

# Package ‘nlmixr2’

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addCwres	<i>Add CWRES</i>
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### Description

This returns a new fit object with CWRES attached

### Usage

```
addCwres(fit, focei = TRUE, updateObject = TRUE, envir = parent.frame(1))
```

### Arguments

fit	nlmixr2 fit without WRES/CWRES
focei	Boolean indicating if the focei objective function is added. If not the foce objective function is added.
updateObject	Boolean indicating if the original fit object should be updated. By default this is true.
envir	Environment that should be checked for object to update. By default this is the global environment.

**Value**

fit with CWRES

**Author(s)**

Matthew L. Fidler

**Examples**

```
one.cmt <- function() {
  ini({
    ## You may label each parameter with a comment
    tka <- 0.45 # Log Ka
    tcl <- log(c(0, 2.7, 100)) # Log Cl
    ## This works with interactive models
    ## You may also label the preceding line with label("label text")
    tv <- 3.45; label("log V")
    ## the label("Label name") works with all models
    eta.ka ~ 0.6
    eta.cl ~ 0.3
    eta.v ~ 0.1
    add.sd <- 0.7
  })
  model({
    ka <- exp(tka + eta.ka)
    cl <- exp(tcl + eta.cl)
    v <- exp(tv + eta.v)
    linCmt() ~ add(add.sd)
  })
}

f <- try(nlmixr2(one.cmt, theo_sd, "saem"))

print(f)

# even though you may have forgotten to add the cwres, you can add it to the data.frame:

if (!inherits(f, "try-error")) {
  f <- try(addCwres(f))
  print(f)
}

# Note this also adds the FOCEi objective function
```

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`addNpde`*NPDE calculation for nlmixr2*

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**Description**

NPDE calculation for nlmixr2

**Usage**

```
addNpde(  
  object,  
  updateObject = TRUE,  
  table = tableControl(),  
  ...,  
  envir = parent.frame(1)  
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>object</code>	nlmixr2 fit object
<code>updateObject</code>	Boolean indicating if original object should be updated. By default this is TRUE.
<code>table</code>	'tableControl()' list of options
<code>...</code>	Additional arguments passed to <code>nlmixr2est::addNpde()</code> .
<code>envir</code>	Environment that should be checked for object to update. By default this is the global environment.

**Value**

New nlmixr2 fit object

**Author(s)**

Matthew L. Fidler

**Examples**

```
one.cmt <- function() {  
  ini({  
    ## You may label each parameter with a comment  
    tka <- 0.45 # Log Ka  
    tcl <- log(c(0, 2.7, 100)) # Log Cl  
    ## This works with interactive models  
    ## You may also label the preceding line with label("label text")  
    tv <- 3.45; label("log V")  
    ## the label("Label name") works with all models
```

```

    eta.ka ~ 0.6
    eta.cl ~ 0.3
    eta.v ~ 0.1
    add.sd <- 0.7
  })
  model({
    ka <- exp(tka + eta.ka)
    cl <- exp(tcl + eta.cl)
    v <- exp(tv + eta.v)
    linCmt() ~ add(add.sd)
  })
}

f <- nlmixr2(one.cmt, theo_sd, "saem")

# even though you may have forgotten to add the NPDE, you can add it to the data.frame:

f <- addNpde(f)

```

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addTable

*Add table information to nlmixr2 fit object without tables*


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## Description

Add table information to nlmixr2 fit object without tables

## Usage

```

addTable(
  object,
  updateObject = FALSE,
  data = object$dataSav,
  thetaEtaParameters = object$foceiThetaEtaParameters,
  table = tableControl(),
  keep = NULL,
  drop = NULL,
  envir = parent.frame(1)
)

```

## Arguments

object	nlmixr2 family of objects
updateObject	Update the object (default FALSE)
data	Saved data from
thetaEtaParameters	Internal theta/eta parameters

table	a 'tableControl()' list of options
keep	Character Vector of items to keep
drop	Character Vector of items to drop or NULL
envir	Environment to search for updating

**Value**

Fit with table information attached

**Author(s)**

Matthew Fidler

**Examples**

```

one.cmt <- function() {
  ini({
    ## You may label each parameter with a comment
    tka <- 0.45 # Log Ka
    tcl <- log(c(0, 2.7, 100)) # Log Cl
    ## This works with interactive models
    ## You may also label the preceding line with label("label text")
    tv <- 3.45; label("log V")
    ## the label("Label name") works with all models
    eta.ka ~ 0.6
    eta.cl ~ 0.3
    eta.v ~ 0.1
    add.sd <- 0.7
  })
  model({
    ka <- exp(tka + eta.ka)
    cl <- exp(tcl + eta.cl)
    v <- exp(tv + eta.v)
    linCmt() ~ add(add.sd)
  })
}

# run without tables step
f <- nlmixr2(one.cmt, theo_sd, "saem", control=list(calcTables=FALSE))

print(f)

# Now add the tables

f <- addTable(f)

print(f)

```

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bootplot	<i>Produce delta objective function for bootstrap</i>
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**Description**

Produce delta objective function for bootstrap

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**Usage**

```
bootplot(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x                    fit object

...                  Additional arguments passed to `nlmixr2extra::bootplot()`.

**Value**

Fit traceplot or nothing.

Fit traceplot or nothing.

**Author(s)**

Vipul Mann, Matthew L. Fidler

**References**

R Niebecker, MO Karlsson. (2013) *Are datasets for NLME models large enough for a bootstrap to provide reliable parameter uncertainty distributions?* PAGE 2013. <https://www.page-meeting.org/?abstract=2899>

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bootstrapFit

*Bootstrap nlmixr2 fit***Description**

Bootstrap input dataset and rerun the model to get confidence bounds and aggregated parameters

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**Usage**

```
bootstrapFit(
  fit,
  nboot = 200,
  nSampIndiv,
  stratVar,
  stdErrType = c("perc", "se"),
  ci = 0.95,
  pvalues = NULL,
  restart = FALSE,
  plotHist = FALSE,
  fitName = as.character(substitute(fit))
)
```

**Arguments**

fit	the nlmixr2 fit object
nboot	an integer giving the number of bootstrapped models to be fit; default value is 200
nSampIndiv	an integer specifying the number of samples in each bootstrapped sample; default is the number of unique subjects in the original dataset
stratVar	Variable in the original dataset to stratify on; This is useful to distinguish between sparse and full sampling and other features you may wish to keep distinct in your bootstrap
stdErrType	This gives the standard error type for the updated standard errors; The current possibilities are: "perc" which gives the standard errors by percentiles (default) or "se" which gives the standard errors by the traditional formula.
ci	Confidence interval level to calculate. Default is 0.95 for a 95 percent confidence interval
pvalues	a vector of pvalues indicating the probability of each subject to get selected; default value is NULL implying that probability of each subject is the same
restart	A boolean to try to restart an interrupted or incomplete bootstrap. By default this is FALSE
plotHist	A boolean indicating if a histogram plot to assess how well the bootstrap is doing. By default this is turned off (FALSE)
fitName	is the fit name that is used for the name of the bootstrap files. By default it is the fit provided though it could be something else.



**Value**

Nothing, called for the side effects; The original fit is updated with the bootstrap confidence bands  
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**Author(s)**

Vipul Mann, Matthew Fidler

**Examples**

```

one.cmt <- function() {
  ini({
    ## You may label each parameter with a comment
    tka <- 0.45 # Log Ka
    tcl <- 1 # Log Cl
    ## This works with interactive models
    ## You may also label the preceding line with label("label text")
    tv <- 3.45
    label("log V")
    ## the label("Label name") works with all models
    eta.ka ~ 0.6
    eta.cl ~ 0.3
    eta.v ~ 0.1
    add.sd <- 0.7
  })
  model({
    ka <- exp(tka + eta.ka)
    cl <- exp(tcl + eta.cl)
    v <- exp(tv + eta.v)
    linCmt() ~ add(add.sd)
  })
}

fit <- nlmixr2(one.cmt, nlmixr2data::theo_sd, "focei")

withr::with_tempdir({ # Run example in temp dir

bootstrapFit(fit, nboot = 5, restart = TRUE) # overwrites any of the existing data or model files
bootstrapFit(fit, nboot = 7) # resumes fitting using the stored data and model files

# Note this resumes because the total number of bootstrap samples is not 50

bootstrapFit(fit, nboot=50)

# Note the bootstrap standard error and variance/covariance matrix is retained.
# If you wish to switch back you can change the covariance matrix by

nlmixr2est::setCov(fit,"r,s")

# And change it back again

```

```

nlmixr2est::setCov(fit,"boot50")

# This change will affect any simulations with uncertainty in their parameters

# You may also do a chi-square diagnostic plot check for the bootstrap with

bootplot(fit)

})

one.cmt <- function() {
  ini({
    ## You may label each parameter with a comment
    tka <- 0.45 # Log Ka
    tc1 <- 1 # Log Cl
    ## This works with interactive models
    ## You may also label the preceding line with label("label text")
    tv <- 3.45
    label("log V")
    ## the label("Label name") works with all models
    eta.ka ~ 0.6
    eta.cl ~ 0.3
    eta.v ~ 0.1
    add.sd <- 0.7
  })
  model({
    ka <- exp(tka + eta.ka)
    cl <- exp(tc1 + eta.cl)
    v <- exp(tv + eta.v)
    linCmt() ~ add(add.sd)
  })
}

fit <- nlmixr2(one.cmt, nlmixr2data::theo_sd, "focei")

withr::with_tempdir({ # Run example in temp dir

bootstrapFit(fit, nboot = 5, restart = TRUE) # overwrites any of the existing data or model files
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bootplot(fit)

})

```

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covarSearchAuto

*Stepwise Covariate Model-selection (SCM) method*


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### Description

Stepwise Covariate Model-selection (SCM) method

### Usage

```

covarSearchAuto(
  fit,
  varsVec,
  covarsVec,
  pVal = list(fwd = 0.05, bck = 0.01),
  catvarsVec = NULL,
  searchType = c("scm", "forward", "backward"),
  restart = FALSE
)

```

### Arguments

<code>fit</code>	an nlmixr2 'fit' object
<code>varsVec</code>	a list of candidate variables to which the covariates could be added
<code>covarsVec</code>	a list of candidate covariates that need to be tested
<code>pVal</code>	a named list with names 'fwd' and 'bck' for specifying the p-values for the forward and backward searches, respectively
<code>catvarsVec</code>	character vector of categorical covariates that need to be added
<code>searchType</code>	one of 'scm', 'forward' and 'backward' to specify the covariate search method; default is 'scm'
<code>restart</code>	a boolean that controls if the search should be restarted; default is FALSE

**Value**

A list summarizing the covariate selection steps and output; This list has the "summaryTable" for the overall summary of the covariate selection as well as "resFwd" for the forward selection method and "resBck" for the backward selection method.

