# Package 'mkin'

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add\_err

Add normally distributed errors to simulated kinetic degradation data

# **Description**

Normally distributed errors are added to data predicted for a specific degradation model using mkinpredict. The variance of the error may depend on the predicted value and is specified as a standard deviation.

# Usage

```
add_err(
   prediction,
   sdfunc,
   secondary = c("M1", "M2"),
   n = 10,
   LOD = 0.1,
   reps = 2,
   digits = 1,
   seed = NA
)
```

### **Arguments**

prediction	A prediction from a kinetic model as produced by mkinpredict.
sdfunc	A function taking the predicted value as its only argument and returning a standard deviation that should be used for generating the random error terms for this value.
secondary	The names of state variables that should have an initial value of zero
n	The number of datasets to be generated.
LOD	The limit of detection (LOD). Values that are below the LOD after adding the random error will be set to NA.
reps	The number of replicates to be generated within the datasets.
digits	The number of digits to which the values will be rounded.
seed	The seed used for the generation of random numbers. If NA, the seed is not set.

### Value

A list of datasets compatible with mmkin, i.e. the components of the list are datasets compatible with mkinfit.

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#### Author(s)

Johannes Ranke

#### References

Ranke J and Lehmann R (2015) To t-test or not to t-test, that is the question. XV Symposium on Pesticide Chemistry 2-4 September 2015, Piacenza, Italy https://jrwb.de/posters/piacenza\_2015.pdf

```
# The kinetic model
m_SF0_SF0 <- mkinmod(parent = mkinsub("SF0", "M1"),</pre>
                     M1 = mkinsub("SFO"), use_of_ff = "max")
# Generate a prediction for a specific set of parameters
sampling_times = c(0, 1, 3, 7, 14, 28, 60, 90, 120)
# This is the prediction used for the "Type 2 datasets" on the Piacenza poster
# from 2015
d_SF0_SF0 <- mkinpredict(m_SF0_SF0,</pre>
                         c(k_parent = 0.1, f_parent_to_M1 = 0.5,
                           k_M1 = \log(2)/1000,
                         c(parent = 100, M1 = 0),
                         sampling_times)
# Add an error term with a constant (independent of the value) standard deviation
# of 10, and generate three datasets
d_SF0_SF0_err <- add_err(d_SF0_SF0, function(x) 10, n = 3, seed = 123456789)
# Name the datasets for nicer plotting
names(d_SF0_SF0_err) <- paste("Dataset", 1:3)</pre>
# Name the model in the list of models (with only one member in this case) for
# nicer plotting later on. Be quiet and use only one core not to offend CRAN
# checks
## Not run:
f_SF0_SF0 <- mmkin(list("SF0-SF0" = m_SF0_SF0),
                   d_SF0_SF0_err, cores = 1,
                   quiet = TRUE)
plot(f_SF0_SF0)
# We would like to inspect the fit for dataset 3 more closely
# Using double brackets makes the returned object an mkinfit object
# instead of a list of mkinfit objects, so plot.mkinfit is used
plot(f_SF0_SF0[[3]], show_residuals = TRUE)
# If we use single brackets, we should give two indices (model and dataset),
# and plot.mmkin is used
plot(f_SF0_SF0[1, 3])
## End(Not run)
```

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AIC.mmkin

Calculate the AIC for a column of an mmkin object

### Description

Provides a convenient way to compare different kinetic models fitted to the same dataset.

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mmkin'
AIC(object, ..., k = 2)
## S3 method for class 'mmkin'
BIC(object, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

object An object of class mmkin, containing only one column.
... For compatibility with the generic method
k As in the generic method

### Value

As in the generic method (a numeric value for single fits, or a dataframe if there are several fits in the column).

#### Author(s)

Johannes Ranke

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```
BIC(f[, "FOCUS A"])  # Comparing the BIC gives a very similar picture

# For FOCUS C, the more complex models fit better
AIC(f[, "FOCUS C"])
BIC(f[, "FOCUS C"])

## End(Not run)
```

anova.saem.mmkin

Anova method for saem.mmkin objects

#### **Description**

Generate an anova object. The method to calculate the BIC is that from the saemix package. As in other prominent anova methods, models are sorted by number of parameters, and the tests (if requested) are always relative to the model on the previous line.

### Usage

#### **Arguments**

object An saem.mmkin object
... further such objects

method Method for likelihood calculation: "is" (importance sampling), "lin" (linear approximation), or "gq" (Gaussian quadrature). Passed to saemix::logLik.SaemixObject

test Should a likelihood ratio test be performed? If TRUE, the alternative models are tested against the first model. Should only be done for nested models.

Optional character vector of model names

### Value

```
an "anova" data frame; the traditional (S3) result of anova()
```

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Calculate Akaike weights for model averaging

aw

### Description

Akaike weights are calculated based on the relative expected Kullback-Leibler information as specified by Burnham and Anderson (2004).

### Usage

```
aw(object, ...)
## S3 method for class 'mkinfit'
aw(object, ...)
## S3 method for class 'mmkin'
aw(object, ...)
## S3 method for class 'mixed.mmkin'
aw(object, ...)
## S3 method for class 'multistart'
aw(object, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

object

An mmkin column object, containing two or more mkinfit models that have been fitted to the same data, or an mkinfit object. In the latter case, further mkinfit objects fitted to the same data should be specified as dots arguments.

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Not used in the method for mmkin column objects, further mkinfit objects in the method for mkinfit objects.

#### References

Burnham KP and Anderson DR (2004) Multimodel Inference: Understanding AIC and BIC in Model Selection. *Sociological Methods & Research* **33**(2) 261-304

```
## Not run:
f_sfo <- mkinfit("SFO", FOCUS_2006_D, quiet = TRUE)
f_dfop <- mkinfit("DFOP", FOCUS_2006_D, quiet = TRUE)
aw_sfo_dfop <- aw(f_sfo, f_dfop)
sum(aw_sfo_dfop)
aw_sfo_dfop # SFO gets more weight as it has less parameters and a similar fit
f <- mmkin(c("SFO", "FOMC", "DFOP"), list("FOCUS D" = FOCUS_2006_D), cores = 1, quiet = TRUE)
aw(f)
sum(aw(f))</pre>
```

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```
aw(f[c("SFO", "DFOP")])
## End(Not run)
```

CAKE\_export

Export a list of datasets format to a CAKE study file

# Description

In addition to the datasets, the pathways in the degradation model can be specified as well.

### Usage

```
CAKE_export(
   ds,
   map = c(parent = "Parent"),
   links = NA,
   filename = "CAKE_export.csf",
   path = ".",
   overwrite = FALSE,
   study = "Degradinol aerobic soil degradation",
   description = "",
   time_unit = "days",
   res_unit = "% AR",
   comment = "",
   date = Sys.Date(),
   optimiser = "IRLS"
)
```

#### **Arguments**

ds	A named list of datasets in long format as compatible with mkinfit.
map	A character vector with CAKE compartment names (Parent, $A1,$ ), named with the names used in the list of datasets.
links	An optional character vector of target compartments, named with the names of the source compartments. In order to make this easier, the names are used as in the datasets supplied.
filename	Where to write the result. Should end in .csf in order to be compatible with CAKE.
path	An optional path to the output file.
overwrite	If TRUE, existing files are overwritten.
study	The name of the study.
description	An optional description.
time_unit	The time unit for the residue data.
res_unit	The unit used for the residues.

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comment An optional comment.

date The date of file creation.

optimiser Can be OLS or IRLS.

#### Value

The function is called for its side effect.

### Author(s)

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check\_failed

Check if fit within an mhmkin object failed

### **Description**

Check if fit within an mhmkin object failed

### Usage

check\_failed(x)

### **Arguments**

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The object to be checked

confint.mkinfit

Confidence intervals for parameters of mkinfit objects

### **Description**

The default method 'quadratic' is based on the quadratic approximation of the curvature of the likelihood function at the maximum likelihood parameter estimates. The alternative method 'profile' is based on the profile likelihood for each parameter. The 'profile' method uses two nested optimisations and can take a very long time, even if parallelized by specifying 'cores' on unixoid platforms. The speed of the method could likely be improved by using the method of Venzon and Moolgavkar (1988). confint.mkinfit 11

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mkinfit'
confint(
  object,
  parm,
  level = 0.95,
  alpha = 1 - level,
  cutoff,
  method = c("quadratic", "profile"),
  transformed = TRUE,
  backtransform = TRUE,
  cores = parallel::detectCores(),
  rel_tol = 0.01,
  quiet = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

# Arguments

_	
object	An mkinfit object
parm	A vector of names of the parameters which are to be given confidence intervals. If missing, all parameters are considered.
level	The confidence level required
alpha	The allowed error probability, overrides 'level' if specified.
cutoff	Possibility to specify an alternative cutoff for the difference in the log-likelihoods at the confidence boundary. Specifying an explicit cutoff value overrides arguments 'level' and 'alpha'
method	The 'quadratic' method approximates the likelihood function at the optimised parameters using the second term of the Taylor expansion, using a second derivative (hessian) contained in the object. The 'profile' method searches the parameter space for the cutoff of the confidence intervals by means of a likelihood ratio test.
transformed	If the quadratic approximation is used, should it be applied to the likelihood based on the transformed parameters?
backtransform	If we approximate the likelihood in terms of the transformed parameters, should we backtransform the parameters with their confidence intervals?
cores	The number of cores to be used for multicore processing. On Windows machines, cores > 1 is currently not supported.
rel_tol	If the method is 'profile', what should be the accuracy of the lower and upper bounds, relative to the estimate obtained from the quadratic method?
quiet	Should we suppress the message "Profiling the likelihood"
	Not used

### Value

A matrix with columns giving lower and upper confidence limits for each parameter.

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#### References

Bates DM and Watts GW (1988) Nonlinear regression analysis & its applications

Pawitan Y (2013) In all likelihood - Statistical modelling and inference using likelihood. Clarendon Press, Oxford.

Venzon DJ and Moolgavkar SH (1988) A Method for Computing Profile-Likelihood Based Confidence Intervals, Applied Statistics, 37, 87–94.

```
f <- mkinfit("SFO", FOCUS_2006_C, quiet = TRUE)</pre>
confint(f, method = "quadratic")
## Not run:
confint(f, method = "profile")
# Set the number of cores for the profiling method for further examples
if (identical(Sys.getenv("NOT_CRAN"), "true")) {
 n_cores <- parallel::detectCores() - 1</pre>
} else {
 n_cores <- 1
if (Sys.getenv("TRAVIS") != "") n_cores = 1
if (Sys.info()["sysname"] == "Windows") n_cores = 1
SFO_SFO <- mkinmod(parent = mkinsub("SFO", "m1"), m1 = mkinsub("SFO"),</pre>
 use_of_ff = "min", quiet = TRUE)
SFO_SFO.ff <- mkinmod(parent = mkinsub("SFO", "m1"), m1 = mkinsub("SFO"),</pre>
 use_of_ff = "max", quiet = TRUE)
f_d_1 <- mkinfit(SFO_SFO, subset(FOCUS_2006_D, value != 0), quiet = TRUE)
system.time(ci_profile <- confint(f_d_1, method = "profile", cores = 1, quiet = TRUE))
# Using more cores does not save much time here, as parent_0 takes up most of the time
# If we additionally exclude parent_0 (the confidence of which is often of
# minor interest), we get a nice performance improvement if we use at least 4 cores
system.time(ci_profile_no_parent_0 <- confint(f_d_1, method = "profile",</pre>
 c("k_parent_sink", "k_parent_m1", "k_m1_sink", "sigma"), cores = n_cores))
ci_profile
ci_quadratic_transformed <- confint(f_d_1, method = "quadratic")</pre>
ci_quadratic_transformed
ci_quadratic_untransformed <- confint(f_d_1, method = "quadratic", transformed = FALSE)
ci_quadratic_untransformed
# Against the expectation based on Bates and Watts (1988), the confidence
# intervals based on the internal parameter transformation are less
# congruent with the likelihood based intervals. Note the superiority of the
# interval based on the untransformed fit for k_m1_sink
rel_diffs_transformed <- abs((ci_quadratic_transformed - ci_profile)/ci_profile)</pre>
rel_diffs_untransformed <- abs((ci_quadratic_untransformed - ci_profile)/ci_profile)
rel_diffs_transformed < rel_diffs_untransformed</pre>
signif(rel_diffs_transformed, 3)
signif(rel_diffs_untransformed, 3)
```

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```
# Investigate a case with formation fractions
f_d_2 <- mkinfit(SFO_SFO.ff, subset(FOCUS_2006_D, value != 0), quiet = TRUE)
ci_profile_ff <- confint(f_d_2, method = "profile", cores = n_cores)</pre>
ci_profile_ff
ci_quadratic_transformed_ff <- confint(f_d_2, method = "quadratic")</pre>
ci_quadratic_transformed_ff
ci_quadratic_untransformed_ff \leftarrow confint(f_d_2, method = "quadratic", transformed = FALSE)
ci_quadratic_untransformed_ff
rel_diffs_transformed_ff <- abs((ci_quadratic_transformed_ff - ci_profile_ff)/ci_profile_ff)
rel_diffs_untransformed_ff <- abs((ci_quadratic_untransformed_ff - ci_profile_ff)/ci_profile_ff)
# While the confidence interval for the parent rate constant is closer to
# the profile based interval when using the internal parameter
# transformation, the interval for the metabolite rate constant is 'better
# without internal parameter transformation.
rel_diffs_transformed_ff < rel_diffs_untransformed_ff</pre>
rel_diffs_transformed_ff
rel_diffs_untransformed_ff
# The profiling for the following fit does not finish in a reasonable time,
# therefore we use the quadratic approximation
m_synth_DFOP_par <- mkinmod(parent = mkinsub("DFOP", c("M1", "M2")),</pre>
 M1 = mkinsub("SF0"),
 M2 = mkinsub("SFO"),
 use_of_ff = "max", quiet = TRUE)
DFOP_par_c <- synthetic_data_for_UBA_2014[[12]]$data</pre>
f_tc_2 <- mkinfit(m_synth_DFOP_par, DFOP_par_c, error_model = "tc",</pre>
 error_model_algorithm = "direct", quiet = TRUE)
confint(f_tc_2, method = "quadratic")
confint(f_tc_2, "parent_0", method = "quadratic")
## End(Not run)
```

create\_deg\_func

Create degradation functions for known analytical solutions

### **Description**

Create degradation functions for known analytical solutions

### Usage

```
create_deg_func(spec, use_of_ff = c("min", "max"))
```

### **Arguments**

spec List of model specifications as contained in mkinmod objects

use\_of\_ff Minimum or maximum use of formation fractions

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#### Value

Degradation function to be attached to mkinmod objects

### **Examples**

```
SF0_SF0 <- mkinmod(</pre>
  parent = mkinsub("SFO", "m1"),
  m1 = mkinsub("SFO"))
FOCUS_D <- subset(FOCUS_2006_D, value != 0) # to avoid warnings
fit_1 <- mkinfit(SFO_SFO, FOCUS_D, solution_type = "analytical", quiet = TRUE)
fit_2 <- mkinfit(SF0_SF0, FOCUS_D, solution_type = "deSolve", quiet = TRUE)</pre>
if (require(rbenchmark))
  benchmark(
    analytical = mkinfit(SFO_SFO, FOCUS_D, solution_type = "analytical", quiet = TRUE),
    deSolve = mkinfit(SFO_SFO, FOCUS_D, solution_type = "deSolve", quiet = TRUE),
    replications = 2)
  DFOP_SFO <- mkinmod(
    parent = mkinsub("DFOP", "m1"),
    m1 = mkinsub("SF0"))
  benchmark(
    analytical = mkinfit(DFOP_SFO, FOCUS_D, solution_type = "analytical", quiet = TRUE),
    deSolve = mkinfit(DFOP_SFO, FOCUS_D, solution_type = "deSolve", quiet = TRUE),
    replications = 2)
## End(Not run)
```

D24\_2014

Aerobic soil degradation data on 2,4-D from the EU assessment in 2014

### **Description**

The five datasets were extracted from the active substance evaluation dossier published by EFSA. Kinetic evaluations shown for these datasets are intended to illustrate and advance kinetic modelling. The fact that these data and some results are shown here does not imply a license to use them in the context of pesticide registrations, as the use of the data may be constrained by data protection regulations.

# Usage

D24\_2014

#### **Format**

An mkindsg object grouping five datasets

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#### **Details**

Data for the first dataset are from p. 685. Data for the other four datasets were used in the preprocessed versions given in the kinetics section (p. 761ff.), with the exception of residues smaller than 1 for DCP in the soil from Site I2, where the values given on p. 694 were used.

The R code used to create this data object is installed with this package in the 'dataset\_generation' directory. In the code, page numbers are given for specific pieces of information in the comments.

#### Source

Hellenic Ministry of Rural Development and Agriculture (2014) Final addendum to the Renewal Assessment Report - public version - 2,4-D Volume 3 Annex B.8 Fate and behaviour in the environment https://open.efsa.europa.eu/study-inventory/EFSA-Q-2013-00811

### **Examples**

```
print(D24_2014)
## Not run:
print(D24_2014$ds[[1]], data = TRUE)
m_D24 = mkinmod(D24 = mkinsub("SFO", to = "DCP"),
    DCP = mkinsub("SFO", to = "DCA"),
    DCA = mkinsub("SFO"))
print(m_D24)
m_D24_2 = mkinmod(D24 = mkinsub("DFOP", to = "DCP"),
    DCP = mkinsub("SFO", to = "DCA"),
    DCA = mkinsub("SFO"))
print(m_D24_2)
## End(Not run)
```

DFOP.solution

Double First-Order in Parallel kinetics

### **Description**

Function describing decline from a defined starting value using the sum of two exponential decline functions.

#### Usage

```
DFOP.solution(t, parent_0, k1, k2, g)
```

### Arguments

t	Time.
parent_0	Starting value for the response variable at time zero.
k1	First kinetic constant.
k2	Second kinetic constant.
g	Fraction of the starting value declining according to the first kinetic constant.

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#### Value

The value of the response variable at time t.

#### References

FOCUS (2006) "Guidance Document on Estimating Persistence and Degradation Kinetics from Environmental Fate Studies on Pesticides in EU Registration" Report of the FOCUS Work Group on Degradation Kinetics, EC Document Reference Sanco/10058/2005 version 2.0, 434 pp, http://esdac.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/degradation-kinetics FOCUS (2014) "Generic guidance for Estimating Persistence and Degradation Kinetics from Environmental Fate Studies on Pesticides in EU Registration" Report of the FOCUS Work Group on Degradation Kinetics, Version 1.1, 18 December 2014 http://esdac.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/degradation-kinetics

#### See Also

```
Other parent solutions: FOMC.solution(), HS.solution(), IORE.solution(), SFO.solution(), SFORB.solution(), logistic.solution()
```

#### **Examples**

```
plot(function(x) DFOP.solution(x, 100, 5, 0.5, 0.3), 0, 4, ylim = c(0,100))
```

dimethenamid\_2018

Aerobic soil degradation data on dimethenamid and dimethenamid-P from the EU assessment in 2018

### **Description**

The datasets were extracted from the active substance evaluation dossier published by EFSA. Kinetic evaluations shown for these datasets are intended to illustrate and advance kinetic modelling. The fact that these data and some results are shown here does not imply a license to use them in the context of pesticide registrations, as the use of the data may be constrained by data protection regulations.

#### Usage

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#### **Format**

An mkindsg object grouping seven datasets with some meta information

#### **Details**

The R code used to create this data object is installed with this package in the 'dataset\_generation' directory. In the code, page numbers are given for specific pieces of information in the comments.

