# Package 'RBaM'

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Type Package **Title** Bayesian Modeling: Estimate a Computer Model and Make Uncertain Predictions Version 1.0.1 **Description** An interface to the 'BaM' (Bayesian Modeling) engine, a 'Fortran'-based executable aimed at estimating a model with a Bayesian approach and using it for prediction, with a particular focus on uncertainty quantification. Classes are defined for the various building blocks of 'BaM' inference (model, data, error models, Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) samplers, predictions). The typical usage is as follows: (1) specify the model to be estimated; (2) specify the inference setting (dataset, parameters, error models...); (3) perform Bayesian-MCMC inference; (4) read, analyse and use MCMC samples; (5) perform prediction experiments. Technical details are available (in French) in Renard (2017) <a href="https://hal.science/hal-02606929v1">https://hal.science/hal-02606929v1</a>. Examples of applications include Mansanarez et al. (2019) <doi:10.1029/2018WR023389>, Le Coz et al. (2021) <doi:10.1002/hyp.14169>, Perret et al. (2021) <doi:10.1029/2020WR027745>, Darienzo et al. (2021) <doi:10.1029/2020WR028607> and Perret et al. (2023) <doi:10.1061/JHEND8.HYENG-13101>. License GPL-3 **Encoding UTF-8** LazyData true URL https://github.com/BaM-tools/RBaM BugReports https://github.com/BaM-tools/RBaM/issues **Depends** R (>= 4.0.0) Imports ggplot2, gridExtra, R.utils, utils, grDevices, stats, rjson, rlang, tools, tidyr

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# Description

Run BaM.exe

# Usage

```
BaM(
  workspace,
  mod,
  data,
  remnant = rep(list(remnantErrorModel()), mod$nY),
  mcmc = mcmcOptions(),
  cook = mcmcCooking(),
  summary = mcmcSummary(),
  residuals = residualOptions(),
  pred = NULL,
  doCalib = TRUE,
  doPred = FALSE,
  na.value = -9999,
  run = TRUE,
  preClean = FALSE,
  dir.exe = .BAM_PATH,
  name.exe = "BaM",
  predMaster_fname = "Config_Pred_Master.txt"
)
```

### **Arguments**

workspace	Character, directory where config and result files are stored.
mod	model object, the model to be calibrated
data	dataset object, calibration data
remnant	list of remnantErrorModel objects. WARNING: make sure you use a list of length mod $nY$ (even if mod $nY=1$ !)
mcmc	mcmcOptions object, MCMC simulation number and options
cook	mcmcCooking object, properties of MCMC cooking (burn and slice)
summary	mcmcSummary object, properties of MCMC summary

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residuals	residualOptions object, properties of residual analysis
pred	list of prediction objects, properties of prediction experiments
doCalib	Logical, do Calibration? (mcmc+cooking+summary+residuals)
doPred	Logical, do Prediction?
na.value	numeric, value used for NAs when writing the dataset in BaM format
run	Logical, run BaM? if FALSE, just write config files.
preClean	Logical, start by cleaning up workspace? Be careful, this will delete all files in the workspace, including old results!
dir.exe	Character, directory where BaM executable stands.
name.exe	Character, name of the executable without extension ('BaM' by default).
predMaster_fnam	ne
	Character, name of configuration file pointing to all prediction experiments

Character, name of configuration file pointing to all prediction experiments.

