
             -0.0161 0.0217 -0.0552 0.0034
f_cyan_ilr_1
f_cyan_ilr_2 -0.4718 0.0829 0.1102 0.0042 0.0095
f_JCZ38_qlogis 0.1609 -0.1318 -0.0277 0.0081 -0.1040 -0.4559
log_k1
              log_k2
g_qlogis
              0.0362 0.0115 -0.0111 0.0040 0.0095 -0.0116 -0.0439 0.0651
             log_k1 log_k2
log_k_JCZ38
log_k_J9Z38
log_k_JSE76
f_cyan_ilr_1
f_cyan_ilr_2
f_JCZ38_qlogis
f_JSE76_qlogis
log_k1
log_k2
              0.3269
             -0.1656 -0.0928
g_qlogis
Random effects:
                  est.
                          lower
                                 upper
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1
               0.3788 0.13374 0.6238
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2 0.6727 0.10102 1.2445
SD.f_JCZ38_qlogis 1.3533 -0.42359 3.1301
SD.f_JSE76_qlogis 1.4396 -19.14972 22.0288
SD.log_k2
               0.2533 0.07521 0.4314
                0.9517 0.35149 1.5518
SD.g_qlogis
Variance model:
      est. lower upper
a.1 2.05925 1.86481 2.25369
b.1 0.06172 0.05062 0.07282
Backtransformed parameters:
                            lower
                   est.
                                     upper
               1.013e+02 9.915e+01 103.36331
cvan 0
               7.762e-02 3.580e-02 0.16828
k JCZ38
k_J9Z38
               6.276e-03 2.868e-03
                                   0.01373
               3.859e-02 1.536e-02
                                   0.09695
k JSE76
f_cyan_to_JCZ38 6.520e-01
                             NA
                                        NA
f_cyan_to_J9Z38 2.418e-01
                              NA
                                        NA
f_JCZ38_to_JSE76 9.727e-01 5.150e-01
                                   0.99917
f_JSE76_to_JCZ38 9.895e-01 7.052e-04
                                   1.00000
               9.236e-02 8.075e-02
                                   0.10565
k1
               9.397e-03 7.309e-03
k2
                                   0.01208
```

Listing 13: Hierarchical SFORB path 2 fit with constant variance

```
saemix version used for fitting:
                                      3.3
mkin version used for pre-fitting: 1.2.9
R version used for fitting:
                                     4.4.2
                Thu Feb 13 18:47:00 2025
Date of fit:
Date of summary: Thu Feb 13 19:05:54 2025
d_cyan_free/dt = - k_cyan_free * cyan_free - k_cyan_free_bound *
           cyan_free + k_cyan_bound_free * cyan_bound
d_cyan_bound/dt = + k_cyan_free_bound * cyan_free - k_cyan_bound_free *
           cyan_bound
\label{eq:d_JCZ38} $$ d_JCZ38/dt = + f_cyan_free_to_JCZ38 * k_cyan_free * cyan_free - k_JCZ38 $$
           * JCZ38 + f_JSE76_to_JCZ38 * k_JSE76 * JSE76
\label{eq:d_J9Z38} $$ d_{J9Z38} + f_{cyan_free_to_J9Z38} * k_{cyan_free} * cyan_free_k_{J9Z38} $$
           * J9Z38
d_JSE76/dt = + f_JCZ38_to_JSE76 * k_JCZ38 * JCZ38 - k_JSE76 * JSE76
433 observations of 4 variable(s) grouped in 5 datasets
Model predictions using solution type deSolve
Fitted in 564.736 s
Using 300, 100 iterations and 10 chains
Variance model: Constant variance
Starting values for degradation parameters:
          cyan_free_0
                             log_k_cyan_free log_k_cyan_free_bound
             102.4395
                                     -2.7673
log_k_cyan_bound_free
                                 log_k_JCZ38
                                                        log_k_J9Z38
              -3.6201
                                     -2.3107
                                                            -5.3123
          log_k_JSE76
                                f_cyan_ilr_1
                                                       f_cyan_ilr_2
               -3.7120
                                     0.6754
       f_JCZ38_qlogis
                              f_JSE76_qlogis
              14.8408
                                     15.4734
Fixed degradation parameter values:
Starting values for random effects (square root of initial entries in omega):
                      cyan_free_0 log_k_cyan_free log_k_cyan_free_bound
                             4.589
                                            0.0000
cyan free 0
                             0.000
                                            0.4849
log_k_cyan_free
                                                                      0.00
log_k_cyan_free_bound
                             0.000
                                             0.0000
                                                                      1.62
log_k_cyan_bound_free
                             0.000
                                             0.0000
                                                                      0.00
log_k_JCZ38
                             0.000
                                             0.0000
                                                                      0.00
log_k_J9Z38
                             0.000
                                            0.0000
                                                                     0.00
log_k_JSE76
                             0.000
                                             0.0000
                                                                      0.00
f_cyan_ilr_1
                             0.000
                                            0.0000
                                                                      0.00
f_cyan_ilr_2
                             0.000
                                            0.0000
                                                                      0.00
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                             0.000
                                            0.0000
                                                                      0.00
f_JSE76_qlogis
                             0.000
                                            0.0000
                                                                     0.00
                      {\tt log\_k\_cyan\_bound\_free~log\_k\_JCZ38~log\_k\_J9Z38~log\_k\_JSE76}
cyan_free_0
                                       0.000
                                                   0.0000
                                                                0.000
                                                                               0.0
log_k_cyan_free
                                       0.000
                                                   0.0000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                               0.0
                                       0.000
                                                   0.0000
                                                                 0.000
log_k_cyan_free_bound
                                                                               0.0
                                                                 0.000
log_k_cyan_bound_free
                                       1.197
                                                   0.0000
                                                                               0.0
                                                   0.7966
                                                                 0.000
log_k_JCZ38
                                       0.000
                                                                               0.0
log_k_J9Z38
                                       0.000
                                                   0.0000
                                                                 1.561
                                                                               0.0
log_k_JSE76
                                       0.000
                                                   0.0000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                               0.8
                                                                 0.000
f_cyan_ilr_1
                                       0.000
                                                   0.0000
                                                                               0.0
f_cyan_ilr_2
                                       0.000
                                                   0.0000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                               0.0
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                                       0.000
                                                   0.0000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                               0.0
f_JSE76_qlogis
                                       0.000
                                                   0.0000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                               0.0
                       f_cyan_ilr_1 f_cyan_ilr_2 f_JCZ38_qlogis f_JSE76_qlogis
cyan_free_0
                             0.0000
                                           0.000
                                                             0.0
                                                                            0.00
log_k_cyan_free
                             0.0000
                                            0.000
                                                             0.0
                                                                            0.00
log_k_cyan_free_bound
                             0.0000
                                            0.000
                                                             0.0
                                                                            0.00
log_k_cyan_bound_free
                             0.0000
                                            0.000
                                                             0.0
                                                                            0.00
log_k_JCZ38
                             0.0000
                                            0.000
                                                             0.0
                                                                            0.00
log_k_J9Z38
                             0.0000
                                            0.000
                                                             0.0
                                                                            0.00
log_k_JSE76
                             0.0000
                                            0.000
                                                             0.0
                                                                            0.00
f_cyan_ilr_1
                             0.6349
                                            0.000
                                                             0.0
                                                                            0.00
f_cyan_ilr_2
                             0.0000
                                            1.797
                                                             0.0
                                                                            0.00
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                             0.0000
                                            0.000
                                                             15.6
                                                                            0.00
f_JSE76_qlogis
                             0.0000
                                            0.000
                                                             0.0
                                                                           17.52
Starting values for error model parameters:
a.1
 1
```