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#### Source

Rapporteur Member State Germany, Co-Rapporteur Member State Bulgaria (2018) Renewal Assessment Report Dimethenamid-P Volume 3 - B.8 Environmental fate and behaviour Rev. 2 - November 2017 https://open.efsa.europa.eu/study-inventory/EFSA-Q-2014-00716

```
print(dimethenamid_2018)
dmta_ds <- lapply(1:7, function(i) {</pre>
 ds_i <- dimethenamid_2018$ds[[i]]$data</pre>
 ds_i[ds_i$name == "DMTAP", "name"] <- "DMTA"</pre>
 ds_i$time <- ds_i$time * dimethenamid_2018$f_time_norm[i]</pre>
 ds_i
})
names(dmta_ds) <- sapply(dimethenamid_2018$ds, function(ds) ds$title)</pre>
dmta_ds[["Elliot"]] <- rbind(dmta_ds[["Elliot 1"]], dmta_ds[["Elliot 2"]])</pre>
dmta_ds[["Elliot 1"]] <- NULL
dmta_ds[["Elliot 2"]] <- NULL</pre>
## Not run:
# We don't use DFOP for the parent compound, as this gives numerical
# instabilities in the fits
sfo_sfo3p <- mkinmod(
DMTA = mkinsub("SFO", c("M23", "M27", "M31")),
M23 = mkinsub("SF0"),
M27 = mkinsub("SFO"),
M31 = mkinsub("SFO", "M27", sink = FALSE),
quiet = TRUE
dmta_sfo_sfo3p_tc <- mmkin(list("SFO-SFO3+" = sfo_sfo3p),</pre>
 dmta_ds, error_model = "tc", quiet = TRUE)
print(dmta_sfo_sfo3p_tc)
# The default (test_log_parms = FALSE) gives an undue
# influence of ill-defined rate constants that have
# extremely small values:
plot(mixed(dmta_sfo_sfo3p_tc), test_log_parms = FALSE)
# If we disregards ill-defined rate constants, the results
# look more plausible, but the truth is likely to be in
# between these variants
plot(mixed(dmta_sfo_sfo3p_tc), test_log_parms = TRUE)
# We can also specify a default value for the failing
# log parameters, to mimic FOCUS guidance
plot(mixed(dmta_sfo_sfo3p_tc), test_log_parms = TRUE,
 default_log_parms = log(2)/1000)
# As these attempts are not satisfying, we use nonlinear mixed-effects models
# f_dmta_nlme_tc <- nlme(dmta_sfo_sfo3p_tc)</pre>
# nlme reaches maxIter = 50 without convergence
f_dmta_saem_tc <- saem(dmta_sfo_sfo3p_tc)</pre>
# I am commenting out the convergence plot as rendering them
# with pkgdown fails (at least without further tweaks to the
# graphics device used)
#saemix::plot(f_dmta_saem_tc$so, plot.type = "convergence")
summary(f_dmta_saem_tc)
```

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```
# As the confidence interval for the random effects of DMTA_0
# includes zero, we could try an alternative model without
# such random effects
# f_dmta_saem_tc_2 <- saem(dmta_sfo_sfo3p_tc,
# covariance.model = diag(c(0, rep(1, 7))))
# saemix::plot(f_dmta_saem_tc_2$so, plot.type = "convergence")
# This does not perform better judged by AIC and BIC
# saemix::compare.saemix(f_dmta_saem_tc$so, f_dmta_saem_tc_2$so)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

ds\_mixed

Synthetic data for hierarchical kinetic degradation models

### **Description**

The R code used to create this data object is installed with this package in the 'dataset\_generation' directory.

### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
    sfo_mmkin <- mmkin("SFO", ds_sfo, quiet = TRUE, error_model = "tc", cores = 15)
    sfo_saem <- saem(sfo_mmkin, no_random_effect = "parent_0")
    plot(sfo_saem)

## End(Not run)

# This is the code used to generate the datasets
cat(readLines(system.file("dataset_generation/ds_mixed.R", package = "mkin")), sep = "\n")</pre>
```

endpoints

Function to calculate endpoints for further use from kinetic models fitted with mkinfit

### **Description**

This function calculates DT50 and DT90 values as well as formation fractions from kinetic models fitted with mkinfit. If the SFORB model was specified for one of the parents or metabolites, the Eigenvalues are returned. These are equivalent to the rate constants of the DFOP model, but with the advantage that the SFORB model can also be used for metabolites.

### Usage

```
endpoints(fit, covariates = NULL, covariate_quantile = 0.5)
```

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### **Arguments**

fit

An object of class mkinfit, nlme.mmkin or saem.mmkin, or another object that has list components mkinmod containing an mkinmod degradation model, and two numeric vectors, bparms.optim and bparms.fixed, that contain parameter values for that model.

covariates

Numeric vector with covariate values for all variables in any covariate models in the object. If given, it overrides 'covariate\_quantile'.

covariate\_quantile

This argument only has an effect if the fitted object has covariate models. If so, the default is to show endpoints for the median of the covariate values (50th percentile).

#### Details

Additional DT50 values are calculated from the FOMC DT90 and k1 and k2 from HS and DFOP, as well as from Eigenvalues b1 and b2 of any SFORB models

#### Value

A list with a matrix of dissipation times named distimes, and, if applicable, a vector of formation fractions named ff and, if the SFORB model was in use, a vector of eigenvalues of these SFORB models, equivalent to DFOP rate constants

#### Note

The function is used internally by summary.mkinfit, summary.nlme.mmkin and summary.saem.mmkin.

#### Author(s)

Johannes Ranke

```
fit <- mkinfit("FOMC", FOCUS_2006_C, quiet = TRUE)
endpoints(fit)
## Not run:
   fit_2 <- mkinfit("DFOP", FOCUS_2006_C, quiet = TRUE)
   endpoints(fit_2)
   fit_3 <- mkinfit("SFORB", FOCUS_2006_C, quiet = TRUE)
   endpoints(fit_3)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

experimental\_data\_for\_UBA\_2019

Experimental datasets used for development and testing of error models

#### **Description**

The 12 datasets were extracted from active substance evaluation dossiers published by EFSA. Kinetic evaluations shown for these datasets are intended to illustrate and advance error model specifications. The fact that these data and some results are shown here do not imply a license to use them in the context of pesticide registrations, as the use of the data may be constrained by data protection regulations.

Preprocessing of data was performed based on the recommendations of the FOCUS kinetics workgroup (FOCUS, 2014) as described below.

Datasets 1 and 2 are from the Renewal Assessment Report (RAR) for imazamox (France, 2015, p. 15). For setting values reported as zero, an LOQ of 0.1 was assumed. Metabolite residues reported for day zero were added to the parent compound residues.

Datasets 3 and 4 are from the Renewal Assessment Report (RAR) for isofetamid (Belgium, 2014, p. 8) and show the data for two different radiolabels. For dataset 4, the value given for the metabolite in the day zero sampling in replicate B was added to the parent compound, following the respective FOCUS recommendation.

Dataset 5 is from the Renewal Assessment Report (RAR) for ethofumesate (Austria, 2015, p. 16).

Datasets 6 to 10 are from the Renewal Assessment Report (RAR) for glyphosate (Germany, 2013, pages 8, 28, 50, 51). For the initial sampling, the residues given for the metabolite were added to the parent value, following the recommendation of the FOCUS kinetics workgroup.

Dataset 11 is from the Renewal Assessment Report (RAR) for 2,4-D (Hellas, 2013, p. 644). Values reported as zero were set to NA, with the exception of the day three sampling of metabolite A2, which was set to one half of the LOD reported to be 1% AR.

Dataset 12 is from the Renewal Assessment Report (RAR) for this fensul furon-methyl (United Kingdom, 2014, p. 81).

#### Usage

```
experimental_data_for_UBA_2019
```

#### **Format**

A list containing twelve datasets as an R6 class defined by mkinds, each containing, among others, the following components

title The name of the dataset, e.g. Soil 1

data A data frame with the data in the form expected by mkinfit

#### **Source**

Austria (2015). Ethofumesate Renewal Assessment Report Volume 3 Annex B.8 (AS)

Belgium (2014). Isofetamid (IKF-5411) Draft Assessment Report Volume 3 Annex B.8 (AS)

France (2015). Imazamox Draft Renewal Assessment Report Volume 3 Annex B.8 (AS)

FOCUS (2014) "Generic guidance for Estimating Persistence and Degradation Kinetics from Environmental Fate Studies on Pesticides in EU Registration" Report of the FOCUS Work Group on Degradation Kinetics, Version 1.1, 18 December 2014 http://esdac.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/degradation-kinetics

Germany (2013). Renewal Assessment Report Glyphosate Volume 3 Annex B.8: Environmental Fate and Behaviour

Hellas (2013). Renewal Assessment Report 2,4-D Volume 3 Annex B.8: Fate and behaviour in the environment

Ranke (2019) Documentation of results obtained for the error model expertise written for the German Umweltbundesamt.

United Kingdom (2014). Thifensulfuron-methyl - Annex B.8 (Volume 3) to the Report and Proposed Decision of the United Kingdom made to the European Commission under Regulation (EC) No. 1141/2010 for renewal of an active substance

```
## Not run:
# Model definitions
sfo_sfo <- mkinmod(
 parent = mkinsub("SFO", to = "A1"),
 A1 = mkinsub("SF0"),
 use_of_ff = "max"
dfop_sfo <- mkinmod(</pre>
 parent = mkinsub("DFOP", to = "A1"),
 A1 = mkinsub("SFO"),
 use_of_ff = "max"
)
sfo_sfo_sfo <- mkinmod(</pre>
 parent = mkinsub("SFO", to = "A1"),
 A1 = mkinsub("SFO", to = "A2"),
 A2 = mkinsub("SFO"),
 use_of_ff = "max"
)
dfop_sfo_sfo <- mkinmod(</pre>
 parent = mkinsub("DFOP", to = "A1"),
 A1 = mkinsub("SFO", to = "A2"),
 A2 = mkinsub("SFO"),
 use_of_ff = "max"
)
```

```
d_1_2 <- lapply(experimental_data_for_UBA_2019[1:2], function(x) x$data)
names(d_1_2) <- paste("Soil", 1:2)

f_1_2_tc <- mmkin(list("DFOP-SFO-SFO" = dfop_sfo_sfo), d_1_2, error_model = "tc")
plot(f_1_2_tc, resplot = "errmod")

## End(Not run)</pre>
```

FOCUS\_2006\_datasets

Datasets A to F from the FOCUS Kinetics report from 2006

### **Description**

Data taken from FOCUS (2006), p. 258.

### Usage

FOCUS\_2006\_A FOCUS\_2006\_B FOCUS\_2006\_C FOCUS\_2006\_D FOCUS\_2006\_E FOCUS\_2006\_F

### Format

6 datasets with observations on the following variables.

name a factor containing the name of the observed variable

time a numeric vector containing time points

value a numeric vector containing concentrations in percent of applied radioactivity

# Source

FOCUS (2006) "Guidance Document on Estimating Persistence and Degradation Kinetics from Environmental Fate Studies on Pesticides in EU Registration" Report of the FOCUS Work Group on Degradation Kinetics, EC Document Reference Sanco/10058/2005 version 2.0, 434 pp, http://esdac.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/degradation-kinetics

```
FOCUS_2006_C
```

FOCUS\_2006\_DFOP\_ref\_A\_to\_B

Results of fitting the DFOP model to Datasets A to B of FOCUS (2006)

### **Description**

A table with the fitted parameters and the resulting DT50 and DT90 values generated with different software packages. Taken directly from FOCUS (2006). The results from fitting the data with the Topfit software was removed, as the initial concentration of the parent compound was fixed to a value of 100 in this fit.

### Usage

FOCUS\_2006\_DFOP\_ref\_A\_to\_B

#### **Format**

A data frame containing the following variables.

package a factor giving the name of the software package

M0 The fitted initial concentration of the parent compound

f The fitted f parameter

k1 The fitted k1 parameter

k2 The fitted k2 parameter

DT50 The resulting half-life of the parent compound

DT90 The resulting DT90 of the parent compound

dataset The FOCUS dataset that was used

#### Source

FOCUS (2006) "Guidance Document on Estimating Persistence and Degradation Kinetics from Environmental Fate Studies on Pesticides in EU Registration" Report of the FOCUS Work Group on Degradation Kinetics, EC Document Reference Sanco/10058/2005 version 2.0, 434 pp, http://esdac.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/degradation-kinetics

```
data(FOCUS_2006_DFOP_ref_A_to_B)
```

```
FOCUS_2006_FOMC_ref_A_to_F
```

Results of fitting the FOMC model to Datasets A to F of FOCUS (2006)

### **Description**

A table with the fitted parameters and the resulting DT50 and DT90 values generated with different software packages. Taken directly from FOCUS (2006). The results from fitting the data with the Topfit software was removed, as the initial concentration of the parent compound was fixed to a value of 100 in this fit.

#### Usage

```
FOCUS_2006_FOMC_ref_A_to_F
```

#### **Format**

A data frame containing the following variables.

package a factor giving the name of the software package

M0 The fitted initial concentration of the parent compound

alpha The fitted alpha parameter

beta The fitted beta parameter

DT50 The resulting half-life of the parent compound

DT90 The resulting DT90 of the parent compound

dataset The FOCUS dataset that was used

### Source

FOCUS (2006) "Guidance Document on Estimating Persistence and Degradation Kinetics from Environmental Fate Studies on Pesticides in EU Registration" Report of the FOCUS Work Group on Degradation Kinetics, EC Document Reference Sanco/10058/2005 version 2.0, 434 pp, http://esdac.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/degradation-kinetics

```
data(FOCUS_2006_FOMC_ref_A_to_F)
```

FOCUS\_2006\_HS\_ref\_A\_to\_F

Results of fitting the HS model to Datasets A to F of FOCUS (2006)

### **Description**

A table with the fitted parameters and the resulting DT50 and DT90 values generated with different software packages. Taken directly from FOCUS (2006). The results from fitting the data with the Topfit software was removed, as the initial concentration of the parent compound was fixed to a value of 100 in this fit.

### Usage

```
FOCUS_2006_HS_ref_A_to_F
```

#### **Format**

A data frame containing the following variables.

package a factor giving the name of the software package

M0 The fitted initial concentration of the parent compound

tb The fitted tb parameter

k1 The fitted k1 parameter

k2 The fitted k2 parameter

DT50 The resulting half-life of the parent compound

DT90 The resulting DT90 of the parent compound

dataset The FOCUS dataset that was used

#### Source

FOCUS (2006) "Guidance Document on Estimating Persistence and Degradation Kinetics from Environmental Fate Studies on Pesticides in EU Registration" Report of the FOCUS Work Group on Degradation Kinetics, EC Document Reference Sanco/10058/2005 version 2.0, 434 pp, http://esdac.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/degradation-kinetics

```
data(FOCUS_2006_HS_ref_A_to_F)
```

```
FOCUS_2006_SFO_ref_A_to_F
```

Results of fitting the SFO model to Datasets A to F of FOCUS (2006)

### **Description**

A table with the fitted parameters and the resulting DT50 and DT90 values generated with different software packages. Taken directly from FOCUS (2006). The results from fitting the data with the Topfit software was removed, as the initial concentration of the parent compound was fixed to a value of 100 in this fit.

### Usage

```
FOCUS_2006_SFO_ref_A_to_F
```

#### **Format**

A data frame containing the following variables.

package a factor giving the name of the software package

M0 The fitted initial concentration of the parent compound

k The fitted first-order degradation rate constant

DT50 The resulting half-life of the parent compound

DT90 The resulting DT90 of the parent compound

dataset The FOCUS dataset that was used

### Source

FOCUS (2006) "Guidance Document on Estimating Persistence and Degradation Kinetics from Environmental Fate Studies on Pesticides in EU Registration" Report of the FOCUS Work Group on Degradation Kinetics, EC Document Reference Sanco/10058/2005 version 2.0, 434 pp, http://esdac.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/degradation-kinetics

```
data(FOCUS_2006_SFO_ref_A_to_F)
```

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focus_soil_moisture	FOCUS default values for soil moisture contents at field capacity, MWHC and 1/3 bar
	MWHC and 1/3 bar

### **Description**

The value were transcribed from p. 36. The table assumes field capacity corresponds to pF2, MWHC to pF 1 and 1/3 bar to pF 2.5.

#### Usage

```
focus_soil_moisture
```

#### **Format**

A matrix with upper case USDA soil classes as row names, and water tension ('pF1', 'pF2', 'pF 2.5') as column names

#### **Source**

Anonymous (2014) Generic Guidance for Tier 1 FOCUS Ground Water Assessment Version 2.2, May 2014 https://esdac.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/ground-water

### **Examples**

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FOMC.solution	First-Order Multi-Compartment kinetics	

### **Description**

Function describing exponential decline from a defined starting value, with a decreasing rate constant.

### Usage

```
FOMC.solution(t, parent_0, alpha, beta)
```

# Arguments

t	· '	l'ime.

parent\_0 Starting value for the response variable at time zero.

alpha Shape parameter determined by coefficient of variation of rate constant values.

beta Location parameter.

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#### **Details**

The form given here differs slightly from the original reference by Gustafson and Holden (1990). The parameter beta corresponds to 1/beta in the original equation.

#### Value

The value of the response variable at time t.

#### Note

The solution of the FOMC kinetic model reduces to the SFO. solution for large values of alpha and beta with  $k = \frac{\beta}{\alpha}$ .

#### References

FOCUS (2006) "Guidance Document on Estimating Persistence and Degradation Kinetics from Environmental Fate Studies on Pesticides in EU Registration" Report of the FOCUS Work Group on Degradation Kinetics, EC Document Reference Sanco/10058/2005 version 2.0, 434 pp, http://esdac.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/degradation-kinetics

FOCUS (2014) "Generic guidance for Estimating Persistence and Degradation Kinetics from Environmental Fate Studies on Pesticides in EU Registration" Report of the FOCUS Work Group on Degradation Kinetics, Version 1.1, 18 December 2014 http://esdac.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/degradation-kinetics

Gustafson DI and Holden LR (1990) Nonlinear pesticide dissipation in soil: A new model based on spatial variability. *Environmental Science and Technology* **24**, 1032-1038

### See Also

```
Other parent solutions: DFOP.solution(), HS.solution(), IORE.solution(), SFO.solution(), SFORB.solution(), logistic.solution()
```

### **Examples**

```
plot(function(x) FOMC.solution(x, 100, 10, 2), 0, 2, ylim = c(0, 100))
```

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### Description

Time step normalisation factors for aerobic soil degradation as described in Appendix 8 to the FOCUS kinetics guidance (FOCUS 2014, p. 369).