#### Value

Nothing: just write config files and runs the executable.

```
# Fitting a rating curve - see https://github.com/BaM-tools/RBaM
workspace=tempdir()
D=dataset(X=SauzeGaugings['H'],Y=SauzeGaugings['Q'],Yu=SauzeGaugings['uQ'],data.dir=workspace)
# Parameters of the low flow section control: activation stage k, coefficient a and exponent c
k1=parameter(name='k1',init=-0.5,prior.dist='Uniform',prior.par=c(-1.5,0))
a1 = parameter(name='a1', init=50, prior.dist='LogNormal', prior.par=c(log(50), 1))
c1=parameter(name='c1',init=1.5,prior.dist='Gaussian',prior.par=c(1.5,0.05))
# Parameters of the high flow channel control: activation stage k, coefficient a and exponent c
k2=parameter(name='k2',init=1,prior.dist='Gaussian',prior.par=c(1,1))
a2=parameter(name='a2',init=100,prior.dist='LogNormal',prior.par=c(log(100),1))
c2=parameter(name='c2',init=1.67,prior.dist='Gaussian',prior.par=c(1.67,0.05))
# Define control matrix: columns are controls, rows are stage ranges.
controlMatrix=rbind(c(1,0),c(0,1))
# Stitch it all together into a model object
M=model(ID='BaRatin',
        nX=1,nY=1, # number of input/output variables
        par=list(k1,a1,c1,k2,a2,c2), # list of model parameters
     xtra=xtraModelInfo(object=controlMatrix)) # use xtraModelInfo() to pass the control matrix
# Call BaM to write configuration files. To actually run BaM, use run=TRUE,
# but BaM executable needs to be downloaded first (use downloadBaM())
BaM(workspace=workspace,mod=M,data=D,run=FALSE)
```

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dataset

dataset object constructor.

# Description

Creates a new instance of a 'dataset' object

# Usage

```
dataset(
   X,
   Y,
   data.dir = getwd(),
   data.fname = "CalibrationData.txt",
   fname = "Config_Data.txt",
   Xu = NULL,
   Xb = NULL,
   Xb.indx = NULL,
   Yu = NULL,
   Yb = NULL,
   Yb = NULL,
   Yb.indx = NULL,
   Yb.indx = NULL,
   YAR.indx = NULL
)
```

### **Arguments**

Χ	data frame, observed input variables.
Υ	data frame, observed output variables (same number of rows as X).
data.dir	Character, directory where a copy of the dataset will be written if required. Default is the current working directory, but you may prefer to use the BaM workspace.
data.fname	Character, data file name.
fname	Character, configuration file name.
Xu	data frame, random uncertainty in $X$ , expressed as a standard deviation. Same dimension as $X$ .
Xb	data frame, systematic uncertainty in $X$ , expressed as a standard deviation. Same dimension as $X$ .
Xb.indx	data frame, index of systematic errors in X. Same dimension as X.
Yu	data frame, random uncertainty in Y, expressed as a standard deviation. Same dimension as Y.
Yb	data frame, systematic uncertainty in Y, expressed as a standard deviation. Same dimension as Y.
Yb.indx	data frame, index of systematic errors in Y. Same dimension as Y.
VAR.indx	data frame, indices used for defining how VAR parameters vary.

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### Value

An object of class 'dataset'.

# **Examples**

```
X=data.frame(input1=rnorm(100),input2=rnorm(100))
Y=data.frame(output=X$input1+0.8*X$input2+0.1*rnorm(100))
workspace=tempdir()
d <- dataset(X=X,Y=Y,data.dir=workspace)</pre>
```

 ${\tt densityPlot}$ 

densityPlot

# Description

returns a histogram+density ggplot (or a list thereof if several columns in sim)

# Usage

```
densityPlot(sim, xlab = "values", col = "black")
```

### **Arguments**

sim	vector or matrix or data frame, MCMC simulations
xlab	Character, label of x-axis to be used if sim has no names
col	Color

### Value

A ggplot (or a list thereof if several columns in sim)

```
# Create Monte Carlo samples
n=1000
sim=data.frame(p1=rnorm(n),p2=rlnorm(n),p3=runif(n))
# create density plot for each component
figures=densityPlot(sim)
```