**Author(s)**

Vipul Mann, Matthew Fidler, Vishal Sarsani

**Examples**

```

one.cmt <- function() {
  ini({
    ## You may label each parameter with a comment
    tka <- 0.45 # Log Ka
    tcl <- log(c(0, 2.7, 100)) # Log Cl
    ## This works with interactive models
    ## You may also label the preceding line with label("label text")
    tv <- 3.45; label("log V")
    ## the label("Label name") works with all models
    eta.ka ~ 0.6
    eta.cl ~ 0.3
    eta.v ~ 0.1
    add.sd <- 0.7
  })
  model({
    ka <- exp(tka + eta.ka)
    cl <- exp(tcl + eta.cl)
    v <- exp(tv + eta.v)
    linCmt() ~ add(add.sd)
  })
}

fit <- nlmixr2(one.cmt, nlmixr2data::theo_sd, "focei")
rxode2::rxWithWd(tempdir(), {# with temporary directory

auto1 <- covarSearchAuto(fit, varsVec = c("ka", "cl"),
  covarsVec = c("WT"))

})

## Note that this didn't include sex, add it to dataset and restart model

d <- nlmixr2data::theo_sd
d$SEX <- 0
d$SEX[d$ID<=6] <- 1

fit <- nlmixr2(one.cmt, d, "focei")

```

```

# This would restart if for some reason the search crashed:

rxode2::.rxWithWd(tempdir(), {# with temporary directory

auto2 <- covarSearchAuto(fit, varsVec = c("ka", "cl"), covarsVec = c("WT"),
  catvarsVec= c("SEX"), restart = TRUE)

auto3 <- covarSearchAuto(fit, varsVec = c("ka", "cl"), covarsVec = c("WT"),
  catvarsVec= c("SEX"), restart = TRUE,
  searchType = "forward")

})

```

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foceiControl

*Control Options for FOCEi*


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## Description

Control Options for FOCEi

## Usage

```

foceiControl(
  sigdig = 3,
  ...,
  epsilon = NULL,
  maxInnerIterations = 1000,
  maxOuterIterations = 5000,
  n1qn1nsim = NULL,
  print = 1L,
  printNcol = floor((getOption("width") - 23)/12),
  scaleTo = 1,
  scaleObjective = 0,
  normType = c("rescale2", "mean", "rescale", "std", "len", "constant"),
  scaleType = c("nlmixr2", "norm", "mult", "multAdd"),
  scaleCmax = 1e+05,
  scaleCmin = 1e-05,
  scaleC = NULL,
  scaleC0 = 1e+05,
  derivEps = rep(20 * sqrt(.Machine$double.eps), 2),
  derivMethod = c("switch", "forward", "central"),
  derivSwitchTol = NULL,
  covDerivMethod = c("central", "forward"),
  covMethod = c("r,s", "r", "s", ""),
  hessEps = (.Machine$double.eps)^(1/3),
  hessEpsLlik = (.Machine$double.eps)^(1/3),
  optimHessType = c("central", "forward"),

```

```

optimHessCovType = c("central", "forward"),
eventType = c("central", "forward"),
centralDerivEps = rep(20 * sqrt(.Machine$double.eps), 2),
lbfgsLmm = 7L,
lbfgsPgto1 = 0,
lbfgsFctr = NULL,
eigen = TRUE,
addPosthoc = TRUE,
diagXform = c("sqrt", "log", "identity"),
sumProd = FALSE,
optExpression = TRUE,
ci = 0.95,
useColor = crayon::has_color(),
boundTol = NULL,
calcTables = TRUE,
noAbort = TRUE,
interaction = TRUE,
cholSEtol = (.Machine$double.eps)^(1/3),
cholAccept = 0.001,
resetEtaP = 0.15,
resetThetaP = 0.05,
resetThetaFinalP = 0.15,
diagOmegaBoundUpper = 5,
diagOmegaBoundLower = 100,
cholSEOpt = FALSE,
cholSECov = FALSE,
fo = FALSE,
covTryHarder = FALSE,
outerOpt = c("n1minb", "bobyqa", "lbfgsb3c", "L-BFGS-B", "mma", "lbfgsbLG", "s1sqp",
  "Rvmin"),
innerOpt = c("n1qn1", "BFGS"),
rhobeg = 0.2,
rhoend = NULL,
npt = NULL,
rel.tol = NULL,
x.tol = NULL,
eval.max = 4000,
iter.max = 2000,
abstol = NULL,
reltol = NULL,
resetHessianAndEta = FALSE,
stateTrim = Inf,
shi21maxOuter = 0L,
shi21maxInner = 20L,
shi21maxInnerCov = 20L,
shi21maxFD = 20L,
gillK = 10L,
gillStep = 4,

```

```

gillFtol = 0,
gillRtol = sqrt(.Machine$double.eps),
gillKcov = 10L,
gillKcovLlik = 10L,
gillStepCovLlik = 4.5,
gillStepCov = 2,
gillFtolCov = 0,
gillFtolCovLlik = 0,
rmatNorm = TRUE,
rmatNormLlik = TRUE,
smatNorm = TRUE,
smatNormLlik = TRUE,
covGillF = TRUE,
optGillF = TRUE,
covSmall = 1e-05,
adjLik = TRUE,
gradTrim = Inf,
maxOdeRecalc = 5,
odeRecalcFactor = 10^(0.5),
gradCalcCentralSmall = 1e-04,
gradCalcCentralLarge = 10000,
etaNudge = qnorm(1 - 0.05/2)/sqrt(3),
etaNudge2 = qnorm(1 - 0.05/2) * sqrt(3/5),
nRetries = 3,
seed = 42,
resetThetaCheckPer = 0.1,
etaMat = NULL,
repeatGillMax = 1,
stickyRecalcN = 4,
gradProgressOfvTime = 10,
addProp = c("combined2", "combined1"),
badSolveObjfAdj = 100,
compress = TRUE,
rxControl = NULL,
sigdigTable = NULL,
fallbackFD = FALSE,
smatPer = 0.6
)

```

## Arguments

sigdig	Optimization significant digits. This controls: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The tolerance of the inner and outer optimization is <math>10^{-\text{sigdig}}</math></li> <li>• The tolerance of the ODE solvers is <math>0.5 \times 10^{-(\text{sigdig}-2)}</math>; For the sensitivity equations and steady-state solutions the default is <math>0.5 \times 10^{-(\text{sigdig}-1.5)}</math> (sensitivity changes only applicable for liblsoda)</li> <li>• The tolerance of the boundary check is <math>5 \times 10^{-(\text{sigdig} + 1)}</math></li> </ul>
...	Additional arguments passed to <code>nlmixr2est::foceiControl()</code> .

epsilon	Precision of estimate for n1qn1 optimization.
maxInnerIterations	Number of iterations for n1qn1 optimization.
maxOuterIterations	Maximum number of L-BFGS-B optimization for outer problem.
n1qn1nsim	Number of function evaluations for n1qn1 optimization.
print	Integer representing when the outer step is printed. When this is 0 or do not print the iterations. 1 is print every function evaluation (default), 5 is print every 5 evaluations.
printNcol	Number of columns to printout before wrapping parameter estimates/gradient
scaleTo	Scale the initial parameter estimate to this value. By default this is 1. When zero or below, no scaling is performed.
scaleObjective	Scale the initial objective function to this value. By default this is 0 (meaning do not scale)
normType	<p>This is the type of parameter normalization/scaling used to get the scaled initial values for nlmixr2. These are used with scaleType of.</p> <p>With the exception of rescale2, these come from <b>Feature Scaling</b>. The rescale2 The rescaling is the same type described in the <b>OptdesX</b> software manual.</p> <p>In general, all all scaling formula can be described by:</p> $v\_scaled = (v\_unscaled - C\_1) / C\_2$ <p>Where</p> <p>The other data normalization approaches follow the following formula</p> $v\_scaled = (v\_unscaled - C\_1) / C\_2;$ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• rescale2 This scales all parameters from (-1 to 1). The relative differences between the parameters are preserved with this approach and the constants are:           <math display="block">C\_1 = (\max(\text{all unscaled values}) + \min(\text{all unscaled values})) / 2</math> <math display="block">C\_2 = (\max(\text{all unscaled values}) - \min(\text{all unscaled values})) / 2</math> </li> <li>• rescale or min-max normalization. This rescales all parameters from (0 to 1). As in the rescale2 the relative differences are preserved. In this approach:           <math display="block">C\_1 = \min(\text{all unscaled values})</math> <math display="block">C\_2 = \max(\text{all unscaled values}) - \min(\text{all unscaled values})</math> </li> <li>• mean or mean normalization. This rescales to center the parameters around the mean but the parameters are from 0 to 1. In this approach:           <math display="block">C\_1 = \text{mean}(\text{all unscaled values})</math> <math display="block">C\_2 = \max(\text{all unscaled values}) - \min(\text{all unscaled values})</math> </li> <li>• std or standardization. This standardizes by the mean and standard deviation. In this approach:           <math display="block">C\_1 = \text{mean}(\text{all unscaled values})</math> <math display="block">C\_2 = \text{sd}(\text{all unscaled values})</math> </li> <li>• len or unit length scaling. This scales the parameters to the unit length. For this approach we use the Euclidean length, that is:           <math display="block">C\_1 = 0</math> <math display="block">C\_2 = \sqrt{v\_1^2 + v\_2^2 + \dots + v\_n^2}</math> </li> </ul>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>constant which does not perform data normalization. That is  <math>C_1 = 0</math>  <math>C_2 = 1</math></li> </ul>
scaleType	<p>The scaling scheme for nlmixr2. The supported types are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>nlmixr2 In this approach the scaling is performed by the following equation:  <math>v\_scaled = (v\_current - v\_init)/scaleC[i] + scaleTo</math>            The scaleTo parameter is specified by the normType, and the scales are specified by scaleC.</li> <li>norm This approach uses the simple scaling provided by the normType argument.</li> <li>mult This approach does not use the data normalization provided by normType, but rather uses multiplicative scaling to a constant provided by the scaleTo argument.            In this case:  <math>v\_scaled = v\_current/v\_init*scaleTo</math></li> <li>multAdd This approach changes the scaling based on the parameter being specified. If a parameter is defined in an exponential block (ie exp(theta)), then it is scaled on a linearly, that is:  <math>v\_scaled = (v\_current - v\_init) + scaleTo</math>            Otherwise the parameter is scaled multiplicatively.  <math>v\_scaled = v\_current/v\_init*scaleTo</math></li> </ul>
scaleCmax	Maximum value of the scaleC to prevent overflow.
scaleCmin	Minimum value of the scaleC to prevent underflow.
scaleC	<p>The scaling constant used with scaleType=nlmixr2. When not specified, it is based on the type of parameter that is estimated. The idea is to keep the derivatives similar on a log scale to have similar gradient sizes. Hence parameters like log(exp(theta)) would have a scaling factor of 1 and log(theta) would have a scaling factor of ini_value (to scale by 1/value; ie d/dt(log(ini_value)) = 1/ini_value or scaleC=ini_value)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For parameters in an exponential (ie exp(theta)) or parameters specifying powers, boxCox or yeoJohnson transformations, this is 1.</li> <li>For additive, proportional, lognormal error structures, these are given by <math>0.5*abs(initial\_estimate)</math></li> <li>Factorials are scaled by <math>abs(1/digamma(initial\_estimate+1))</math></li> <li>parameters in a log scale (ie log(theta)) are transformed by <math>log(abs(initial\_estimate))*abs(initial\_estimate)</math></li> </ul> <p>These parameter scaling coefficients are chose to try to keep similar slopes among parameters. That is they all follow the slopes approximately on a log-scale.</p> <p>While these are chosen in a logical manner, they may not always apply. You can specify each parameters scaling factor by this parameter if you wish.</p>
scaleC0	Number to adjust the scaling factor by if the initial gradient is zero.
derivEps	<p>Forward difference tolerances, which is a vector of relative difference and absolute difference. The central/forward difference step size h is calculated as:</p> $h = abs(x)*derivEps[1] + derivEps[2]$