```
Likelihood computed by importance sampling
  AIC BIC logLik
 2283 2275 -1120
Optimised parameters:
                                     lower
                            est.
                                              upper
                        102.6517 101.40815 103.8952
cyan_free_0
                         -2.8729 -3.18649 -2.5593
log_k_cyan_free
log_k_cyan_free_bound
                         -2.7803 -3.60525 -1.9552
log_k_cyan_bound_free
                         -3.5845 -4.16644 -3.0026
log_k_JCZ38
                         -2.3411 -2.89698 -1.7852
log_k_J9Z38
                         -5.2487 -6.01271 -4.4847
                         -3.0259 -4.28274 -1.7690
log_k_JSE76
f_cyan_ilr_1
                          0.7289 0.38214
                                            1.0756
                          0.6891
                                  0.18277
f cyan ilr 2
                                             1.1954
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                          4.2162
                                  0.47015
                                             7.9622
f_JSE76_qlogis
                          5.8911 -20.19088 31.9730
                          2.7159
                                  2.52587
                                             2.9060
a.1
                          0.3354
                                  0.10979
                                             0.5610
SD.log_k_cyan_free
SD.log_k_cyan_free_bound 0.9061
                                  0.30969
                                             1.5025
                          0.6376
SD.log_k_cyan_bound_free
                                  0.21229
                                             1.0628
SD.log_k_JCZ38
                          0.5499
                                  0.14533
                                             0.9545
SD.log_k_J9Z38
                          0.7457
                                  0.15106
                                             1.3404
SD.log_k_JSE76
                          1.3822
                                  0.47329
                                             2.2912
                          0.3820
                                 0.13280
                                             0.6313
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1
                          0.4317
                                 0.06803
                                             0.7953
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2
SD.f_JCZ38_qlogis
                          1.8258 -0.25423
                                            3.9059
SD.f_JSE76_qlogis
                          2.2348 -83.33679 87.8065
Correlation:
                     {\tt cyn\_f\_0\ lg\_k\_c\_\ lg\_k\_cyn\_f\_\ lg\_k\_cyn\_b\_\ l\_\_JCZ3\ l\_\_J9Z3}
log_k_cyan_free
                      0.1944
log_k_cyan_free_bound 0.0815 0.0814
log_k_cyan_bound_free 0.0106 0.0426 0.0585
                     -0.0231 -0.0106 -0.0089
                                                -0.0051
log_k_JCZ38
log_k_J9Z38
                     -0.0457 -0.0108 0.0019
                                                 0.0129
                                                             0.0032
log_k_JSE76
                     -0.0054 -0.0024 -0.0017
                                                 -0.0005
                                                             0.1108 0.0009
                     0.0051 -0.0005 -0.0035
                                                -0.0056
f_cyan_ilr_1
                                                             0.0131 -0.0967
                     -0.3182 -0.0771 -0.0309
f_cyan_ilr_2
                                                 -0.0038
                                                             0.0680 0.1643
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                     0.0834 0.0369 0.0302
                                                0.0172
                                                            -0.1145 -0.0204
f_JSE76_qlogis
                     -0.0553 -0.0365 -0.0441
                                                 -0.0414
                                                             0.1579 0.0175
                     1__JSE7 f_cy__1 f_cy__2 f_JCZ38
log_k_cyan_free
log_k_cyan_free_bound
log_k_cyan_bound_free
log_k_JCZ38
log_k_J9Z38
log_k_JSE76
f_cyan_ilr_1
                     -0.0002
f_cyan_ilr_2
                      0.0020 -0.0415
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                      0.0052 -0.0665 -0.3437
f_JSE76_qlogis
                      0.0066 0.0635 0.3491 -0.7487
Random effects:
                                   lower
                                           upper
SD.log_k_cyan_free
                       0.3354 0.10979 0.5610
SD.log_k_cyan_free_bound 0.9061
                                 0.30969 1.5025
                                 0.21229 1.0628
SD.log_k_cyan_bound_free 0.6376
                0.5499
SD.log_k_JCZ38
                                 0.14533 0.9545
                       0.7457
SD.log_k_J9Z38
                                0.15106 1.3404
                                 0.47329 2.2912
SD.log_k_JSE76
                        1.3822
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1
                        0.3820
                               0.13280 0.6313
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2
                        0.4317
                                0.06803 0.7953
                       1.8258 -0.25423 3.9059
SD.f_JCZ38_qlogis
SD.f_JSE76_qlogis
                        2.2348 -83.33679 87.8065
Variance model:
    est. lower upper
a.1 2.716 2.526 2.906
Backtransformed parameters:
                         est.
                                 lower
                                            upper
                    1.027e+02 1.014e+02 103.89517
cvan free 0
                    5.654e-02 4.132e-02 0.07736
k_cyan_free
                    6.202e-02 2.718e-02
k_cyan_free_bound
                                         0.14153
k_cyan_bound_free
                    2.775e-02 1.551e-02
                                         0.04966
k_JCZ38
                    9.622e-02 5.519e-02
                                         0.16777
                    5.254e-03 2.447e-03
k J9Z38
                                         0.01128
k JSE76
                    4.852e-02 1.380e-02
                                         0.17051
f_cyan_free_to_JCZ38 6.197e-01 5.643e-01
                                         0.84429
f_cyan_free_to_J9Z38 2.211e-01 5.643e-01
                                         0.84429
f_JCZ38_to_JSE76
                  9.855e-01 6.154e-01
                                         0.99965
```

Results:

Listing 14: Hierarchical SFORB path 2 fit with two-component error

```
saemix version used for fitting:
mkin version used for pre-fitting: 1.2.9
R version used for fitting:
                                     4.4.2
                Thu Feb 13 18:49:47 2025
Date of fit:
Date of summary: Thu Feb 13 19:05:54 2025
d_cyan_free/dt = - k_cyan_free * cyan_free - k_cyan_free_bound *
           cyan_free + k_cyan_bound_free * cyan_bound
d_cyan_bound/dt = + k_cyan_free_bound * cyan_free - k_cyan_bound_free *
           cyan_bound
\label{eq:d_JCZ38} $$ d_JCZ38/dt = + f_cyan_free_to_JCZ38 * k_cyan_free * cyan_free - k_JCZ38 $$
           * JCZ38 + f_JSE76_to_JCZ38 * k_JSE76 * JSE76
\label{eq:d_J9Z38} $$ d_{J9Z38} + f_{cyan_free_to_J9Z38} * k_{cyan_free} * cyan_free_k_{J9Z38} $$
           * J9Z38
d_JSE76/dt = + f_JCZ38_to_JSE76 * k_JCZ38 * JCZ38 - k_JSE76 * JSE76
433 observations of 4 variable(s) grouped in 5 datasets
Model predictions using solution type deSolve
Fitted in 731.571 s
Using 300, 100 iterations and 10 chains
Variance model: Two-component variance function
Starting values for degradation parameters:
          cyan_free_0
                             log_k_cyan_free log_k_cyan_free_bound
                                      -2.8370
             101.7511
                                 log_k_JCZ38
                                                        log_k_J9Z38
log_k_cyan_bound_free
              -3.6600
                                      -2.2988
                                                             -5.3129
          log_k_JSE76
                                f_cyan_ilr_1
                                                       f_cyan_ilr_2
               -3.6991
                                     0.6722
       f_JCZ38_qlogis
                              f_JSE76_qlogis
              13.4678
                                      14.2149
Fixed degradation parameter values:
Starting values for random effects (square root of initial entries in omega):
                       cyan_free_0 log_k_cyan_free log_k_cyan_free_bound
                             5.629
                                              0.000
cyan free 0
log_k_cyan_free
                             0.000
                                              0.446
                                                                     0.000
log_k_cyan_free_bound
                             0.000
                                              0.000
                                                                     1.449
log_k_cyan_bound_free
                             0.000
                                              0.000
                                                                     0.000
log_k_JCZ38
                             0.000
                                              0.000
                                                                     0.000
log_k_J9Z38
                             0.000
                                              0.000
                                                                     0.000
log_k_JSE76
                             0.000
                                              0.000
                                                                     0.000
f_cyan_ilr_1
                             0.000
                                              0.000
                                                                     0.000
                             0.000
                                              0.000
                                                                     0.000
f_cyan_ilr_2
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                                                                     0.000
                             0.000
                                              0.000
f_JSE76_qlogis
                             0.000
                                              0.000
                                                                     0.000
                       {\tt log\_k\_cyan\_bound\_free~log\_k\_JCZ38~log\_k\_J9Z38~log\_k\_JSE76}
                                                                            0.0000
cyan_free_0
                                        0.000
                                                   0.0000
                                                                 0.000
log_k_cyan_free
                                        0.000
                                                   0.0000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                            0.0000
                                       0.000
                                                   0.0000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                             0.0000
log_k_cyan_free_bound
                                                                 0.000
                                                                            0.0000
log_k_cyan_bound_free
                                       1.213
                                                   0.0000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                            0.0000
log_k_JCZ38
                                        0.000
                                                   0.7801
log_k_J9Z38
                                        0.000
                                                   0.0000
                                                                 1.575
                                                                            0.0000
log_k_JSE76
                                        0.000
                                                   0.0000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                            0.8078
                                                                 0.000
f_cyan_ilr_1
                                        0.000
                                                   0.0000
                                                                            0.0000
f_cyan_ilr_2
                                        0.000
                                                   0.0000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                             0.0000
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                                        0.000
                                                   0.0000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                            0.0000
f_JSE76_qlogis
                                        0.000
                                                   0.0000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                            0.0000
                       {\tt f\_cyan\_ilr\_1~f\_cyan\_ilr\_2~f\_JCZ38\_qlogis~f\_JSE76\_qlogis}
cyan_free_0
                             0.0000
                                            0.000
                                                             0.00
                                                                            0.00
log_k_cyan_free
                             0.0000
                                            0.000
                                                             0.00
                                                                             0.00
log_k_cyan_free_bound
                             0.0000
                                            0.000
                                                             0.00
                                                                             0.00
log_k_cyan_bound_free
                             0.0000
                                            0.000
                                                             0.00
                                                                            0.00
log_k_JCZ38
                             0.0000
                                            0.000
                                                             0.00
                                                                             0.00
log_k_J9Z38
                             0.0000
                                            0.000
                                                             0.00
                                                                            0.00
log_k_JSE76
                             0.0000
                                            0.000
                                                             0.00
                                                                             0.00
f_cyan_ilr_1
                             0.6518
                                            0.000
                                                             0.00
                                                                            0.00
f_cyan_ilr_2
                             0.0000
                                            9.981
                                                             0.00
                                                                            0.00
                             0.0000
                                            0.000
                                                            14.26
                                                                            0.00
f_JCZ38_qlogis
f_JSE76_qlogis
                             0.0000
                                            0.000
                                                             0.00
                                                                            16.17
Starting values for error model parameters:
 1 1
```