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#### Usage

```
f_time_norm_focus(object, ...)
## S3 method for class 'numeric'
f_time_norm_focus(
  object,
 moisture = NA,
  field_moisture = NA,
  temperature = object,
  Q10 = 2.58,
 walker = 0.7,
  f_na = NA,
)
## S3 method for class 'mkindsg'
f_time_norm_focus(
  object,
  study_moisture_ref_source = c("auto", "meta", "focus"),
 Q10 = 2.58,
 walker = 0.7,
  f_na = NA,
)
```

### **Arguments**

object An object containing information used for the calculations

... Currently not used

moisture Numeric vector of moisture contents in \% w/w

field\_moisture Numeric vector of moisture contents at field capacity (pF2) in \% w/w

temperature Numeric vector of temperatures in °C

Q10 The Q10 value used for temperature normalisation walker The Walker exponent used for moisture normalisation

f\_na The factor to use for NA values. If set to NA, only factors for complete cases

will be returned.

study\_moisture\_ref\_source

Source for the reference value used to calculate the study moisture. If 'auto', preference is given to a reference moisture given in the meta information, other-

wise the focus soil moisture for the soil class is used

### References

FOCUS (2006) "Guidance Document on Estimating Persistence and Degradation Kinetics from Environmental Fate Studies on Pesticides in EU Registration" Report of the FOCUS Work Group on Degradation Kinetics, EC Document Reference Sanco/10058/2005 version 2.0, 434 pp, http:

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//esdac.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/degradation-kinetics FOCUS (2014) "Generic guidance for Estimating Persistence and Degradation Kinetics from Environmental Fate Studies on Pesticides in EU Registration" Report of the FOCUS Work Group on Degradation Kinetics, Version 1.1, 18 December 2014 http://esdac.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/degradation-kinetics

#### See Also

focus\_soil\_moisture

#### **Examples**

```
f_time_norm_focus(25, 20, 25) \# 1.37, compare FOCUS 2014 p. 184 D24_2014$meta \# No moisture normalisation in the first dataset, so we use f_na = 1 to get \# temperature only normalisation as in the EU evaluation f_time_norm_focus(D24_2014, study_moisture_ref_source = "focus", f_na = 1)
```

get\_deg\_func

Retrieve a degradation function from the mmkin namespace

### Description

Retrieve a degradation function from the mmkin namespace

### Usage

```
get_deg_func()
```

### Value

A function that was likely previously assigned from within nlme.mmkin

hierarchical\_kinetics Hierarchical kinetics template

### **Description**

R markdown format for setting up hierarchical kinetics based on a template provided with the mkin package. This format is based on rmarkdown::pdf\_document. Chunk options are adapted. Echoing R code from code chunks and caching are turned on per default. character for prepending output from code chunks is set to the empty string, code tidying is off, figure alignment defaults to centering, and positioning of figures is set to "H", which means that figures will not move around in the document, but stay where the user includes them.

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#### Usage

```
hierarchical_kinetics(..., keep_tex = FALSE)
```

#### **Arguments**

... Arguments to rmarkdown::pdf\_document

keep\_tex Keep the intermediate tex file used in the conversion to PDF. Note that this argu-

ment does not control whether to keep the auxiliary files (e.g., '.aux') generated by LaTeX when compiling '.tex' to '.pdf'. To keep these files, you may set

options(tinytex.clean = FALSE).

#### **Details**

The latter feature (positioning the figures with "H") depends on the LaTeX package 'float'. In addition, the LaTeX package 'listing' is used in the template for showing model fit summaries in the Appendix. This means that the LaTeX packages 'float' and 'listing' need to be installed in the TeX distribution used.

On Windows, the easiest way to achieve this (if no TeX distribution is present before) is to install the 'tinytex' R package, to run 'tinytex::install\_tinytex()' to get the basic tiny Tex distribution, and then to run 'tinytex::tlmgr\_install(c("float", "listing"))'.

#### Value

R Markdown output format to pass to render

#### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
library(rmarkdown)
# The following is now commented out after the relase of v1.2.3 for the generation
# of online docs, as the command creates a directory and opens an editor
#draft("example_analysis.rmd", template = "hierarchical_kinetics", package = "mkin")
## End(Not run)
```

HS.solution

Hockey-Stick kinetics

### **Description**

Function describing two exponential decline functions with a break point between them.

### Usage

```
HS.solution(t, parent_0, k1, k2, tb)
```

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### **Arguments**

t	Time.
parent_0	Starting value for the response variable at time zero.
k1	First kinetic constant.
k2	Second kinetic constant.
tb	Break point. Before this time, exponential decline according to k1 is calculated, after this time, exponential decline proceeds according to k2.

#### Value

The value of the response variable at time t.

#### References

FOCUS (2006) "Guidance Document on Estimating Persistence and Degradation Kinetics from Environmental Fate Studies on Pesticides in EU Registration" Report of the FOCUS Work Group on Degradation Kinetics, EC Document Reference Sanco/10058/2005 version 2.0, 434 pp, http://esdac.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/degradation-kinetics FOCUS (2014) "Generic guidance for Estimating Persistence and Degradation Kinetics from Environmental Fate Studies on Pesticides in EU Registration" Report of the FOCUS Work Group on Degradation Kinetics, Version 1.1, 18 December 2014 http://esdac.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/degradation-kinetics

#### See Also

```
Other parent solutions: DFOP.solution(), FOMC.solution(), IORE.solution(), SFO.solution(), SFORB.solution(), logistic.solution()
```

### **Examples**

```
plot(function(x) HS.solution(x, 100, 2, 0.3, 0.5), 0, 2, ylim=c(0,100))
```

illparms	Method to get the names of ill-defined parameters	

# Description

The method for generalised nonlinear regression fits as obtained with mkinfit and mmkin checks if the degradation parameters pass the Wald test (in degradation kinetics often simply called t-test) for significant difference from zero. For this test, the parameterisation without parameter transformations is used.

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### Usage

```
illparms(object, ...)
## S3 method for class 'mkinfit'
illparms(object, conf.level = 0.95, ...)
## S3 method for class 'illparms.mkinfit'
print(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'mmkin'
illparms(object, conf.level = 0.95, ...)
## S3 method for class 'illparms.mmkin'
print(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'saem.mmkin'
illparms(
 object,
 conf.level = 0.95,
 random = TRUE,
 errmod = TRUE,
 slopes = TRUE,
)
## S3 method for class 'illparms.saem.mmkin'
print(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'mhmkin'
illparms(object, conf.level = 0.95, random = TRUE, errmod = TRUE, ...)
## S3 method for class 'illparms.mhmkin'
print(x, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

object	The object to investigate
	For potential future extensions
conf.level	The confidence level for checking p values
x	The object to be printed
random	For hierarchical fits, should random effects be tested?
errmod	For hierarchical fits, should error model parameters be tested?
slopes	For hierarchical saem fits using saemix as backend, should slope parameters in the covariate model(starting with 'beta_') be tested?

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#### **Details**

The method for hierarchical model fits, also known as nonlinear mixed-effects model fits as obtained with saem and mhmkin checks if any of the confidence intervals for the random effects expressed as standard deviations include zero, and if the confidence intervals for the error model parameters include zero.

#### Value

For mkinfit or saem objects, a character vector of parameter names. For mmkin or mhmkin objects, a matrix like object of class 'illparms.mmkin' or 'illparms.mhmkin'.

### Note

All return objects have printing methods. For the single fits, printing does not output anything in the case no ill-defined parameters are found.

### **Examples**

ilr

Function to perform isometric log-ratio transformation

### **Description**

This implementation is a special case of the class of isometric log-ratio transformations.

#### Usage

```
ilr(x)
invilr(x)
```

#### **Arguments**

Х

A numeric vector. Naturally, the forward transformation is only sensible for vectors with all elements being greater than zero.

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#### Value

The result of the forward or backward transformation. The returned components always sum to 1 for the case of the inverse log-ratio transformation.

# Author(s)

René Lehmann and Johannes Ranke

#### References

Peter Filzmoser, Karel Hron (2008) Outlier Detection for Compositional Data Using Robust Methods. Math Geosci 40 233-248

#### See Also

Another implementation can be found in R package robCompositions.

### **Examples**

```
# Order matters
ilr(c(0.1, 1, 10))
ilr(c(10, 1, 0.1))
# Equal entries give ilr transformations with zeros as elements
ilr(c(3, 3, 3))
# Almost equal entries give small numbers
ilr(c(0.3, 0.4, 0.3))
# Only the ratio between the numbers counts, not their sum
invilr(ilr(c(0.7, 0.29, 0.01)))
invilr(ilr(2.1 * c(0.7, 0.29, 0.01)))
# Inverse transformation of larger numbers gives unequal elements
invilr(-10)
invilr(c(-10, 0))
# The sum of the elements of the inverse ilr is 1
sum(invilr(c(-10, 0)))
# This is why we do not need all elements of the inverse transformation to go back:
a <- c(0.1, 0.3, 0.5)
b <- invilr(a)
length(b) # Four elements
ilr(c(b[1:3], 1 - sum(b[1:3]))) # Gives c(0.1, 0.3, 0.5)
```

intervals.saem.mmkin Confidence intervals for parameters in saem.mmkin objects

### Description

Confidence intervals for parameters in saem.mmkin objects

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#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'saem.mmkin'
intervals(object, level = 0.95, backtransform = TRUE, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

object The fitted saem.mmkin object

1evel The confidence level. Must be the default of 0.95 as this is what is available in

the saemix object

backtransform In case the model was fitted with mkin transformations, should we backtrans-

form the parameters where a one to one correlation between transformed and

backtransformed parameters exists?

... For compatibility with the generic method

#### Value

An object with 'intervals.saem.mmkin' and 'intervals.lme' in the class attribute

### **Description**

Function describing exponential decline from a defined starting value, with a concentration dependent rate constant.

#### Usage

```
IORE.solution(t, parent_0, k__iore, N)
```

### **Arguments**

t Time.

parent\_0 Starting value for the response variable at time zero.

k\_\_iore Rate constant. Note that this depends on the concentration units used.

N Exponent describing the nonlinearity of the rate equation

#### Value

The value of the response variable at time t.

#### Note

The solution of the IORE kinetic model reduces to the SF0. solution if N = 1. The parameters of the IORE model can be transformed to equivalent parameters of the FOMC mode - see the NAFTA guidance for details.

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### References

NAFTA Technical Working Group on Pesticides (not dated) Guidance for Evaluating and Calculating Degradation Kinetics in Environmental Media

#### See Also

```
Other parent solutions: DFOP.solution(), FOMC.solution(), HS.solution(), SFO.solution(), SFORB.solution(), logistic.solution()
```

#### **Examples**

llhist

Plot the distribution of log likelihoods from multistart objects

### **Description**

Produces a histogram of log-likelihoods. In addition, the likelihood of the original fit is shown as a red vertical line.

### Usage

```
llhist(object, breaks = "Sturges", lpos = "topleft", main = "", ...)
```

### **Arguments**

object The multistart object
breaks Passed to hist
lpos Positioning of the legend.
main Title of the plot
... Passed to hist

#### See Also

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loftest

Lack-of-fit test for models fitted to data with replicates

### **Description**

This is a generic function with a method currently only defined for mkinfit objects. It fits an anova model to the data contained in the object and compares the likelihoods using the likelihood ratio test lrtest.default from the lmtest package.

### Usage

```
loftest(object, ...)
## S3 method for class 'mkinfit'
loftest(object, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

object A model object with a defined loftest method
... Not used

# **Details**

The anova model is interpreted as the simplest form of an mkinfit model, assuming only a constant variance about the means, but not enforcing any structure of the means, so we have one model parameter for every mean of replicate samples.

#### See Also

Irtest

```
## Not run:
test_data <- subset(synthetic_data_for_UBA_2014[[12]]$data, name == "parent")
sfo_fit <- mkinfit("SFO", test_data, quiet = TRUE)
plot_res(sfo_fit) # We see a clear pattern in the residuals
loftest(sfo_fit) # We have a clear lack of fit
#
# We try a different model (the one that was used to generate the data)
dfop_fit <- mkinfit("DFOP", test_data, quiet = TRUE)
plot_res(dfop_fit) # We don't see systematic deviations, but heteroscedastic residuals
# therefore we should consider adapting the error model, although we have
loftest(dfop_fit) # no lack of fit
#
# This is the anova model used internally for the comparison
test_data_anova <- test_data
test_data_anova$time <- as.factor(test_data_anova$time)</pre>
```

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```
anova_fit <- lm(value ~ time, data = test_data_anova)</pre>
summary(anova_fit)
logLik(anova_fit) # We get the same likelihood and degrees of freedom
test_data_2 <- synthetic_data_for_UBA_2014[[12]]$data</pre>
m_synth_SFO_lin <- mkinmod(parent = list(type = "SFO", to = "M1"),</pre>
 M1 = list(type = "SFO", to = "M2"),
 M2 = list(type = "SFO"), use_of_ff = "max")
sfo_lin_fit <- mkinfit(m_synth_SFO_lin, test_data_2, quiet = TRUE)</pre>
plot_res(sfo_lin_fit) # not a good model, we try parallel formation
loftest(sfo_lin_fit)
m_synth_SFO_par <- mkinmod(parent = list(type = "SFO", to = c("M1", "M2")),</pre>
 M1 = list(type = "SFO"),
 M2 = list(type = "SFO"), use_of_ff = "max")
sfo_par_fit <- mkinfit(m_synth_SFO_par, test_data_2, quiet = TRUE)</pre>
plot_res(sfo_par_fit) # much better for metabolites
loftest(sfo_par_fit)
m_synth_DFOP_par <- mkinmod(parent = list(type = "DFOP", to = c("M1", "M2")),</pre>
 M1 = list(type = "SFO"),
 M2 = list(type = "SFO"), use_of_ff = "max")
dfop_par_fit <- mkinfit(m_synth_DFOP_par, test_data_2, quiet = TRUE)</pre>
plot_res(dfop_par_fit) # No visual lack of fit
loftest(dfop_par_fit) # no lack of fit found by the test
# The anova model used for comparison in the case of transformation products
test_data_anova_2 <- dfop_par_fit$data
test_data_anova_2$variable <- as.factor(test_data_anova_2$variable)</pre>
test_data_anova_2$time <- as.factor(test_data_anova_2$time)</pre>
anova_fit_2 <- lm(observed ~ time:variable - 1, data = test_data_anova_2)</pre>
summary(anova_fit_2)
## End(Not run)
```

logistic.solution

Logistic kinetics

# **Description**

Function describing exponential decline from a defined starting value, with an increasing rate constant, supposedly caused by microbial growth

#### **Usage**

```
logistic.solution(t, parent_0, kmax, k0, r)
```

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### Arguments

t	Time.
parent_0	Starting value for the response variable at time zero.
kmax	Maximum rate constant.
k0	Minimum rate constant effective at time zero.
r	Growth rate of the increase in the rate constant.

### Value

The value of the response variable at time t.

#### Note

The solution of the logistic model reduces to the SFO. solution if k0 is equal to kmax.

#### References

FOCUS (2006) "Guidance Document on Estimating Persistence and Degradation Kinetics from Environmental Fate Studies on Pesticides in EU Registration" Report of the FOCUS Work Group on Degradation Kinetics, EC Document Reference Sanco/10058/2005 version 2.0, 434 pp, http://esdac.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/degradation-kinetics FOCUS (2014) "Generic guidance for Estimating Persistence and Degradation Kinetics from Environmental Fate Studies on Pesticides in EU Registration" Report of the FOCUS Work Group on Degradation Kinetics, Version 1.1, 18 December 2014 http://esdac.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/degradation-kinetics

### See Also

```
Other parent solutions: DFOP.solution(), FOMC.solution(), HS.solution(), IORE.solution(), SFO.solution(), SFORB.solution()
```

```
# Reproduce the plot on page 57 of FOCUS (2014)
plot(function(x) logistic.solution(x, 100, 0.08, 0.0001, 0.2),
     from = 0, to = 100, ylim = c(0, 100),
     xlab = "Time", ylab = "Residue")
plot(function(x) logistic.solution(x, 100, 0.08, 0.0001, 0.4),
     from = 0, to = 100, add = TRUE, lty = 2, col = 2)
plot(function(x) logistic.solution(x, 100, 0.08, 0.0001, 0.8),
     from = 0, to = 100, add = TRUE, 1ty = 3, col = 3)
plot(function(x) logistic.solution(x, 100, 0.08, 0.001, 0.2),
     from = 0, to = 100, add = TRUE, 1ty = 4, col = 4)
plot(function(x) logistic.solution(x, 100, 0.08, 0.08, 0.2),
     from = 0, to = 100, add = TRUE, lty = 5, col = 5)
legend("topright", inset = 0.05,
      legend = paste0("k0 = ", c(0.0001, 0.0001, 0.0001, 0.001, 0.08),
                       ", r = ", c(0.2, 0.4, 0.8, 0.2, 0.2)),
       lty = 1:5, col = 1:5)
```

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```
# Fit with synthetic data
logistic <- mkinmod(parent = mkinsub("logistic"))

sampling_times = c(0, 1, 3, 7, 14, 28, 60, 90, 120)
parms_logistic <- c(kmax = 0.08, k0 = 0.0001, r = 0.2)
d_logistic <- mkinpredict(logistic,
    parms_logistic, c(parent = 100),
    sampling_times)
d_2_1 <- add_err(d_logistic,
    sdfunc = function(x) sigma_twocomp(x, 0.5, 0.07),
    n = 1, reps = 2, digits = 5, LOD = 0.1, seed = 123456)[[1]]

m <- mkinfit("logistic", d_2_1, quiet = TRUE)
plot_sep(m)
summary(m)$bpar
endpoints(m)$distimes</pre>
```

logLik.mkinfit

Calculated the log-likelihood of a fitted mkinfit object

## **Description**

This function returns the product of the likelihood densities of each observed value, as calculated as part of the fitting procedure using dnorm, i.e. assuming normal distribution, and with the means predicted by the degradation model, and the standard deviations predicted by the error model.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mkinfit'
logLik(object, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

object An object of class mkinfit.
... For compatibility with the generic method

### **Details**

The total number of estimated parameters returned with the value of the likelihood is calculated as the sum of fitted degradation model parameters and the fitted error model parameters.

#### Value

An object of class logLik with the number of estimated parameters (degradation model parameters plus variance model parameters) as attribute.

# Author(s)

Johannes Ranke

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### See Also

Compare the AIC of columns of mmkin objects using AIC.mmkin.

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
sfo_sfo <- mkinmod(
   parent = mkinsub("SFO", to = "m1"),
   m1 = mkinsub("SFO")
)
d_t <- subset(FOCUS_2006_D, value != 0)
f_nw <- mkinfit(sfo_sfo, d_t, quiet = TRUE) # no weighting (weights are unity)
f_obs <- update(f_nw, error_model = "obs")
f_tc <- update(f_nw, error_model = "tc")
AIC(f_nw, f_obs, f_tc)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

logLik.saem.mmkin

logLik method for saem.mmkin objects

# **Description**

logLik method for saem.mmkin objects

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'saem.mmkin'
logLik(object, ..., method = c("is", "lin", "gq"))
```

# Arguments

object The fitted saem.mmkin object

... Passed to saemix::logLik.SaemixObject

method Passed to saemix::logLik.SaemixObject

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lrtest.mkinfit	Likelihood ratio test for mkinfit models
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### **Description**

Compare two mkinfit models based on their likelihood. If two fitted mkinfit objects are given as arguments, it is checked if they have been fitted to the same data. It is the responsibility of the user to make sure that the models are nested, i.e. one of them has less degrees of freedom and can be expressed by fixing the parameters of the other.

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mkinfit'
lrtest(object, object_2 = NULL, ...)
## S3 method for class 'mmkin'
lrtest(object, ...)
```

### **Arguments**

object	An mkinfit object, or an mmkin column object containing two fits to the same data.
object_2	Optionally, another mkinfit object fitted to the same data.
• • •	Argument to mkinfit, passed to update.mkinfit for creating the alternative fitted object.

### **Details**

Alternatively, an argument to mkinfit can be given which is then passed to update.mkinfit to obtain the alternative model.

The comparison is then made by the <code>lrtest.default</code> method from the lmtest package. The model with the higher number of fitted parameters (alternative hypothesis) is listed first, then the model with the lower number of fitted parameters (null hypothesis).

