

# Package: fitode (via r-universe)

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**Description** Methods and functions for fitting ordinary differential equations (ODE) model in 'R'. Sensitivity equations are used to compute the gradients of ODE trajectories with respect to underlying parameters, which in turn allows for more stable fitting. Other fitting methods, such as MCMC (Markov chain Monte Carlo), are also available.

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**blowfly***Nicholson's blowfly data***Description**

...

**Usage****blowfly**

**Format**

A data frame containing 361 rows comprising:

**eggs** number of eggs  
**nonemerging** ?  
**emerging** ?  
**deaths** ?  
**total** ?

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bombay

*Data from 1905 plague outbreak in Mumbai (formerly called Bombay)***Description**

Plague death reports ...

**Usage**

bombay

**Format**

A data frame with 31 rows comprising:

**week** week  
**mort** mortality

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coef, fitode-method

*Extract model coefficients from fitode objects***Description**

Extracts estimated parameters (either on response scales or link scales)

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'fitode'  
coef(object, type = c("response", "links"))
```

**Arguments**

object	fitode object
type	type of coefficients. The default (type=response) is on the response scale; this is the scale on which the model parameters are defined. Alternatively, type=link can be used to obtain parameters on the estimated scale.

**Value**

The estimated coefficients of the fitode object

**coef,fitodeMCMC-method**

*Extract model coefficients from fitodeMCMC objects*

**Description**

Extracts estimated parameters (median of the marginal posterior distributions)

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'fitodeMCMC'
coef(object)
```

**Arguments**

object            fitodeMCMC object

**Value**

The estimated median coefficients of the fitodeMCMC object

**confint,fitode-method** *Calculate confidence intervals from fitode objects for model parameters and their transformations*

**Description**

Calculate confidence intervals for model parameters and their transformations using (1) delta method, (2) profile likelihood, and (3) importance sampling.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'fitode'
confint(
  object,
  parm,
  level = 0.95,
  method = c("delta", "profile", "impsamp", "wmvrnorm"),
  nsim = 1000,
  seed,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

object	fitode object
parm	character vector specifying model parameters or list of formuals specifying transformations
level	the confidence level required
method	method for calculating confidence intervals
nsim	number of simulations to be used for importance sampling
seed	seed
...	extra arguments passed to profiling method

**Value**

The confidence intervals for model parameters and their transformations of the fitode object

**confint,fitodeMCMC-method**

*Calculate credible intervals from fitodeMCMC objects for model parameters and their transformations*

**Description**

Calculate credible intervals for model parameters and their transformations from posterior samples.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'fitodeMCMC'
confint(object, parm, level = 0.95)
```

**Arguments**

object	fitodeMCMC object
parm	character vector specifying model parameters or list of formuals specifying transformations
level	the credible level required

**Value**

The credible intervals of the fitodeMCMC object

**fitode***Fit ordinary differential equations model***Description**

This function fits ordinary differential equations models to a uni- or multi-variate time series by maximum likelihood. It relies on sensitivity equations to compute gradients of the estimated trajectory with respect to model parameters. This allows one to use gradient-based optimization algorithms, which can provide more robust estimation.

**Usage**

```
fitode(
  model,
  data,
  start,
  tcol = "times",
  method = "BFGS",
  optimizer = "optim",
  link,
  fixed = list(),
  prior = list(),
  prior.density = TRUE,
  control = list(maxit = 1e+05),
  solver.opts = list(method = "rk4"),
  solver = ode,
  skip.hessian = FALSE,
  force.hessian = FALSE,
  use.ginv = TRUE,
  quietly = FALSE,
  trace = 0,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

<b>model</b>	odemodel object
<b>data</b>	data frame with a time column and observation columns
<b>start</b>	named vector of starting parameter values
<b>tcol</b>	(character) time column
<b>method</b>	optimization method
<b>optimizer</b>	optimizer
<b>link</b>	named vector or list of link functions for model parameters
<b>fixed</b>	named vector or list of model parameters to fix and their values
<b>prior</b>	list of formulas specifying prior distributions

prior.density	(logical) should priors represent probability distributions?
control	see <a href="#">optim</a>
solver.opts	options for ode integration. See <a href="#">ode</a>
solver	ode solver
skip.hessian	skip hessian calculation
force.hessian	(logical) calculate the hessian numerically instead of taking the jacobian of the gradients based on sensitivity equations
use.ginv	(logical) use generalized inverse ( <a href="#">ginv</a> ) to compute approximate vcov
quietly	suppress progress messages?
trace	print tracing info? (larger values = more verbose)
...	mle2 arguments

**Value**

An object of class “fitode” as described in [fitode-class](#).