```
Results:
Likelihood computed by importance sampling
  AIC BIC logLik
 2240 2231 -1098
Optimised parameters:
                                      lower
                             est.
                                                 upper
                        100.73014 9.873e+01 1.027e+02
cyan_free_0
                         -3.19634 -3.641e+00 -2.752e+00
log_k_cyan_free
log_k_cyan_free_bound
                         -3.43533 -3.674e+00 -3.197e+00
log_k_cyan_bound_free
                        -3.83282 -4.163e+00 -3.503e+00
log_k_JCZ38
                        -2.51065 -3.225e+00 -1.796e+00
log_k_J9Z38
                         -5.02539 -5.825e+00 -4.226e+00
                         -3.24777 -4.163e+00 -2.333e+00
log_k_JSE76
                         0.70640 3.562e-01 1.057e+00
f_cyan_ilr_1
                          1.42704 3.170e-01 2.537e+00
f cyan ilr 2
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                          2.84779 1.042e+00 4.654e+00
f_JSE76_qlogis
                          8.63674 -6.407e+02 6.580e+02
                          2.07082 1.877e+00 2.265e+00
a.1
                          0.06227 5.098e-02 7.355e-02
b.1
SD.log_k_cyan_free
                          0.49674 1.865e-01 8.069e-01
SD.log_k_cyan_bound_free 0.28537 6.809e-02 5.027e-01
SD.log_k_JCZ38
                          0.74846 2.305e-01 1.266e+00
                          0.86077 2.713e-01 1.450e+00
SD.log_k_J9Z38
SD.log_k_JSE76
                          0.97613 3.030e-01 1.649e+00
                          0.38994 1.382e-01 6.417e-01
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1
                          0.82869 3.917e-02 1.618e+00
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2
SD.f_JCZ38_qlogis
                          1.05000 -2.808e-02 2.128e+00
SD.f_JSE76_qlogis
                          0.44681 -3.985e+05 3.985e+05
Correlation:
                     {\tt cyn\_f\_0\ lg\_k\_c\_\ lg\_k\_cyn\_f\_\ lg\_k\_cyn\_b\_\ l\_\_JCZ3\ l\_\_J9Z3}
log_k_cyan_free
                      0.0936
log_k_cyan_free_bound 0.1302 0.1627
log_k_cyan_bound_free 0.0029 0.0525 0.5181 log_k_JCZ38 -0.0116 -0.0077 -0.0430
                                                -0.0236
log_k_JCZ38
log_k_J9Z38
                                                            -0.0005
                     -0.0192 -0.0077 -0.0048
                                                 0.0229
                      0.0007 -0.0020 -0.0134
log_k_JSE76
                                                 -0.0072
                                                             0.1225 -0.0016
                     -0.0118 -0.0027 -0.0132
f_cyan_ilr_1
                                                -0.0118
                                                             0.0127 -0.0505
                     -0.4643 -0.0762 -0.1245
                                                             0.0497 0.1003
f_cyan_ilr_2
                                                 0.0137
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                     0.0710 0.0371 0.1826
                                                 0.0925
                                                            -0.0869 -0.0130
f_JSE76_qlogis
                     -0.0367 -0.0270 -0.2274
                                                -0.1865
                                                             0.1244 0.0098
                     1__JSE7 f_cy__1 f_cy__2 f_JCZ38
log_k_cyan_free
log_k_cyan_free_bound
log_k_cyan_bound_free
log_k_JCZ38
log_k_J9Z38
log_k_JSE76
f_cyan_ilr_1
                      0.0036
                      0.0050 -0.0201
f_cyan_ilr_2
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                      0.0142 -0.0529 -0.2698
f_JSE76_qlogis
                      0.0064 0.0345 0.2015 -0.7058
Random effects:
                                    lower
                                              upper
SD.log_k_cyan_free
                       0.4967 1.865e-01 8.069e-01
SD.log_k_cyan_bound_free 0.2854 6.809e-02 5.027e-01
0.8608 2.713e-01 1.450e+00
SD.log_k_J9Z38
                       0.9761 3.030e-01 1.649e+00
SD.log_k_JSE76
                               1.382e-01 6.417e-01
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1
                        0.3899
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2
                       0.8287 3.917e-02 1.618e+00
SD.f_JCZ38_qlogis
                        1.0500 -2.808e-02 2.128e+00
                        0.4468 -3.985e+05 3.985e+05
SD.f_JSE76_qlogis
Variance model:
      est. lower
                    upper
a.1 2.07082 1.87680 2.26483
b.1 0.06227 0.05098 0.07355
Backtransformed parameters:
                        est.
                                   lower
                                             upper
                    1.007e+02 9.873e+01 102.72898
cvan free 0
k_cyan_free
                    4.091e-02 2.623e-02 0.06382
                    3.221e-02 2.537e-02
                                           0.04090
k_cyan_free_bound
                    2.165e-02 1.557e-02
                                          0.03011
k cyan bound free
k_JCZ38
                    8.122e-02 3.975e-02
                                           0.16594
k J9Z38
                    6.569e-03 2.954e-03
                                           0.01461
k JSE76
                    3.886e-02 1.556e-02
                                           0.09703
f_cyan_free_to_JCZ38 6.785e-01 6.102e-01
                                           0.97309
f_cyan_free_to_J9Z38 2.498e-01 6.102e-01
                                           0.97309
                  9.452e-01 7.392e-01
f_JCZ38_to_JSE76
                                          0.99056
```

Pathway 2, refined fits

Listing 15: Hierarchical FOMC path 2 fit with reduced random effects, two-component error