derivMethod	indicates the method for calculating derivatives of the outer problem. Currently supports "switch", "central" and "forward" difference methods. Switch starts with forward differences. This will switch to central differences when $\text{abs}(\text{delta}(\text{OFV})) \leq \text{derivSwitchTol}$ and switch back to forward differences when $\text{abs}(\text{delta}(\text{OFV})) > \text{derivSwitchTol}$ .
derivSwitchTol	The tolerance to switch forward to central differences.
covDerivMethod	indicates the method for calculating the derivatives while calculating the covariance components (Hessian and S).
covMethod	Method for calculating covariance. In this discussion, R is the Hessian matrix of the objective function. The S matrix is the sum of individual gradient cross-product (evaluated at the individual empirical Bayes estimates). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "r, s" Uses the sandwich matrix to calculate the covariance, that is: <math>\text{solve}(R) \%*\% S \%*\% \text{solve}(R)</math></li> <li>• "r" Uses the Hessian matrix to calculate the covariance as <math>2 \%*\% \text{solve}(R)</math></li> <li>• "s" Uses the cross-product matrix to calculate the covariance as <math>4 \%*\% \text{solve}(S)</math></li> <li>• "" Does not calculate the covariance step.</li> </ul>
hessEps	is a double value representing the epsilon for the Hessian calculation. This is used for the R matrix calculation.
hessEpsLlik	is a double value representing the epsilon for the Hessian calculation when doing focei generalized log-likelihood estimation. This is used for the R matrix calculation.
optimHessType	The hessian type for when calculating the individual hessian by numeric differences (in generalized log-likelihood estimation). The options are "central", and "forward". The central differences is what R's 'optimHess()' uses and is the default for this method. (Though the "forward" is faster and still reasonable for most cases). The Shi21 cannot be changed for the Gill83 algorithm with the optimHess in a generalized likelihood problem.
optimHessCovType	The hessian type for when calculating the individual hessian by numeric differences (in generalized log-likelihood estimation). The options are "central", and "forward". The central differences is what R's 'optimHess()' uses. While this takes longer in optimization, it is more accurate, so for calculating the covariance and final likelihood, the central differences are used. This also uses the modified Shi21 method
eventType	Event gradient type for dosing events; Can be "central" or "forward"
centralDerivEps	Central difference tolerances. This is a numeric vector of relative difference and absolute difference. The central/forward difference step size h is calculated as: $h = \text{abs}(x) * \text{derivEps}[1] + \text{derivEps}[2]$
lbfgsLmm	An integer giving the number of BFGS updates retained in the "L-BFGS-B" method, It defaults to 7.
lbfgsPgtol	is a double precision variable. On entry pgtol $\geq 0$ is specified by the user. The iteration will stop when: $\max(\backslash   \text{proj } g_i \backslash   i = 1, \dots, n) \leq \text{lbfgsPgtol}$

where `pg_i` is the *i*th component of the projected gradient.  
 On exit `pgtol` is unchanged. This defaults to zero, when the check is suppressed.

<code>lbfgsFactr</code>	Controls the convergence of the "L-BFGS-B" method. Convergence occurs when the reduction in the objective is within this factor of the machine tolerance. Default is <code>1e10</code> , which gives a tolerance of about <code>2e-6</code> , approximately 4 sigdigs. You can check your exact tolerance by multiplying this value by <code>.Machine\$double.eps</code>
<code>eigen</code>	A boolean indicating if eigenvectors are calculated to include a condition number calculation.
<code>addPosthoc</code>	Boolean indicating if posthoc parameters are added to the table output.
<code>diagXform</code>	This is the transformation used on the diagonal of the <code>chol(solve(omega))</code> . This matrix and values are the parameters estimated in FOCEi. The possibilities are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <code>sqrt</code> Estimates the sqrt of the diagonal elements of <code>chol(solve(omega))</code>. This is the default method.</li> <li>• <code>log</code> Estimates the log of the diagonal elements of <code>chol(solve(omega))</code></li> <li>• <code>identity</code> Estimates the diagonal elements without any transformations</li> </ul>
<code>sumProd</code>	Is a boolean indicating if the model should change multiplication to high precision multiplication and sums to high precision sums using the <code>PreciseSums</code> package. By default this is <code>FALSE</code> .
<code>optExpression</code>	Optimize the <code>rxode2</code> expression to speed up calculation. By default this is turned on.
<code>ci</code>	Confidence level for some tables. By default this is 0.95 or 95% confidence.
<code>useColor</code>	Boolean indicating if focei can use ASCII color codes
<code>boundTol</code>	Tolerance for boundary issues.
<code>calcTables</code>	This boolean is to determine if the foceiFit will calculate tables. By default this is <code>TRUE</code>
<code>noAbort</code>	Boolean to indicate if you should abort the FOCEi evaluation if it runs into troubles. (default <code>TRUE</code> )
<code>interaction</code>	Boolean indicate FOCEi should be used ( <code>TRUE</code> ) instead of FOCE ( <code>FALSE</code> )
<code>cholSEtol</code>	tolerance for Generalized Cholesky Decomposition. Defaults to suggested $(.Machine$double.eps)^{1/3}$
<code>cholAccept</code>	Tolerance to accept a Generalized Cholesky Decomposition for a R or S matrix.
<code>resetEtaP</code>	represents the p-value for resetting the individual ETA to 0 during optimization (instead of the saved value). The two test statistics used in the z-test are either <code>chol(omega^-1) %*% eta</code> or <code>eta/sd(allEtas)</code> . A p-value of 0 indicates the ETAs never reset. A p-value of 1 indicates the ETAs always reset.
<code>resetThetaP</code>	represents the p-value for resetting the population mu-referenced THETA parameters based on ETA drift during optimization, and resetting the optimization. A p-value of 0 indicates the THETAs never reset. A p-value of 1 indicates the THETAs always reset and is not allowed. The theta reset is checked at the beginning and when nearing a local minima. The percent change in objective function where a theta reset check is initiated is controlled in <code>resetThetaCheckPer</code> .

resetThetaFinalP	represents the p-value for resetting the population mu-referenced THETA parameters based on ETA drift during optimization, and resetting the optimization one final time.
diagOmegaBoundUpper	This represents the upper bound of the diagonal omega matrix. The upper bound is given by $\text{diag}(\omega) \cdot \text{diagOmegaBoundUpper}$ . If <code>diagOmegaBoundUpper</code> is 1, there is no upper bound on Omega.
diagOmegaBoundLower	This represents the lower bound of the diagonal omega matrix. The lower bound is given by $\text{diag}(\omega) / \text{diagOmegaBoundUpper}$ . If <code>diagOmegaBoundLower</code> is 1, there is no lower bound on Omega.
cholSEOpt	Boolean indicating if the generalized Cholesky should be used while optimizing.
cholSECov	Boolean indicating if the generalized Cholesky should be used while calculating the Covariance Matrix.
fo	is a boolean indicating if this is a FO approximation routine.
covTryHarder	If the R matrix is non-positive definite and cannot be corrected to be non-positive definite try estimating the Hessian on the unscaled parameter space.
outerOpt	optimization method for the outer problem
innerOpt	optimization method for the inner problem (not implemented yet.)
rhobeg	Beginning change in parameters for bobyqa algorithm (trust region). By default this is 0.2 or 20 parameters when the parameters are scaled to 1. <code>rhobeg</code> and <code>rhoend</code> must be set to the initial and final values of a trust region radius, so both must be positive with $0 < \text{rhoend} < \text{rhobeg}$ . Typically <code>rhobeg</code> should be about one tenth of the greatest expected change to a variable. Note also that smallest difference $\text{abs}(\text{upper} - \text{lower})$ should be greater than or equal to $\text{rhobeg}^2$ . If this is not the case then <code>rhobeg</code> will be adjusted. (bobyqa)
rhoend	The smallest value of the trust region radius that is allowed. If not defined, then $10^{-(\text{sigdig}-1)}$ will be used. (bobyqa)
npt	The number of points used to approximate the objective function via a quadratic approximation for bobyqa. The value of <code>npt</code> must be in the interval $[\text{n}+2, (\text{n}+1)(\text{n}+2)/2]$ where <code>n</code> is the number of parameters in <code>par</code> . Choices that exceed $2 \cdot \text{n} + 1$ are not recommended. If not defined, it will be set to $2 \cdot \text{n} + 1$ . (bobyqa)
rel.tol	Relative tolerance before <code>nlminb</code> stops (nlmimb).
x.tol	X tolerance for <code>nlmixr2</code> optimizer
eval.max	Number of maximum evaluations of the objective function (nlmimb)
iter.max	Maximum number of iterations allowed (nlmimb)
abstol	Absolute tolerance for <code>nlmixr2</code> optimizer (BFGS)
reltol	tolerance for <code>nlmixr2</code> (BFGS)
resetHessianAndEta	is a boolean representing if the individual Hessian is reset when ETAs are reset using the option <code>resetEtaP</code> .
stateTrim	Trim state amounts/concentrations to this value.

shi21maxOuter	The maximum number of steps for the optimization of the forward-difference step size. When not zero, use this instead of Gill differences.
shi21maxInner	The maximum number of steps for the optimization of the individual Hessian matrices in the generalized likelihood problem. When 0, un-optimized finite differences are used.
shi21maxInnerCov	The maximum number of steps for the optimization of the individual Hessian matrices in the generalized likelihood problem for the covariance step. When 0, un-optimized finite differences are used.
shi21maxFD	The maximum number of steps for the optimization of the forward difference step size when using dosing events (lag time, modeled duration/rate and bioavailability)
gillK	The total number of possible steps to determine the optimal forward/central difference step size per parameter (by the Gill 1983 method). If 0, no optimal step size is determined. Otherwise this is the optimal step size determined.
gillStep	When looking for the optimal forward difference step size, this is This is the step size to increase the initial estimate by. So each iteration the new step size = (prior step size)*gillStep
gillFtol	The gillFtol is the gradient error tolerance that is acceptable before issuing a warning/error about the gradient estimates.
gillRtol	The relative tolerance used for Gill 1983 determination of optimal step size.
gillKcov	The total number of possible steps to determine the optimal forward/central difference step size per parameter (by the Gill 1983 method) during the covariance step. If 0, no optimal step size is determined. Otherwise this is the optimal step size determined.
gillKcovLlik	The total number of possible steps to determine the optimal forward/central difference step per parameter when using the generalized focei log-likelihood method (by the Gill 1986 method). If 0, no optimal step size is determined. Otherwise this is the optimal step size is determined
gillStepCovLlik	Same as above but during generalized focei log-likelihood
gillStepCov	When looking for the optimal forward difference step size, this is This is the step size to increase the initial estimate by. So each iteration during the covariance step is equal to the new step size = (prior step size)*gillStepCov
gillFtolCov	The gillFtol is the gradient error tolerance that is acceptable before issuing a warning/error about the gradient estimates during the covariance step.
gillFtolCovLlik	Same as above but applied during generalized log-likelihood estimation.
rmatNorm	A parameter to normalize gradient step size by the parameter value during the calculation of the R matrix
rmatNormLlik	A parameter to normalize gradient step size by the parameter value during the calculation of the R matrix if you are using generalized log-likelihood Hessian matrix.
smatNorm	A parameter to normalize gradient step size by the parameter value during the calculation of the S matrix