```
## Not run:
test_data <- subset(synthetic_data_for_UBA_2014[[12]]$data, name == "parent")
sfo_fit <- mkinfit("SFO", test_data, quiet = TRUE)
dfop_fit <- mkinfit("DFOP", test_data, quiet = TRUE)
lrtest(dfop_fit, sfo_fit)
lrtest(sfo_fit, dfop_fit)

# The following two examples are commented out as they fail during
# generation of the static help pages by pkgdown
#lrtest(dfop_fit, error_model = "tc")
#lrtest(dfop_fit, fixed_parms = c(k2 = 0))</pre>
```

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```
# However, this equivalent syntax also works for static help pages
lrtest(dfop_fit, update(dfop_fit, error_model = "tc"))
lrtest(dfop_fit, update(dfop_fit, fixed_parms = c(k2 = 0)))
## End(Not run)
```

max\_twa\_parent

Function to calculate maximum time weighted average concentrations from kinetic models fitted with mkinfit

### **Description**

This function calculates maximum moving window time weighted average concentrations (TWAs) for kinetic models fitted with mkinfit. Currently, only calculations for the parent are implemented for the SFO, FOMC, DFOP and HS models, using the analytical formulas given in the PEC soil section of the FOCUS guidance.

## Usage

```
max_twa_parent(fit, windows)
max_twa_sfo(M0 = 1, k, t)
max_twa_fomc(M0 = 1, alpha, beta, t)
max_twa_dfop(M0 = 1, k1, k2, g, t)
max_twa_hs(M0 = 1, k1, k2, tb, t)
```

# Arguments

fit	An object of class mkinfit.
windows	The width of the time windows for which the TWAs should be calculated.
M0	The initial concentration for which the maximum time weighted average over the decline curve should be calculated. The default is to use a value of 1, which means that a relative maximum time weighted average factor (f_twa) is calculated.
k	The rate constant in the case of SFO kinetics.
t	The width of the time window.
alpha	Parameter of the FOMC model.
beta	Parameter of the FOMC model.
k1	The first rate constant of the DFOP or the HS kinetics.
k2	The second rate constant of the DFOP or the HS kinetics.
g	Parameter of the DFOP model.
tb	Parameter of the HS model.

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#### Value

For max\_twa\_parent, a numeric vector, named using the windows argument. For the other functions, a numeric vector of length one (also known as 'a number').

#### Author(s)

Johannes Ranke

#### References

FOCUS (2006) "Guidance Document on Estimating Persistence and Degradation Kinetics from Environmental Fate Studies on Pesticides in EU Registration" Report of the FOCUS Work Group on Degradation Kinetics, EC Document Reference Sanco/10058/2005 version 2.0, 434 pp, http://esdac.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/degradation-kinetics

### **Examples**

```
fit <- mkinfit("FOMC", FOCUS_2006_C, quiet = TRUE)
max_twa_parent(fit, c(7, 21))</pre>
```

mccall81\_245T

Datasets on aerobic soil metabolism of 2,4,5-T in six soils

### **Description**

Time course of 2,4,5-trichlorophenoxyacetic acid, and the corresponding 2,4,5-trichlorophenol and 2,4,5-trichloroanisole as recovered in diethylether extracts.

### Usage

```
mccall81_245T
```

#### **Format**

A dataframe containing the following variables.

name the name of the compound observed. Note that T245 is used as an acronym for 2,4,5-T. T245 is a legitimate object name in R, which is necessary for specifying models using mkinmod.

time a numeric vector containing sampling times in days after treatment

value a numeric vector containing concentrations in percent of applied radioactivity soil a factor containing the name of the soil

#### Source

McCall P, Vrona SA, Kelley SS (1981) Fate of uniformly carbon-14 ring labelled 2,4,5-Trichlorophenoxyacetic acid and 2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid. J Agric Chem 29, 100-107 doi:10.1021/jf00103a026

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### **Examples**

```
SFO_SFO_SFO <- mkinmod(T245 = list(type = "SFO", to = "phenol"),
   phenol = list(type = "SFO", to = "anisole"),
   anisole = list(type = "SFO"))
 ## Not run:
   fit.1 <- mkinfit(SF0_SF0_SF0, subset(mccall81_245T, soil == "Commerce"), quiet = TRUE)</pre>
   summary(fit.1)$bpar
   endpoints(fit.1)
   # formation fraction from phenol to anisol is practically 1. As we cannot
   # fix formation fractions when using the ilr transformation, we can turn of
   # the sink in the model generation
   SFO_SFO_SFO_2 <- mkinmod(T245 = list(type = "SFO", to = "phenol"),
     phenol = list(type = "SFO", to = "anisole", sink = FALSE),
      anisole = list(type = "SFO"))
   fit.2 <- mkinfit(SFO_SFO_SFO_2, subset(mccall81_245T, soil == "Commerce"),</pre>
     quiet = TRUE)
   summary(fit.2)$bpar
   endpoints(fit.1)
   plot_sep(fit.2)
## End(Not run)
```

mean\_degparms

Calculate mean degradation parameters for an mmkin row object

### Description

Calculate mean degradation parameters for an mmkin row object

### Usage

```
mean_degparms(
  object,
  random = FALSE,
  test_log_parms = FALSE,
  conf.level = 0.6,
  default_log_parms = NA
)
```

# Arguments

object An mmkin row object containing several fits of the same model to different

datasets

random Should a list with fixed and random effects be returned?

test\_log\_parms If TRUE, log parameters are only considered in the mean calculations if their untransformed counterparts (most likely rate constants) pass the t-test for signif-

icant difference from zero.

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conf.level Possibility to adjust the required confidence level for parameter that are tested if requested by 'test\_log\_parms'.

default\_log\_parms

If set to a numeric value, this is used as a default value for the tested log parameters that failed the t-test.

### Value

If random is FALSE (default), a named vector containing mean values of the fitted degradation model parameters. If random is TRUE, a list with fixed and random effects, in the format required by the start argument of nlme for the case of a single grouping variable ds.

mhmkin

Fit nonlinear mixed-effects models built from one or more kinetic degradation models and one or more error models

# **Description**

The name of the methods expresses that (**m**ultiple) **h**ierarchichal (also known as multilevel) **m**ulticompartment **kin**etic models are fitted. Our kinetic models are nonlinear, so we can use various nonlinear mixed-effects model fitting functions.

### Usage

```
mhmkin(objects, ...)
## S3 method for class 'mmkin'
mhmkin(objects, ...)
## S3 method for class 'list'
mhmkin(
   objects,
   backend = "saemix",
   algorithm = "saem",
   no_random_effect = NULL,
   ...,
   cores = if (Sys.info()["sysname"] == "Windows") 1 else parallel::detectCores(),
   cluster = NULL
)
## S3 method for class 'mhmkin'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
## S3 method for class 'mhmkin'
print(x, ...)
```

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#### **Arguments**

objects A list of mmkin objects containing fits of the same degradation models to the

same data, but using different error models. Alternatively, a single mmkin object

containing fits of several degradation models to the same data

... Further arguments that will be passed to the nonlinear mixed-effects model fit-

ting function.

backend The backend to be used for fitting. Currently, only saemix is supported

algorithm The algorithm to be used for fitting (currently not used)

no\_random\_effect

Default is NULL and will be passed to saem. If a character vector is supplied, it will be passed to all calls to saem, which will exclude random effects for all matching parameters. Alternatively, a list of character vectors or an object of class illparms.mhmkin can be specified. They have to have the same dimensions that the return object of the current call will have, i.e. the number of rows must match the number of degradation models in the mmkin object(s), and the number of columns must match the number of error models used in the mmkin object(s).

cores The number of cores to be used for multicore processing. This is only used

when the cluster argument is NULL. On Windows machines, cores > 1 is not supported, you need to use the cluster argument to use multiple logical processors. Per default, all cores detected by parallel::detectCores() are used,

except on Windows where the default is 1.

cluster A cluster as returned by makeCluster to be used for parallel execution.

x An mhmkin object.

i Row index selecting the fits for specific models

j Column index selecting the fits to specific datasets

drop If FALSE, the method always returns an mhmkin object, otherwise either a list

of fit objects or a single fit object.

#### Value

A two-dimensional array of fit objects and/or try-errors that can be indexed using the degradation model names for the first index (row index) and the error model names for the second index (column index), with class attribute 'mhmkin'.

An object inheriting from mhmkin.

### Author(s)

Johannes Ranke

#### See Also

[.mhmkin for subsetting mhmkin objects

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### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
# We start with separate evaluations of all the first six datasets with two
# degradation models and two error models
f_sep_const <- mmkin(c("SF0", "FOMC"), ds_fomc[1:6], cores = 2, quiet = TRUE)</pre>
f_sep_tc <- update(f_sep_const, error_model = "tc")</pre>
# The mhmkin function sets up hierarchical degradation models aka
# nonlinear mixed-effects models for all four combinations, specifying
# uncorrelated random effects for all degradation parameters
f_saem_1 <- mhmkin(list(f_sep_const, f_sep_tc), cores = 2)</pre>
status(f saem 1)
# The 'illparms' function shows that in all hierarchical fits, at least
# one random effect is ill-defined (the confidence interval for the
# random effect expressed as standard deviation includes zero)
illparms(f_saem_1)
# Therefore we repeat the fits, excluding the ill-defined random effects
f_saem_2 <- update(f_saem_1, no_random_effect = illparms(f_saem_1))</pre>
status(f_saem_2)
illparms(f_saem_2)
# Model comparisons show that FOMC with two-component error is preferable,
# and confirms our reduction of the default parameter model
anova(f_saem_1)
anova(f_saem_2)
# The convergence plot for the selected model looks fine
saemix::plot(f_saem_2[["FOMC", "tc"]]$so, plot.type = "convergence")
# The plot of predictions versus data shows that we have a pretty data-rich
# situation with homogeneous distribution of residuals, because we used the
# same degradation model, error model and parameter distribution model that
# was used in the data generation.
plot(f_saem_2[["FOMC", "tc"]])
# We can specify the same parameter model reductions manually
no_ranef <- list("parent_0", "log_beta", "parent_0", c("parent_0", "log_beta"))</pre>
dim(no\_ranef) <- c(2, 2)
f_saem_2m <- update(f_saem_1, no_random_effect = no_ranef)</pre>
anova(f_saem_2m)
## End(Not run)
```

mixed

Create a mixed effects model from an mmkin row object

# **Description**

Create a mixed effects model from an mmkin row object

#### Usage

```
mixed(object, ...)
```

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```
## S3 method for class 'mmkin'
mixed(object, method = c("none"), ...)
## S3 method for class 'mixed.mmkin'
print(x, digits = max(3, getOption("digits") - 3), ...)
```

# Arguments

object An mmkin row object

... Currently not used

method The method to be used

x A mixed.mmkin object to print

digits Number of digits to use for printing.

#### Value

An object of class 'mixed.mmkin' which has the observed data in a single dataframe which is convenient for plotting

```
sampling_times = c(0, 1, 3, 7, 14, 28, 60, 90, 120)
n_biphasic <- 8
err_1 = list(const = 1, prop = 0.07)
DFOP_SFO <- mkinmod(</pre>
  parent = mkinsub("DFOP", "m1"),
  m1 = mkinsub("SFO"),
  quiet = TRUE)
set.seed(123456)
log_sd <- 0.3
syn_biphasic_parms <- as.matrix(data.frame(</pre>
  k1 = rlnorm(n_biphasic, log(0.05), log_sd),
  k2 = rlnorm(n\_biphasic, log(0.01), log\_sd),
  g = plogis(rnorm(n_biphasic, 0, log_sd)),
  f_parent_to_m1 = plogis(rnorm(n_biphasic, 0, log_sd)),
  k_m1 = rlnorm(n_biphasic, log(0.002), log_sd)))
ds_biphasic_mean <- lapply(1:n_biphasic,</pre>
  function(i) {
    mkinpredict(DFOP_SFO, syn_biphasic_parms[i, ],
      c(parent = 100, m1 = 0), sampling_times)
  }
)
set.seed(123456L)
ds_biphasic <- lapply(ds_biphasic_mean, function(ds) {</pre>
  add_err(ds,
    sdfunc = function(value) sqrt(err_1$const^2 + value^2 * err_1$prop^2),
```

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```
n = 1, secondary = "m1")[[1]]
})

## Not run:
f_mmkin <- mmkin(list("DFOP-SFO" = DFOP_SFO), ds_biphasic, error_model = "tc", quiet = TRUE)

f_mixed <- mixed(f_mmkin)
print(f_mixed)
plot(f_mixed)

## End(Not run)</pre>
```

mkinds

A dataset class for mkin

## **Description**

At the moment this dataset class is hardly used in mkin. For example, mkinfit does not take mkinds datasets as argument, but works with dataframes such as the on contained in the data field of mkinds objects. Some datasets provided by this package come as mkinds objects nevertheless.

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mkinds'
print(x, data = FALSE, ...)
```

# Arguments

x An mkinds object.data Should the data be printed?... Not used.

### **Public fields**

```
title A full title for the dataset
sampling_times The sampling times
time_unit The time unit
observed Names of the observed variables
unit The unit of the observations
replicates The maximum number of replicates per sampling time
data A data frame with at least the columns name, time and value in order to be compatible with
mkinfit
```

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# Methods

#### **Public methods:**

```
mkinds$new()mkinds$clone()
```

```
Method new(): Create a new mkinds object
```

```
Usage:
mkinds$new(title = "", data, time_unit = NA, unit = NA)
Arguments:
title The dataset title
data The data
time_unit The time unit
unit The unit of the observations
```

Method clone(): The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

```
Usage:
mkinds$clone(deep = FALSE)
Arguments:
deep Whether to make a deep clone.
```

# **Examples**

```
mds <- mkinds$new("FOCUS A", FOCUS_2006_A)
print(mds)</pre>
```

mkindsg

A class for dataset groups for mkin

# **Description**

A container for working with datasets that share at least one compound, so that combined evaluations are desirable.

Time normalisation factors are initialised with a value of 1 for each dataset if no data are supplied.

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mkindsg'
print(x, data = FALSE, verbose = data, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

```
x An mkindsg object.
data Should the mkinds objects be printed with their data?
verbose Should the mkinds objects be printed?
... Not used.
```

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### **Public fields**

```
title A title for the dataset group

ds A list of mkinds objects

observed_n Occurrence counts of compounds in datasets

f_time_norm Time normalisation factors

meta A data frame with a row for each dataset, containing additional information in the form of categorical data (factors) or numerical data (e.g. temperature, moisture, or covariates like soil pH).
```

#### Methods

#### **Public methods:**

- mkindsg\$new()
- mkindsg\$clone()

```
Method new(): Create a new mkindsg object
```

```
Usage:
mkindsg$new(title = "", ds, f_time_norm = rep(1, length(ds)), meta)
Arguments:
title The title
ds A list of mkinds objects
f_time_norm Time normalisation factors
meta The meta data
```

Method clone(): The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

```
Usage:
mkindsg$clone(deep = FALSE)
Arguments:
deep Whether to make a deep clone.
```

```
mdsg <- mkindsg$new("Experimental X", experimental_data_for_UBA_2019[6:10])
print(mdsg)
print(mdsg, verbose = TRUE)
print(mdsg, verbose = TRUE, data = TRUE)</pre>
```

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mkinerrmin	Calculate the minimum error to assume in order to pass the variance test

### **Description**

This function finds the smallest relative error still resulting in passing the chi-squared test as defined in the FOCUS kinetics report from 2006.

# Usage

```
mkinerrmin(fit, alpha = 0.05)
```

### **Arguments**

fit an object of class mkinfit.

alpha The confidence level chosen for the chi-squared test.

#### **Details**

This function is used internally by summary.mkinfit.

#### Value

A dataframe with the following components:

err.min The relative error, expressed as a fraction.

n.optim The number of optimised parameters attributed to the data series.

df The number of remaining degrees of freedom for the chi2 error level calcula-

tions. Note that mean values are used for the chi2 statistic and therefore every

time point with observed values in the series only counts one time.

The dataframe has one row for the total dataset and one further row for each observed state variable in the model.

### References

FOCUS (2006) "Guidance Document on Estimating Persistence and Degradation Kinetics from Environmental Fate Studies on Pesticides in EU Registration" Report of the FOCUS Work Group on Degradation Kinetics, EC Document Reference Sanco/10058/2005 version 2.0, 434 pp, http://esdac.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/degradation-kinetics

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### **Examples**

```
SFO_SFO = mkinmod(parent = mkinsub("SFO", to = "m1"),
                  m1 = mkinsub("SFO"),
                  use_of_ff = "max")
fit_FOCUS_D = mkinfit(SFO_SFO, FOCUS_2006_D, quiet = TRUE)
round(mkinerrmin(fit_FOCUS_D), 4)
## Not run:
 fit_FOCUS_E = mkinfit(SFO_SFO, FOCUS_2006_E, quiet = TRUE)
 round(mkinerrmin(fit_FOCUS_E), 4)
## End(Not run)
```

mkinerrplot

Function to plot squared residuals and the error model for an mkin object

# **Description**

This function plots the squared residuals for the specified subset of the observed variables from an mkinfit object. In addition, one or more dashed line(s) show the fitted error model. A combined plot of the fitted model and this error model plot can be obtained with plot.mkinfit using the argument show\_errplot = TRUE.

# Usage

```
mkinerrplot(
  object,
  obs_vars = names(object$mkinmod$map),
  xlim = c(0, 1.1 * max(object*data*predicted)),
  xlab = "Predicted",
 ylab = "Squared residual",
 maxy = "auto",
  legend = TRUE,
  lpos = "topright",
  col_obs = "auto",
  pch_obs = "auto",
  frame = TRUE,
)
```

### **Arguments**

A fit represented in an mkinfit object. object

obs\_vars A character vector of names of the observed variables for which residuals should

be plotted. Defaults to all observed variables in the model

xlim	plat range in y direction
XIIII	plot range in x direction.
xlab	Label for the x axis.
ylab	Label for the y axis.
maxy	Maximum value of the residuals. This is used for the scaling of the y axis and defaults to "auto".
legend	Should a legend be plotted?
lpos	Where should the legend be placed? Default is "topright". Will be passed on to legend.
col_obs	Colors for the observed variables.
pch_obs	Symbols to be used for the observed variables.
frame	Should a frame be drawn around the plots?
	further arguments passed to plot.

#### Value

Nothing is returned by this function, as it is called for its side effect, namely to produce a plot.

# Author(s)

Johannes Ranke

#### See Also

mkinplot, for a way to plot the data and the fitted lines of the mkinfit object.

### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
model <- mkinmod(parent = mkinsub("SFO", "m1"), m1 = mkinsub("SFO"))
fit <- mkinfit(model, FOCUS_2006_D, error_model = "tc", quiet = TRUE)
mkinerrplot(fit)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

mkinfit

Fit a kinetic model to data with one or more state variables

# Description

This function maximises the likelihood of the observed data using the Port algorithm stats::nlminb(), and the specified initial or fixed parameters and starting values. In each step of the optimisation, the kinetic model is solved using the function mkinpredict(), except if an analytical solution is implemented, in which case the model is solved using the degradation function in the mkinmod object. The parameters of the selected error model are fitted simultaneously with the degradation model parameters, as both of them are arguments of the likelihood function.

### **Usage**

```
mkinfit(
 mkinmod,
  observed,
 parms.ini = "auto",
  state.ini = "auto",
  err.ini = "auto",
  fixed_parms = NULL,
  fixed_initials = names(mkinmod$diffs)[-1],
  from_max_mean = FALSE,
  solution_type = c("auto", "analytical", "eigen", "deSolve"),
  method.ode = "lsoda",
  use_compiled = "auto",
  control = list(eval.max = 300, iter.max = 200),
  transform_rates = TRUE,
  transform_fractions = TRUE,
  quiet = FALSE,
  atol = 1e-08,
  rtol = 1e-10,
  error_model = c("const", "obs", "tc"),
 error_model_algorithm = c("auto", "d_3", "direct", "twostep", "threestep", "fourstep",
    "IRLS", "OLS"),
  reweight.tol = 1e-08,
  reweight.max.iter = 10,
  trace_parms = FALSE,
  test_residuals = FALSE,
)
```

### **Arguments**

mkinmod

A list of class mkinmod, containing the kinetic model to be fitted to the data, or one of the shorthand names ("SFO", "FOMC", "DFOP", "HS", "SFORB", "IORE"). If a shorthand name is given, a parent only degradation model is generated for the variable with the highest value in observed.

observed

A dataframe or an object coercible to a dataframe (e.g. a tibble) with the observed data. The first column called "name" must contain the name of the observed variable for each data point. The second column must contain the times of observation, named "time". The third column must be named "value" and contain the observed values. Zero values in the "value" column will be removed, with a warning, in order to avoid problems with fitting the two-component error model. This is not expected to be a problem, because in general, values of zero are not observed in degradation data, because there is a lower limit of detection.

parms.ini

A named vector of initial values for the parameters, including parameters to be optimised and potentially also fixed parameters as indicated by fixed\_parms. If set to "auto", initial values for rate constants are set to default values. Using parameter names that are not in the model gives an error.