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BaM downloader

# Description

Download BaM executable

# Usage

```
downloadBaM(
  destFolder,
  url = NULL,
  os = Sys.info()["sysname"],
  quiet = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

# Arguments

(	destFolder	character string, folder where BaM executable will be downloaded.
•	url	character string, the url from which BaM should be downloaded. When NULL, the url is determined automatically by using GitHub API to determine the latest release and the file corresponding to the OS.
(	os	character string, operating system, e.g. 'Linux', 'Windows' or 'Darwin'.
(	quiet	logical, if TRUE, suppress status messages.
		arguments passed to function 'download.file'

# Value

nothing - just download the file.

# **Examples**

```
try(downloadBaM(destFolder=tempdir()))
```

getAwPfromBathy

Bathymetry interpreter

# Description

Compute Area A(h), width w(h) and wet perimeter P(h) from a bathymetry profile (a,z).

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### Usage

```
getAwPfromBathy(
  bathy,
  hgrid = seq(min(bathy[, 2]), max(bathy[, 2]), diff(range(bathy[, 2]))/1000),
  segmentLength = sum(sqrt(apply(apply(bathy, 2, diff)^2, 1, sum)))/1000
)
```

### **Arguments**

bathy data frame, 2 columns containing abscissa (increasing values) and stage.

hgrid numeric vector, grid of h values where A, w and P are computed. By default

1000 values in the range of bathymetry's z.

segmentLength numeric, segment length for bathymetry subsampling. By default 1/1000 of the

total bathymetry's perimeter.

#### Value

A 4-column dataframe containing h, A(h), w(h) and P(h)

### **Examples**

```
\label{eq:bathy} bathy=data.frame(a=c(0,0,0,1,2,2,4,6,8),h=c(3,2,0,-0.5,0,2,2.0001,2.3,3))\\ plot(bathy,type='l')\\ df=getAwPfromBathy(bathy)\\ plot(df\$h,df\$A,type='l')\\ plot(df\$h,df\$w,type='l')\\ plot(df\$h,df\$P,type='l')\\
```

getCatalogue

BaM catalogue

### **Description**

Distributions and models available in BaM

#### Usage

```
getCatalogue(printOnly = FALSE)
```

### **Arguments**

printOnly

Logical, should the catalogue be returned or only printed?

### Value

If printOnly==FALSE, a list with the following fields:

distributions available univariate distributions.

models available models.

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### **Examples**

```
catalogue <- getCatalogue()
getCatalogue(printOnly=TRUE)</pre>
```

getNames

Get object names

# Description

getNames from an object or a list of objects having a \$name field (e.g. parameters)

### Usage

```
getNames(loo, name = "name")
```

### **Arguments**

loo List Of Objects

name character, string denoting the name field

### Value

A character vector containing names

### **Examples**

getParNames

Get parameter names

# Description

Get parameter names for a distribution d

### Usage

```
getParNames(d)
```

# Arguments

d

Character (possibly vector), distribution (possibly distributions)

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### Value

A character vector with parameter names.

### **Examples**

```
parnames <- getParNames('GEV')
npar <- length(getParNames('Gumbel'))</pre>
```

mcmcCooking

 $mcmcCooking\ constructor.$ 

### **Description**

Creates a new instance of a 'mcmcCooking' object

# Usage

```
mcmcCooking(
   fname = "Config_Cooking.txt",
   result.fname = "Results_Cooking.txt",
   burn = 0.5,
   nSlim = 10
)
```

### **Arguments**

fname Character, configuration file name.

result.fname Character, result file name.

burn numeric, burn factor, >=0 and <1. 0.4 means the first 40 percent of MCMC

samples are discarded).

nSlim Integer, slimming period: 10 means only one MCMC sample every 10 is kept

(after burning).

### Value

An object of class 'mcmcCooking'.