**See Also**

[fitode-class](#) [mle2](#)

**fitode-class**

*Class "fitode". Result of ode fitting based on Maximum Likelihood Estimation*

**Description**

Class "fitode". Result of ode fitting based on Maximum Likelihood Estimation

**Slots**

call (language) The call to [fitode](#)  
model odemodel object  
data the time series data  
coef estimated parameters  
vcov estimated variance-covariance matrix  
min minimum negative log-likelihood  
mle2 mle2 object  
link list of link functions for model parameters  
fixed list of fixed parameters  
prior list of priors

## Methods

**coef** signature(object = "fitode"): Extract coefficients.

**confint** signature(object = "fitode"): Calculate confidence intervals from the delta method, profile likelihood, or importance sampling.

**logLik** signature(object = "fitode"): Extract log-likelihood.

**plot** signature(object = "fitode"): Plot estimated trajectories and the associated confidence intervals.

**predict** signature(object = "fitode"): Predict estimated trajectories and the associated confidence intervals from the delta method or importance sampling.

**profile** signature(object = "fitode"): Calculate likelihood profile.

**show** signature(object = "fitode"): Display object briefly.

**stdEr** signature(object = "fitode"): Calculate standard errors.

**summary** signature(object = "fitode"): Generate object summary.

**vcov** signature(object = "fitode"): Extract variance-covariance matrix.

## See Also

[mle2-class](#)

**fitodeMCMC**

*Fit ordinary differential equations model using MCMC*

## Description

This function fits ordinary differential equations models to a uni- or multi-variate time series by MCMC using the Metropolis-Hastings update rule. It searches through the parameter space on link scales, which can provide more efficient posterior sampling.

## Usage

```
fitodeMCMC(
  model,
  data,
  start,
  tcol = "times",
  proposal.vcov,
  prior = list(),
  chains = 1,
  iter = 2000,
  burnin = iter/2,
  thin = 1,
  refresh = max(iter/10, 1),
  prior.only = FALSE,
  link,
```

```
fixed = list(),
solver.opts = list(method = "rk4"),
solver = ode,
...
)
```

## Arguments

model	ode model
data	data frame with time column and observation column
start	named vector of starting parameter values
tcol	time column
proposal.vcov	variance-covariance matrix of a multivariate normal proposal distribution
prior	list of formulas specifying prior distributions
chains	(numeric) number of chains
iter	(numeric) number of iterations per chain
burnin	(numeric) number of burnin interations
thin	(numeric) thining interval between consecutive observations
refresh	(numeric) refresh interval
prior.only	(logical) sample from prior distribution only?
link	named vector or list of link functions for model parameters
fixed	named vector or list of model parameters to fix and their values
solver.opts	options for ode integration. See <a href="#">ode</a>
solver	ode solver
...	additional arguments (unused)

## Value

An object of class “fitodeMCMC” as described in [fitodeMCMC-class](#).

## See Also

[fitodeMCMC](#)

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<b>fitodeMCMC-class</b>	<i>Class "fitodeMCMC". Result of ode fitting based on Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC)</i>
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## Description

Class "fitodeMCMC". Result of ode fitting based on Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC)

## Slots

- call** (language) The call to `fitodeMCMC`
- model** odemodel object
- data** the time series data
- coef** estimated parameters (posterior median)
- vcov** estimated variance-covariance matrix
- mcmc** mcmc.list object containing posterior samples
- lp** mcmc.list object containing log-posterior values of posterior samples
- link** list of link functions for model parameters
- fixed** list of fixed parameters
- prior** list of priors
- details** a list containing miscellaneous objects for internal uses

## Methods

- coef** signature(object = "fitodeMCMC"): Extract median of the posterior.
- confint** signature(object = "fitodeMCMC"): Calculate credible intervals from the posterior.
- plot** signature(object = "fitodeMCMC"): Plot estimated trajectories and the associated confidence intervals.
- predict** signature(object = "fitodeMCMC"): Predict estimated trajectories and the associated confidence intervals from the posterior.
- show** signature(object = "fitodeMCMC"): Display object briefly.
- stdEr** signature(object = "fitodeMCMC"): Calculate standard errors of the posterior.
- summary** signature(object = "fitodeMCMC"): Generate object summary.
- vcov** signature(object = "fitodeMCMC"): Extract variance-covariance matrix of the posterior.