```
saemix version used for fitting:
mkin version used for pre-fitting: 1.2.9
R version used for fitting:
Date of fit: Thu Feb 13 19:03:34 2025
Date of summary: Thu Feb 13 19:05:54 2025
d_{cyan}/dt = - (alpha/beta) * 1/((time/beta) + 1) * cyan
d_JCZ38/dt = + f_cyan_to_JCZ38 * (alpha/beta) * 1/((time/beta) + 1) *
           cyan - k_JCZ38 * JCZ38 + f_JSE76_to_JCZ38 * k_JSE76 * JSE76
d_J9Z38/dt = + f_cyan_to_J9Z38 * (alpha/beta) * 1/((time/beta) + 1) *
          cyan - k_J9Z38 * J9Z38
d_JSE76/dt = + f_JCZ38_to_JSE76 * k_JCZ38 * JCZ38 - k_JSE76 * JSE76
Data:
433 observations of 4 variable(s) grouped in 5 datasets
Model predictions using solution type deSolve
Fitted in 821.812 s
Using 300, 100 iterations and 10 chains
Variance model: Two-component variance function
Starting values for degradation parameters:
                 log_k_JCZ38
                                                log_k_JSE76 f_cyan_ilr_1
        cyan_0
                                 log_k_J9Z38
      102.4477
                      -1.8631
                                     -5.1087
                                                    -2.5114
                                                                    0.6826
  f_cyan_ilr_2 f_JCZ38_qlogis f_JSE76_qlogis
                                                                   log_beta
                                                  log_alpha
                                                     -0.1564
                                                                     2.9781
        4.7944
                      15.9616
                                     13.1566
Fixed degradation parameter values:
Starting values for random effects (square root of initial entries in omega):
               cyan_0 log_k_JCZ38 log_k_J9Z38 log_k_JSE76 f_cyan_ilr_1
cyan_0
                7.701
                            0.000
                                        0.000
                                                    0.000
                                                                0.0000
log_k_JCZ38
                0.000
                            1.448
                                        0.000
                                                     0.000
                                                                 0.0000
log_k_J9Z38
                0.000
                            0.000
                                        1.724
                                                     0.000
                                                                 0.0000
log_k_JSE76
                0.000
                            0.000
                                        0.000
                                                     3.659
                                                                 0.0000
f_cyan_ilr_1
                0.000
                            0.000
                                        0.000
                                                     0.000
                                                                 0.6356
f_cyan_ilr_2
                0.000
                            0.000
                                        0.000
                                                     0.000
                                                                 0.0000
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                0.000
                            0.000
                                        0.000
                                                     0.000
                                                                 0.0000
f_JSE76_qlogis
                0.000
                            0.000
                                        0.000
                                                     0.000
                                                                 0.0000
log_alpha
                0.000
                            0.000
                                        0.000
                                                     0.000
                                                                 0.0000
log_beta
                0.000
                            0.000
                                        0.000
                                                     0.000
                                                                 0.0000
               f_cyan_ilr_2 f_JCZ38_qlogis f_JSE76_qlogis log_alpha log_beta
cyan_0
                       0.00
                                      0.00
                                                      0.00
                                                              0.0000
                                                                      0.0000
log_k_JCZ38
                       0.00
                                      0.00
                                                      0.00
                                                              0.0000
                                                                       0.0000
log_k_J9Z38
                       0.00
                                      0.00
                                                      0.00
                                                              0.0000
                                                                       0.0000
log_k_JSE76
                       0.00
                                      0.00
                                                      0.00
                                                              0.0000
                                                                       0.0000
f_cyan_ilr_1
                       0.00
                                      0.00
                                                      0.00
                                                              0.0000
                                                                       0.0000
f_cyan_ilr_2
                      10.32
                                      0.00
                                                     0.00
                                                              0.0000
                                                                       0.0000
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                       0.00
                                      12.23
                                                     0.00
                                                              0.0000
                                                                       0.0000
f_JSE76_qlogis
                       0.00
                                      0.00
                                                     14.99
                                                              0.0000
                                                                       0.0000
                       0.00
                                      0.00
                                                     0.00
                                                              0.3924
                                                                       0.0000
log_alpha
                                                      0.00
                                                              0.0000
                                                                       0.5639
log_beta
                       0.00
                                      0.00
Starting values for error model parameters:
Results:
Likelihood computed by importance sampling
   AIC BIC logLik
  2249 2242 -1106
Optimised parameters:
                     est.
                            lower
                                   upper
                101.24524
                               NA
                                      NA
cyan 0
log_k_JCZ38
                 -2.85375
                                      NA
                               NA
log_k_J9Z38
                 -5.07729
                               NA
                                      NA
log_k_JSE76
                 -3.53511
                               NA
                                      NA
f_cyan_ilr_1
                  0.67478
                               NA
                                      NA
f_cyan_ilr_2
                  0.97152
                               NA
                                      NA
f_JCZ38_qlogis 213.48001
                               NΑ
                                      NA
f_JSE76_qlogis
                 2.02040
                               NA
                                      NA
log_alpha
                 -0.11041
                               NA
                                      NΑ
log_beta
                  3.06575
                               NA
                                      NA
a . 1
                  2.05279 1.85495 2.2506
```

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b.1 0.07116 0.05912 0.0832 SD.log_k_JCZ38 1.21713 0.44160 1.9927 SD.log_k_J9Z38 0.88268 0.27541 1.4900 SD.log_k_JSE76 0.59452 0.15005 1.0390 SD.f_cyan_ilr_1 0.35370 0.12409 0.5833
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2 0.78186 0.18547 1.3782
SD.log_alpha 0.27781 0.08168 0.4739
SD.log_beta
                     0.32608 0.06490 0.5873
Correlation is not available
Random effects:
                      est. lower upper
SD.log_k_JCZ38 1.2171 0.44160 1.9927
SD.log_k_J9Z38  0.8827  0.27541  1.4900
SD.log_k_JSE76 0.5945 0.15005 1.0390
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1 0.3537 0.12409 0.5833 SD.f_cyan_ilr_2 0.7819 0.18547 1.3782
SD.log_alpha 0.2778 0.08168 0.4739
SD.log_beta 0.3261 0.06490 0.5873
Variance model:
est. lower upper a.1 2.05279 1.85495 2.2506
b.1 0.07116 0.05912 0.0832
{\tt Backtransformed\ parameters:}
                 est. lower upper
1.012e+02 NA NA
cyan_0
             5.763e-02
6.237e-03
2.916-
k_JCZ38
                                    NΑ
                                            NA
k_J9Z38
                                            NA
                                  NA
NA
k_JSE76
                                            NΑ
f_cyan_to_JCZ38 6.354e-01
                                    NA
                                            NA
f_cyan_to_J9Z38 2.447e-01
                                    NA
                                            NΑ
                                  NA
NA
f_JCZ38_to_JSE76 1.000e+00
                                            NA
f_JSE76_to_JCZ38 8.829e-01
                                     NA
                                            NA
           8.955e-01
2.145e+01
alpha
                                    NA
                                            NA
beta
                                           NA
Resulting formation fractions:
cyan_JCZ38 0.6354
cyan_J9Z38 0.2447
cyan_sink 0.1200
JCZ38_JSE76 1.0000
JCZ38_sink 0.0000
JSE76_JCZ38 0.8829
JSE76_sink 0.1171
{\tt Estimated\ disappearance\ times:}
     DT50 DT90 DT50back
cyan 25.07 259.21 78.03
JCZ38 12.03 39.96
                            NA
NA
```