```
m <- mcmcCooking()</pre>
```

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mcmcOptions

mcmcOptions object constructor.

# Description

Creates a new instance of a 'mcmcOptions' object

# Usage

```
mcmcOptions(
   fname = "Config_MCMC.txt",
   result.fname = "Results_MCMC.txt",
   nAdapt = 100,
   nCycles = 100,
   minMoveRate = 0.1,
   maxMoveRate = 0.5,
   downMult = 0.9,
   upMult = 1.1,
   multFactor = 0.1,
   manualMode = FALSE,
   thetaStd = 9999,
   gammaStd = list(9999)
)
```

### **Arguments**

fname	Character, configuration file name.
result.fname	Character, result file name.
nAdapt	Integer, adaptation period: jump sizes are increased/decreased every Nadapt iterations to comply with the desired moving rates.
nCycles	Integer, number of adaptation cycles (total number of iterations is hence Nadapt * Ncycles).
minMoveRate	Numeric in (0;1), lower bound for the desired move rate interval.
maxMoveRate	Numeric in (0;1), upper bound for the desired move rate interval.
downMult	Numeric in (0:1), multiplication factor used to decrease jump size when move rate is too low.
upMult	Numeric (>1, avoid 1/dowMult) multiplication factor used to increase jump size when move rate is too high.
multFactor	Numeric >0, multiplicative factor to set initial jump standard deviations to mult-Factor*linitValuel (AUTO mode).
manualMode	logical, should jump standard deviations be entered manually?
thetaStd	Numeric vector (>0), jump standard deviations for model parameters theta (MAN-UAL mode).
gammaStd	list of numeric vectors (>0), size = number of output variables of the model. Jump standard deviations for structural error parameters gamma of each output

variable (MANUAL mode).

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### Value

An object of class 'mcmcOptions'.

### **Examples**

```
m <- mcmcOptions()</pre>
```

mcmcSummary

mcmcSummary constructor.

# Description

Creates a new instance of a 'mcmcSummary' object

# Usage

```
mcmcSummary(
   fname = "Config_Summary.txt",
   result.fname = "Results_Summary.txt",
   DIC.fname = "Results_DIC.txt",
   xtendedMCMC.fname = ""
)
```

# Arguments

fname Character, configuration file name.
result.fname Character, summary file name.

DIC. fname Character, DIC file name. Not computed if empty string.

 $\verb|xtendedMCMC.fname||$ 

Character, xtended MCMC file name. Not written if empty string.

### Value

An object of class 'mcmcSummary'.

```
m <- mcmcSummary()</pre>
```

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Meyras Gaugings

### **Description**

Stage-discharge gaugings from the hydrometric station 'the Ardèche River at Meyras'. See https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ardèfor a description of the river See https://doi.org/10.1029/2018WR023389 for an article using this dataset

# Usage

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#### **Format**

A data frame with 104 rows and 4 variables:

```
h Stage (m)
```

Q Discharge (m3/s)

**uQ** Discharge uncertainty (m3/s) expressed as a standard deviation

Period Stability period on which a single rating curve can be used

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model object constructor.

### Description

Creates a new instance of a 'model' object

### Usage

```
model(
   fname = "Config_Model.txt",
   ID = "Linear",
   nX = 1,
   nY = 1,
   par = list(parameter("Xeffect", 1, prior.dist = "FlatPrior")),
   xtra = xtraModelInfo()
)
```

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### Arguments

fname	Character, configuration file name.
ID	Character, model ID. Type 'getCatalogue()' for available models.
nX	Integer, number of input variables.
nY	Integer, number of output variables.
par	list of parameter objects, parameters of the model.
xtra	xtraModelInfo object.

### Value

An object of class 'model'.

### **Examples**

parameter

parameter object constructor.

### **Description**

Creates a new instance of a 'parameter' object

### Usage

```
parameter(name, init, prior.dist = "FlatPrior", prior.par = NULL)
```

# Arguments

```
name character, parameter name.
init numeric, initial guess.
prior.dist character, prior distribution.
prior.par numeric vector, prior parameters
```

#### Value

An object of class 'parameter'.