It is possible to only specify a subset of the parameters that the model needs. You can use the parameter lists "bparms.ode" from a previously fitted model, which contains the differential equation parameters from this model. This works nicely if the models are nested. An example is given below.

state.ini

A named vector of initial values for the state variables of the model. In case the observed variables are represented by more than one model variable, the names will differ from the names of the observed variables (see map component of mkinmod). The default is to set the initial value of the first model variable to the mean of the time zero values for the variable with the maximum observed value, and all others to 0. If this variable has no time zero observations, its initial value is set to 100.

err.ini

A named vector of initial values for the error model parameters to be optimised. If set to "auto", initial values are set to default values. Otherwise, inital values for all error model parameters must be given.

fixed\_parms

The names of parameters that should not be optimised but rather kept at the values specified in parms.ini. Alternatively, a named numeric vector of parameters to be fixed, regardless of the values in parms.ini.

fixed\_initials

The names of model variables for which the initial state at time 0 should be excluded from the optimisation. Defaults to all state variables except for the first one

from\_max\_mean

If this is set to TRUE, and the model has only one observed variable, then data before the time of the maximum observed value (after averaging for each sampling time) are discarded, and this time is subtracted from all remaining time values, so the time of the maximum observed mean value is the new time zero.

solution\_type

If set to "eigen", the solution of the system of differential equations is based on the spectral decomposition of the coefficient matrix in cases that this is possible. If set to "deSolve", a numerical ode solver from package deSolve is used. If set to "analytical", an analytical solution of the model is used. This is only implemented for relatively simple degradation models. The default is "auto", which uses "analytical" if possible, otherwise "deSolve" if a compiler is present, and "eigen" if no compiler is present and the model can be expressed using eigenvalues and eigenvectors.

method.ode

The solution method passed via mkinpredict() to deSolve::ode() in case the solution type is "deSolve". The default "lsoda" is performant, but sometimes fails to converge.

use\_compiled

If set to FALSE, no compiled version of the mkinmod model is used in the calls to mkinpredict() even if a compiled version is present.

control

A list of control arguments passed to stats::nlminb().

transform\_rates

Boolean specifying if kinetic rate constants should be transformed in the model specification used in the fitting for better compliance with the assumption of normal distribution of the estimator. If TRUE, also alpha and beta parameters of the FOMC model are log-transformed, as well as k1 and k2 rate constants for the DFOP and HS models and the break point tb of the HS model. If FALSE, zero is used as a lower bound for the rates in the optimisation.

#### transform\_fractions

Boolean specifying if formation fractions should be transformed in the model specification used in the fitting for better compliance with the assumption of normal distribution of the estimator. The default (TRUE) is to do transformations. If TRUE, the g parameter of the DFOP model is also transformed. Transformations are described in transform\_odeparms.

quiet Suppress printing out the current value of the negative log-likelihood after each

improvement?

Absolute error tolerance, passed to deSolve::ode(). Default is 1e-8, which

is lower than the default in the deSolve::lsoda() function which is used per

default.

Absolute error tolerance, passed to deSolve::ode(). Default is 1e-10, much

lower than in deSolve::lsoda().

error\_model If the error model is "const", a constant standard deviation is assumed.

If the error model is "obs", each observed variable is assumed to have its own variance.

If the error model is "tc" (two-component error model), a two component error model similar to the one described by Rocke and Lorenzato (1995) is used for setting up the likelihood function. Note that this model deviates from the model by Rocke and Lorenzato, as their model implies that the errors follow a lognormal distribution for large values, not a normal distribution as assumed by this method.

### error\_model\_algorithm

If "auto", the selected algorithm depends on the error model. If the error model is "const", unweighted nonlinear least squares fitting ("OLS") is selected. If the error model is "obs", or "tc", the "d\_3" algorithm is selected.

The algorithm "d\_3" will directly minimize the negative log-likelihood and independently also use the three step algorithm described below. The fit with the higher likelihood is returned.

The algorithm "direct" will directly minimize the negative log-likelihood.

The algorithm "twostep" will minimize the negative log-likelihood after an initial unweighted least squares optimisation step.

The algorithm "threestep" starts with unweighted least squares, then optimizes only the error model using the degradation model parameters found, and then minimizes the negative log-likelihood with free degradation and error model parameters.

The algorithm "fourstep" starts with unweighted least squares, then optimizes only the error model using the degradation model parameters found, then optimizes the degradation model again with fixed error model parameters, and finally minimizes the negative log-likelihood with free degradation and error model parameters.

The algorithm "IRLS" (Iteratively Reweighted Least Squares) starts with unweighted least squares, and then iterates optimization of the error model parameters and subsequent optimization of the degradation model using those error model parameters, until the error model parameters converge.

reweight.tol Tolerance for the convergence criterion calculated from the error model parameters in IRLS fits.

```
reweight.max.iter

Maximum number of iterations in IRLS fits.

trace_parms
Should a trace of the parameter values be listed?

test_residuals
Should the residuals be tested for normal distribution?
...
Further arguments that will be passed on to deSolve::ode().
```

#### **Details**

Per default, parameters in the kinetic models are internally transformed in order to better satisfy the assumption of a normal distribution of their estimators.

### Value

A list with "mkinfit" in the class attribute.

#### Note

When using the "IORE" submodel for metabolites, fitting with "transform\_rates = TRUE" (the default) often leads to failures of the numerical ODE solver. In this situation it may help to switch off the internal rate transformation.

### Author(s)

Johannes Ranke

### References

Rocke DM and Lorenzato S (1995) A two-component model for measurement error in analytical chemistry. *Technometrics* 37(2), 176-184.

Ranke J and Meinecke S (2019) Error Models for the Kinetic Evaluation of Chemical Degradation Data. *Environments* 6(12) 124 doi:10.3390/environments6120124.

#### See Also

summary.mkinfit, plot.mkinfit, parms and lrtest.

Comparisons of models fitted to the same data can be made using AIC by virtue of the method logLik.mkinfit.

Fitting of several models to several datasets in a single call to mmkin.

```
# Use shorthand notation for parent only degradation
fit <- mkinfit("FOMC", FOCUS_2006_C, quiet = TRUE)
summary(fit)

# One parent compound, one metabolite, both single first order.
# We remove zero values from FOCUS dataset D in order to avoid warnings
FOCUS_D <- subset(FOCUS_2006_D, value != 0)
# Use mkinsub for convenience in model formulation. Pathway to sink included per default.</pre>
```

```
SFO_SFO <- mkinmod(</pre>
 parent = mkinsub("SFO", "m1"),
 m1 = mkinsub("SFO"))
# Fit the model quietly to the FOCUS example dataset D using defaults
fit <- mkinfit(SFO_SFO, FOCUS_D, quiet = TRUE)</pre>
plot_sep(fit)
# As lower parent values appear to have lower variance, we try an alternative error model
fit.tc <- mkinfit(SFO_SFO, FOCUS_D, quiet = TRUE, error_model = "tc")</pre>
# This avoids the warning, and the likelihood ratio test confirms it is preferable
lrtest(fit.tc, fit)
# We can also allow for different variances of parent and metabolite as error model
fit.obs <- mkinfit(SF0_SF0, FOCUS_D, quiet = TRUE, error_model = "obs")</pre>
# The two-component error model has significantly higher likelihood
lrtest(fit.obs, fit.tc)
parms(fit.tc)
endpoints(fit.tc)
# We can show a quick (only one replication) benchmark for this case, as we
# have several alternative solution methods for the model. We skip
# uncompiled deSolve, as it is so slow. More benchmarks are found in the
# benchmark vignette
## Not run:
if(require(rbenchmark)) {
 benchmark(replications = 1, order = "relative", columns = c("test", "relative", "elapsed"),
    deSolve_compiled = mkinfit(SF0_SF0, FOCUS_D, quiet = TRUE, error_model = "tc",
      solution_type = "deSolve", use_compiled = TRUE),
    eigen = mkinfit(SF0_SF0, FOCUS_D, quiet = TRUE, error_model = "tc",
      solution_type = "eigen"),
    analytical = mkinfit(SFO_SFO, FOCUS_D, quiet = TRUE, error_model = "tc",
      solution_type = "analytical"))
}
## End(Not run)
# Use stepwise fitting, using optimised parameters from parent only fit, FOMC-SFO
## Not run:
FOMC_SFO <- mkinmod(</pre>
 parent = mkinsub("FOMC", "m1"),
 m1 = mkinsub("SFO"))
fit.FOMC_SF0 <- mkinfit(FOMC_SF0, FOCUS_D, quiet = TRUE)</pre>
# Again, we get a warning and try a more sophisticated error model
fit.FOMC_SFO.tc <- mkinfit(FOMC_SFO, FOCUS_D, quiet = TRUE, error_model = "tc")</pre>
# This model has a higher likelihood, but not significantly so
lrtest(fit.tc, fit.FOMC_SF0.tc)
# Also, the missing standard error for log_beta and the t-tests for alpha
# and beta indicate overparameterisation
summary(fit.FOMC_SFO.tc, data = FALSE)
# We can easily use starting parameters from the parent only fit (only for illustration)
fit.FOMC = mkinfit("FOMC", FOCUS_2006_D, quiet = TRUE, error_model = "tc")
fit.FOMC_SFO <- mkinfit(FOMC_SFO, FOCUS_D, quiet = TRUE,
 parms.ini = fit.FOMC$bparms.ode, error_model = "tc")
```

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```
## End(Not run)
```

mkinmod

Function to set up a kinetic model with one or more state variables

### **Description**

This function is usually called using a call to mkinsub() for each observed variable, specifying the corresponding submodel as well as outgoing pathways (see examples).

Print mkinmod objects in a way that the user finds his way to get to its components.

### Usage

```
mkinmod(
    ...,
    use_of_ff = "max",
    name = NULL,
    speclist = NULL,
    quiet = FALSE,
    verbose = FALSE,
    dll_dir = NULL,
    unload = FALSE,
    overwrite = FALSE
)

## S3 method for class 'mkinmod'
print(x, ...)

mkinsub(submodel, to = NULL, sink = TRUE, full_name = NA)
```

### **Arguments**

. . .

For each observed variable, a list as obtained by mkinsub() has to be specified as an argument (see examples). Currently, single first order kinetics "SFO", indeterminate order rate equation kinetics "IORE", or single first order with reversible binding "SFORB" are implemented for all variables, while "FOMC", "DFOP", "HS" and "logistic" can additionally be chosen for the first variable which is assumed to be the source compartment. Additionally, mkinsub() has an argument to, specifying names of variables to which a transfer is to be assumed in the model. If the argument use\_of\_ff is set to "min" and the model for the compartment is "SFO" or "SFORB", an additional mkinsub() argument can be sink = FALSE, effectively fixing the flux to sink to zero. In print.mkinmod, this argument is currently not used.

use\_of\_ff

Specification of the use of formation fractions in the model equations and, if applicable, the coefficient matrix. If "max", formation fractions are always used (default). If "min", a minimum use of formation fractions is made, i.e. each first-order pathway to a metabolite has its own rate constant.

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name	A name for the model. Should be a valid R object name.
speclist	The specification of the observed variables and their submodel types and pathways can be given as a single list using this argument. Default is NULL.
quiet	Should messages be suppressed?
verbose	If TRUE, passed to inline::cfunction() if applicable to give detailed information about the C function being built.
dll_dir	Directory where an DLL object, if generated internally by inline::cfunction(), should be saved. The DLL will only be stored in a permanent location for use in future sessions, if 'dll_dir' and 'name' are specified. This is helpful if fit objects are cached e.g. by knitr, as the cache remains functional across sessions if the DLL is stored in a user defined location.
unload	If a DLL from the target location in 'dll_dir' is already loaded, should that be unloaded first?
overwrite	If a file exists at the target DLL location in 'dll_dir', should this be overwritten?
x	An mkinmod object.
submodel	Character vector of length one to specify the submodel type. See mkinmod for the list of allowed submodel names.
to	Vector of the names of the state variable to which a transformation shall be included in the model.
sink	Should a pathway to sink be included in the model in addition to the pathways to other state variables?
full_name	An optional name to be used e.g. for plotting fits performed with the model. You can use non-ASCII characters here, but then your R code will not be portable, <i>i.e.</i> may produce unintended plot results on other operating systems or system configurations.

### **Details**

For the definition of model types and their parameters, the equations given in the FOCUS and NAFTA guidance documents are used.

For kinetic models with more than one observed variable, a symbolic solution of the system of differential equations is included in the resulting mkinmod object in some cases, speeding up the solution.

If a C compiler is found by pkgbuild::has\_compiler() and there is more than one observed variable in the specification, C code is generated for evaluating the differential equations, compiled using inline::cfunction() and added to the resulting mkinmod object.

### Value

A list of class mkinmod for use with mkinfit(), containing, among others,

diffs A vector of string representations of differential equations, one for each mod-

elling variable.

map A list containing named character vectors for each observed variable, specifying

the modelling variables by which it is represented.

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use_of_ff	The content of use_of_ff is passed on in this list component.
deg_func	If generated, a function containing the solution of the degradation model.
coefmat	The coefficient matrix, if the system of differential equations can be represented by one.
cf	If generated, a compiled function calculating the derivatives as returned by cfunction.

A list for use with mkinmod.

#### Note

The IORE submodel is not well tested for metabolites. When using this model for metabolites, you may want to read the note in the help page to mkinfit.

### Author(s)

Johannes Ranke

#### References

FOCUS (2006) "Guidance Document on Estimating Persistence and Degradation Kinetics from Environmental Fate Studies on Pesticides in EU Registration" Report of the FOCUS Work Group on Degradation Kinetics, EC Document Reference Sanco/10058/2005 version 2.0, 434 pp, http://esdac.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/degradation-kinetics

NAFTA Technical Working Group on Pesticides (not dated) Guidance for Evaluating and Calculating Degradation Kinetics in Environmental Media

```
# Specify the SFO model (this is not needed any more, as we can now mkinfit("SFO", \ldots)
SFO <- mkinmod(parent = mkinsub("SFO"))</pre>
# One parent compound, one metabolite, both single first order
SFO_SFO <- mkinmod(
  parent = mkinsub("SFO", "m1"),
  m1 = mkinsub("SFO"))
print(SF0_SF0)
## Not run:
 fit_sfo_sfo <- mkinfit(SFO_SFO, FOCUS_2006_D, quiet = TRUE, solution_type = "deSolve")</pre>
 # Now supplying compound names used for plotting, and write to user defined location
 # We need to choose a path outside the session tempdir because this gets removed
 DLL_dir <- "~/.local/share/mkin"</pre>
 if (!dir.exists(DLL_dir)) dir.create(DLL_dir)
 SFO_SFO.2 <- mkinmod(
   parent = mkinsub("SFO", "m1", full_name = "Test compound"),
   m1 = mkinsub("SFO", full_name = "Metabolite M1"),
   name = "SFO_SFO", dll_dir = DLL_dir, unload = TRUE, overwrite = TRUE)
# Now we can save the model and restore it in a new session
```

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```
saveRDS(SF0_SF0.2, file = "~/SF0_SF0.rds")
# Terminate the R session here if you would like to check, and then do
library(mkin)
SF0_SF0.3 <- readRDS("~/SF0_SF0.rds")</pre>
fit_sfo_sfo <- mkinfit(SFO_SF0.3, FOCUS_2006_D, quiet = TRUE, solution_type = "deSolve")</pre>
# Show details of creating the C function
SF0_SF0 <- mkinmod(</pre>
  parent = mkinsub("SFO", "m1"),
  m1 = mkinsub("SFO"), verbose = TRUE)
# The symbolic solution which is available in this case is not
# made for human reading but for speed of computation
SF0_SF0$deg_func
# If we have several parallel metabolites
# (compare tests/testthat/test_synthetic_data_for_UBA_2014.R)
m_synth_DFOP_par <- mkinmod(</pre>
 parent = mkinsub("DFOP", c("M1", "M2")),
 M1 = mkinsub("SF0"),
 M2 = mkinsub("SFO"),
 quiet = TRUE)
fit_DFOP_par_c <- mkinfit(m_synth_DFOP_par,</pre>
  synthetic_data_for_UBA_2014[[12]]$data,
  quiet = TRUE)
## End(Not run)
```

mkinparplot

Function to plot the confidence intervals obtained using mkinfit

# Description

This function plots the confidence intervals for the parameters fitted using mkinfit.

# Usage

```
mkinparplot(object)
```

### **Arguments**

object

A fit represented in an mkinfit object.

#### Value

Nothing is returned by this function, as it is called for its side effect, namely to produce a plot.

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### Author(s)

Johannes Ranke

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
model <- mkinmod(
   T245 = mkinsub("SFO", to = c("phenol"), sink = FALSE),
   phenol = mkinsub("SFO", to = c("anisole")),
   anisole = mkinsub("SFO"), use_of_ff = "max")
fit <- mkinfit(model, subset(mccall81_245T, soil == "Commerce"), quiet = TRUE)
mkinparplot(fit)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

mkinplot

Plot the observed data and the fitted model of an mkinfit object

# **Description**

Deprecated function. It now only calls the plot method plot.mkinfit.