J9Z38 111.14 369.19 JSE76 23.77 78.98

NA

Listing 16: Hierarchical DFOP path 2 fit with reduced random effects, constant variance

```
saemix version used for fitting:
                                        3.3
mkin version used for pre-fitting: 1.2.9
R version used for fitting:
                                      4.4.2
                 Thu Feb 13 19:05:19 2025
Date of fit:
Date of summary: Thu Feb 13 19:05:54 2025
* cyan
d_JCZ38/dt = + f_{cyan_to_JCZ38} * ((k1 * g * exp(-k1 * time) + k2 * (1 - k2 * time)) + k2 * (1 - k2 * time))
           g) * exp(-k2 * time)) / (g * exp(-k1 * time) + (1 - g) * exp(-k2 * time))) * cyan - k_JCZ38 * JCZ38 +
           f_JSE76_to_JCZ38 * k_JSE76 * JSE76
d_{J9Z38}/dt = + f_{cyan_to_{J9Z38}} * ((k1 * g * exp(-k1 * time) + k2 * (1 - k1 * time)) + k2 * (1 - k1 * time)) + k2 * (1 - k1 * time)) + k2 * (1 - k1 * time))
           g) * exp(-k2 * time)) / (g * exp(-k1 * time) + (1 - g) * exp(-k2 * time))) * cyan - k_J9238 * J9238
d_JSE76/dt = + f_JCZ38_to_JSE76 * k_JCZ38 * JCZ38 - k_JSE76 * JSE76
433 observations of 4 variable(s) grouped in 5 datasets
Model predictions using solution type deSolve
Fitted in 926.471 s
Using 300, 100 iterations and 10 chains
Variance model: Constant variance
Starting values for degradation parameters:
                                  log_k_J9Z38
                                                   log_k_JSE76
                  log_k_JCZ38
        cyan_0
                                                                  f_cyan_ilr_1
                       -2.3107
      102.4380
                                       -5.3123
                                                       -3.7120
                                                                        0.6757
 f_cyan_ilr_2 f_JCZ38_qlogis f_JSE76_qlogis
                                                        log_k1
                                                                        log_k2
        1.1439
                       13.1194
                                                                       -4.4557
      g_qlogis
        -0.5644
Fixed degradation parameter values:
Starting values for random effects (square root of initial entries in omega):
               cyan_0 log_k_JCZ38 log_k_J9Z38 log_k_JSE76 f_cyan_ilr_1
                 4.591
                            0.0000
                                          0.000
                                                         0.0
                                                                    0.0000
cyan 0
log_k_JCZ38
                            0.7966
                 0.000
                                          0.000
                                                         0.0
                                                                    0.0000
log_k_J9Z38
                 0.000
                            0.0000
                                          1.561
                                                                    0.0000
                                                         0.0
log_k_JSE76
                 0.000
                            0.0000
                                          0.000
                                                         0.8
                                                                    0.0000
                 0.000
                            0.0000
                                          0.000
                                                                    0.6349
f_cyan_ilr_1
                                                         0.0
f_cyan_ilr 2
                0.000
                            0.0000
                                          0.000
                                                         0.0
                                                                    0.0000
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                0.000
                            0.0000
                                          0.000
                                                         0.0
                                                                    0.0000
f_JSE76_qlogis
                0.000
                            0.0000
                                          0.000
                                                                    0.0000
                                                         0.0
log_k1
                0.000
                            0.0000
                                          0.000
                                                         0.0
                                                                    0.0000
                 0.000
                            0.0000
                                          0.000
                                                                    0.0000
log_k2
                                                         0.0
                            0.0000
                                          0.000
g_qlogis
                0.000
                                                         0.0
                                                                    0.0000
                f_cyan_ilr_2 f_JCZ38_qlogis f_JSE76_qlogis log_k1 log_k2
cyan_0
                       0.000
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.000 0.0000
log_k_JCZ38
                       0.000
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.000 0.0000
log_k_J9Z38
                       0.000
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.000 0.0000
log_k_JSE76
                       0.000
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.000 0.0000
                                                        0.00 0.000 0.0000
f_cyan_ilr_1
                       0.000
                                        0.00
f_cyan_ilr_2
                       1.797
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.000 0.0000
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                       0.000
                                       13.86
                                                        0.00 0.000 0.0000
f_JSE76_qlogis
                       0.000
                                        0.00
                                                       13.91 0.000 0.0000
log_k1
                       0.000
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 1.106 0.0000
log_k2
                       0.000
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.000 0.6141
g_qlogis
                       0.000
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.000 0.0000
                g_qlogis
cyan_0
                   0.000
log_k_JCZ38
                   0.000
log_k_J9Z38
                   0.000
log_k_JSE76
                   0.000
f_cyan_ilr_1
                   0.000
f_cyan_ilr_2
                   0.000
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                   0.000
f_JSE76_qlogis
                   0.000
                   0.000
log_k1
log_k2
                   0.000
g_qlogis
                   1.595
Starting values for error model parameters:
a.1
 1
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Results:
Likelihood computed by importance sampling
   AIC BIC logLik
  2282 2274 -1121
Optimised parameters:
                               lower upper
                       est.
                  102.6036
cyan_0
                                          NA
log_k_JCZ38
                   -2.9348
                                           NA
log_k_J9Z38
                    -5.1617
log_k_JSE76
                    -3.6396
                                   NA
                                           NA
f_cyan_ilr_1
                   0.6991
                                           NA
f_cyan_ilr_2
                     0.6341
                                   NA
                                           NA
f_JCZ38_qlogis 4232.3011
                                           NA
f_JSE76_qlogis 1.9658
log_k1 -1.9503
                                   NA
                                           NA
log_k1
                                   NA
                                           NA
log_k2
                   -4.4745
                                   NA
                                          NA
                  -0.4967
                                   NA
                                          NA
g_qlogis
a.1 2.7461 2.59274 2.8994
SD.log_k_JCZ38 1.3178 0.47602 2.1596
SD.log_k_J9Z38
                  0.7022 0.15061 1.2538
0.6566 0.15613 1.1570
SD.log_k_JSE76
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1 0.3409 0.11666 0.5652
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2 0.4385 0.09482 0.7821
                   0.7381 0.25599 1.2202
0.5133 0.18152 0.8450
SD.log_k1
SD.log_k2
                   0.9866 0.35681 1.6164
SD.g_qlogis
Correlation is not available
Random effects:
                    est. lower upper
SD.log_k_JCZ38 1.3178 0.47602 2.1596
SD.log_k_J9Z38 0.7022 0.15061 1.2538
SD.log_k_JSE76 0.6566 0.15613 1.1570
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1 0.3409 0.11666 0.5652
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2 0.4385 0.09482 0.7821

      SD.log_k1
      0.7381 0.25599 1.2202

      SD.log_k2
      0.5133 0.18152 0.8450

      SD.g_qlogis
      0.9866 0.35681 1.6164

Variance model:
     est. lower upper
a.1 2.746 2.593 2.899
Backtransformed parameters:
                       est. lower upper
cyan_0
                   1.026e+02
k_JCZ38
                   5.314e-02
                                  NA
                                        NA
k_J9Z38
                   5.732e-03
                                  NA
                                         NA
k_JSE76
                   2.626e-02
f_cyan_to_JCZ38 6.051e-01
                                         NA
f_cyan_to_J9Z38 2.251e-01
                                         NA
f_JCZ38_to_JSE76 1.000e+00
                                        NA
f_JSE76_to_JCZ38 8.772e-01
                                        NA
                 1.422e-01
                                        NA
k2
                   1.140e-02
                                        NA
                   3.783e-01
g
Resulting formation fractions:
                 ff
cyan_JCZ38 0.6051
cyan_J9Z38 0.2251
cyan_sink 0.1698
JCZ38_JSE76 1.0000
JCZ38_sink 0.0000
JSE76_JCZ38 0.8772
JSE76_sink 0.1228
Estimated disappearance times:
       DT50 DT90 DT50back DT50_k1 DT50_k2
```