smatNormLlik	A parameter to normalize gradient step size by the parameter value during the calculation of the S matrix if you are using the generalized log-likelihood.
covGillF	Use the Gill calculated optimal Forward difference step size for the instead of the central difference step size during the central difference gradient calculation.
optGillF	Use the Gill calculated optimal Forward difference step size for the instead of the central difference step size during the central differences for optimization.
covSmall	The covSmall is the small number to compare covariance numbers before rejecting an estimate of the covariance as the final estimate (when comparing sandwich vs R/S matrix estimates of the covariance). This number controls how small the variance is before the covariance matrix is rejected.
adjLlik	In nlmixr2, the objective function matches NONMEM's objective function, which removes a $2\pi$ constant from the likelihood calculation. If this is TRUE, the likelihood function is adjusted by this $2\pi$ factor. When adjusted this number more closely matches the likelihood approximations of nlme, and SAS approximations. Regardless of if this is turned on or off the objective function matches NONMEM's objective function.
gradTrim	The parameter to adjust the gradient to if the <code>lgradientl</code> is very large.
maxOdeRecalc	Maximum number of times to reduce the ODE tolerances and try to resolve the system if there was a bad ODE solve.
odeRecalcFactor	The ODE recalculation factor when ODE solving goes bad, this is the factor the <code>rtol/atol</code> is reduced
gradCalcCentralSmall	A small number that represents the value where <code>lgradl &lt; gradCalcCentralSmall</code> where forward differences switch to central differences.
gradCalcCentralLarge	A large number that represents the value where <code>lgradl &gt; gradCalcCentralLarge</code> where forward differences switch to central differences.
etaNudge	By default initial ETA estimates start at zero; Sometimes this doesn't optimize appropriately. If this value is non-zero, when the <code>n1qn1</code> optimization didn't perform appropriately, reset the Hessian, and nudge the ETA up by this value; If the ETA still doesn't move, nudge the ETA down by this value. By default this value is <code>qnorm(1-0.05/2)*1/sqrt(3)</code> , the first of the Gauss Quadrature numbers times by the 0.95% normal region. If this is not successful try the second eta nudge number (below). If <code>+etaNudge2</code> is not successful, then assign to zero and do not optimize any longer
etaNudge2	This is the second eta nudge. By default it is <code>qnorm(1-0.05/2)*sqrt(3/5)</code> , which is the <code>n=3</code> quadrature point (excluding zero) times by the 0.95% normal region
nRetries	If FOCEi doesn't fit with the current parameter estimates, randomly sample new parameter estimates and restart the problem. This is similar to 'PsN' resampling.
seed	an object specifying if and how the random number generator should be initialized
resetThetaCheckPer	represents objective function % percentage below which <code>resetThetaP</code> is checked.
etaMat	Eta matrix for initial estimates or final estimates of the ETAs.

repeatGillMax	If the tolerances were reduced when calculating the initial Gill differences, the Gill difference is repeated up to a maximum number of times defined by this parameter.
stickyRecalcN	The number of bad ODE solves before reducing the atol/rtol for the rest of the problem.
gradProgressOfvTime	This is the time for a single objective function evaluation (in seconds) to start progress bars on gradient evaluations
addProp	specifies the type of additive plus proportional errors, the one where standard deviations add (combined1) or the type where the variances add (combined2). The combined1 error type can be described by the following equation: $y = f + (a + b*f^c)*err$ The combined2 error model can be described by the following equation: $y = f + \sqrt{a^2 + b^2*(f^c)^2}*err$ Where: - y represents the observed value - f represents the predicted value - a is the additive standard deviation - b is the proportional/power standard deviation - c is the power exponent (in the proportional case c=1)
badSolveObjfAdj	The objective function adjustment when the ODE system cannot be solved. It is based on each individual bad solve.
compress	Should the object have compressed items
rxControl	'rxode2' ODE solving options during fitting, created with 'rxControl()'
sigdigTable	Significant digits in the final output table. If not specified, then it matches the significant digits in the 'sigdig' optimization algorithm. If 'sigdig' is NULL, use 3.
fallbackFD	Fallback to the finite differences if the sensitivity equations do not solve.
smatPer	A percentage representing the number of failed parameter gradients for each individual (which are replaced with the overall gradient for the parameter) out of the total number of gradients parameters (ie 'ntheta*nsub') before the S matrix is considered to be a bad matrix.

## Details

Note this uses the R's L-BFGS-B in `optim` for the outer problem and the BFGS `n1qn1` with that allows restoring the prior individual Hessian (for faster optimization speed).

However the inner problem is not scaled. Since most eta estimates start near zero, scaling for these parameters do not make sense.

This process of scaling can fix some ill conditioning for the unscaled problem. The covariance step is performed on the unscaled problem, so the condition number of that matrix may not be reflective of the scaled problem's condition-number.

**Value**

The control object that changes the options for the FOCEi family of estimation methods

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**References**

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**See Also**

[optim](#)  
[n1qn1](#)  
[rxSolve](#)

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nlmeControl

*Control Values for nlme Fit with extra options for nlmixr*

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**Description**

The values supplied in the function call replace the defaults and a list with all possible arguments is returned. The returned list is used as the ‘control’ argument to the ‘nlme’ function.

**Usage**

```
nlmeControl(  
  maxIter = 100,  
  pnlsMaxIter = 100,  
  msMaxIter = 100,  
  minScale = 0.001,  
  tolerance = 1e-05,  
  niterEM = 25,  
  pnlsTol = 0.001,  
  msTol = 1e-06,  
  returnObject = FALSE,  
  msVerbose = FALSE,  
  msWarnNoConv = TRUE,  
  gradHess = TRUE,  
  apVar = TRUE,  
  .relStep = .Machine$double.eps^(1/3),
```



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minAbsParApVar = 0.05,
opt = c("nlminb", "nlm"),
natural = TRUE,
sigma = NULL,
optExpression = TRUE,
sumProd = FALSE,
rxControl = NULL,
method = c("ML", "REML"),
random = NULL,
fixed = NULL,
weights = NULL,
verbose = TRUE,
returnNlme = FALSE,
addProp = c("combined2", "combined1"),
calcTables = TRUE,
compress = TRUE,
adjObf = TRUE,
ci = 0.95,
sigdig = 4,
sigdigTable = NULL,
...
)

```

### Arguments

maxIter	maximum number of iterations for the nlme optimization algorithm. Default is 50.
pnlsMaxIter	maximum number of iterations for the PNLs optimization step inside the nlme optimization. Default is 7.
msMaxIter	maximum number of iterations for <code>nlminb</code> ( <code>iter.max</code> ) or the <code>nlm</code> ( <code>iterlim</code> , from the 10-th step) optimization step inside the nlme optimization. Default is 50 (which may be too small for e.g. for overparametrized cases).
minScale	minimum factor by which to shrink the default step size in an attempt to decrease the sum of squares in the PNLs step. Default 0.001.
tolerance	tolerance for the convergence criterion in the nlme algorithm. Default is 1e-6.
niterEM	number of iterations for the EM algorithm used to refine the initial estimates of the random effects variance-covariance coefficients. Default is 25.
pnlsTol	tolerance for the convergence criterion in PNLs step. Default is 1e-3.
msTol	tolerance for the convergence criterion in <code>nlm</code> , passed as the <code>gradtol</code> argument to the function (see documentation on <code>nlm</code> ). Default is 1e-7.
returnObject	a logical value indicating whether the fitted object should be returned when the maximum number of iterations is reached without convergence of the algorithm. Default is FALSE.
msVerbose	a logical value passed as the <code>trace</code> to <code>nlminb(..., control=list(trace=*, ...))</code> or as argument <code>print.level</code> to <code>nlm()</code> . Default is FALSE.

msWarnNoConv	logical indicating if a <b>warning</b> should be signalled whenever the minimization (by <code>opt</code> ) in the LME step does not converge; defaults to TRUE.
gradHess	a logical value indicating whether numerical gradient vectors and Hessian matrices of the log-likelihood function should be used in the <code>nlm</code> optimization. This option is only available when the correlation structure ( <code>corStruct</code> ) and the variance function structure ( <code>varFunc</code> ) have no "varying" parameters and the <code>pdMat</code> classes used in the random effects structure are <code>pdSymm</code> (general positive-definite), <code>pdDiag</code> (diagonal), <code>pdIdent</code> (multiple of the identity), or <code>pdCompSymm</code> (compound symmetry). Default is TRUE.
apVar	a logical value indicating whether the approximate covariance matrix of the variance-covariance parameters should be calculated. Default is TRUE.
.relStep	relative step for numerical derivatives calculations. Default is <code>.Machine\$double.eps^(1/3)</code> .
minAbsParApVar	numeric value - minimum absolute parameter value in the approximate variance calculation. The default is <code>0.05</code> .
opt	the optimizer to be used, either <code>"nlminb"</code> (the default) or <code>"nlm"</code> .
natural	a logical value indicating whether the <code>pdNatural</code> parametrization should be used for general positive-definite matrices ( <code>pdSymm</code> ) in <code>reStruct</code> , when the approximate covariance matrix of the estimators is calculated. Default is TRUE.
sigma	optionally a positive number to fix the residual error at. If NULL, as by default, or <code>0</code> , <code>sigma</code> is estimated.
optExpression	Optimize the <code>rxode2</code> expression to speed up calculation. By default this is turned on.
sumProd	Is a boolean indicating if the model should change multiplication to high precision multiplication and sums to high precision sums using the <code>PreciseSums</code> package. By default this is FALSE.
rxControl	' <code>rxode2</code> ' ODE solving options during fitting, created with <code>'rxControl()'</code>
method	a character string. If <code>"REML"</code> the model is fit by maximizing the restricted log-likelihood. If <code>"ML"</code> the log-likelihood is maximized. Defaults to <code>"ML"</code> .
random	optionally, any of the following: (i) a two-sided formula of the form $r_1 + \dots + r_n \sim x_1 + \dots + x_m$   $g_1 / \dots / g_Q$ , with $r_1, \dots, r_n$ naming parameters included on the right hand side of model, $x_1 + \dots + x_m$ specifying the random-effects model for these parameters and $g_1 / \dots / g_Q$ the grouping structure ( $Q$ may be equal to 1, in which case no <code>/</code> is required). The random effects formula will be repeated for all levels of grouping, in the case of multiple levels of grouping; (ii) a two-sided formula of the form $r_1 + \dots + r_n \sim x_1 + \dots + x_m$ , a list of two-sided formulas of the form $r_1 \sim x_1 + \dots + x_m$ , with possibly different random-effects models for different parameters, a <code>pdMat</code> object with a two-sided formula, or list of two-sided formulas (i.e. a non-NULL value for <code>formula(random)</code> ), or a list of <code>pdMat</code> objects with two-sided formulas, or lists of two-sided formulas. In this case, the grouping structure formula will be given in groups, or derived from the data used to fit the nonlinear mixed-effects model, which should inherit from class <code>groupedData</code> ; (iii) a named list of formulas, lists of formulas, or <code>pdMat</code> objects as in (ii), with the grouping factors as names. The order of nesting will be assumed the same as the order of the elements in the list; (iv) an <code>reStruct</code> object. See the documentation on <code>pdClasses</code> for a description of the

	available pdMat classes. Defaults to fixed, resulting in all fixed effects having also random effects.
fixed	a two-sided linear formula of the form $f_1 + \dots + f_n \sim x_1 + \dots + x_m$ , or a list of two-sided formulas of the form $f_1 \sim x_1 + \dots + x_m$ , with possibly different models for different parameters. The $f_1, \dots, f_n$ are the names of parameters included on the right hand side of model and the $x_1 + \dots + x_m$ expressions define linear models for these parameters (when the left hand side of the formula contains several parameters, they all are assumed to follow the same linear model, described by the right hand side expression). A 1 on the right hand side of the formula(s) indicates a single fixed effects for the corresponding parameter(s).
weights	an optional varFunc object or one-sided formula describing the within-group heteroscedasticity structure. If given as a formula, it is used as the argument to varFixed, corresponding to fixed variance weights. See the documentation on varClasses for a description of the available varFunc classes. Defaults to NULL, corresponding to homoscedastic within-group errors.
verbose	an optional logical value. If TRUE information on the evolution of the iterative algorithm is printed. Default is FALSE.
returnNlme	Returns the nlme object instead of the nlmixr object (by default FALSE). If any of the nlme specific options of 'random', 'fixed', 'sens', the nlme object is returned
addProp	specifies the type of additive plus proportional errors, the one where standard deviations add (combined1) or the type where the variances add (combined2). The combined1 error type can be described by the following equation: $y = f + (a + b \cdot f^c) \cdot \text{err}$ The combined2 error model can be described by the following equation: $y = f + \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 \cdot (f^c)^2} \cdot \text{err}$ Where: - y represents the observed value - f represents the predicted value - a is the additive standard deviation - b is the proportional/power standard deviation - c is the power exponent (in the proportional case $c=1$ )
calcTables	This boolean is to determine if the fociFit will calculate tables. By default this is TRUE
compress	Should the object have compressed items
adjObf	is a boolean to indicate if the objective function should be adjusted to be closer to NONMEM's default objective function. By default this is TRUE
ci	Confidence level for some tables. By default this is 0.95 or 95% confidence.
sigdig	Optimization significant digits. This controls: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The tolerance of the inner and outer optimization is <math>10^{-\text{sigdig}}</math></li> <li>• The tolerance of the ODE solvers is <math>0.5 \cdot 10^{-(\text{sigdig}-2)}</math>; For the sensitivity equations and steady-state solutions the default is <math>0.5 \cdot 10^{-(\text{sigdig}-1.5)}</math> (sensitivity changes only applicable for liblsoda)</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The tolerance of the boundary check is <math>5 * 10^{-(\text{sigdig} + 1)}</math></li> </ul>
sigdigTable	Significant digits in the final output table. If not specified, then it matches the significant digits in the 'sigdig' optimization algorithm. If 'sigdig' is NULL, use 3.
...	Additional arguments passed to <code>nlmixr2est::nlmeControl()</code> .

**Value**

a nlmixr-nlme list

**Examples**