### Usage

```
mkinplot(fit, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

```
fit an object of class mkinfit.... further arguments passed to plot.mkinfit.
```

### Value

The function is called for its side effect.

### Author(s)

Johannes Ranke

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Produce predictions from a kinetic model using specific parameters

### **Description**

This function produces a time series for all the observed variables in a kinetic model as specified by mkinmod, using a specific set of kinetic parameters and initial values for the state variables.

# Usage

```
mkinpredict(x, odeparms, odeini, outtimes, ...)
## S3 method for class 'mkinmod'
mkinpredict(
  Х,
  odeparms = c(k_parent_sink = 0.1),
  odeini = c(parent = 100),
  outtimes = seq(0, 120, by = 0.1),
  solution_type = "deSolve",
  use_compiled = "auto",
  use_symbols = FALSE,
 method.ode = "lsoda",
  atol = 1e-08,
  rtol = 1e-10,
 maxsteps = 20000L,
 map_output = TRUE,
 na_stop = TRUE,
  . . .
)
## S3 method for class 'mkinfit'
mkinpredict(
  odeparms = x$bparms.ode,
  odeini = x$bparms.state,
  outtimes = seq(0, 120, by = 0.1),
  solution_type = "deSolve",
  use_compiled = "auto",
 method.ode = "lsoda",
  atol = 1e-08,
  rtol = 1e-10,
 map_output = TRUE,
)
```

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# Arguments

Х	A kinetic model as produced by mkinmod, or a kinetic fit as fitted by mkinfit. In the latter case, the fitted parameters are used for the prediction.
odeparms	A numeric vector specifying the parameters used in the kinetic model, which is generally defined as a set of ordinary differential equations.
odeini	A numeric vector containing the initial values of the state variables of the model. Note that the state variables can differ from the observed variables, for example in the case of the SFORB model.
outtimes	A numeric vector specifying the time points for which model predictions should be generated.
• • •	Further arguments passed to the ode solver in case such a solver is used.
solution_type	The method that should be used for producing the predictions. This should generally be "analytical" if there is only one observed variable, and usually "de-Solve" in the case of several observed variables. The third possibility "eigen" is fast in comparison to uncompiled ODE models, but not applicable to some models, e.g. using FOMC for the parent compound.
use_compiled	If set to FALSE, no compiled version of the mkinmod model is used, even if is present.
use_symbols	If set to TRUE (default), symbol info present in the mkinmod object is used if available for accessing compiled code
method.ode	The solution method passed via mkinpredict to deSolve::ode() in case the solution type is "deSolve" and we are not using compiled code. When using compiled code, only Isoda is supported.
atol	Absolute error tolerance, passed to the ode solver.
rtol	Absolute error tolerance, passed to the ode solver.
maxsteps	Maximum number of steps, passed to the ode solver.
map_output	Boolean to specify if the output should list values for the observed variables (default) or for all state variables (if set to FALSE). Setting this to FALSE has no effect for analytical solutions, as these always return mapped output.
na_stop	Should it be an error if deSolve::ode() returns NaN values

# Value

A matrix with the numeric solution in wide format

# Author(s)

Johannes Ranke

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```
mkinpredict(SFO, c(k_degradinol = 0.3), c(degradinol = 100), 0:20,
      solution_type = "deSolve")
mkinpredict(SFO, c(k_degradinol = 0.3), c(degradinol = 100), 0:20,
      solution_type = "deSolve", use_compiled = FALSE)
mkinpredict(SFO, c(k_degradinol = 0.3), c(degradinol = 100), 0:20,
      solution_type = "eigen")
# Compare integration methods to analytical solution
mkinpredict(SFO, c(k_degradinol = 0.3), c(degradinol = 100), 0:20,
      solution_type = "analytical")[21,]
mkinpredict(SFO, c(k_degradinol = 0.3), c(degradinol = 100), 0:20,
      method = "lsoda", use_compiled = FALSE)[21,]
mkinpredict(SFO, c(k_degradinol = 0.3), c(degradinol = 100), 0:20,
      method = "ode45", use_compiled = FALSE)[21,]
mkinpredict(SFO, c(k_degradinol = 0.3), c(degradinol = 100), 0:20,
      method = "rk4", use_compiled = FALSE)[21,]
# rk4 is not as precise here
# The number of output times used to make a lot of difference until the
# default for atol was adjusted
mkinpredict(SFO, c(k_degradinol = 0.3), c(degradinol = 100),
      seq(0, 20, by = 0.1))[201,]
mkinpredict(SFO, c(k_degradinol = 0.3), c(degradinol = 100),
      seq(0, 20, by = 0.01))[2001,]
# Comparison of the performance of solution types
SFO_SFO = mkinmod(parent = list(type = "SFO", to = "m1"),
                  m1 = list(type = "SFO"), use_of_ff = "max")
if(require(rbenchmark)) {
 benchmark(replications = 10, order = "relative", columns = c("test", "relative", "elapsed"),
   eigen = mkinpredict(SFO_SFO,
      c(k_parent = 0.15, f_parent_to_m1 = 0.5, k_m1 = 0.01),
      c(parent = 100, m1 = 0), seq(0, 20, by = 0.1),
      solution_type = "eigen")[201,],
    deSolve_compiled = mkinpredict(SFO_SFO,
      c(k_parent = 0.15, f_parent_to_m1 = 0.5, k_m1 = 0.01),
      c(parent = 100, m1 = 0), seq(0, 20, by = 0.1),
      solution_type = "deSolve")[201,],
    deSolve = mkinpredict(SF0_SF0,
      c(k_parent = 0.15, f_parent_to_m1 = 0.5, k_m1 = 0.01),
      c(parent = 100, m1 = 0), seq(0, 20, by = 0.1),
      solution_type = "deSolve", use_compiled = FALSE)[201,],
    analytical = mkinpredict(SFO_SFO,
      c(k_parent = 0.15, f_parent_to_m1 = 0.5, k_m1 = 0.01),
      c(parent = 100, m1 = 0), seq(0, 20, by = 0.1),
      solution_type = "analytical", use_compiled = FALSE)[201,])
}
## Not run:
 # Predict from a fitted model
 f <- mkinfit(SFO_SFO, FOCUS_2006_C, quiet = TRUE)</pre>
 f <- mkinfit(SF0_SF0, FOCUS_2006_C, quiet = TRUE, solution_type = "deSolve")</pre>
 head(mkinpredict(f))
```

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```
## End(Not run)
```

mkinresplot

Function to plot residuals stored in an mkin object

# **Description**

This function plots the residuals for the specified subset of the observed variables from an mkinfit object. A combined plot of the fitted model and the residuals can be obtained using plot.mkinfit using the argument show\_residuals = TRUE.

### Usage

```
mkinresplot(
  object,
  obs_vars = names(object$mkinmod$map),
  xlim = c(0, 1.1 * max(object$data$time)),
  standardized = FALSE,
  xlab = "Time",
  ylab = ifelse(standardized, "Standardized residual", "Residual"),
  maxabs = "auto",
  legend = TRUE,
  lpos = "topright",
  col_obs = "auto",
  pch_obs = "auto",
  frame = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

### **Arguments**

object	A fit represented in an mkinfit object.
obs_vars	A character vector of names of the observed variables for which residuals should be plotted. Defaults to all observed variables in the model
xlim	plot range in x direction.
standardized	Should the residuals be standardized by dividing by the standard deviation given by the error model of the fit?
xlab	Label for the x axis.
ylab	Label for the y axis.
maxabs	Maximum absolute value of the residuals. This is used for the scaling of the y axis and defaults to "auto".
legend	Should a legend be plotted?

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lpos	Where should the legend be placed? Default is "topright". Will be passed on to legend.
col_obs	Colors for the observed variables.
pch_obs	Symbols to be used for the observed variables.
frame	Should a frame be drawn around the plots?
	further arguments passed to plot.

### Value

Nothing is returned by this function, as it is called for its side effect, namely to produce a plot.

# Author(s)

Johannes Ranke and Katrin Lindenberger

### See Also

mkinplot, for a way to plot the data and the fitted lines of the mkinfit object, and plot\_res for a function combining the plot of the fit and the residual plot.

# **Examples**

```
model <- mkinmod(parent = mkinsub("SFO", "m1"), m1 = mkinsub("SFO"))
fit <- mkinfit(model, FOCUS_2006_D, quiet = TRUE)
mkinresplot(fit, "m1")</pre>
```

mkin\_long\_to\_wide

Convert a dataframe from long to wide format

# **Description**

This function takes a dataframe in the long form, i.e. with a row for each observed value, and converts it into a dataframe with one independent variable and several dependent variables as columns.

## Usage

```
mkin_long_to_wide(long_data, time = "time", outtime = "time")
```

# **Arguments**

long_data	The dataframe must contain one variable called "time" with the time values spec-
	ified by the time argument, one column called "name" with the grouping of the
	observed values, and finally one column of observed values called "value".

time The name of the time variable in the long input data.

outtime The name of the time variable in the wide output data.

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# Value

Dataframe in wide format.

# Author(s)

Johannes Ranke

# **Examples**

```
mkin_long_to_wide(FOCUS_2006_D)
```

mkin\_wide\_to\_long

Convert a dataframe with observations over time into long format

# **Description**

This function simply takes a dataframe with one independent variable and several dependent variable and converts it into the long form as required by mkinfit.

### Usage

```
mkin_wide_to_long(wide_data, time = "t")
```

# Arguments

wide\_data The dataframe must contain one variable with the time values specified by the

time argument and usually more than one column of observed values.

time The name of the time variable.

# Value

Dataframe in long format as needed for mkinfit.

### Author(s)

Johannes Ranke

```
wide <- data.frame(t = c(1,2,3), x = c(1,4,7), y = c(3,4,5)) mkin_wide_to_long(wide)
```

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mmkin	Fit one or more kinetic models with one or more state variables to one or more datasets

## **Description**

This function calls mkinfit on all combinations of models and datasets specified in its first two arguments.

## Usage

```
mmkin(
  models = c("SFO", "FOMC", "DFOP"),
  datasets,
  cores = if (Sys.info()["sysname"] == "Windows") 1 else parallel::detectCores(),
  cluster = NULL,
  ...
)

## S3 method for class 'mmkin'
print(x, ...)
```

# Arguments

models	Either a character vector of shorthand names like c("SFO", "FOMC", "DFOP", "HS", "SFORB"), or an optionally named list of mkinmod objects.
datasets	An optionally named list of datasets suitable as observed data for mkinfit.
cores	The number of cores to be used for multicore processing. This is only used when the cluster argument is NULL. On Windows machines, cores > 1 is not supported, you need to use the cluster argument to use multiple logical processors. Per default, all cores detected by parallel::detectCores() are used, except on Windows where the default is 1.
cluster	A cluster as returned by makeCluster to be used for parallel execution.
	Not used.
X	An mmkin object.

## Value

A two-dimensional array of mkinfit objects and/or try-errors that can be indexed using the model names for the first index (row index) and the dataset names for the second index (column index).

## Author(s)

Johannes Ranke

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### See Also

[.mmkin for subsetting, plot.mmkin for plotting.

```
## Not run:
m_synth_SFO_lin <- mkinmod(parent = mkinsub("SFO", "M1"),</pre>
                            M1 = mkinsub("SFO", "M2"),
                            M2 = mkinsub("SFO"), use_of_ff = "max")
m_synth_FOMC_lin <- mkinmod(parent = mkinsub("FOMC", "M1"),</pre>
                             M1 = mkinsub("SFO", "M2"),
                             M2 = mkinsub("SFO"), use_of_ff = "max")
models <- list(SF0_lin = m_synth_SF0_lin, FOMC_lin = m_synth_FOMC_lin)</pre>
datasets <- lapply(synthetic_data_for_UBA_2014[1:3], function(x) x$data)</pre>
names(datasets) <- paste("Dataset", 1:3)</pre>
time_default <- system.time(fits.0 <- mmkin(models, datasets, quiet = TRUE))</pre>
time_1 <- system.time(fits.4 <- mmkin(models, datasets, cores = 1, quiet = TRUE))</pre>
time default
time_1
endpoints(fits.0[["SFO_lin", 2]])
# plot.mkinfit handles rows or columns of mmkin result objects
plot(fits.0[1, ])
plot(fits.0[1, ], obs_var = c("M1", "M2"))
plot(fits.0[, 1])
# Use double brackets to extract a single mkinfit object, which will be plotted
# by plot.mkinfit and can be plotted using plot_sep
plot(fits.0[[1, 1]], sep_obs = TRUE, show_residuals = TRUE, show_errmin = TRUE)
plot_sep(fits.0[[1, 1]])
# Plotting with mmkin (single brackets, extracting an mmkin object) does not
# allow to plot the observed variables separately
plot(fits.0[1, 1])
# On Windows, we can use multiple cores by making a cluster first
cl <- parallel::makePSOCKcluster(12)</pre>
f <- mmkin(c("SFO", "FOMC", "DFOP"),</pre>
 list(A = FOCUS_2006_A, B = FOCUS_2006_B, C = FOCUS_2006_C, D = FOCUS_2006_D),
 cluster = cl, quiet = TRUE)
print(f)
# We get false convergence for the FOMC fit to FOCUS_2006_A because this
# dataset is really SFO, and the FOMC fit is overparameterised
parallel::stopCluster(cl)
## End(Not run)
```

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Perform a hierarchical model fit with multiple starting values

## **Description**

The purpose of this method is to check if a certain algorithm for fitting nonlinear hierarchical models (also known as nonlinear mixed-effects models) will reliably yield results that are sufficiently similar to each other, if started with a certain range of reasonable starting parameters. It is inspired by the article on practical identifiability in the frame of nonlinear mixed-effects models by Duchesne et al (2021).

## Usage

```
multistart(
 object,
  n = 50,
 cores = if (Sys.info()["sysname"] == "Windows") 1 else parallel::detectCores(),
  cluster = NULL,
)
## S3 method for class 'saem.mmkin'
multistart(object, n = 50, cores = 1, cluster = NULL, ...)
## S3 method for class 'multistart'
print(x, ...)
best(object, ...)
## Default S3 method:
best(object, ...)
which.best(object, ...)
## Default S3 method:
which.best(object, ...)
```

# Arguments

object	The fit object to work with
n	How many different combinations of starting parameters should be used?
cores	How many fits should be run in parallel (only on posix platforms)?
cluster	A cluster as returned by parallel::makeCluster to be used for parallel execution.
	Passed to the update function.
X	The multistart object to print

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### Value

A list of saem.mmkin objects, with class attributes 'multistart.saem.mmkin' and 'multistart'.

The object with the highest likelihood

The index of the object with the highest likelihood

### References

Duchesne R, Guillemin A, Gandrillon O, Crauste F. Practical identifiability in the frame of nonlinear mixed effects models: the example of the in vitro erythropoiesis. BMC Bioinformatics. 2021 Oct 4;22(1):478. doi: 10.1186/s12859-021-04373-4.

## See Also

```
parplot, llhist
```

```
## Not run:
library(mkin)
dmta_ds <- lapply(1:7, function(i) {</pre>
  ds_i <- dimethenamid_2018$ds[[i]]$data</pre>
  ds_i[ds_i$name == "DMTAP", "name"] <- "DMTA"</pre>
  ds_i$time <- ds_i$time * dimethenamid_2018$f_time_norm[i]</pre>
  ds_i
})
names(dmta_ds) <- sapply(dimethenamid_2018$ds, function(ds) ds$title)</pre>
dmta_ds[["Elliot"]] <- rbind(dmta_ds[["Elliot 1"]], dmta_ds[["Elliot 2"]])</pre>
dmta_ds[["Elliot 1"]] <- dmta_ds[["Elliot 2"]] <- NULL</pre>
f_mmkin <- mmkin("DFOP", dmta_ds, error_model = "tc", cores = 7, quiet = TRUE)</pre>
f_saem_full <- saem(f_mmkin)</pre>
f_saem_full_multi <- multistart(f_saem_full, n = 16, cores = 16)</pre>
parplot(f_saem_full_multi, lpos = "topleft", las = 2)
illparms(f_saem_full)
f_saem_reduced <- update(f_saem_full, no_random_effect = "log_k2")</pre>
illparms(f_saem_reduced)
# On Windows, we need to create a PSOCK cluster first and refer to it
# in the call to multistart()
library(parallel)
cl <- makePSOCKcluster(12)</pre>
f_saem_reduced_multi <- multistart(f_saem_reduced, n = 16, cluster = cl)</pre>
parplot(f_saem_reduced_multi, lpos = "topright", ylim = c(0.5, 2), las = 2)
stopCluster(cl)
## End(Not run)
```

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Evaluate parent kinetics using the NAFTA guidance

# Description

The function fits the SFO, IORE and DFOP models using mmkin and returns an object of class nafta that has methods for printing and plotting.

Print nafta objects. The results for the three models are printed in the order of increasing model complexity, i.e. SFO, then IORE, and finally DFOP.

## Usage

```
nafta(ds, title = NA, quiet = FALSE, ...)
## S3 method for class 'nafta'
print(x, quiet = TRUE, digits = 3, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

ds	A dataframe that must contain one variable called "time" with the time values specified by the time argument, one column called "name" with the grouping of the observed values, and finally one column of observed values called "value".
title	Optional title of the dataset
quiet	Should the evaluation text be shown?
	Further arguments passed to mmkin (not for the printing method).
x	An nafta object.
digits	Number of digits to be used for printing parameters and dissipation times.

### Value

An list of class nafta. The list element named "mmkin" is the mmkin object containing the fits of the three models. The list element named "title" contains the title of the dataset used. The list element "data" contains the dataset used in the fits.

# Author(s)

Johannes Ranke

## Source

NAFTA (2011) Guidance for evaluating and calculating degradation kinetics in environmental media. NAFTA Technical Working Group on Pesticides https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-science-and-assessing-pestiguidance-evaluating-and-calculating-degradation accessed 2019-02-22

US EPA (2015) Standard Operating Procedure for Using the NAFTA Guidance to Calculate Representative Half-life Values and Characterizing Pesticide Degradation https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-science-and-assstandard-operating-procedure-using-nafta-guidance

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### **Examples**

```
nafta_evaluation <- nafta(NAFTA_SOP_Appendix_D, cores = 1)
print(nafta_evaluation)
plot(nafta_evaluation)</pre>
```

NAFTA\_SOP\_2015

Example datasets from the NAFTA SOP published 2015

## **Description**

Data taken from US EPA (2015), p. 19 and 23.

## Usage

```
NAFTA_SOP_Appendix_B
NAFTA_SOP_Appendix_D
```

### **Format**

2 datasets with observations on the following variables.

name a factor containing the name of the observed variable time a numeric vector containing time points value a numeric vector containing concentrations

### **Source**

NAFTA (2011) Guidance for evaluating and calculating degradation kinetics in environmental media. NAFTA Technical Working Group on Pesticides https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-science-and-assessing-pestiguidance-evaluating-and-calculating-degradation accessed 2019-02-22

US EPA (2015) Standard Operating Procedure for Using the NAFTA Guidance to Calculate Representative Half-life Values and Characterizing Pesticide Degradation https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-science-and-assstandard-operating-procedure-using-nafta-guidance

```
nafta_evaluation <- nafta(NAFTA_SOP_Appendix_D, cores = 1)
print(nafta_evaluation)
plot(nafta_evaluation)</pre>
```

## **Description**

Data taken from from Attachment 1 of the SOP.

## Usage

NAFTA\_SOP\_Attachment

### **Format**

A list (NAFTA\_SOP\_Attachment) containing 16 datasets suitable for the evaluation with nafta

### Source

NAFTA (2011) Guidance for evaluating and calculating degradation kinetics in environmental media. NAFTA Technical Working Group on Pesticides https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-science-and-assessing-pestiguidance-evaluating-and-calculating-degradation accessed 2019-02-22

US EPA (2015) Standard Operating Procedure for Using the NAFTA Guidance to Calculate Representative Half-life Values and Characterizing Pesticide Degradation https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-science-and-assstandard-operating-procedure-using-nafta-guidance

## **Examples**

```
nafta_att_p5a <- nafta(NAFTA_SOP_Attachment[["p5a"]], cores = 1)
print(nafta_att_p5a)
plot(nafta_att_p5a)</pre>
```

nlme.mmkin

Create an nlme model for an mmkin row object

# Description

This functions sets up a nonlinear mixed effects model for an mmkin row object. An mmkin row object is essentially a list of mkinfit objects that have been obtained by fitting the same model to a list of datasets.

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## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mmkin'
nlme(
 model,
  data = "auto",
 fixed = lapply(as.list(names(mean_degparms(model))), function(el) eval(parse(text =
    paste(el, 1, sep = "~")))),
  random = pdDiag(fixed),
  groups,
  start = mean_degparms(model, random = TRUE, test_log_parms = TRUE),
  correlation = NULL,
 weights = NULL,
  subset,
 method = c("ML", "REML"),
  na.action = na.fail,
  naPattern,
  control = list(),
  verbose = FALSE
)
## S3 method for class 'nlme.mmkin'
print(x, digits = max(3, getOption("digits") - 3), ...)
## S3 method for class 'nlme.mmkin'
update(object, ...)
```

# Arguments

model

naPattern

control

data	Ignored, data are taken from the mmkin model
fixed	Ignored, all degradation parameters fitted in the mmkin model are used as fixed parameters
random	If not specified, no correlations between random effects are set up for the optimised degradation model parameters. This is achieved by using the nlme::pdDiag method.
groups	See the documentation of nlme
start	If not specified, mean values of the fitted degradation parameters taken from the mmkin object are used
correlation	See the documentation of nlme
weights	passed to nlme
subset	passed to nlme
method	passed to nlme
na.action	passed to nlme

An mmkin row object.

passed to nlme

passed to nlme

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verbose	passed to nlme
Х	An nlme.mmkin object to print
digits	Number of digits to use for printing
	Update specifications passed to update.nlme
object	An nlme.mmkin object to update

### **Details**

Note that the convergence of the nlme algorithms depends on the quality of the data. In degradation kinetics, we often only have few datasets (e.g. data for few soils) and complicated degradation models, which may make it impossible to obtain convergence with nlme.