```
p <- parameter(name='par',init=0,prior.dist='Gaussian',prior.par=c(0,1))</pre>
```

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### **Description**

Creates a new instance of a 'parameter\_VAR' object

# Usage

```
parameter_VAR(
  name,
  index,
  d,
  init,
  prior.dist = rep("FlatPrior", length(init)),
  prior.par = rep(list(NULL), length(init)))
```

# Arguments

name	character, parameter name.
index	character, name of column in VAR.indx (see ?dataset) containing the index for this varying parameter
d	dataset object, the dataset containing (amongst other things) the index above
init	numeric vector, initial guesses for each instance of the VAR parameter.
prior.dist	character vector, prior distribution for each instance of the VAR parameter.
prior.par	list of numeric vectors, prior parameters for each instance of the VAR parameter

# Value

An object of class 'parameter\_VAR'.

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prediction

prediction object constructor.

### **Description**

Creates a new instance of a 'prediction' object

### Usage

```
prediction(
  Χ,
  spagFiles,
  data.dir = getwd(),
  data.fnames = paste0("X", 1:length(X), ".pred"),
 fname = paste0("Config_Pred_", paste0(sample(c(letters, LETTERS, 0:9), 6), collapse =
    ""), ".txt"),
  doParametric = FALSE,
  doStructural = rep(FALSE, length(spagFiles)),
  transposeSpag = TRUE,
  priorNsim = NULL,
  envFiles = paste0(tools::file_path_sans_ext(spagFiles), ".env"),
  consoleProgress = TRUE,
  spagFiles_state = NULL,
  transposeSpag_state = TRUE,
  envFiles_state = switch(is.null(spagFiles_state) + 1,
    paste0(tools::file_path_sans_ext(spagFiles_state), ".env"), NULL),
  parSamples = NULL
)
```

### **Arguments**

Χ

data frame or list of dataframes / matrices, representing the values taken by the input variables.

- If X is a dataframe, then each column is interpreted as one input variable, and consequently inputs are not replicated (=> no input uncertainty).
- If X is a list, then each element of the list is a matrix associated with one input variable, and the columns of this matrix are replications (=> input uncertainty is propagated). All matrices in the list should have the same number of rows, columns are recycled if needed.

spagFiles

Character vector (size nY, the number of output variables). Name of the files containing the spaghettis for each output variable. NOTE: provide file names only, not full paths. Using a '.spag' extension is a good practice.

data.dir

Character, directory where a copies of the dataset X will be written if required (1 file per variable in X). Default is the current working directory, but you may prefer to use the BaM workspace.

data.fnames

Character, data file names.

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fname Character, configuration file name.

doParametric Logical, propagate parametric uncertainty? If FALSE, maxpost parameters are

used.

doStructural Logical, propagate structural uncertainty for each output variable? (size nY)

transposeSpag Logical. If FALSE, spaghettis are written horizontally (row-wise), otherwise

they will be transposed so that each spaghetti is a column.

priorNsim Integer, number of samples from the prior distribution for 'prior prediction' ex-

periments. If negative or NULL (default), posterior samples are used.

envFiles Character vector (size nY, the number of output variables). Name of the files

containing the envelops (e.g. prediction intervals) computed from the spaghettis for each output variable. By default, same name as spaghetti files but with a

'.env' extension. If NULL, envelops are not computed.

consoleProgress

Logical, print progress in BaM.exe console?

spagFiles\_state

Character vector (size nState, the number of state variables), same as spagFiles but for states rather than outputs. If NULL, states are not predicted. Note that only parametric uncertainty is propagated for state variables since they are not observed. Consequently, structural uncertainty = 0 and total uncertainty = parameters.

metric uncertainty.

transposeSpag\_state

Logical. Same as transposeSpag, but for states rather than outputs.

envFiles\_state Character vector (size nState, the number of state variables), same as envFiles,

but for states rather than outputs.

parSamples data frame, parameter samples that will replace the MCMC-generated one for

this prediction.

#### Value

An object of class 'prediction'.