```
nlmixr2est::nlmeControl()
nlmixr2NlmeControl()
```

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nlmixr2	<i>nlmixr2 fits population PK and PKPD non-linear mixed effects models.</i>
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**Description**

nlmixr2 is an R package for fitting population pharmacokinetic (PK) and pharmacokinetic-pharmacodynamic (PKPD) models.

**Usage**

```
nlmixr2(
  object,
  data,
  est = NULL,
  control = list(),
  table = tableControl(),
  ...,
  save = NULL,
  envir = parent.frame()
)
```

**Arguments**

object	Fitted object or function specifying the model.
data	nlmixr data
est	estimation method (all methods are shown by 'nlmixr2AllEst()'). Methods can be added for other tools
control	The estimation control object. These are expected to be different for each type of estimation method
table	The output table control object (like 'tableControl()')

...	Additional arguments passed to <code>nlmixr2est::nlmixr2()</code> .
save	Boolean to save a nlmixr2 object in a rds file in the working directory. If NULL, uses option "nlmixr2.save"
envir	Environment where the nlmixr object/function is evaluated before running the estimation routine.

## Details

The nlmixr2 generalized function allows common access to the nlmixr2 estimation routines.

## Value

Either a nlmixr2 model or a nlmixr2 fit object

## nlmixr modeling mini-language

### Rationale

nlmixr estimation routines each have their own way of specifying models. Often the models are specified in ways that are most intuitive for one estimation routine, but do not make sense for another estimation routine. Sometimes, legacy estimation routines like `nlme` have their own syntax that is outside of the control of the nlmixr package.

The unique syntax of each routine makes the routines themselves easier to maintain and expand, and allows interfacing with existing packages that are outside of nlmixr (like `nlme`). However, a model definition language that is common between estimation methods, and an output object that is uniform, will make it easier to switch between estimation routines and will facilitate interfacing output with external packages like Xpose.

The nlmixr mini-modeling language, attempts to address this issue by incorporating a common language. This language is inspired by both R and NONMEM, since these languages are familiar to many pharmacometricians.

### Initial Estimates and boundaries for population parameters

nlmixr models are contained in a R function with two blocks: `ini` and `model`. This R function can be named anything, but is not meant to be called directly from R. In fact if you try you will likely get an error such as `Error: could not find function "ini"`.

The `ini` model block is meant to hold the initial estimates for the model, and the boundaries of the parameters for estimation routines that support boundaries (note nlmixr's `saem` and `nlme` do not currently support parameter boundaries).

To explain how these initial estimates are specified we will start with an annotated example:

```
f <- function(){ ## Note the arguments to the function are currently
  ## ignored by nlmixr
  ini({
    ## Initial conditions for population parameters (sometimes
    ## called theta parameters) are defined by either `<-` or `=`
    lCl <- 1.6      #log Cl (L/hr)
    ## Note that simple expressions that evaluate to a number are
    ## OK for defining initial conditions (like in R)
```

```

    lVc = log(90) #log V (L)
    ## Also a comment on a parameter is captured as a parameter label
    lKa <- 1 #log Ka (1/hr)
    ## Bounds may be specified by c(lower, est, upper), like NONMEM:
    ## Residuals errors are assumed to be population parameters
    prop.err <- c(0, 0.2, 1)
  })
  ## The model block will be discussed later
  model({})
}

```

As shown in the above examples:

- Simple parameter values are specified as a R-compatible assignment
- Boundaries may be specified by `c(lower, est, upper)`.
- Like NONMEM, `c(lower, est)` is equivalent to `c(lower, est, Inf)`
- Also like NONMEM, `c(est)` does not specify a lower bound, and is equivalent to specifying the parameter without R's 'c' function.
- The initial estimates are specified on the variance scale, and in analogy with NONMEM, the square roots of the diagonal elements correspond to coefficients of variation when used in the exponential IIV implementation

These parameters can be named almost any R compatible name. Please note that:

- Residual error estimates should be coded as population estimates (i.e. using an '=' or '<' statement, not a '~').
- Naming variables that start with "\_" are not supported. Note that R does not allow variable starting with "\_" to be assigned without quoting them.
- Naming variables that start with "rx\_" or "nlmixr\_" is not supported since [rxode2](#) and `nlmixr2` use these prefixes internally for certain estimation routines and calculating residuals.
- Variable names are case sensitive, just like they are in R. "CL" is not the same as "Cl".

#### Initial Estimates for between subject error distribution (NONMEM's \$OMEGA)

In mixture models, multivariate normal individual deviations from the population parameters are estimated (in NONMEM these are called eta parameters). Additionally the variance/covariance matrix of these deviations is also estimated (in NONMEM this is the OMEGA matrix). These also have initial estimates. In `nlmixr` these are specified by the '~' operator that is typically used in R for "modeled by", and was chosen to distinguish these estimates from the population and residual error parameters.

Continuing the prior example, we can annotate the estimates for the between subject error distribution

```

f <- function(){
  ini({
    lCl <- 1.6      #log Cl (L/hr)
    lVc = log(90)  #log V (L)
    lKa <- 1 #log Ka (1/hr)
  })
}

```

```

prop.err <- c(0, 0.2, 1)
## Initial estimate for ka IIV variance
## Labels work for single parameters
eta.ka ~ 0.1 # BSV Ka

## For correlated parameters, you specify the names of each
## correlated parameter separated by a addition operator `+`
## and the left handed side specifies the lower triangular
## matrix initial of the covariance matrix.
eta.cl + eta.vc ~ c(0.1,
                    0.005, 0.1)
## Note that labels do not currently work for correlated
## parameters. Also do not put comments inside the lower
## triangular matrix as this will currently break the model.
})
## The model block will be discussed later
model({})
}

```

As shown in the above examples:

- Simple variances are specified by the variable name and the estimate separated by ‘~’.
- Correlated parameters are specified by the sum of the variable labels and then the lower triangular matrix of the covariance is specified on the left handed side of the equation. This is also separated by ‘~’.

Currently the model syntax does not allow comments inside the lower triangular matrix.

#### **Model Syntax for ODE based models (NONMEM’s \$PK, \$PRED, \$DES and \$ERROR)**

Once the initialization block has been defined, you can define a model in terms of the defined variables in the ini block. You can also mix in RxODE blocks into the model.

The current method of defining a nlmixr model is to specify the parameters, and then possibly the RxODE lines:

Continuing describing the syntax with an annotated example:

```

f <- function(){
  ini({
    lCl <- 1.6      #log Cl (L/hr)
    lVc <- log(90)  #log Vc (L)
    lKa <- 0.1     #log Ka (1/hr)
    prop.err <- c(0, 0.2, 1)
    eta.Cl ~ 0.1 ## BSV Cl
    eta.Vc ~ 0.1 ## BSV Vc
    eta.KA ~ 0.1 ## BSV Ka
  })
  model({
    ## First parameters are defined in terms of the initial estimates
    ## parameter names.

```

```

Cl <- exp(lCl + eta.Cl)
Vc = exp(lVc + eta.Vc)
KA <- exp(lKA + eta.KA)
## After the differential equations are defined
kel <- Cl / Vc;
d/dt(depot) = -KA*depot;
d/dt(centr) = KA*depot-kel*centr;
## And the concentration is then calculated
cp = centr / Vc;
## Last, nlmixr is told that the plasma concentration follows
## a proportional error (estimated by the parameter prop.err)
cp ~ prop(prop.err)
})
}

```

A few points to note:

- Parameters are often defined before the differential equations.
- The differential equations, parameters and error terms are in a single block, instead of multiple sections.
- State names, calculated variables cannot start with either "rx\_" or "nlmixr\_" since these are used internally in some estimation routines.
- Errors are specified using the '~'. Currently you can use either `add(parameter)` for additive error, `prop(parameter)` for proportional error or `add(parameter1) + prop(parameter2)` for additive plus proportional error. You can also specify `norm(parameter)` for the additive error, since it follows a normal distribution.
- Some routines, like `saem` require parameters in terms of `Pop.Parameter + Individual.Deviation.Parameter + Covariate*Covariate.Parameter`. The order of these parameters do not matter. This is similar to NONMEM's mu-referencing, though not quite so restrictive.
- The type of parameter in the model is determined by the initial block; Covariates used in the model are missing in the `ini` block. These variables need to be present in the modeling dataset for the model to run.

### Model Syntax for solved PK systems

Solved PK systems are also currently supported by nlmixr with the 'linCmt()' pseudo-function. An annotated example of a solved system is below:

```

##'
f <- function(){
  ini({
    lCl <- 1.6      #log Cl (L/hr)
    lVc <- log(90) #log Vc (L)
    lKA <- 0.1     #log Ka (1/hr)
    prop.err <- c(0, 0.2, 1)
    eta.Cl ~ 0.1 ## BSV Cl
    eta.Vc ~ 0.1 ## BSV Vc
    eta.KA ~ 0.1 ## BSV Ka
  })
}

```



```

  })
  model({
    Cl <- exp(lCl + eta.Cl)
    Vc = exp(lVc + eta.Vc)
    KA <- exp(lKA + eta.KA)
    ## Instead of specifying the ODEs, you can use
    ## the linCmt() function to use the solved system.
    ##
    ## This function determines the type of PK solved system
    ## to use by the parameters that are defined. In this case
    ## it knows that this is a one-compartment model with first-order
    ## absorption.
    linCmt() ~ prop(prop.err)
  })
}

```

A few things to keep in mind:

- While RxODE allows mixing of solved systems and ODEs, this has not been implemented in nlmixr yet.
- The solved systems implemented are the one, two and three compartment models with or without first-order absorption. Each of the models support a lag time with a tlag parameter.
- In general the linear compartment model figures out the model by the parameter names. nlmixr currently knows about numbered volumes, Vc/Vp, Clearances in terms of both Cl and Q/CLD. Additionally nlmixr knows about elimination micro-constants (ie K12). Mixing of these parameters for these models is currently not supported.

### Checking model syntax

After specifying the model syntax you can check that nlmixr is interpreting it correctly by using the nlmixr function on it.

Using the above function we can get:

```

> nlmixr(f)
## 1-compartment model with first-order absorption in terms of Cl
## Initialization:
#####
Fixed Effects ($theta):
      lCl      lVc      lKA
1.60000 4.49981 0.10000

Omega ($omega):
      [,1] [,2] [,3]
[1,] 0.1 0.0 0.0
[2,] 0.0 0.1 0.0
[3,] 0.0 0.0 0.1

## Model:
#####

```

```

Cl <- exp(lCl + eta.Cl)
Vc = exp(lVc + eta.Vc)
KA <- exp(lKA + eta.KA)
## Instead of specifying the ODEs, you can use
## the linCmt() function to use the solved system.
##
## This function determines the type of PK solved system
## to use by the parameters that are defined. In this case
## it knows that this is a one-compartment model with first-order
## absorption.
linCmt() ~ prop(prop.err)

```

In general this gives you information about the model (what type of solved system/RxODE), initial estimates as well as the code for the model block.

### Using the model syntax for estimating a model

Once the model function has been created, you can use it and a dataset to estimate the parameters for a model given a dataset.

This dataset has to have RxODE compatible events IDs. Both Monolix and NONMEM use a very similar standard to what nlmixr can support.

Once the data has been converted to the appropriate format, you can use the nlmixr function to run the appropriate code.

The method to estimate the model is:

```
fit <- nlmixr(model.function, dataset, est="est", control=estControl(options))
```

Currently nlme and saem are implemented. For example, to run the above model with saem, we could have the following:

```

> f <- function(){
  ini({
    lCl <- 1.6      #log Cl (L/hr)
    lVc <- log(90)  #log Vc (L)
    lKA <- 0.1     #log Ka (1/hr)
    prop.err <- c(0, 0.2, 1)
    eta.Cl ~ 0.1 ## BSV Cl
    eta.Vc ~ 0.1 ## BSV Vc
    eta.KA ~ 0.1 ## BSV Ka
  })
  model({
    ## First parameters are defined in terms of the initial estimates
    ## parameter names.
    Cl <- exp(lCl + eta.Cl)
    Vc = exp(lVc + eta.Vc)
    KA <- exp(lKA + eta.KA)
    ## After the differential equations are defined
    kel <- Cl / Vc;
    d/dt(depot) = -KA*depot;

```

```

    d/dt(centr) = KA*depot-kel*centr;
    ## And the concentration is then calculated
    cp = centr / Vc;
    ## Last, nlmixr is told that the plasma concentration follows
    ## a proportional error (estimated by the parameter prop.err)
    cp ~ prop(prop.err)
  })
}
> fit.s <- nlmixr(f,d,est="saem",control=saemControl(n.burn=50,n.em=100,print=50));
Compiling RxODE differential equations...done.
c:/Rtools/mingw_64/bin/g++ -I"c:/R/R-34~1.1/include" -DNDEBUG -I"d:/Compiler/gcc-4.9.3/local330/i
In file included from c:/R/R-34~1.1/library/RCPAR~1/include/armadillo:52:0,
      from c:/R/R-34~1.1/library/RCPAR~1/include/RcppArmadilloForward.h:46,
      from c:/R/R-34~1.1/library/RCPAR~1/include/RcppArmadillo.h:31,
      from saem3090757b4bd1x64.cpp:1:
c:/R/R-34~1.1/library/RCPAR~1/include/armadillo_bits/compiler_setup.hpp:474:96: note: #pragma messa
      #pragma message ("WARNING: use of OpenMP disabled; this compiler doesn't support OpenMP 3.0+")
      ^
c:/Rtools/mingw_64/bin/g++ -shared -s -static-libgcc -o saem3090757b4bd1x64.dll tmp.def saem3090757b4
done.
1:    1.8174    4.6328    0.0553    0.0950    0.0950    0.0950    0.6357
50:    1.3900    4.2039    0.0001    0.0679    0.0784    0.1082    0.1992
100:   1.3894    4.2054    0.0107    0.0686    0.0777    0.1111    0.1981
150:   1.3885    4.2041    0.0089    0.0683    0.0778    0.1117    0.1980
Using sympy via SnakeCharmR
## Calculate ETA-based prediction and error derivatives:
Calculate Jacobian.....done.
Calculate sensitivities.....
done.
## Calculate d(f)/d(eta)
## ...
## done
## ...
## done
The model-based sensitivities have been calculated
Calculating Table Variables...
done

```

The options for saem are controlled by `saemControl`. You may wish to make sure the minimization is complete in the case of saem. You can do that with `traceplot` which shows the iteration history with the divided by burn-in and EM phases. In this case, the burn in seems reasonable; you may wish to increase the number of iterations in the EM phase of the estimation. Overall it is probably a semi-reasonable solution.

### nlmixr output objects

In addition to unifying the modeling language sent to each of the estimation routines, the outputs currently have a unified structure.

You can see the fit object by typing the object name:

```

> fit.s
-- nlmixr SAEM fit (ODE); OBJF calculated from FOCEi approximation -----
      OBJF      AIC      BIC Log-likelihood Condition Number
62337.09 62351.09 62399.01      -31168.55      82.6086

-- Time (sec; fit.s$time): -----
      saem setup Likelihood Calculation covariance table
elapsed 430.25 31.64      1.19      0 3.44

-- Parameters (fit.s$par.fixed): -----
      Parameter Estimate      SE
lCl      log Cl (L/hr)      1.39 0.0240 1.73      4.01 (3.83, 4.20) 26.6
lVc      log Vc (L)      4.20 0.0256 0.608      67.0 (63.7, 70.4) 28.5
lKA      log Ka (1/hr) 0.00924 0.0323 349.      1.01 (0.947, 1.08) 34.3
prop.err      prop.err      0.198      19.8
      Shrink(SD)
lCl      0.248
lVc      1.09
lKA      4.19
prop.err      1.81

      No correlations in between subject variability (BSV) matrix
      Full BSV covariance (fit.s$omega) or correlation (fit.s$omega.R; diagonals=SDs)
      Distribution stats (mean/skewness/kurtosis/p-value) available in fit.s$shrink

-- Fit Data (object fit.s is a modified data.frame): -----
# A tibble: 6,947 x 22
  ID  TIME  DV  PRED  RES  WRES IPRED  IRES  IWRES CPRED  CRES
* <fct> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
1 1 0.25 205. 198. 6.60 0.0741 189. 16.2 0.434 198. 6.78
2 1 0.5 311. 349. -38.7 -0.261 330. -19.0 -0.291 349. -38.3
3 1 0.75 389. 464. -74.5 -0.398 434. -45.2 -0.526 463. -73.9
# ... with 6,944 more rows, and 11 more variables: CWRES <dbl>, eta.Cl <dbl>,
# eta.Vc <dbl>, eta.KA <dbl>, depot <dbl>, centr <dbl>, Cl <dbl>, Vc <dbl>,
# KA <dbl>, kel <dbl>, cp <dbl>

```

This example shows what is typical printout of a nlmixr fit object. The elements of the fit are:

- The type of fit (`nlme`, `saem`, etc)
- Metrics of goodness of fit (`AIC`, `BIC`, and `logLik`).
  - To align the comparison between methods, the FOCEi likelihood objective is calculated regardless of the method used and used for goodness of fit metrics.
  - This FOCEi likelihood has been compared to NONMEM's objective function and gives the same values (based on the data in Wang 2007)
  - Also note that `saem` does not calculate an objective function, and the FOCEi is used as the only objective function for the fit.
  - Even though the objective functions are calculated in the same manner, caution should be used when comparing fits from various estimation routines.

- The next item is the timing of each of the steps of the fit.
  - These can be also accessed by `(fit.s$time)`.
  - As a mnemonic, the access for this item is shown in the printout. This is true for almost all of the other items in the printout.
- After the timing of the fit, the parameter estimates are displayed (can be accessed by `fit.s$par.fixed`)
  - While the items are rounded for R printing, each estimate without rounding is still accessible by the '\$' syntax. For example, the '\$Untransformed' gives the untransformed parameter values.
  - The Untransformed parameter takes log-space parameters and back-transforms them to normal parameters. Not the CIs are listed on the back-transformed parameter space.
  - Proportional Errors are converted to
- Omega block (accessed by `fit.s$omega`)
- The table of fit data. Please note:
  - A nlmixr fit object is actually a data frame. Saving it as a Rdata object and then loading it without nlmixr will just show the data by itself. Don't worry; the fit information has not vanished, you can bring it back by simply loading nlmixr, and then accessing the data.
  - Special access to fit information (like the \$omega) needs nlmixr to extract the information.
  - If you use the \$ to access information, the order of precedence is:
    - \* Fit data from the overall data.frame
    - \* Information about the parsed nlmixr model (via \$uif)
    - \* Parameter history if available (via \$par.hist and \$par.hist.stacked)
    - \* Fixed effects table (via \$par.fixed)
    - \* Individual differences from the typical population parameters (via \$eta)
    - \* Fit information from the list of information generated during the post-hoc residual calculation.
    - \* Fit information from the environment where the post-hoc residual were calculated
    - \* Fit information about how the data and options interacted with the specified model (such as estimation options or if the solved system is for an infusion or an IV bolus).
  - While the printout may displays the data as a `data.table` object or `tbl` object, the data is NOT any of these objects, but rather a derived data frame.
  - Since the object *is* a `data.frame`, you can treat it like one.

In addition to the above properties of the fit object, there are a few additional that may be helpful for the modeler:

- `$theta` gives the fixed effects parameter estimates (in NONMEM the `thetas`). This can also be accessed in `fixed.effects` function. Note that the residual variability is treated as a fixed effect parameter and is included in this list.
- `$eta` gives the random effects parameter estimates, or in NONMEM the `etas`. This can also be accessed in using the `random.effects` function.

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## Examples

```
one.cmt <- function() {
  ini({
    ## You may label each parameter with a comment
    tka <- 0.45 # Ka
    tc1 <- log(c(0, 2.7, 100)) # Log C1
    ## This works with interactive models
    ## You may also label the preceding line with label("label text")
    tv <- 3.45; label("log V")
    ## the label("Label name") works with all models
    eta.ka ~ 0.6
    eta.cl ~ 0.3
    eta.v ~ 0.1
    add.sd <- 0.7
    prop.sd <- 0.01
  })
  model({
    ka <- exp(tka + eta.ka)
    cl <- exp(tc1 + eta.cl)
    v <- exp(tv + eta.v)
    linCmt() ~ add(add.sd) + prop(prop.sd)
  })
}

fitF <- nlmixr(one.cmt, theo_sd, "focei")

fitS <- nlmixr(one.cmt, theo_sd, "saem")
```

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nlmixr2CheckInstall    *Check your nlmixr2 installation for potential issues*

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## Description

Check your nlmixr2 installation for potential issues

## Usage

```
nlmixr2CheckInstall()
```

## Examples

```
nlmixr2CheckInstall()
```

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preconditionFit	<i>Linearly re-parameterize the model to be less sensitive to rounding errors</i>
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**Description**

Linearly re-parameterize the model to be less sensitive to rounding errors

**Usage**

```
preconditionFit(fit, estType = c("full", "posthoc", "none"), ntry = 10L)
```

**Arguments**

fit	A nlmixr2 fit to be preconditioned
estType	Once the fit has been linearly reparameterized, should a "full" estimation, "posthoc" estimation or simply a estimation of the covariance matrix "none" before the fit is updated
ntry	number of tries before giving up on a pre-conditioned covariance estimate

**Value**

A nlmixr2 fit object that was preconditioned to stabilize the variance/covariance calculation

**References**

Aoki Y, Nordgren R, Hooker AC. Preconditioning of Nonlinear Mixed Effects Models for Stabilisation of Variance-Covariance Matrix Computations. *AAPS J.* 2016;18(2):505-518. doi:10.1208/s12248-016-9866-5

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saemControl	<i>Control Options for SAEM</i>
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**Description**

Control Options for SAEM

**Usage**