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**initialize,odemodel-method**  
*Constructor method of "odemodel" class*

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**Description**

Constructor method of "odemodel" class

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'odemodel'
initialize(
  .Object,
  name,
  model,
  observation,
  initial,
  par,
  link,
  diffnames,
  keep_sensitivity = TRUE,
  call
)
```

**Arguments**

.Object	object
name	name of the model
model	ode model
observation	observation model
initial	initial values
par	model parameters
link	link functions for parameters (log links are used as default)
diffnames	optional character vector specifying the names of a variable for which the consecutive difference needs to be calculated
keep_sensitivity	(logical) maintain the Jacobian as a part of the model object?
call	original function call

**Value**

An object of class “odemodel” as described in [odemodel-class](#).

## Examples

```
SI_model <- odemodel(
  name = "SI",
  model = list(
    S ~ - beta*S*I/N,
    I ~ beta*S*I/N - gamma*I
  ),
  observation = list(
    susceptible ~ dnorm(mean=S, sd=sigma1),
    infected ~ dnorm(mean=I, sd=sigma2)
  ),
  initial = list(
    S ~ N * (1 - i0),
    I ~ N * i0
  ),
  par = c("beta", "gamma", "N", "i0", "sigma1", "sigma2"),
  link = c(i0="logit")
)
```

**logLik,fitode-method** *Extract log-likelihood*

## Description

Extract log-likelihood of a fit

## Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'fitode'
logLik(object)
```

## Arguments

object	fitode object
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## Value

The log-likelihood of the fitode object

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loglik.ode-class      *Class representing log-likelihood models used to fit ode models*

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### Description

Class representing log-likelihood models used to fit ode models

### Slots

**name** name of the distribution  
**expr** an expression specifying the model  
**observation** observation variable name  
**mean** mean variable name  
**par** additional parameter names  
**grad** the gradient with respect to the parameters

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phila1918      *1918 Philadelphia flu data set*

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### Description

1918 Philadelphia flu data set

### Usage

phila1918

### Format

A data frame with 122 rows comprising:

**date** date  
**mort** mortality

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**plot,fitode,missing-method**  
*Plot a fitode object*

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## Description

Plot a fitode object

## Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'fitode,missing'
plot(
  x,
  level,
  data,
  which,
  method = c("delta", "impsamp", "wmvrnorm"),
  onepage = TRUE,
  xlim,
  ylim,
  xlabs,
  ylabs,
  col.traj = "black",
  lty.traj = 1,
  col.conf = "black",
  lty.conf = 4,
  add = FALSE,
  nsim = 1000,
  ...
)
```

## Arguments

x	fitode object
level	the confidence level required
data	(FIXME)
which	which to plot
method	confidence interval method
onepage	(logical) print all figures on one page?
xlim	x coordinates range
ylim	y coordinates range
xlabs	a label for the x axis
ylabs	a label for the y axis
col.traj	colour of the estimated trajectory

lty.traj	line type of the estimated trajectory
col.conf	colour of the confidence intervals
lty.conf	line type of the confidence intervals
add	add to another plot?
nsim	number of simulations for mvrnorm, wmvnrnorm methods
...	additional arguments to be passed on to the plot function

**Value**

No return value, called for side effects

**Examples**

```
load(system.file("doc_examples", "SIR_mort.rda", package = "fitode"))
plot(SIR_mort_fit)
```

**plot,fitodeMCMC,missing-method**

*Plot a fitodeMCMC object*

**Description**

Plot a fitodeMCMC object

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'fitodeMCMC,missing'
plot(
  x,
  level,
  data,
  which,
  onepage = TRUE,
  xlim,
  ylim,
  xlabs,
  ylabs,
  col.traj = "black",
  lty.traj = 1,
  col.conf = "black",
  lty.conf = 4,
  add = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

x	fitodeMCMC object
level	the confidence level required
data	(FIXME)
which	which to plot
onepage	(logical) print all figures on one page?
xlim	x coordinates range
ylim	y coordinates range
xlabs	a label for the x axis
ylabs	a label for the y axis
col.traj	colour of the estimated trajectory
lty.traj	line type of the estimated trajectory
col.conf	colour of the confidence intervals
lty.conf	line type of the confidence intervals
add	add to another plot?
...	additional arguments to be passed on to the plot function

**Value**

No return value, called for side effects

**plot\_internal**

*Internal function for plotting methods*

**Description**

Internal function for plotting methods

**Usage**

