

Package ‘BayesianFitForecast’

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Type Package

Title Bayesian Parameter Estimation and Forecasting for
Epidemiological Models

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Description Methods for Bayesian parameter estimation and forecasting in epidemiological models.
Functions enable model fitting using Bayesian methods and generate forecasts with uncertainty quantification.
Implements approaches described in [doi:10.48550/arXiv.2411.05371](https://doi.org/10.48550/arXiv.2411.05371) and [doi:10.1002/sim.9164](https://doi.org/10.1002/sim.9164).

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stringr, gridExtra, dplyr

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```

excel_file <- system.file("extdata", "SanFrancisco.xlsx",
                          package = "BayesianFitForecast")

# Run the analysis

Run_analyzeResults(
  data_file = data_file,
  option_file = option_file,
  excel_file = excel_file,
  output_path = NULL)

# Results are saved in the specified directory or temporary directory if none is provided.

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Run_MCMC

*Run MCMC Analysis with Specified Option File***Description**

This function runs an MCMC analysis based on the specified option file, sourcing auxiliary scripts, and executing the analysis.

Usage

```
Run_MCMC(option_file, excel_file = NULL, output_path = NULL)
```

Arguments

option_file	The name of the option file (e.g., "option1.R") located in the current working directory.
excel_file	The path to the Excel file containing the data.
output_path	Directory where the output will be saved. If 'NULL', uses a temporary directory.

Value

None. The function executes and saves results directly.

Examples

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# Get path to the example option file included with package
option_file <- system.file("extdata", "option.R",
                          package = "BayesianFitForecast")

# Specify the path to the Excel file you want to analyze
excel_file <- system.file("extdata", "SanFrancisco.xlsx",
                          package = "BayesianFitForecast") # Modify this path accordingly

# Run the MCMC analysis

Run_MCMC(option_file = option_file, excel_file = excel_file, output_path = NULL)

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