```
saemControl(
  seed = 99,
  nBurn = 200,
  nEm = 300,
  nmc = 3,
  nu = c(2, 2, 2),
```

```

print = 1,
trace = 0,
covMethod = c("linFim", "fim", "r,s", "r", "s", ""),
calcTables = TRUE,
logLik = FALSE,
nnodesGq = 3,
nsdGq = 1.6,
optExpression = TRUE,
adjObf = TRUE,
sumProd = FALSE,
addProp = c("combined2", "combined1"),
tol = 1e-06,
itmax = 30,
type = c("nelder-mead", "newuoa"),
powRange = 10,
lambdaRange = 3,
odeRecalcFactor = 10^(0.5),
maxOdeRecalc = 5L,
perSa = 0.75,
perNoCor = 0.75,
perFixOmega = 0.1,
perFixResid = 0.1,
compress = TRUE,
rxControl = NULL,
sigdig = NULL,
sigdigTable = NULL,
ci = 0.95,
muRefCov = TRUE,
...
)

```

### Arguments

seed	Random Seed for SAEM step. (Needs to be set for reproducibility.) By default this is 99.
nBurn	Number of iterations in the first phase, ie the MCMC/Stochastic Approximation steps. This is equivalent to Monolix's $K_0$ or $K_b$ .
nEm	Number of iterations in the Expectation-Maximization (EM) Step. This is equivalent to Monolix's $K_1$ .
nmc	Number of Markov Chains. By default this is 3. When you increase the number of chains the numerical integration by MC method will be more accurate at the cost of more computation. In Monolix this is equivalent to L.
nu	This is a vector of 3 integers. They represent the numbers of transitions of the three different kernels used in the Hasting-Metropolis algorithm. The default value is $c(2, 2, 2)$ , representing 40 for each transition initially (each value is multiplied by 20). The first value represents the initial number of multi-variate Gibbs samples are taken from a normal distribution.



	<p>The second value represents the number of uni-variate, or multi- dimensional random walk Gibbs samples are taken.</p> <p>The third value represents the number of bootstrap/reshuffling or uni-dimensional random samples are taken.</p>
print	The number it iterations that are completed before anything is printed to the console. By default, this is 1.
trace	An integer indicating if you want to trace(1) the SAEM algorithm process. Useful for debugging, but not for typical fitting.
covMethod	<p>Method for calculating covariance. In this discussion, R is the Hessian matrix of the objective function. The S matrix is the sum of each individual's gradient cross-product (evaluated at the individual empirical Bayes estimates).</p> <p>"linFim" Use the Linearized Fisher Information Matrix to calculate the covariance.</p> <p>"fim" Use the SAEM-calculated Fisher Information Matrix to calculate the covariance.</p> <p>"r, s" Uses the sandwich matrix to calculate the covariance, that is: <math>R^{-1} \times S \times R^{-1}</math></p> <p>"r" Uses the Hessian matrix to calculate the covariance as <math>2 \times R^{-1}</math></p> <p>"s" Uses the crossproduct matrix to calculate the covariance as <math>4 \times S^{-1}</math></p> <p>"" Does not calculate the covariance step.</p>
calcTables	This boolean is to determine if the foceiFit will calculate tables. By default this is TRUE
logLik	boolean indicating that log-likelihood should be calculate by Gaussian quadrature.
nnodesGq	number of nodes to use for the Gaussian quadrature when computing the likelihood with this method (defaults to 1, equivalent to the Laplacian likelihood)
nsdGq	span (in SD) over which to integrate when computing the likelihood by Gaussian quadrature. Defaults to 3 (eg 3 times the SD)
optExpression	Optimize the rxode2 expression to speed up calculation. By default this is turned on.
adjObjf	is a boolean to indicate if the objective function should be adjusted to be closer to NONMEM's default objective function. By default this is TRUE
sumProd	Is a boolean indicating if the model should change multiplication to high precision multiplication and sums to high precision sums using the PreciseSums package. By default this is FALSE.
addProp	<p>specifies the type of additive plus proportional errors, the one where standard deviations add (combined1) or the type where the variances add (combined2).</p> <p>The combined1 error type can be described by the following equation:</p> $y = f + (a + b \cdot f^c) \cdot \text{err}$ <p>The combined2 error model can be described by the following equation:</p> $y = f + \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 \cdot (f^c)^2} \cdot \text{err}$ <p>Where:</p> <p>- y represents the observed value</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- f represents the predicted value</li> <li>- a is the additive standard deviation</li> <li>- b is the proportional/power standard deviation</li> <li>- c is the power exponent (in the proportional case c=1)</li> </ul>
tol	This is the tolerance for the regression models used for complex residual errors (ie add+prop etc)
itmax	This is the maximum number of iterations for the regression models used for complex residual errors. The number of iterations is itmax*number of parameters
type	indicates the type of optimization for the residuals; Can be one of c("nelder-mead", "newuoa")
powRange	This indicates the range that powers can take for residual errors; By default this is 10 indicating the range is c(-10, 10)
lambdaRange	This indicates the range that Box-Cox and Yeo-Johnson parameters are constrained to be; The default is 3 indicating the range c(-3,3)
odeRecalcFactor	The ODE recalculation factor when ODE solving goes bad, this is the factor the rtol/atol is reduced
maxOdeRecalc	Maximum number of times to reduce the ODE tolerances and try to resolve the system if there was a bad ODE solve.
perSa	This is the percent of the time the 'nBurn' iterations in phase runs runs a simulated annealing.
perNoCor	This is the percentage of the MCMC phase of the SAEM algorithm where the variance/covariance matrix has no correlations. By default this is 0.75 or 75 Monte-carlo iteration.
perFixOmega	This is the percentage of the 'nBurn' phase where the omega values are unfixed to allow better exploration of the likelihood surface. After this time, the omegas are fixed during optimization.
perFixResid	This is the percentage of the 'nBurn' phase where the residual components are unfixed to allow better exploration of the likelihood surface.
compress	Should the object have compressed items
rxControl	'rxode2' ODE solving options during fitting, created with 'rxControl()'
sigdig	Specifies the "significant digits" that the ode solving requests. When specified this controls the relative and absolute tolerances of the ODE solvers. By default the tolerance is $0.5 \times 10^{-(\text{sigdig}-2)}$ for regular ODEs. For the sensitivity equations the default is $0.5 \times 10^{-(\text{sigdig}-1.5)}$ (sensitivity changes only applicable for liblsoda). This also controls the atol/rtol of the steady state solutions. The ssAtol/ssRtol is $0.5 \times 10^{-(\text{sigdig})}$ and for the sensitivities $0.5 \times 10^{-(\text{sigdig}+0.625)}$ . By default this is unspecified (NULL) and uses the standard atol/rtol.
sigdigTable	Significant digits in the final output table. If not specified, then it matches the significant digits in the 'sigdig' optimization algorithm. If 'sigdig' is NULL, use 3.

ci	Confidence level for some tables. By default this is 0.95 or 95% confidence.
muRefCov	This controls if mu-referenced covariates in ‘saem’ are handled differently than non mu-referenced covariates. When ‘TRUE’, mu-referenced covariates have special handling. When ‘FALSE’ mu-referenced covariates are treated the same as any other input parameter.
...	Additional arguments passed to <code>nlmixr2est::saemControl()</code> .

**Value**

List of options to be used in `nlmixr2` fit for SAEM.

**Author(s)**

Wenping Wang & Matthew L. Fidler

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set0fv	<i>Set/get Objective function type for a nlmixr2 object</i>
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**Description**

Set/get Objective function type for a nlmixr2 object

**Usage**

```
set0fv(x, type)
```

**Arguments**

x	nlmixr2 fit object
type	Type of objective function to use for AIC, BIC, and \$objective

**Value**

Nothing

**Author(s)**

Matthew L. Fidler

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tableControl	<i>Output table/data.frame options</i>
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**Description**

Output table/data.frame options

**Usage**

```
tableControl(
  npde = NULL,
  cwres = NULL,
  nsim = 300,
  ties = TRUE,
  censMethod = c("truncated-normal", "cdf", "ipred", "pred", "epred", "omit"),
  seed = 1009,
  cholSEtol = (.Machine$double.eps)^(1/3),
  state = TRUE,
  lhs = TRUE,
  eta = TRUE,
  covariates = TRUE,
  addDosing = FALSE,
  subsetNonmem = TRUE,
  cores = NULL,
  keep = NULL,
  drop = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

npde	When TRUE, request npde regardless of the algorithm used.
cwres	When TRUE, request CWRES and FOCEi likelihood regardless of the algorithm used.
nsim	represents the number of simulations. For rxode2, if you supply single subject event tables (created with [eventTable()])
ties	When 'TRUE' jitter prediction-discrepancy points to discourage ties in cdf.
censMethod	Handle censoring method: - "truncated-normal" Simulates from a truncated normal distribution under the assumption of the model and censoring. - "cdf" Use the cdf-method for censoring with npde and use this for any other residuals ('cwres' etc) - "omit" omit the residuals for censoring
seed	an object specifying if and how the random number generator should be initialized
cholSEtol	The tolerance for the 'rxode2::choleSE' function

state	is a Boolean indicating if 'state' values will be included (default 'TRUE')
lhs	is a Boolean indicating if remaining 'lhs' values will be included (default 'TRUE')
eta	is a Boolean indicating if 'eta' values will be included (default 'TRUE')
covariates	is a Boolean indicating if covariates will be included (default 'TRUE')
addDosing	<p>Boolean indicating if the solve should add rxode2 EVID and related columns. This will also include dosing information and estimates at the doses. Be default, rxode2 only includes estimates at the observations. (default FALSE). When addDosing is NULL, only include EVID=0 on solve and exclude any model-times or EVID=2. If addDosing is NA the classic rxode2 EVID events are returned. When addDosing is TRUE add the event information in NONMEM-style format; If subsetNonmem=FALSE rxode2 will also include extra event types (EVID) for ending infusion and modeled times:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EVID=-1 when the modeled rate infusions are turned off (matches rate=-1)</li> <li>• EVID=-2 When the modeled duration infusions are turned off (matches rate=-2)</li> <li>• EVID=-10 When the specified rate infusions are turned off (matches rate&gt;0)</li> <li>• EVID=-20 When the specified dur infusions are turned off (matches dur&gt;0)</li> <li>• EVID=101, 102, 103, . . . Modeled time where 101 is the first model time, 102 is the second etc.</li> </ul>
subsetNonmem	subset to NONMEM compatible EVIDs only. By default TRUE.
cores	Number of cores used in parallel ODE solving. This is equivalent to calling <a href="#">setRxThreads()</a>
keep	is the keep sent to the table
drop	is the dropped variables sent to the table

### Details

If you ever want to add CWRES/FOCEi objective function you can use the [addCwres](#)

If you ever want to add NPDE/EPRED columns you can use the [addNpde](#)

### Value

A list of table options for nlmixr2

### Author(s)

Matthew L. Fidler

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traceplot	<i>Produce trace-plot for fit if applicable</i>
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**Description**

Produce trace-plot for fit if applicable

**Usage**

```
traceplot(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	fit object
...	Additional arguments passed to <code>nlmixr2plot::traceplot()</code> .

**Value**

Fit traceplot or nothing.

**Author(s)**

Rik Schoemaker, Wenping Wang & Matthew L. Fidler

**Examples**