### Value

Upon success, a fitted 'nlme.mmkin' object, which is an nlme object with additional elements. It also inherits from 'mixed.mmkin'.

### Note

As the object inherits from nlme::nlme, there is a wealth of methods that will automatically work on 'nlme.mmkin' objects, such as nlme::intervals(), nlme::anova.lme() and nlme::coef.lme().

### See Also

nlme\_function(), plot.mixed.mmkin, summary.nlme.mmkin

```
ds <- lapply(experimental_data_for_UBA_2019[6:10],</pre>
function(x) subset(x$data[c("name", "time", "value")], name == "parent"))
## Not run:
 f <- mmkin(c("SFO", "DFOP"), ds, quiet = TRUE, cores = 1)</pre>
 library(nlme)
 f_nlme_sfo <- nlme(f["SFO", ])</pre>
 f_nlme_dfop <- nlme(f["DFOP", ])</pre>
 anova(f_nlme_sfo, f_nlme_dfop)
 print(f_nlme_dfop)
 plot(f_nlme_dfop)
 endpoints(f_nlme_dfop)
 ds_2 <- lapply(experimental_data_for_UBA_2019[6:10],</pre>
  function(x) x$data[c("name", "time", "value")])
 m_sfo_sfo <- mkinmod(parent = mkinsub("SFO", "A1"),</pre>
   A1 = mkinsub("SFO"), use_of_ff = "min", quiet = TRUE)
 m_sfo_sfo_ff <- mkinmod(parent = mkinsub("SFO", "A1"),</pre>
    A1 = mkinsub("SFO"), use_of_ff = "max", quiet = TRUE)
 m_dfop_sfo <- mkinmod(parent = mkinsub("DFOP", "A1"),</pre>
   A1 = mkinsub("SFO"), quiet = TRUE)
```

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```
f_2 <- mmkin(list("SFO-SFO" = m_sfo_sfo,</pre>
   "SFO-SFO-ff" = m_sfo_sfo_ff,
   "DFOP-SFO" = m_dfop_sfo),
   ds_2, quiet = TRUE)
 f_nlme_sfo_sfo \leftarrow nlme(f_2["SFO-SFO", ])
 plot(f_nlme_sfo_sfo)
 # With formation fractions this does not coverge with defaults
 # f_nlme_sfo_sfo_ff <- nlme(f_2["SFO-SFO-ff", ])</pre>
 #plot(f_nlme_sfo_sfo_ff)
 # For the following, we need to increase pnlsMaxIter and the tolerance
 # to get convergence
 f_nlme_dfop_sfo <- nlme(f_2["DFOP-SFO", ],</pre>
   control = list(pnlsMaxIter = 120, tolerance = 5e-4))
 plot(f_nlme_dfop_sfo)
 anova(f_nlme_dfop_sfo, f_nlme_sfo_sfo)
 endpoints(f_nlme_sfo_sfo)
 endpoints(f_nlme_dfop_sfo)
 if (length(findFunction("varConstProp")) > 0) { # tc error model for nlme available}
    # Attempts to fit metabolite kinetics with the tc error model are possible,
    # but need tweeking of control values and sometimes do not converge
   f_tc <- mmkin(c("SFO", "DFOP"), ds, quiet = TRUE, error_model = "tc")</pre>
   f_nlme_sfo_tc <- nlme(f_tc["SFO", ])</pre>
   f_nlme_dfop_tc <- nlme(f_tc["DFOP", ])</pre>
   AIC(f_nlme_sfo, f_nlme_sfo_tc, f_nlme_dfop, f_nlme_dfop_tc)
   print(f_nlme_dfop_tc)
 }
 f_2_obs <- update(f_2, error_model = "obs")</pre>
 f_nlme_sfo_sfo_obs <- nlme(f_2_obs["SFO-SFO", ])</pre>
 print(f_nlme_sfo_sfo_obs)
 f_nlme_dfop_sfo_obs <- nlme(f_2_obs["DFOP-SFO", ],</pre>
    control = list(pnlsMaxIter = 120, tolerance = 5e-4))
 f_2_tc <- update(f_2, error_model = "tc")</pre>
 \# f_nlme_sfo_sfo_tc \leftarrow nlme(f_2_tc["SFO-SFO", ]) \# No convergence with 50 iterations
 # f_nlme_dfop_sfo_tc <- nlme(f_2_tc["DFOP-SFO", ],</pre>
 # control = list(pnlsMaxIter = 120, tolerance = 5e-4)) # Error in X[, fmap[[nm]]] <- gradnm</pre>
 anova(f_nlme_dfop_sfo, f_nlme_dfop_sfo_obs)
## End(Not run)
```

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Helper functions to create nlme models from mmkin row objects

### **Description**

These functions facilitate setting up a nonlinear mixed effects model for an mmkin row object. An mmkin row object is essentially a list of mkinfit objects that have been obtained by fitting the same model to a list of datasets. They are used internally by the nlme.mmkin() method.

# Usage

```
nlme_function(object)
nlme_data(object)
```

# Arguments

object

An mmkin row object containing several fits of the same model to different datasets

### Value

A function that can be used with nlme

A nlme::groupedData object

### See Also

nlme.mmkin

```
sampling_times = c(0, 1, 3, 7, 14, 28, 60, 90, 120)
m_SF0 <- mkinmod(parent = mkinsub("SF0"))</pre>
d_SF0_1 <- mkinpredict(m_SF0,</pre>
  c(k_parent = 0.1),
  c(parent = 98), sampling_times)
d_SFO_1_long <- mkin_wide_to_long(d_SFO_1, time = "time")</pre>
d_SF0_2 <- mkinpredict(m_SF0,</pre>
  c(k_parent = 0.05),
  c(parent = 102), sampling_times)
d_SFO_2_long <- mkin_wide_to_long(d_SFO_2, time = "time")</pre>
d_SF0_3 <- mkinpredict(m_SF0,</pre>
  c(k_parent = 0.02),
  c(parent = 103), sampling_times)
d_SFO_3_long <- mkin_wide_to_long(d_SFO_3, time = "time")</pre>
d1 <- add_err(d_SFO_1, function(value) 3, n = 1)</pre>
d2 \leftarrow add_err(d_SF0_2, function(value) 2, n = 1)
d3 <- add_err(d_SFO_3, function(value) 4, n = 1)
```

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```
ds \leftarrow c(d1 = d1, d2 = d2, d3 = d3)
f <- mmkin("SFO", ds, cores = 1, quiet = TRUE)</pre>
mean_dp <- mean_degparms(f)</pre>
grouped_data <- nlme_data(f)</pre>
nlme_f <- nlme_function(f)</pre>
# These assignments are necessary for these objects to be
# visible to nlme and augPred when evaluation is done by
# pkgdown to generate the html docs.
assign("nlme_f", nlme_f, globalenv())
assign("grouped_data", grouped_data, globalenv())
library(nlme)
m_nlme <- nlme(value ~ nlme_f(name, time, parent_0, log_k_parent_sink),</pre>
  data = grouped_data,
  fixed = parent_0 + log_k_parent_sink ~ 1,
  random = pdDiag(parent_0 + log_k_parent_sink ~ 1),
  start = mean_dp)
summary(m_nlme)
plot(augPred(m_nlme, level = 0:1), layout = c(3, 1))
# augPred does not work on fits with more than one state
# variable
# The procedure is greatly simplified by the nlme.mmkin function
f_nlme <- nlme(f)
plot(f_nlme)
```

nobs.mkinfit

Number of observations on which an mkinfit object was fitted

## Description

Number of observations on which an mkinfit object was fitted

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mkinfit'
nobs(object, ...)
```

# Arguments

object An mkinfit object
... For compatibility with the generic method

# Value

The number of rows in the data included in the mkinfit object

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Extract model parameters

## **Description**

This function returns degradation model parameters as well as error model parameters per default, in order to avoid working with a fitted model without considering the error structure that was assumed for the fit.

## Usage

```
parms(object, ...)
## S3 method for class 'mkinfit'
parms(object, transformed = FALSE, errparms = TRUE, ...)
## S3 method for class 'mmkin'
parms(object, transformed = FALSE, errparms = TRUE, ...)
## S3 method for class 'multistart'
parms(object, exclude_failed = TRUE, ...)
## S3 method for class 'saem.mmkin'
parms(object, ci = FALSE, covariates = NULL, ...)
```

## Arguments

A fitted model object. object Not used transformed Should the parameters be returned as used internally during the optimisation? errparms Should the error model parameters be returned in addition to the degradation parameters? exclude\_failed For multistart objects, should rows for failed fits be removed from the returned parameter matrix? Should a matrix with estimates and confidence interval boundaries be returned? ci If FALSE (default), a vector of estimates is returned if no covariates are given, otherwise a matrix of estimates is returned, with each column corresponding to a row of the data frame holding the covariates A data frame holding covariate values for which to return parameter values. covariates

Value

Depending on the object, a numeric vector of fitted model parameters, a matrix (e.g. for mmkin row objects), or a list of matrices (e.g. for mmkin objects with more than one row).

Only has an effect if 'ci' is FALSE.

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## See Also

saem, multistart

## **Examples**

```
# mkinfit objects
fit <- mkinfit("SFO", FOCUS_2006_C, quiet = TRUE)
parms(fit)
parms(fit, transformed = TRUE)

# mmkin objects
ds <- lapply(experimental_data_for_UBA_2019[6:10],
function(x) subset(x$data[c("name", "time", "value")]))
names(ds) <- paste("Dataset", 6:10)
## Not run:
fits <- mmkin(c("SFO", "FOMC", "DFOP"), ds, quiet = TRUE, cores = 1)
parms(fits["SFO", ])
parms(fits[, 2])
parms(fits, transformed = TRUE)

## End(Not run)</pre>
```

parplot

Plot parameter variability of multistart objects

## **Description**

Produces a boxplot with all parameters from the multiple runs, scaled either by the parameters of the run with the highest likelihood, or by their medians as proposed in the paper by Duchesne et al. (2021).

## Usage

```
parplot(object, ...)

## S3 method for class 'multistart.saem.mmkin'
parplot(
   object,
   llmin = -Inf,
   llquant = NA,
   scale = c("best", "median"),
   lpos = "bottomleft",
   main = "",
   ...
)
```

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## **Arguments**

object	The multistart object
	Passed to boxplot
llmin	The minimum likelihood of objects to be shown
llquant	Fractional value for selecting only the fits with higher likelihoods. Overrides 'llmin'.
scale	By default, scale parameters using the best available fit. If 'median', parameters are scaled using the median parameters from all fits.
lpos	Positioning of the legend.
main	Title of the plot

## **Details**

Starting values of degradation model parameters and error model parameters are shown as green circles. The results obtained in the original run are shown as red circles.

### References

Duchesne R, Guillemin A, Gandrillon O, Crauste F. Practical identifiability in the frame of nonlinear mixed effects models: the example of the in vitro erythropoiesis. BMC Bioinformatics. 2021 Oct 4;22(1):478. doi: 10.1186/s12859-021-04373-4.

## See Also

multistart

plot.mixed.mmkin	Plot predictions from a fitted nonlinear mixed model obtained via an mmkin row object

## **Description**

Plot predictions from a fitted nonlinear mixed model obtained via an mmkin row object

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mixed.mmkin'
plot(
    x,
    i = 1:ncol(x$mmkin),
    obs_vars = names(x$mkinmod$map),
    standardized = TRUE,
    covariates = NULL,
    covariate_quantiles = c(0.5, 0.05, 0.95),
    xlab = "Time",
```

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```
xlim = range(x$data$time),
  resplot = c("predicted", "time"),
  pop_curves = "auto",
  pred_over = NULL,
  test_log_parms = FALSE,
  conf.level = 0.6,
  default_log_parms = NA,
  ymax = "auto",
 maxabs = "auto",
 ncol.legend = ifelse(length(i) \le 3, length(i) + 1, ifelse(length(i) \le 8, 3, 4)),
  nrow.legend = ceiling((length(i) + 1)/ncol.legend),
  rel.height.legend = 0.02 + 0.07 * nrow.legend,
  rel.height.bottom = 1.1,
  pch_ds = c(1:25, 33, 35:38, 40:41, 47:57, 60:90)[1:length(i)],
  col_ds = pch_ds + 1,
  lty_ds = col_ds,
  frame = TRUE,
)
```

## **Arguments**

x An object of class mixed.mmkin, saem.mmkin or nlme.mmkin

i A numeric index to select datasets for which to plot the individual predictions,

in case plots get too large

obs\_vars A character vector of names of the observed variables for which the data and the

model should be plotted. Defauls to all observed variables in the model.

standardized Should the residuals be standardized? Only takes effect if resplot = "time".

covariates Data frame with covariate values for all variables in any covariate models in the

object. If given, it overrides 'covariate\_quantiles'. Each line in the data frame will result in a line drawn for the population. Rownames are used in the legend

to label the lines.

covariate\_quantiles

This argument only has an effect if the fitted object has covariate models. If so, the default is to show three population curves, for the 5th percentile, the 50th percentile and the 95th percentile of the covariate values used for fitting the

model.

xlab Label for the x axis. xlim Plot range in x direction.

resplot Should the residuals plotted against time or against predicted values?

pop\_curves Per default, one population curve is drawn in case population parameters are

fitted by the model, e.g. for saem objects. In case there is a covariate model, the

behaviour depends on the value of 'covariates'

pred\_over Named list of alternative predictions as obtained from mkinpredict with a com-

patible mkinmod.

test\_log\_parms Passed to mean\_degparms in the case of an mixed.mmkin object

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conf.level Passed to mean\_degparms in the case of an mixed.mmkin object default\_log\_parms Passed to mean\_degparms in the case of an mixed.mmkin object Vector of maximum y axis values ymax Maximum absolute value of the residuals. This is used for the scaling of the y maxabs axis and defaults to "auto". ncol.legend Number of columns to use in the legend nrow.legend Number of rows to use in the legend rel.height.legend The relative height of the legend shown on top rel.height.bottom The relative height of the bottom plot row Symbols to be used for plotting the data. pch\_ds col\_ds Colors used for plotting the observed data and the corresponding model prediction lines for the different datasets. lty\_ds Line types to be used for the model predictions. frame Should a frame be drawn around the plots? Further arguments passed to plot. . . .

### Value

The function is called for its side effect.

### Note

Covariate models are currently only supported for saem.mmkin objects.

### Author(s)

Johannes Ranke

```
ds <- lapply(experimental_data_for_UBA_2019[6:10],
  function(x) x$data[c("name", "time", "value")])
names(ds) <- paste0("ds ", 6:10)
dfop_sfo <- mkinmod(parent = mkinsub("DFOP", "A1"),
    A1 = mkinsub("SFO"), quiet = TRUE)
## Not run:
f <- mmkin(list("DFOP-SFO" = dfop_sfo), ds, quiet = TRUE)
plot(f[, 3:4], standardized = TRUE)

# For this fit we need to increase pnlsMaxiter, and we increase the
# tolerance in order to speed up the fit for this example evaluation
# It still takes 20 seconds to run
f_nlme <- nlme(f, control = list(pnlsMaxIter = 120, tolerance = 1e-3))
plot(f_nlme)</pre>
```

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```
f_saem <- saem(f, transformations = "saemix")
plot(f_saem)

f_obs <- mmkin(list("DFOP-SFO" = dfop_sfo), ds, quiet = TRUE, error_model = "obs")
f_nlmix <- nlmix(f_obs)
plot(f_nlmix)

# We can overlay the two variants if we generate predictions
pred_nlme <- mkinpredict(dfop_sfo,
    f_nlme$bparms.optim[-1],
    c(parent = f_nlme$bparms.optim[[1]], A1 = 0),
    seq(0, 180, by = 0.2))
plot(f_saem, pred_over = list(nlme = pred_nlme))

## End(Not run)</pre>
```

plot.mkinfit

Plot the observed data and the fitted model of an mkinfit object

## **Description**

Solves the differential equations with the optimised and fixed parameters from a previous successful call to mkinfit and plots the observed data together with the solution of the fitted model.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mkinfit'
plot(
 х,
  fit = x,
 obs_vars = names(fit$mkinmod$map),
  xlab = "Time",
 ylab = "Residue",
 xlim = range(fit$data$time),
 ylim = "default",
  col_obs = 1:length(obs_vars),
  pch_obs = col_obs,
  lty_obs = rep(1, length(obs_vars)),
  add = FALSE,
  legend = !add,
  show_residuals = FALSE,
  show_errplot = FALSE,
 maxabs = "auto",
  sep_obs = FALSE,
  rel.height.middle = 0.9,
  row_layout = FALSE,
  lpos = "topright",
```

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```
inset = c(0.05, 0.05),
  show_errmin = FALSE,
  errmin_digits = 3,
  frame = TRUE,
)
plot_sep(
 fit,
 show_errmin = TRUE,
 show_residuals = ifelse(identical(fit\serr_mod, "const"), TRUE, "standardized"),
plot_res(
  fit,
  sep_obs = FALSE,
  show_errmin = sep_obs,
  standardized = ifelse(identical(fit\serr_mod, "const"), FALSE, TRUE),
)
plot_err(fit, sep_obs = FALSE, show_errmin = sep_obs, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

x Alias for fit introduced for compatibility with the generic S3 method.		
fit	An object of class mkinfit.	
obs_vars	A character vector of names of the observed variables for which the data and the model should be plotted. Defauls to all observed variables in the model.	
xlab Label for the x axis.		
ylab Label for the y axis.		
xlim	lim Plot range in x direction.	
ylim	Plot range in y direction. If given as a list, plot ranges for the different plot rows can be given for row layout.	
col_obs	Colors used for plotting the observed data and the corresponding model prediction lines.	
pch_obs	Symbols to be used for plotting the data.	
lty_obs	Line types to be used for the model predictions.	
add	Should the plot be added to an existing plot?	
legend	Should a legend be added to the plot?	
show_residuals Should residuals be shown? If only one plot of the fits is shown, the plot is in the lower third of the plot. Otherwise, i.e. if "sep_obs" is g residual plots will be located to the right of the plots of the fitted curve is set to 'standardized', a plot of the residuals divided by the standard		

given by the fitted error model will be shown.

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show_errplot	Should squared residuals and the error model be shown? If only one plot of the fits is shown, this plot is in the lower third of the plot. Otherwise, i.e. if "sep_obs" is given, the residual plots will be located to the right of the plots of the fitted curves.
maxabs	Maximum absolute value of the residuals. This is used for the scaling of the y axis and defaults to "auto".
sep_obs	Should the observed variables be shown in separate subplots? If yes, residual plots requested by "show_residuals" will be shown next to, not below the plot of the fits.
rel.height.mid	dle
	The relative height of the middle plot, if more than two rows of plots are shown.
row_layout	Should we use a row layout where the residual plot or the error model plot is shown to the right?
lpos	Position(s) of the legend(s). Passed to legend as the first argument. If not length one, this should be of the same length as the obs_var argument.
inset	Passed to legend if applicable.
show_errmin	Should the FOCUS chi2 error value be shown in the upper margin of the plot?
errmin_digits	The number of significant digits for rounding the FOCUS chi2 error percentage.
frame Should a frame be drawn around the plots?	
	Further arguments passed to plot.
standardized	When calling 'plot_res', should the residuals be standardized in the residual plot?

## **Details**

If the current plot device is a tikz device, then latex is being used for the formatting of the chi2 error level, if show\_errmin = TRUE.

### Value

The function is called for its side effect.

## Author(s)

Johannes Ranke

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Plot model fits (observed and fitted) and the residuals for a row or column of an mmkin object

# **Description**

When x is a row selected from an mmkin object ([.mmkin), the same model fitted for at least one dataset is shown. When it is a column, the fit of at least one model to the same dataset is shown.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mmkin'
plot(
    x,
    main = "auto",
    legends = 1,
    resplot = c("time", "errmod"),
    ylab = "Residue",
    standardized = FALSE,
    show_errmin = TRUE,
    errmin_var = "All data",
    errmin_digits = 3,
    cex = 0.7,
    rel.height.middle = 0.9,
    ymax = "auto",
    ...
)
```

# Arguments x

An object of class mmkin, with either one row or one column.