```
plot_internal(
  pred,
  data,
  onepage = TRUE,
  xlim,
  ylim,
  xlabs,
  ylabs,
  col.traj = "black",
  lty.traj = 1,
  col.conf = "black",
  lty.conf = 4,
  add = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

pred	prediction objects
data	observed data
onepage	(logical) print all figures on one page?
xlim	x coordinates range
ylim	y coordinates range
xlabs	a label for the x axis
ylabs	a label for the y axis
col.traj	colour of the estimated trajectory
lty.traj	line type of the estimated trajectory
col.conf	colour of the confidence intervals
lty.conf	line type of the confidence intervals
add	add to another plot?
...	additional arguments to be passed on to the plot function

**predict,fitode-method** *Prediction function for fitode objects*

**Description**

Computes estimated trajectories and their confidence intervals (using either the delta method or importance sampling).

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'fitode'
predict(
  object,
  level,
  times,
  method = c("delta", "impsamp", "wmvrnorm"),
  nsim = 1000
)
```

**Arguments**

object	fitode object
level	the confidence level required
times	time vector to predict over. Default is set to the time frame of the data.
method	confidence interval method. Default is set to Delta method.
nsim	number of simulations for mvnrnorm, wmvnrnorm methods

**Value**

The estimated trajectories and their confidence intervals of the fitode object

---

**predict, fitodeMCMC-method**

*Prediction function for fitodeMCMC objects*

---

## Description

Computes estimated trajectories and their credible intervals. The estimated trajectories are obtained by taking the median trajectories from the posterior samples.

## Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'fitodeMCMC'
predict(object, level, times, simplify = TRUE)
```

## Arguments

object	fitodeMCMC object
level	the credible level required
times	time vector to predict over. Default is set to the time frame of the data.
simplify	(logical) simplify output to return estimated trajectories and their credible intervals? If <code>simplify=FALSE</code> , all posterior trajectories will be returned

## Value

Estimated trajectories and their credible intervals of the fitodeMCMC object

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**prior.ode-class**

*Class representing prior models used to fit ode models*

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## Description

Class representing prior models used to fit ode models

## Slots

name	name of the distribution
expr	an expression specifying the model
observation	observation variable name
par	additional parameter names
keep_grad	keep gradient?
grad	the gradient with respect to the parameters

---

**profile, fitode-method** *Profile fitode objects*

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### Description

Profile fitode objects

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'fitode'  
profile(fitted, which = 1:p, alpha = 0.05, trace = FALSE, ...)
```

### Arguments

fitted	fitted model object
which	which parameter(s) to profile? (integer value)
alpha	critical level
trace	trace progress of computations?
...	additional arguments passed to mle2 profiling method

### Value

The log-likelihood profile of the fitode object

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SierraLeone2014

*Data from 2014 Sierra Leone Ebola epidemic*

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### Description

Ebola case reports ...

### Usage

SierraLeone2014

### Format

A data frame with 67 rows comprising:

**times** decimal dates (year + fraction of year)

**confirmed** confirmed cases

**simulate, fitode-method**  
*simulate fitode objects*

### Description

simulate fitode objects

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'fitode'
simulate(object, nsim = 1, seed = NULL, times, parms, y, observation = TRUE)
```

### Arguments

object	fitode object
nsim	number of simulations
seed	random-number seed
times	time vector
parms	named vector of parameter values
y	initial values
observation	(logical) propagate observation error?