```
library(nlmixr2est)
## The basic model consists of an ini block that has initial estimates
one.compartment <- function() {
  ini({
    tka <- 0.45 # Log Ka
    tcl <- 1 # Log Cl
    tv <- 3.45 # Log V
    eta.ka ~ 0.6
    eta.cl ~ 0.3
    eta.v ~ 0.1
    add.sd <- 0.7
  })
  # and a model block with the error specification and model specification
  model({
    ka <- exp(tka + eta.ka)
    cl <- exp(tcl + eta.cl)
    v <- exp(tv + eta.v)
    d/dt(depot) = -ka * depot
    d/dt(center) = ka * depot - cl / v * center
    cp = center / v
    cp ~ add(add.sd)
  })
}
```

```

    })
  }

  ## The fit is performed by the function nlmixr/nlmix2 specifying the model, data and estimate
  fit <- nlmixr2(one.compartment, theo_sd, est="saem", saemControl(print=0))

  # This shows the traceplot of the fit (useful for saem)
  traceplot(fit)

```

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vpcCens *VPC based on ui model*

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### Description

VPC based on ui model

### Usage

```
vpcCens(..., cens = TRUE, idv = "time")
```

### Arguments

...	Additional arguments passed to <code>nlmixr2plot::vpcCens()</code> .
cens	is a boolean to show if this is a censoring plot or not. When <code>cens=TRUE</code> this is actually a censoring vpc plot (with <code>vpcCens()</code> and <code>vpcCensTad()</code> ). When <code>cens=FALSE</code> this is traditional VPC plot ( <code>vpcPlot()</code> and <code>vpcPlotTad()</code> ).
idv	Name of independent variable. For <code>vpcPlot()</code> and <code>vpcCens()</code> the default is "time" for <code>vpcPlotTad()</code> and <code>vpcCensTad()</code> this is "tad"

### Value

Simulated dataset (invisibly)

### Author(s)

Matthew L. Fidler

### Examples

```

one.cmt <- function() {
  ini({
    ## You may label each parameter with a comment
    tka <- 0.45 # Log Ka
    tc1 <- log(c(0, 2.7, 100)) # Log C1
    ## This works with interactive models
    ## You may also label the preceding line with label("label text")

```

```

tv <- 3.45; label("log V")
## the label("Label name") works with all models
eta.ka ~ 0.6
eta.cl ~ 0.3
eta.v ~ 0.1
add.sd <- 0.7
})
model({
ka <- exp(tka + eta.ka)
cl <- exp(tcl + eta.cl)
v <- exp(tv + eta.v)
linCmt() ~ add(add.sd)
})
}

fit <- nlmixr2est::nlmixr(one.cmt, nlmixr2data::theo_sd, est="focei")

vpcPlot(fit)

```

---

vpcCensTad

*VPC based on ui model*


---

### Description

VPC based on ui model

### Usage

```
vpcCensTad(..., cens = TRUE, idv = "tad")
```

### Arguments

...	Additional arguments passed to <code>nlmixr2plot::vpcCensTad()</code> .
cens	is a boolean to show if this is a censoring plot or not. When <code>cens=TRUE</code> this is actually a censoring vpc plot (with <code>vpcCens()</code> and <code>vpcCensTad()</code> ). When <code>cens=FALSE</code> this is traditional VPC plot ( <code>vpcPlot()</code> and <code>vpcPlotTad()</code> ).
idv	Name of independent variable. For <code>vpcPlot()</code> and <code>vpcCens()</code> the default is "time" for <code>vpcPlotTad()</code> and <code>vpcCensTad()</code> this is "tad"

### Value

Simulated dataset (invisibly)

### Author(s)

Matthew L. Fidler



## Examples

```
one.cmt <- function() {
  ini({
    ## You may label each parameter with a comment
    tka <- 0.45 # Log Ka
    tcl <- log(c(0, 2.7, 100)) # Log Cl
    ## This works with interactive models
    ## You may also label the preceding line with label("label text")
    tv <- 3.45; label("log V")
    ## the label("Label name") works with all models
    eta.ka ~ 0.6
    eta.cl ~ 0.3
    eta.v ~ 0.1
    add.sd <- 0.7
  })
  model({
    ka <- exp(tka + eta.ka)
    cl <- exp(tcl + eta.cl)
    v <- exp(tv + eta.v)
    linCmt() ~ add(add.sd)
  })
}

fit <- nlmixr2est::nlmixr(one.cmt, nlmixr2data::theo_sd, est="focei")

vpcPlot(fit)
```

---

vpcPlot

*VPC based on ui model*

---

## Description

VPC based on ui model

## Usage

```
vpcPlot(
  fit,
  data = NULL,
  n = 300,
  bins = "jenks",
  n_bins = "auto",
  bin_mid = "mean",
  show = NULL,
  stratify = NULL,
  pred_corr = FALSE,
```

```

pred_corr_lower_bnd = 0,
pi = c(0.05, 0.95),
ci = c(0.05, 0.95),
uloq = fit$dataUloq,
lloq = fit$dataLloq,
log_y = FALSE,
log_y_min = 0.001,
xlab = NULL,
ylab = NULL,
title = NULL,
smooth = TRUE,
vpc_theme = NULL,
facet = "wrap",
scales = "fixed",
labeller = NULL,
vpcdb = FALSE,
verbose = FALSE,
...,
seed = 1009,
idv = "time",
cens = FALSE
)

```

### Arguments

<code>fit</code>	nlmixr2 fit object
<code>data</code>	this is the data to use to augment the VPC fit. By default is the fitted data, (can be retrieved by <a href="#">getData</a> ), but it can be changed by specifying this argument.
<code>n</code>	Number of VPC simulations. By default 100
<code>bins</code>	either "density", "time", or "data", "none", or one of the approaches available in <code>classInterval()</code> such as "jenks" (default) or "pretty", or a numeric vector specifying the bin separators.
<code>n_bins</code>	when using the "auto" binning method, what number of bins to aim for
<code>bin_mid</code>	either "mean" for the mean of all timepoints (default) or "middle" to use the average of the bin boundaries.
<code>show</code>	what to show in VPC (obs_dv, obs_ci, pi, pi_as_area, pi_ci, obs_median, sim_median, sim_median_ci)
<code>stratify</code>	character vector of stratification variables. Only 1 or 2 stratification variables can be supplied.
<code>pred_corr</code>	perform prediction-correction?
<code>pred_corr_lower_bnd</code>	lower bound for the prediction-correction
<code>pi</code>	simulated prediction interval to plot. Default is <code>c(0.05, 0.95)</code> ,
<code>ci</code>	confidence interval to plot. Default is <code>(0.05, 0.95)</code>
<code>uloq</code>	Number or NULL indicating upper limit of quantification. Default is NULL.

lloq	Number or NULL indicating lower limit of quantification. Default is NULL.
log_y	Boolean indicating whether y-axis should be shown as logarithmic. Default is FALSE.
log_y_min	minimal value when using log_y argument. Default is 1e-3.
xlab	label for x axis
ylab	label for y axis
title	title
smooth	"smooth" the VPC (connect bin midpoints) or show bins as rectangular boxes. Default is TRUE.
vpc_theme	theme to be used in VPC. Expects list of class vpc_theme created with function vpc_theme()
facet	either "wrap", "columns", or "rows"
scales	either "fixed" (default), "free_y", "free_x" or "free"
labeller	ggplot2 labeller function to be passed to underlying ggplot object
vpcdb	Boolean whether to return the underlying vpcdb rather than the plot
verbose	show debugging information (TRUE or FALSE)
...	Additional arguments passed to <code>nlmixr2plot::vpcPlot()</code> .
seed	an object specifying if and how the random number generator should be initialized
idv	Name of independent variable. For vpcPlot() and vpcCens() the default is "time" for vpcPlotTad() and vpcCensTad() this is "tad"
cens	is a boolean to show if this is a censoring plot or not. When cens=TRUE this is actually a censoring vpc plot (with vpcCens() and vpcCensTad()). When cens=FALSE this is traditional VPC plot (vpcPlot() and vpcPlotTad()).

**Value**

Simulated dataset (invisibly)

**Author(s)**

Matthew L. Fidler

**Examples**

```
one.cmt <- function() {
  ini({
    ## You may label each parameter with a comment
    tka <- 0.45 # Log Ka
    tc1 <- log(c(0, 2.7, 100)) # Log C1
    ## This works with interactive models
    ## You may also label the preceding line with label("label text")
    tv <- 3.45; label("log V")
    ## the label("Label name") works with all models
  })
}
```

```
eta.ka ~ 0.6
eta.cl ~ 0.3
eta.v ~ 0.1
add.sd <- 0.7
})
model({
  ka <- exp(tka + eta.ka)
  cl <- exp(tcl + eta.cl)
  v <- exp(tv + eta.v)
  linCmt() ~ add(add.sd)
})
}

fit <- nlmixr2est::nlmixr(one.cmt, nlmixr2data::theo_sd, est="focei")

vpcPlot(fit)
```

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vpcPlotTad

*VPC based on ui model*

---

### Description

VPC based on ui model

### Usage

```
vpcPlotTad(..., idv = "tad")
```

### Arguments

... Additional arguments passed to `nlmixr2plot::vpcPlotTad()`.

idv Name of independent variable. For `vpcPlot()` and `vpcCens()` the default is "time" for `vpcPlotTad()` and `vpcCensTad()` this is "tad"

### Value

Simulated dataset (invisibly)

### Author(s)

Matthew L. Fidler

## Examples

```
one.cmt <- function() {
  ini({
    ## You may label each parameter with a comment
    tka <- 0.45 # Log Ka
    tcl <- log(c(0, 2.7, 100)) # Log Cl
    ## This works with interactive models
    ## You may also label the preceding line with label("label text")
    tv <- 3.45; label("log V")
    ## the label("Label name") works with all models
    eta.ka ~ 0.6
    eta.cl ~ 0.3
    eta.v ~ 0.1
    add.sd <- 0.7
  })
  model({
    ka <- exp(tka + eta.ka)
    cl <- exp(tcl + eta.cl)
    v <- exp(tv + eta.v)
    linCmt() ~ add(add.sd)
  })
}

fit <- nlmixr2est::nlmixr(one.cmt, nlmixr2data::theo_sd, est="focei")

vpcPlot(fit)
```

---

vpcSim

*VPC simulation*

---

## Description

VPC simulation

## Usage

```
vpcSim(
  object,
  ...,
  keep = NULL,
  n = 300,
  pred = FALSE,
  seed = 1009,
  nretry = 50,
  normRelated = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

object	This is the nlmixr2 fit object
...	Additional arguments passed to <code>nlmixr2est::vpcSim()</code> .
keep	Keep character vector
n	Number of simulations
pred	Should predictions be added to the simulation
seed	Seed to set for the VPC simulation
nretry	Number of times to retry the simulation if there is NA values in the simulation
normRelated	should the VPC style simulation be for normal related variables only

**Value**

data frame of the VPC simulation

**Author(s)**

Matthew L. Fidler

**Examples**

```
one.cmt <- function() {
  ini({
    ## You may label each parameter with a comment
    tka <- 0.45 # Log Ka
    tcl <- log(c(0, 2.7, 100)) # Log Cl
    ## This works with interactive models
    ## You may also label the preceding line with label("label text")
    tv <- 3.45; label("log V")
    ## the label("Label name") works with all models
    eta.ka ~ 0.6
    eta.cl ~ 0.3
    eta.v ~ 0.1
    add.sd <- 0.7
  })
  model({
    ka <- exp(tka + eta.ka)
    cl <- exp(tcl + eta.cl)
    v <- exp(tv + eta.v)
    linCmt() ~ add(add.sd)
  })
}

fit <- nlmixr(one.cmt, theo_sd, est="focei")

head(vpcSim(fit, pred=TRUE))
```

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