```
#-------
# Example using the twoPopulations dataset, containing 101 values for
# 3 input variables (time t, temperature at site 1 T1, temperature at site 2 T2)
# and 2 output variables (population at site 1 P1, population at site 2 P2).
pred=prediction(X=twoPopulations[,1:3],spagFiles=c('P1.spag','P2.spag'))
#------
# Alternative example showing how to propagate uncertainty in some of
# the input variables (here, temperatures T1 and T2)
# Create 100 noisy replicates for T1, representing uncertainty
T1rep=matrix(rnorm(101*100,mean=twoPopulations$T1,sd=0.1),nrow=101,ncol=100)
# Same for T2
T2rep=matrix(rnorm(101*100,mean=twoPopulations$T2,sd=0.1),nrow=101,ncol=100)
# Create prediction object
pred=prediction(X=list(twoPopulations$t,T1rep,T2rep),spagFiles=c('P1.spag','P2.spag'))
```

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readMCMC

MCMC Reader

### **Description**

Read raw MCMC samples, return cooked (burnt & sliced) ones

# Usage

```
readMCMC(
   file = "Results_Cooking.txt",
   burnFactor = 0,
   slimFactor = 1,
   sep = "",
   reportFile = NULL,
   panelPerCol = 10,
   panelHeight = 3,
   panelWidth = 23/panelPerCol
)
```

### **Arguments**

file	Character, full path to MCMC file.
burnFactor	Numeric, burn factor. 0.1 means the first 10 are discarded.
slimFactor	Integer, slim factor. 10 means that only one iteration every 10 is kept.
sep	Character, separator used in MCMC file.
reportFile	Character, full path to pdf report file, not created if NULL
panelPerCol	Integer, max number of panels per column
panelHeight	Numeric, height of each panel
panelWidth	Numeric, width of each panel

### Value

A data frame containing the cooked mcmc samples.

```
# Create Monte Carlo samples and write them to file
n=4000
sim=data.frame(p1=rnorm(n),p2=rlnorm(n),p3=runif(n))
workspace=tempdir()
write.table(sim,file=file.path(workspace,'MCMC.txt'),row.names=FALSE)
# Read file, burn the first half and keep every other row
M=readMCMC(file=file.path(workspace,'MCMC.txt'),burnFactor=0.5,slimFactor=2)
dim(M)
```

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remnantErrorModel

remnantErrorModel object constructor.

### **Description**

Creates a new instance of a 'remnantErrorModel' object

### Usage

```
remnantErrorModel(
   fname = "Config_RemnantSigma.txt",
   funk = "Linear",
   par = list(parameter("g1", 1, prior.dist = "FlatPrior+"), parameter("g2", 0.1,
        prior.dist = "FlatPrior+"))
)
```

### **Arguments**

fname Character, configuration file name.

funk Character, function f used in remnant sdev = f(Ysim). Available: 'Constant',

'Proportional', 'Linear' (default), 'Exponential', 'Gaussian'.

par list of parameter objects, parameters of the function above. respectively, npar=

1,1,2,3,3

### Value

An object of class 'remnantErrorModel'.

### **Examples**

```
r <- remnantErrorModel()</pre>
```

residualOptions

residualOptions constructor.

# Description

Creates a new instance of a 'residualOptions' object

### Usage

```
residualOptions(
  fname = "Config_Residuals.txt",
  result.fname = "Results_Residuals.txt"
)
```

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### **Arguments**

fname Character, configuration file name.

result.fname Character, result file name.

#### Value

An object of class 'residualOptions'.

# **Examples**

```
r <- residualOptions()</pre>
```

runOptions

runOptions constructor.

# Description

Creates a new instance of a 'runOptions' object

### Usage

```
runOptions(
  fname = "Config_RunOptions.txt",
  doMCMC = TRUE,
  doSummary = TRUE,
  doResiduals = TRUE,
  doPrediction = FALSE
)
```

# Arguments

fname Character, configuration file name.

doMCMC logical, do MCMC sampling?

doSummary logical, do MCMC summarizing?

doResiduals logical, do residuals analysis?

doPrediction logical, do prediction experiments?

### Value

An object of class 'runOptions'.