### Value

The numerical simulation of the object

**simulate,odemodel-method**  
*simulate model objects*

### Description

simulate model objects

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'odemodel'
simulate(
  object,
  nsim = 1,
  seed = NULL,
  times,
  parms,
```

```

y,
solver.opts = list(method = "rk4"),
solver = ode,
observation = TRUE
)

```

**Arguments**

object	odemodel object
nsim	number of simulations
seed	random-number seed
times	time vector
parms	named vector of parameter values
y	initial values
solver.opts	options for ode solver
solver	ode solver (must take y, times, func, and parms arguments)
observation	(logical) propagate observation error?

**Value**

The numerical simulation of the object

simulate_internal	<i>Internal function for simulation models</i>
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**Description**

Simulates deterministic trajectories and propagates observation error

**Usage**

```

simulate_internal(
  model,
  times,
  parms,
  y,
  solver.opts = list(method = "rk4"),
  solver = ode,
  observation = TRUE,
  nsim = 1,
  seed = NULL
)

```

**Arguments**

<code>model</code>	odemodel object
<code>times</code>	time vector
<code>parms</code>	named vector of parameter values
<code>y</code>	initial values
<code>solver.opts</code>	options for ode solver
<code>solver</code>	ode solver (must take <code>y</code> , <code>times</code> , <code>func</code> , and <code>parms</code> arguments)
<code>observation</code>	(logical) propagate observation error?
<code>nsim</code>	number of simulations
<code>seed</code>	seed

`stdEr, fitode-method`    *Extract standard error from fitode objects*

**Description**

Calculates standard error by taking the square root of the diagonal matrix

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'fitode'
stdEr(x, type = c("response", "links"))
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	fitode object
<code>type</code>	type of standard error. The default ( <code>type=response</code> ) is on the response scale; this is the scale on which the model parameters are defined. Alternatively, <code>type=link</code> can be used to obtain standard errors on the estimated scale.

**Value**

The standard error of the fitode object

---

stdEr,fitodeMCMC-method

*Extract standard error from fitodeMCMC objects*

---

### Description

Calculates standard error by taking the square root of the diagonal of the variance-covariance matrix

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'fitodeMCMC'  
stdEr(x)
```

### Arguments

x                   fitodeMCMC object

### Value

The standard error of the fitodeMCMC object

---

summary,fitode-method *Summarize fitode object*

---

### Description

Summarize fitode objects; returns estimate, standard error, and confidence intervals

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'fitode'  
summary(object)
```

### Arguments

object              fitode object

### Value

The summary of the fitode object

---

```
summary,fitodeMCMC-method  
Summarize fitodeMCMC object
```

---

## Description

Summarize fitodeMCMC object; returns estimate, standard error, credible intervals, effective sample sizes, and gelman-rubin diagnostic

## Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'fitodeMCMC'  
summary(object)
```

## Arguments

object            fitodeMCMC object

## Value

The summary of the fitodeMCMC object

## See Also

[effectiveSize](#) [gelman.diag](#)

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```
tumorgrowth            Tumor growth data
```

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## Description

...

## Usage

*tumorgrowth*

## Format

A data frame containing 14 rows comprising:

**day**  
**volume**

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update, fitode-method    *Update fitode fits*

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**Description**

Update fitode fits

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'fitode'  
update(object, observation, initial, par, link, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	fitode objects
observation	observation model
initial	initial values
par	model parameters
link	link functions for parameters (log links are used as default)
...	additional arguments to be passed to fitode

**Value**

An object of class “fitode” as described in [fitode-class](#).

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update, fitodeMCMC-method  
Update fitodeMCMC fits

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**Description**

Update fitodeMCMC fits

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'fitodeMCMC'  
update(object, observation, initial, par, link, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	fitodeMCMC objects
observation	observation model
initial	initial values
par	model parameters
link	link functions for parameters (log links are used as default)
...	additional arguments to be passed to fitode

**Value**

An object of class “fitode” as described in [fitodeMCMC-class](#).

`vcov,fitode-method`

*Extract variance-covariance matrix from fitode objects*

**Description**

Extracts variance-covariance matrix (either on response scales or link scales)

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'fitode'
vcov(object, type = c("response", "links"))
```

**Arguments**

object

fitode object

type

type of covariance matrix. The default (type=response) is on the response scale; this is the scale on which the model parameters are defined. Alternatively, type=link can be used to obtain the covariance matrix on the estimated scale.

**Value**

The variance-covariance matrix of the fitode object

`vcov,fitodeMCMC-method`

*Extract variance-covariance matrix from fitodeMCMC objects*

**Description**

Calculates variance-covariance matrix from posterior samples

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'fitodeMCMC'
vcov(object)
```

**Arguments**

object

fitodeMCMC object

**Value**

The variance-covariance matrix of the fitodeMCMC object

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