# Logit-Beta prior: logitbeta

This is a prior for a probability parameter  $p \in (0,1)$  which is internally represented as

$$\theta = \log \frac{p}{1-p} = \operatorname{logit}(p)$$

and p is Beta-distributed.

### Parametrization

The logitbeta-prior is defined on  $\theta$  so that the probability parameter p has a Beta(a,b) distribution with density

$$\frac{\Gamma(a+b)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)}p^{a-1}(1-p)^{b-1}$$

## Specification

The prior is specified in the hyper argument as follows:

### Default values

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### Example

#### Notes

The prior is internally defined on the  $\theta$  parameter therefore initial values have to be provided in the  $\theta$ -scale. For example if the desired initial value is p = 0.5, which means  $\theta = \log(0.5/(1-0.5)) = 0$ , and

hyper = list(<theta> = list(prior = "logitbeta", param=c(<a>,<b>), initial=0))