```
o <- runOptions()</pre>
```

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### **Description**

Stage-discharge gaugings from the hydrometric station 'the Ardèche River at Sauze-St-Martin'. See https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ardèche\_(river) for a description of the river See https://hal.science/hal-00934237 for an article using this dataset

### Usage

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### **Format**

A data frame with 38 rows and 3 variables:

H Stage (m)

Q Discharge (m3/s)

**uQ** Discharge uncertainty (m3/s) expressed as a standard deviation

setPathToBaM Path to BaM

# Description

Set path to BaM executable

### Usage

```
setPathToBaM(dir.exe, quiet = FALSE)
```

# **Arguments**

dir.exe character string, folder where BaM executable is located. A NULL value resets

BaM directory to 'unknown' by removing the config folder where it was stored on your computer (use 'tools::R\_user\_dir(package="RBaM",which="config")'

to locate this folder).

quiet logical, if TRUE, suppress status messages.

#### Value

nothing - just write a config file.

```
setPathToBaM(dir.exe=tempdir())
```

toString.dataset

dataset to string

### **Description**

Convert an object of class 'dataset' into a ready-to-write vector of string

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'dataset'
toString(x, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

- x dataset object, object to be converted.
- ... Optional arguments.

### Value

A string ready to be printed or written.

### **Examples**

```
X=data.frame(input1=rnorm(100),input2=rnorm(100))
Y=data.frame(output=X$input1+0.8*X$input2+0.1*rnorm(100))
workspace=tempdir()
d <- dataset(X=X,Y=Y,data.dir=workspace)
toString(d)</pre>
```

 ${\tt toString.mcmcCooking} \ \ \textit{mcmcCooking to string}$ 

### **Description**

Convert an object of class 'mcmcCooking' into a ready-to-write vector of string

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mcmcCooking'
toString(x, ...)
```

### Arguments

- x mcmcCooking object, object to be converted.
- ... Optional arguments.

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### Value

A string ready to be printed or written.

### **Examples**

```
toString(mcmcCooking())
```

```
toString.mcmcOptions mcmcOptions to string
```

### **Description**

Convert an object of class 'mcmcOptions' into a ready-to-write vector of string

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mcmcOptions'
toString(x, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

x mcmcOptions object, object to be converted.

... Optional arguments.

### Value

A string ready to be printed or written.

# **Examples**

```
toString(mcmcOptions())
```

```
{\tt toString.mcmcSummary} \ \ \textit{mcmcSummary to string}
```

# Description

Convert an object of class 'mcmcSummary' into a ready-to-write vector of string

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mcmcSummary'
toString(x, ...)
```

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# Arguments

x mcmcSummary object, object to be converted.

... Optional arguments.

### Value

A string ready to be printed or written.

# **Examples**

```
toString(mcmcSummary())
```

toString.model

model to string

# Description

Convert an object of class 'model' into a ready-to-write vector of string

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'model'
toString(x, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

x model object, object to be converted.

... Optional arguments.

### Value

A string ready to be printed or written.

```
toString(model())
```

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parameter to string

# Description

Convert an object of class 'parameter' into a ready-to-write vector of string

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'parameter'
toString(x, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

- x parameter object, object to be converted.
- ... Optional arguments.

### Value

A string ready to be printed or written.

### **Examples**

```
p <- parameter(name='par',init=0,prior.dist='Gaussian',prior.par=c(0,1)) \\ toString(p)
```

```
toString.parameter_VAR
```

parameter\_VAR to string

# Description

Convert an object of class 'parameter\_VAR' into a ready-to-write vector of string

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'parameter_VAR'
toString(x, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

- x parameter\_VAR object, object to be converted.
- ... Optional arguments.

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### Value

A string ready to be printed or written.

### **Examples**

toString.prediction

prediction to string

### **Description**

Convert an object of class 'prediction' into a ready-to-write vector of string

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'prediction'
toString(x, ...)
```

### Arguments

- x prediction object, object to be converted.
- ... Optional arguments.