22.05 160.35

JCZ38 13.04 43.33

J9Z38 120.93 401.73

JSE76 26.39 87.68

cyan

48.27 4.873

NA

NA

NA

NA NA NA 60.83

NA

NA

NA

Listing 17: Hierarchical DFOP path 2 fit with reduced random effects, two-component error

```
saemix version used for fitting:
                                       3.3
mkin version used for pre-fitting: 1.2.9
R version used for fitting:
                                      4.4.2
                 Thu Feb 13 19:05:53 2025
Date of fit:
Date of summary: Thu Feb 13 19:05:54 2025
* cyan
d_JCZ38/dt = + f_{cyan_to_JCZ38} * ((k1 * g * exp(-k1 * time) + k2 * (1 - k2 * time)) + k2 * (1 - k2 * time))
           g) * exp(-k2 * time)) / (g * exp(-k1 * time) + (1 - g) * exp(-k2 * time))) * cyan - k_JCZ38 * JCZ38 +
           f_JSE76_to_JCZ38 * k_JSE76 * JSE76
d_{J9Z38}/dt = + f_{cyan_to_{J9Z38}} * ((k1 * g * exp(-k1 * time) + k2 * (1 - k1 * time)) + k2 * (1 - k1 * time)) + k2 * (1 - k1 * time)) + k2 * (1 - k1 * time))
           g) * exp(-k2 * time)) / (g * exp(-k1 * time) + (1 - g) * exp(-k2 * time))) * cyan - k_J9238 * J9238
d_JSE76/dt = + f_JCZ38_to_JSE76 * k_JCZ38 * JCZ38 - k_JSE76 * JSE76
433 observations of 4 variable(s) grouped in 5 datasets
Model predictions using solution type deSolve
Fitted in 961.025 s
Using 300, 100 iterations and 10 chains
Variance model: Two-component variance function
Starting values for degradation parameters:
                                   log_k_J9Z38
                                                   log_k_JSE76
                  log_k_JCZ38
                                                                  f_cyan_ilr_1
        cyan_0
                       -1.4493
      101.7393
                                       -5.0118
                                                        -2.1269
                                                                         0.6720
 f_cyan_ilr_2 f_JCZ38_qlogis f_JSE76_qlogis
                                                        log_k1
                                                                         log_k2
        7.3362
                       13.4423
      g_qlogis
        -0.5806
Fixed degradation parameter values:
Starting values for random effects (square root of initial entries in omega):
               cyan_0 log_k_JCZ38 log_k_J9Z38 log_k_JSE76 f_cyan_ilr_1
                 5.604
                               0.00
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
                                                                    0.0000
cyan 0
log_k_JCZ38
                 0.000
                               2.77
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
                                                                    0.0000
log_k_J9Z38
                 0.000
                                           1.662
                                                       0.000
                                                                    0.0000
                               0.00
log_k_JSE76
                 0.000
                                          0.000
                                                       5.021
                                                                    0.0000
                               0.00
                 0.000
                               0.00
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
f_cyan_ilr_1
                                                                    0.6519
f_cyan_ilr 2
                0.000
                               0.00
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
                                                                    0.0000
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                0.000
                               0.00
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
                                                                    0.0000
f_JSE76_qlogis
                0.000
                                          0.000
                                                                    0.0000
                               0.00
                                                       0.000
log_k1
                0.000
                               0.00
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
                                                                    0.0000
                 0.000
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
                                                                    0.0000
log_k2
                               0.00
                                          0.000
                                                       0.000
g_qlogis
                0.000
                               0.00
                                                                    0.0000
                f_cyan_ilr_2 f_JCZ38_qlogis f_JSE76_qlogis log_k1 log_k2
cyan_0
                        0.00
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.0000 0.0000
log_k_JCZ38
                        0.00
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.0000 0.0000
log_k_J9Z38
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.0000 0.0000
                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.0000 0.0000
log_k_JSE76
                        0.00
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.0000 0.0000
f_cyan_ilr_1
                        0.00
                                        0.00
f_cyan_ilr_2
                       13.37
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.0000 0.0000
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                        0.00
                                       14.21
                                                        0.00 0.0000 0.0000
f_JSE76_qlogis
                        0.00
                                        0.00
                                                       14.58 0.0000 0.0000
log_k1
                        0.00
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.8453 0.0000
log_k2
                        0.00
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.0000 0.5969
g_qlogis
                        0.00
                                        0.00
                                                        0.00 0.0000 0.0000
                g_qlogis
cyan_0
                    0.00
log_k_JCZ38
                    0.00
log_k_J9Z38
                    0.00
log_k_JSE76
                    0.00
f_cyan_ilr_1
                    0.00
f_cyan_ilr_2
                    0.00
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                    0.00
f_JSE76_qlogis
                    0.00
                    0.00
log_k1
log_k2
                    0.00
g_qlogis
                    1.69
Starting values for error model parameters:
 1 1
```

```
Results:
Likelihood computed by importance sampling
  AIC BIC logLik
  2237 2229 -1099
Optimised parameters:
                          lower
                   est.
                                  upper
              101.00243
cyan_0
log_k_JCZ38
              -2.80828
                                     NA
log_k_J9Z38
               -5.04449
log_k_JSE76
                -3.66981
                             NA
                                     NA
f_cyan_ilr_1
               0.72564
f_cyan_ilr_2
                 1.37978
                             NA
                                     NA
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                 1.98726
f_JSE76_qlogis 414.80884
                             NA
                                     NA
              -2.38601
-4.63632
log_k1
                             NA
                                     NA
log_k2
                             NA
                                     NA
              -0.33920
                             NA
                                     NA
g_qlogis
                2.10837 1.91261 2.30413
a.1
                0.06223 0.05085 0.07361
b.1
1.30902 0.48128 2.13675
SD.log_k_JSE76
                0.58104 0.14201 1.02008
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1 0.35421 0.12398 0.58443
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2 0.79373 0.12007 1.46739
SD.log_k2
                0.27476 0.08557 0.46394
                0.96170 0.35463 1.56878
{\tt SD.g\_qlogis}
Correlation is not available
Random effects:
                 est.
                       lower upper
SD.log_k_JCZ38 1.3090 0.48128 2.1367
SD.log_k_J9Z38 0.8388 0.25790 1.4197
SD.log_k_JSE76 0.5810 0.14201 1.0201
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1 0.3542 0.12398 0.5844
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2 0.7937 0.12007 1.4674
SD.log_k2 0.2748 0.08557 0.4639
SD.g\_qlogis
               0.9617 0.35463 1.5688
Variance model:
est. lower upper a.1 2.10837 1.91261 2.30413
b.1 0.06223 0.05085 0.07361
Backtransformed parameters:
                    est. lower upper
cyan_0
                1.010e+02
k_JCZ38
                6.031e-02
                            NA
                                  NA
k_J9Z38
                6.445e-03
                            NA
                                  NA
k_JSE76
                2.548e-02
f_cyan_to_JCZ38 6.808e-01
                                  NA
f_cyan_to_J9Z38 2.440e-01
                                  NA
f_JCZ38_to_JSE76 8.795e-01
                                  NA
f_JSE76_to_JCZ38 1.000e+00
                                  NA
                9.200e-02
                                  NA
k2
                9.693e-03
                                  NA
                4.160e-01
                                  NA
g
Resulting formation fractions:
               ff
cyan_JCZ38 0.68081
cyan_J9Z38 0.24398
cyan_sink 0.07521
JCZ38_JSE76 0.87945
JCZ38_sink 0.12055
JSE76_JCZ38 1.00000
JSE76_sink 0.00000
Estimated disappearance times:
      DT50 DT90 DT50back DT50_k1 DT50_k2
                    54.8 7.535 71.51
      25.00 182.05
cyan
                      NA
                             NA
JCZ38 11.49 38.18
                                        NA
J9Z38 107.55 357.28
                        NA
                                NA
                                        NA
```