### Value

A string ready to be printed or written.

```
pred=prediction(X=twoPopulations[,1:3],spagFiles=c('P1.spag','P2.spag'))
toString(pred)
```

```
toString.remnantErrorModel
```

remnantErrorModel to string

# Description

Convert an object of class 'remnantErrorModel' into a ready-to-write vector of string

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'remnantErrorModel'
toString(x, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

- x remnantErrorModel object, object to be converted.
- ... Optional arguments.

#### Value

A string ready to be printed or written.

# **Examples**

```
toString(remnantErrorModel())
```

```
toString.residualOptions
```

residualOptions to string

# **Description**

Convert an object of class 'residualOptions' into a ready-to-write vector of string

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'residualOptions' toString(x, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

- x residualOptions object, object to be converted.
- ... Optional arguments.

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### Value

A string ready to be printed or written.

### **Examples**

```
toString(residualOptions())
```

toString.runOptions

runOptions to string

### **Description**

Convert an object of class 'runOptions' into a ready-to-write vector of string

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'runOptions'
toString(x, ...)
```

# Arguments

x runOptions object, object to be converted.

... Optional arguments.

### Value

A string ready to be printed or written.

# **Examples**

```
toString(runOptions())
```

tracePlot

MCMC reporting

# Description

2DO (adapt from STooDs): Generate pdf report files summarizing mcmc samples

### Usage

```
tracePlot(sim, ylab = "values", keep = NULL, col = "black", psize = 0.5)
```

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### **Arguments**

sim	vector or matrix or data frame, MCMC simulations
ylab	Character, label of y-axis to be used if sim has no names
keep	Integer vector, indices of samples to be kept in cooked MCMC sample
col	Color
psize	Numeric, point size

#### **Details**

tracePlot

returns a trace plot ggplot (or a list thereof if several columns in sim)

### Value

A ggplot (or a list thereof if several columns in sim)

### **Examples**

```
# Create Monte Carlo samples
n=1000
sim=data.frame(p1=rnorm(n),p2=rlnorm(n),p3=runif(n))
# create trace plot for each component
figures=tracePlot(sim)
```

twoPopulations

Evolution of two populations

# Description

Size of two populations of the same species put in two different environments, as a function of time and local temperature.

- Input variables: time t, temperature at site 1 T1, temperature at site 2 T2.
- Output variables: population size at site 1 P1, population size at site 2 P2.
- Data are synthetically generated from a logistic model.

### Usage

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# **Format**

An object of class data. frame with 101 rows and 5 columns.

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violinPlot

### **Description**

returns a violinplot ggplot

### Usage

```
violinPlot(sim, ylab = "values", col = "black")
```

### **Arguments**

sim vector or matrix or data frame, MCMC simulations

ylab Character, label of y-axis

col Color

### Value

A ggplot

### **Examples**

```
# Create Monte Carlo samples
n=1000
sim=data.frame(p1=rnorm(n),p2=rlnorm(n),p3=runif(n))
# create violin plot comparing all components
figure=violinPlot(sim)
```

writePredInputs

Write prediction inputs

# Description

Write input data of the prediction into files

# Usage

```
writePredInputs(o)
```

# Arguments

o prediction object

### Value

nothing - just write to files.

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### **Examples**

xtraModelInfo

xtraModelInfo constructor.

# Description

Creates a new instance of a 'xtraModelInfo' object containing extra model information

### Usage

```
xtraModelInfo(fname = "Config_Xtra.txt", object = NULL)
```

# Arguments

fname Character, configuration file name.

object any R object containing xtra model info - typically a list of stuff. The content

and meaning of 'object' is completely model-specific.

# Value

An object of class 'xtraModelInfo'.

```
x <- xtraModelInfo()</pre>
```

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