JSE76 27.20 90.36

NA

NA

NA

Listing 18: Hierarchical SFORB path 2 fit with reduced random effects, constant variance

```
saemix version used for fitting:
                                       3.3
mkin version used for pre-fitting: 1.2.9
R version used for fitting:
                                     4.4.2
                 Thu Feb 13 19:05:30 2025
Date of fit:
Date of summary: Thu Feb 13 19:05:54 2025
d_cyan_free/dt = - k_cyan_free * cyan_free - k_cyan_free_bound *
           cyan_free + k_cyan_bound_free * cyan_bound
d_cyan_bound/dt = + k_cyan_free_bound * cyan_free - k_cyan_bound_free *
           cyan_bound
\label{eq:d_JCZ38} $$ d_JCZ38/dt = + f_cyan_free_to_JCZ38 * k_cyan_free * cyan_free - k_JCZ38 $$
           * JCZ38 + f_JSE76_to_JCZ38 * k_JSE76 * JSE76
\label{eq:d_J9Z38} $$ d_{J9Z38} + f_{cyan_free_to_J9Z38} * k_{cyan_free} * cyan_free_k_{J9Z38} $$
           * J9Z38
d_JSE76/dt = + f_JCZ38_to_JSE76 * k_JCZ38 * JCZ38 - k_JSE76 * JSE76
433 observations of 4 variable(s) grouped in 5 datasets
Model predictions using solution type deSolve
Fitted in 937.91 s
Using 300, 100 iterations and 10 chains
Variance model: Constant variance
Starting values for degradation parameters:
          cyan_free_0
                             log_k_cyan_free log_k_cyan_free_bound
                                      -2.7673
             102.4395
                                 log_k_JCZ38
                                                        log_k_J9Z38
log_k_cyan_bound_free
              -3.6201
                                      -2.3107
                                                             -5.3123
          log_k_JSE76
                                f_cyan_ilr_1
                                                       f_cyan_ilr_2
               -3.7120
                                      0.6754
                                                              1.1448
       f_JCZ38_qlogis
                              f_JSE76_qlogis
              14.8408
                                      15.4734
Fixed degradation parameter values:
Starting values for random effects (square root of initial entries in omega):
                       cyan_free_0 log_k_cyan_free log_k_cyan_free_bound
                             4.589
                                             0.0000
cyan free 0
                             0.000
                                             0.4849
log_k_cyan_free
                                                                      0.00
log_k_cyan_free_bound
                             0.000
                                             0.0000
                                                                      1.62
log_k_cyan_bound_free
                             0.000
                                             0.0000
                                                                      0.00
log_k_JCZ38
                             0.000
                                             0.0000
                                                                      0.00
log_k_J9Z38
                             0.000
                                             0.0000
                                                                      0.00
log_k_JSE76
                             0.000
                                             0.0000
                                                                      0.00
f_cyan_ilr_1
                             0.000
                                             0.0000
                                                                      0.00
                             0.000
                                             0.0000
                                                                      0.00
f_cyan_ilr_2
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                                             0.0000
                             0.000
                                                                      0.00
{\tt f\_JSE76\_qlogis}
                             0.000
                                             0.0000
                                                                      0.00
                       {\tt log\_k\_cyan\_bound\_free~log\_k\_JCZ38~log\_k\_J9Z38~log\_k\_JSE76}
cyan_free_0
                                        0.000
                                                    0.0000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                                0.0
log_k_cyan_free
                                        0.000
                                                    0.0000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                                0.0
                                        0.000
                                                    0.0000
                                                                 0.000
log_k_cyan_free_bound
                                                                                0.0
                                                                 0.000
log_k_cyan_bound_free
                                        1.197
                                                   0.0000
                                                                                0.0
                                                                 0.000
log_k_JCZ38
                                        0.000
                                                   0.7966
                                                                                0.0
log_k_J9Z38
                                        0.000
                                                    0.0000
                                                                 1.561
                                                                                0.0
log_k_JSE76
                                        0.000
                                                    0.0000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                                0.8
f_cyan_ilr_1
                                        0.000
                                                   0.0000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                                0.0
f_cyan_ilr_2
                                        0.000
                                                    0.0000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                                0.0
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                                        0.000
                                                   0.0000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                                0.0
f_JSE76_qlogis
                                        0.000
                                                   0.0000
                                                                 0.000
                                                                                0.0
                       \verb|f_cyan_ilr_1| f_cyan_ilr_2| f_JCZ38\_qlogis| f_JSE76\_qlogis|
cyan_free_0
                             0.0000
                                            0.000
                                                              0.0
                                                                             0.00
log_k_cyan_free
                             0.0000
                                            0.000
                                                              0.0
                                                                             0.00
log_k_cyan_free_bound
                             0.0000
                                            0.000
                                                              0.0
                                                                             0.00
log_k_cyan_bound_free
                             0.0000
                                            0.000
                                                              0.0
                                                                             0.00
log_k_JCZ38
                             0.0000
                                            0.000
                                                              0.0
                                                                             0.00
log_k_J9Z38
                             0.0000
                                            0.000
                                                              0.0
                                                                             0.00
log_k_JSE76
                             0.0000
                                            0.000
                                                              0.0
                                                                             0.00
f_cyan_ilr_1
                             0.6349
                                            0.000
                                                              0.0
                                                                             0.00
f_cyan_ilr_2
                             0.0000
                                            1.797
                                                              0.0
                                                                             0.00
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                             0.0000
                                            0.000
                                                             15.6
                                                                             0.00
f_JSE76_qlogis
                             0.0000
                                            0.000
                                                              0.0
                                                                            17.52
Starting values for error model parameters:
a.1
 1
```

```
Likelihood computed by importance sampling
  AIC BIC logLik
 2280 2272 -1120
Optimised parameters:
                             est.
                                    lower
                                          upper
                         102.6532
cyan_free_0
                                       NA
                          -2.8547
                                              NA
log_k_cyan_free
                                       NA
log_k_cyan_free_bound
                          -2.7004
                                       NA
log_k_cyan_bound_free
                          -3.5078
                                       NA
                                              NA
log_k_JCZ38
                          -2.9255
                                       NA
log_k_J9Z38
                          -5.1089
                                       NA
                                              NA
log_k_JSE76
                          -3.6263
                                       NA
f_cyan_ilr_1
                          0.6873
                                       NA
                                             NA
f_cyan_ilr_2
                           0.6498
                                       NA
                                              NA
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                       3624.2149
                                      NA
                                             NA
f_JSE76_qlogis
                         1.9991
                                      NA
                                             NA
                           2.7472 2.55559 2.9388
a.1
SD.log_k_cyan_free
                           0.3227 0.10296 0.5423
1.3431 0.48474 2.2014
0.6881 0.14714 1.2291
SD.log_k_JCZ38
SD.log_k_J9Z38
SD.log_k_JSE76
                          0.6461 0.15321 1.1390
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1
                          0.3361 0.11376 0.5585
                         0.4286 0.08419 0.7730
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2
Correlation is not available
Random effects:
                          est.
                               lower upper
                       0.3227 0.10296 0.5423
SD.log_k_cyan_free
SD.log_k_cyan_free_bound 0.8757 0.29525 1.4562
SD.log_k_cyan_bound_free 0.6128 0.20220 1.0233
SD.log_k_JCZ38 1.3431 0.48474 2.2014
SD.log_k_I9738 0.6881 0.14714 1.2291
SD.log_k_J9Z38
                       0.6881 0.14714 1.2291
SD.log_k_JSE76
                       0.6461 0.15321 1.1390
                   0.6461 0.13321 2.1
0.3361 0.11376 0.5585
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2
                       0.4286 0.08419 0.7730
Variance model:
    est. lower upper
a.1 2.747 2.556 2.939
Backtransformed parameters:
                        est. lower upper
cyan_free_0
                    1.027e+02
k_cyan_free
                    5.758e-02
                                       NA
k_cyan_free_bound
                    6.718e-02
                                 NA
                                       NA
k_cyan_bound_free 2.996e-02
k_JCZ38
                    5.364e-02
                                 NA
                                       NA
k_J9Z38
                    6.042e-03
                                       NA
k_JSE76
                    2.662e-02
                                 NA
                                       NA
f_cyan_free_to_JCZ38 6.039e-01
                                       NA
f_cyan_free_to_J9Z38 2.285e-01
                                 NA
                                       NA
f_JCZ38_to_JSE76 1.000e+00
f_JSE76_to_JCZ38
                    8.807e-01
                                 NA
Estimated Eigenvalues of SFORB model(s):
cyan_b1 cyan_b2 cyan_g
0.1426 0.0121 0.3484
Resulting formation fractions:
cyan_free_JCZ38 0.6039
cyan_free_J9Z38 0.2285
cyan_free_sink 0.1676
               1.0000
cyan free
JCZ38_JSE76
               1.0000
               0.0000
JCZ38 sink
JSE76_JCZ38
               0.8807
JSE76 sink
               0.1193
Estimated disappearance times:
      DT50 DT90 DT50back DT50_cyan_b1 DT50_cyan_b2
cyan 23.84 154.95
                                               57.31
                      46.65
                                   4.86
                       NA
JCZ38 12.92 42.93
                                     NA
                                                  NA
J9Z38 114.71 381.07
                         NA
                                      NA
                                                   NA
JSE76 26.04 86.51
                         NA
                                      NA
                                                   NA
```

Listing 19: Hierarchical SFORB path 2 fit with reduced random effects, two-component error

```
saemix version used for fitting:
                                       3.3
mkin version used for pre-fitting: 1.2.9
R version used for fitting:
                                     4.4.2
                 Thu Feb 13 19:05:33 2025
Date of fit:
Date of summary: Thu Feb 13 19:05:54 2025
d_cyan_free/dt = - k_cyan_free * cyan_free - k_cyan_free_bound *
           cyan_free + k_cyan_bound_free * cyan_bound
d_cyan_bound/dt = + k_cyan_free_bound * cyan_free - k_cyan_bound_free *
           cyan_bound
\label{eq:d_JCZ38} $$ d_JCZ38/dt = + f_cyan_free_to_JCZ38 * k_cyan_free * cyan_free - k_JCZ38 $$
           * JCZ38 + f_JSE76_to_JCZ38 * k_JSE76 * JSE76
\label{eq:d_J9Z38} $$ d_{J9Z38} + f_{cyan_free_to_J9Z38} * k_{cyan_free} * cyan_free_k_{J9Z38} $$
           * J9Z38
d_JSE76/dt = + f_JCZ38_to_JSE76 * k_JCZ38 * JCZ38 - k_JSE76 * JSE76
433 observations of 4 variable(s) grouped in 5 datasets
Model predictions using solution type deSolve
Fitted in 940.602 s
Using 300, 100 iterations and 10 chains
Variance model: Two-component variance function
Starting values for degradation parameters:
          cyan_free_0
                             log_k_cyan_free log_k_cyan_free_bound
                                      -2.8370
             101.7511
                                 log_k_JCZ38
                                                        log_k_J9Z38
log_k_cyan_bound_free
               -3.6600
                                      -2.2988
                                                             -5.3129
          log_k_JSE76
                                f_cyan_ilr_1
                                                       f_cyan_ilr_2
               -3.6991
                                     0.6722
       f_JCZ38_qlogis
                              f_JSE76_qlogis
              13.4678
                                      14.2149
Fixed degradation parameter values:
Starting values for random effects (square root of initial entries in omega):
                       cyan_free_0 log_k_cyan_free log_k_cyan_free_bound
                             5.629
                                              0.000
cyan free 0
log_k_cyan_free
                             0.000
                                              0.446
                                                                     0.000
                             0.000
                                              0.000
                                                                     1.449
log_k_cyan_free_bound
log_k_cyan_bound_free
                             0.000
                                              0.000
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log_k_JCZ38
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log_k_J9Z38
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log_k_JSE76
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f_cyan_ilr_1
                             0.000
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                             0.000
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f_cyan_ilr_2
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                                                                     0.000
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{\tt f\_JSE76\_qlogis}
                             0.000
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                       {\tt log\_k\_cyan\_bound\_free~log\_k\_JCZ38~log\_k\_J9Z38~log\_k\_JSE76}
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cyan_free_0
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log_k_cyan_free
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log_k_cyan_free_bound
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log_k_cyan_bound_free
                                        1.213
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log_k_JCZ38
                                        0.000
                                                   0.7801
log_k_J9Z38
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log_k_JSE76
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f_cyan_ilr_1
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f_cyan_ilr_2
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f_JCZ38_qlogis
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f_JSE76_qlogis
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                       {\tt f\_cyan\_ilr\_1~f\_cyan\_ilr\_2~f\_JCZ38\_qlogis~f\_JSE76\_qlogis}
cyan_free_0
                             0.0000
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log_k_cyan_free
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log_k_cyan_free_bound
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log_k_cyan_bound_free
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log_k_JCZ38
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log_k_J9Z38
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log_k_JSE76
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f_cyan_ilr_1
                             0.6518
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f_cyan_ilr_2
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                                            9.981
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f_JCZ38_qlogis
f_JSE76_qlogis
                             0.0000
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                                                                            16.17
Starting values for error model parameters:
 1 1
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Likelihood computed by importance sampling
   AIC BIC logLik
  2241 2233 -1101
Optimised parameters:
                                         lower
                                 est.
                                                  upper
                           100.95469
cyan_free_0
                                            NA
                            -3.18706
                                                     NA
log_k_cyan_free
log_k_cyan_free_bound
                             -3.38455
                                            NA
log_k_cyan_bound_free
                            -3.75788
                                            NA
                                                     NA
log_k_JCZ38
                            -2.77024
                                            NA
log_k_J9Z38
                            -5.03665
                                            NA
                                                     NA
log_k_JSE76
                            -3.60289
                                            NA
                            0.72263
f_cyan_ilr_1
                                            NA
                                                     NA
f_cyan_ilr_2
                             1.45352
                                            NA
                                                     NA
f_JCZ38_qlogis
                             2.00778
                                            NA
                                                     NA
f_JSE76_qlogis
                          941.58570
                                            NA
                                                     NA
                            2.11130 1.91479 2.30780
a.1
                             0.06299 0.05152 0.07445
b.1
SD.log_k_cyan_free
                             0.50098 0.18805 0.81390
SD.log_k_cyan_bound_free 0.31671 0.08467 0.54875
                   1.25865 0.45932 2.05798
0.86833 0.27222 1.46444
SD.log_k_JCZ38
SD.log_k_J9Z38
SD.log_k_JSE76
                            0.59325 0.14711 1.03940
SD.f_cyan_ilr_1
                            0.35705 0.12521 0.58890
                           0.88541 0.13797 1.63286
SD.f_cyan_ilr_2
Correlation is not available
Random effects:
                             est. lower upper
                          0.5010 0.18805 0.8139
SD.log_k_cyan_free
SD.log_k_cyan_bound_free 0.3167 0.08467 0.5487

      SD.log_k_JC338
      1.2587 0.45932 2.0580

      SD.log_k_J9Z38
      0.8683 0.27222 1.4644

      SD.log_k_JSE76
      0.5933 0.14711 1.0394

      SD.f_cyan_ilr_1
      0.3571 0.12521 0.5889

      SD.f_cyan_ilr_2
      0.8854 0.13797 1.6329

Variance model:
est. lower upper a.1 2.11130 1.91479 2.30780
b.1 0.06299 0.05152 0.07445
Backtransformed parameters:
                            est. lower upper
cyan_free_0
                       1.010e+02
k_cyan_free
                       4.129e-02
                                            NA
k_cyan_free_bound
                      3.389e-02
                                     NA
                                            NA
k_cyan_bound_free 2.333e-02
k_JCZ38
                       6.265e-02
                                     NA
                                            NA
k_J9Z38
                       6.495e-03
                                            NA
k_JSE76
                       2.724e-02
                                     NA
                                            NA
f_cyan_free_to_JCZ38 6.844e-01
                                            NA
f_cyan_free_to_J9Z38 2.463e-01
                                      NA
                                            NA
f_JCZ38_to_JSE76 8.816e-01
f_JSE76_to_JCZ38
                      1.000e+00
                                      NA
Estimated Eigenvalues of SFORB model(s):
cyan_b1 cyan_b2 cyan_g
0.08751 0.01101 0.39586
Resulting formation fractions:
cyan_free_JCZ38 0.68444
cyan_free_J9Z38 0.24633
cyan_free_sink 0.06923
cyan_free
                 1.00000
JCZ38_JSE76
                 0.88161
JCZ38 sink
                 0.11839
JSE76_JCZ38
                 1.00000
JSE76 sink
                 0.00000
Estimated disappearance times:
        DT50 DT90 DT50back DT50_cyan_b1 DT50_cyan_b2
                                      7.921
       25.36 163.36 49.18
                                                      62.95
cyan
                          NA
                                         NA
JCZ38 11.06 36.75
                                                          NΑ
J9Z38 106.71 354.49
                            NA
                                           NA
                                                          NA
JSE76 25.44 84.51
                            NA
                                           NA
                                                          NΑ
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Session info

R version 4.4.2 (2024-10-31) Platform: x86_64-pc-linux-gnu

Running under: Debian GNU/Linux 12 (bookworm)

Matrix products: default

BLAS: /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/blas/libblas.so.3.11.0 LAPACK: /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/lapack/liblapack.so.3.11.0

locale:

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[3] LC_TIME=de_DE.UTF-8 LC_COLLATE=de_DE.UTF-8
[5] LC_MONETARY=de_DE.UTF-8 LC_MESSAGES=de_DE.UTF-8

[7] LC_PAPER=de_DE.UTF-8 LC_NAME=C
[9] LC_ADDRESS=C LC_TELEPHONE=C
[11] LC_MEASUREMENT=de_DE.UTF-8 LC_IDENTIFICATION=C

time zone: Europe/Berlin
tzcode source: system (glibc)

attached base packages:

[1] parallel stats graphics grDevices utils datasets methods

[8] base

other attached packages:

[1] saemix_3.3 npde_3.5 knitr_1.49 mkin_1.2.9

[5] rmarkdown_2.29 nvimcom_0.9-167

loaded via a namespace (and not attached):

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[5]	tidyselect_1.2.1	colorout_1.3-2	<pre>gridExtra_2.3</pre>	callr_3.7.6
[9]	scales_1.3.0	yaml_2.3.10	fastmap_1.2.0	readxl_1.4.3
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[21]	pillar_1.9.0	rlang_1.1.4	utf8_1.2.4	deSolve_1.40
[25]	inline_0.3.20	xfun_0.49	cli_3.6.3	magrittr_2.0.3
[29]	ps_1.8.1	processx_3.8.4	digest_0.6.37	grid_4.4.2
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[37]	evaluate_1.0.1	glue_1.8.0	cellranger_1.1.0	codetools_0.2-20
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Hardware info

CPU model: AMD Ryzen 9 7950X 16-Core Processor

MemTotal: 64927788 kB