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main The main title placed on the outer margin of the plot. legends An index for the fits for which legends should be shown. resplot Should the residuals plotted against time, using mkinresplot, or as squared residuals against predicted values, with the error model, using mkinerrplot. ylab Label for the y axis. standardized Should the residuals be standardized? This option is passed to mkinresplot, it only takes effect if resplot = "time". Should the chi2 error level be shown on top of the plots to the left? show\_errmin The variable for which the FOCUS chi2 error value should be shown. errmin\_var errmin\_digits The number of significant digits for rounding the FOCUS chi2 error percentage. Passed to the plot functions and mtext. cex rel.height.middle The relative height of the middle plot, if more than two rows of plots are shown. Maximum y axis value for plot.mkinfit. ymax Further arguments passed to plot.mkinfit and mkinresplot.

### **Details**

If the current plot device is a tikz device, then latex is being used for the formatting of the chi2 error level.

## Value

The function is called for its side effect.

### Author(s)

Johannes Ranke

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```
## End(Not run)
```

plot.nafta

Plot the results of the three models used in the NAFTA scheme.

## **Description**

The plots are ordered with increasing complexity of the model in this function (SFO, then IORE, then DFOP).

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'nafta'
plot(x, legend = FALSE, main = "auto", ...)
```

## **Arguments**

x An object of class nafta.legend Should a legend be added?

main Possibility to override the main title of the plot.

... Further arguments passed to plot.mmkin.

# **Details**

```
Calls plot.mmkin.
```

## Value

The function is called for its side effect.

# Author(s)

Johannes Ranke

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read\_spreadsheet

Read datasets and relevant meta information from a spreadsheet file

## **Description**

This function imports one dataset from each sheet of a spreadsheet file. These sheets are selected based on the contents of a sheet 'Datasets', with a column called 'Dataset Number', containing numbers identifying the dataset sheets to be read in. In the second column there must be a grouping variable, which will often be named 'Soil'. Optionally, time normalization factors can be given in columns named 'Temperature' and 'Moisture'.

## Usage

```
read_spreadsheet(
  path,
  valid_datasets = "all",
  parent_only = FALSE,
  normalize = TRUE
)
```

## **Arguments**

path Absolute or relative path to the spreadsheet file

valid\_datasets Optional numeric index of the valid datasets, default is to use all datasets

parent\_only Should only the parent data be used?

normalize Should the time scale be normalized using temperature and moisture normalisa-

tion factors in the sheet 'Datasets'?

### Details

There must be a sheet 'Compounds', with columns 'Name' and 'Acronym'. The first row read after the header read in from this sheet is assumed to contain name and acronym of the parent compound.

The dataset sheets should be named using the dataset numbers read in from the 'Datasets' sheet, i.e. '1', '2', ... In each dataset sheet, the name of the observed variable (e.g. the acronym of the parent compound or one of its transformation products) should be in the first column, the time values should be in the second colum, and the observed value in the third column.

In case relevant covariate data are available, they should be given in a sheet 'Covariates', containing one line for each value of the grouping variable specified in 'Datasets'. These values should be in the first column and the column must have the same name as the second column in 'Datasets'. Covariates will be read in from columns four and higher. Their names should preferably not contain special characters like spaces, so they can be easily used for specifying covariate models.

A similar data structure is defined as the R6 class mkindsg, but is probably more complicated to use.

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Extract residuals from an mkinfit model

## Description

Extract residuals from an mkinfit model

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mkinfit'
residuals(object, standardized = FALSE, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

object A mkinfit object

standardized Should the residuals be standardized by dividing by the standard deviation ob-

tained from the fitted error model?

... Not used

## **Examples**

```
f <- mkinfit("DFOP", FOCUS_2006_C, quiet = TRUE)
residuals(f)
residuals(f, standardized = TRUE)</pre>
```

saem

Fit nonlinear mixed models with SAEM

# Description

This function uses saemix::saemix() as a backend for fitting nonlinear mixed effects models created from mmkin row objects using the Stochastic Approximation Expectation Maximisation algorithm (SAEM).

## Usage

```
saem(object, ...)
## S3 method for class 'mmkin'
saem(
  object,
  transformations = c("mkin", "saemix"),
  error_model = "auto",
  degparms_start = numeric(),
  test_log_parms = TRUE,
```

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```
conf.level = 0.6,
  solution_type = "auto",
  covariance.model = "auto",
  omega.init = "auto",
  covariates = NULL,
  covariate_models = NULL,
  no_random_effect = NULL,
 error.init = c(1, 1),
  nbiter.saemix = c(300, 100),
 control = list(displayProgress = FALSE, print = FALSE, nbiter.saemix = nbiter.saemix,
    save = FALSE, save.graphs = FALSE),
  verbose = FALSE,
 quiet = FALSE,
)
## S3 method for class 'saem.mmkin'
print(x, digits = max(3, getOption("digits") - 3), ...)
saemix_model(
 object,
  solution_type = "auto",
  transformations = c("mkin", "saemix"),
  error_model = "auto",
  degparms_start = numeric(),
  covariance.model = "auto",
  no_random_effect = NULL,
  omega.init = "auto",
  covariates = NULL,
  covariate_models = NULL,
  error.init = numeric(),
  test_log_parms = FALSE,
  conf.level = 0.6,
  verbose = FALSE,
)
saemix_data(object, covariates = NULL, verbose = FALSE, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

object An mmkin row object containing several fits of the same mkinmod model to different datasets

... Further parameters passed to saemix::saemixModel.

transformations

Per default, all parameter transformations are done in mkin. If this argument is set to 'saemix', parameter transformations are done in 'saemix' for the supported cases, i.e. (as of version 1.1.2) SFO, FOMC, DFOP and HS without fixing

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parent\_0, and SFO or DFOP with one SFO metabolite.

error\_model Possibility to override the error model used in the mmkin object

degparms\_start Parameter values given as a named numeric vector will be used to override the

starting values obtained from the 'mmkin' object.

test\_log\_parms If TRUE, an attempt is made to use more robust starting values for population

parameters fitted as log parameters in mkin (like rate constants) by only considering rate constants that pass the t-test when calculating mean degradation

parameters using mean\_degparms.

conf.level Possibility to adjust the required confidence level for parameter that are tested if

requested by 'test\_log\_parms'.

solution\_type Possibility to specify the solution type in case the automatic choice is not desired

covariance.model

Will be passed to saemix::saemixModel(). Per default, uncorrelated random

effects are specified for all degradation parameters.

omega.init Will be passed to saemix::saemixModel(). If using mkin transformations and

the default covariance model with optionally excluded random effects, the variances of the degradation parameters are estimated using mean\_degparms, with testing of untransformed log parameters for significant difference from zero. If not using mkin transformations or a custom covariance model, the default ini-

tialisation of saemix::saemixModel is used for omega.init.

covariates A data frame with covariate data for use in 'covariate\_models', with dataset

names as row names.

covariate\_models

A list containing linear model formulas with one explanatory variable, i.e. of the type 'parameter ~ covariate'. Covariates must be available in the 'covariates'

data frame.

no\_random\_effect

Character vector of degradation parameters for which there should be no variability over the groups. Only used if the covariance model is not explicitly

specified.

error.init Will be passed to saemix::saemixModel().

nbiter.saemix Convenience option to increase the number of iterations

control Passed to saemix::saemix.

verbose Should we print information about created objects of type saemix::SaemixModel

and saemix::SaemixData?

quiet Should we suppress the messages saemix prints at the beginning and the end of

the optimisation process?

x An saem.mmkin object to printdigits Number of digits to use for printing

# Details

An mmkin row object is essentially a list of mkinfit objects that have been obtained by fitting the same model to a list of datasets using mkinfit.

Starting values for the fixed effects (population mean parameters, argument psi0 of saemix::saemixModel() are the mean values of the parameters found using mmkin.

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### Value

An S3 object of class 'saem.mmkin', containing the fitted saemix::SaemixObject as a list component named 'so'. The object also inherits from 'mixed.mmkin'.

An saemix::SaemixModel object.

An saemix::SaemixData object.

#### See Also

summary.saem.mmkin plot.mixed.mmkin

```
## Not run:
ds <- lapply(experimental_data_for_UBA_2019[6:10],
function(x) subset(x$data[c("name", "time", "value")]))
names(ds) <- paste("Dataset", 6:10)</pre>
f_mmkin_parent_p0_fixed <- mmkin("FOMC", ds,</pre>
 state.ini = c(parent = 100), fixed_initials = "parent", quiet = TRUE)
f_saem_p0_fixed <- saem(f_mmkin_parent_p0_fixed)</pre>
f_mmkin_parent <- mmkin(c("SFO", "FOMC", "DFOP"), ds, quiet = TRUE)</pre>
f_saem_sfo <- saem(f_mmkin_parent["SFO", ])</pre>
f_saem_fomc <- saem(f_mmkin_parent["FOMC", ])</pre>
f_saem_dfop <- saem(f_mmkin_parent["DFOP", ])</pre>
anova(f_saem_sfo, f_saem_fomc, f_saem_dfop)
anova(f_saem_sfo, f_saem_dfop, test = TRUE)
illparms(f_saem_dfop)
f_saem_dfop_red <- update(f_saem_dfop, no_random_effect = "g_qlogis")</pre>
anova(f_saem_dfop, f_saem_dfop_red, test = TRUE)
anova(f_saem_sfo, f_saem_fomc, f_saem_dfop)
# The returned saem.mmkin object contains an SaemixObject, therefore we can use
# functions from saemix
library(saemix)
compare.saemix(f_saem_sfo$so, f_saem_fomc$so, f_saem_dfop$so)
plot(f_saem_fomc$so, plot.type = "convergence")
plot(f_saem_fomc$so, plot.type = "individual.fit")
plot(f_saem_fomc$so, plot.type = "npde")
plot(f_saem_fomc$so, plot.type = "vpc")
f_mmkin_parent_tc <- update(f_mmkin_parent, error_model = "tc")</pre>
f_saem_fomc_tc <- saem(f_mmkin_parent_tc["FOMC", ])</pre>
anova(f_saem_fomc, f_saem_fomc_tc, test = TRUE)
sfo_sfo <- mkinmod(parent = mkinsub("SFO", "A1"),</pre>
 A1 = mkinsub("SF0"))
fomc_sfo <- mkinmod(parent = mkinsub("FOMC", "A1"),</pre>
 A1 = mkinsub("SF0"))
dfop_sfo <- mkinmod(parent = mkinsub("DFOP", "A1"),</pre>
 A1 = mkinsub("SF0"))
# The following fit uses analytical solutions for SFO-SFO and DFOP-SFO,
```

```
# and compiled ODEs for FOMC that are much slower
f_mmkin <- mmkin(list(</pre>
    "SFO-SFO" = sfo_sfo, "FOMC-SFO" = fomc_sfo, "DFOP-SFO" = dfop_sfo),
 ds, quiet = TRUE)
# saem fits of SFO-SFO and DFOP-SFO to these data take about five seconds
# each on this system, as we use analytical solutions written for saemix.
# When using the analytical solutions written for mkin this took around
# four minutes
f_saem_sfo_sfo <- saem(f_mmkin["SFO-SFO", ])</pre>
f_saem_dfop_sfo <- saem(f_mmkin["DFOP-SFO", ])</pre>
# We can use print, plot and summary methods to check the results
print(f_saem_dfop_sfo)
plot(f_saem_dfop_sfo)
summary(f_saem_dfop_sfo, data = TRUE)
# The following takes about 6 minutes
f_saem_dfop_sfo_deSolve <- saem(f_mmkin["DFOP-SFO", ], solution_type = "deSolve",</pre>
 nbiter.saemix = c(200, 80))
#anova(
# f_saem_dfop_sfo,
# f_saem_dfop_sfo_deSolve))
# If the model supports it, we can also use eigenvalue based solutions, which
# take a similar amount of time
#f_saem_sfo_sfo_eigen <- saem(f_mmkin["SFO-SFO", ], solution_type = "eigen",</pre>
# control = list(nbiter.saemix = c(200, 80), nbdisplay = 10))
## End(Not run)
```

schaefer07\_complex\_case

Metabolism data set used for checking the software quality of KinGUI

# **Description**

This dataset was used for a comparison of KinGUI and ModelMaker to check the software quality of KinGUI in the original publication (Schäfer et al., 2007). The results from the fitting are also included.

## Usage

```
schaefer07_complex_case
```

### **Format**

The data set is a data frame with 8 observations on the following 6 variables.

```
time a numeric vector parent a numeric vector
```

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```
A1 a numeric vector
```

B1 a numeric vector

C1 a numeric vector

A2 a numeric vector

The results are a data frame with 14 results for different parameter values

## References

Schäfer D, Mikolasch B, Rainbird P and Harvey B (2007). KinGUI: a new kinetic software tool for evaluations according to FOCUS degradation kinetics. In: Del Re AAM, Capri E, Fragoulis G and Trevisan M (Eds.). Proceedings of the XIII Symposium Pesticide Chemistry, Piacenza, 2007, p. 916-923.

# **Examples**

```
data <- mkin_wide_to_long(schaefer07_complex_case, time = "time")
model <- mkinmod(
   parent = list(type = "SFO", to = c("A1", "B1", "C1"), sink = FALSE),
   A1 = list(type = "SFO", to = "A2"),
   B1 = list(type = "SFO"),
   C1 = list(type = "SFO"),
   A2 = list(type = "SFO"), use_of_ff = "max")
## Not run:
   fit <- mkinfit(model, data, quiet = TRUE)
   plot(fit)
   endpoints(fit)

## End(Not run)
# Compare with the results obtained in the original publication
   print(schaefer07_complex_results)</pre>
```

set\_nd\_nq

Set non-detects and unquantified values in residue series without replicates

## **Description**

This function automates replacing unquantified values in residue time and depth series. For time series, the function performs part of the residue processing proposed in the FOCUS kinetics guidance for parent compounds and metabolites. For two-dimensional residue series over time and depth, it automates the proposal of Boesten et al (2015).

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## Usage

```
set_nd_nq(res_raw, lod, loq = NA, time_zero_presence = FALSE)
set_nd_nq_focus(
  res_raw,
  lod,
  loq = NA,
  set_first_sample_nd = TRUE,
  first_sample_nd_value = 0,
  ignore_below_loq_after_first_nd = TRUE
)
```

## **Arguments**

res\_raw

Character vector of a residue time series, or matrix of residue values with rows representing depth profiles for a specific sampling time, and columns representing time series of residues at the same depth. Values below the limit of detection (lod) have to be coded as "nd", values between the limit of detection and the limit of quantification, if any, have to be coded as "nq". Samples not analysed have to be coded as "na". All values that are not "na", "nd" or "nq" have to be coercible to numeric

lod

Limit of detection (numeric)

loq

Limit of quantification(numeric). Must be specified if the FOCUS rule to stop after the first non-detection is to be applied

time\_zero\_presence

Do we assume that residues occur at time zero? This only affects samples from the first sampling time that have been reported as "nd" (not detected).

set\_first\_sample\_nd

Should the first sample be set to "first\_sample\_nd\_value" in case it is a non-detection?

first\_sample\_nd\_value

Value to be used for the first sample if it is a non-detection

ignore\_below\_loq\_after\_first\_nd

Should we ignore values below the LOQ after the first non-detection that occurs after the quantified values?

## Value

A numeric vector, if a vector was supplied, or a numeric matrix otherwise

# **Functions**

• set\_nd\_nq\_focus(): Set non-detects in residue time series according to FOCUS rules

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### References

Boesten, J. J. T. I., van der Linden, A. M. A., Beltman, W. H. J. and Pol, J. W. (2015). Leaching of plant protection products and their transformation products; Proposals for improving the assessment of leaching to groundwater in the Netherlands — Version 2. Alterra report 2630, Alterra Wageningen UR (University & Research centre)

FOCUS (2014) Generic Guidance for Estimating Persistence and Degradation Kinetics from Environmental Fate Studies on Pesticides in EU Registration, Version 1.1, 18 December 2014, p. 251

## **Examples**

```
# FOCUS (2014) p. 75/76 and 131/132
parent_1 <- c(.12, .09, .05, .03, "nd", "nd", "nd", "nd", "nd", "nd")
set_nd_nq(parent_1, 0.02)
parent_2 <- c(.12, .09, .05, .03, "nd", "nd", .03, "nd", "nd", "nd")
set_nd_nq(parent_2, 0.02)
set_nd_nq_focus(parent_2, 0.02, loq = 0.05)
parent_3 <- c(.12, .09, .05, .03, "nd", "nd", .06, "nd", "nd", "nd")
set_nd_nq(parent_3, 0.02)
set_nd_nq_focus(parent_3, 0.02, loq = 0.05)
metabolite <- c("nd", "nd", "nd", 0.03, 0.06, 0.10, 0.11, 0.10, 0.09, 0.05, 0.03, "nd", "nd")
set_nd_nq(metabolite, 0.02)
set_nd_nq_focus(metabolite, 0.02, 0.05)
#
# Boesten et al. (2015), p. 57/58
table_8 <- matrix(</pre>
 c(10, 10, rep("nd", 4),
    10, 10, rep("nq", 2), rep("nd", 2),
    10, 10, 10, "nq", "nd", "nd",
    "nq", 10, "nq", rep("nd", 3),
    "nd", "nq", "nq", rep("nd", 3),
    rep("nd", 6), rep("nd", 6)),
 ncol = 6, byrow = TRUE)
set_nd_nq(table_8, 0.5, 1.5, time_zero_presence = TRUE)
table_10 <- matrix(</pre>
 c(10, 10, rep("nd", 4),
    10, 10, rep("nd", 4),
    10, 10, 10, rep("nd", 3),
    "nd", 10, rep("nd", 4),
    rep("nd", 18)),
 ncol = 6, byrow = TRUE)
set_nd_nq(table_10, 0.5, time_zero_presence = TRUE)
```

SFO.solution

Single First-Order kinetics

# Description

Function describing exponential decline from a defined starting value.

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## Usage

```
SFO.solution(t, parent_0, k)
```

### **Arguments**

t Time.

parent\_0 Starting value for the response variable at time zero.

k Kinetic rate constant.

### Value

The value of the response variable at time t.

### References

FOCUS (2006) "Guidance Document on Estimating Persistence and Degradation Kinetics from Environmental Fate Studies on Pesticides in EU Registration" Report of the FOCUS Work Group on Degradation Kinetics, EC Document Reference Sanco/10058/2005 version 2.0, 434 pp, http://esdac.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/degradation-kinetics FOCUS (2014) "Generic guidance for Estimating Persistence and Degradation Kinetics from Environmental Fate Studies on Pesticides in EU Registration" Report of the FOCUS Work Group on Degradation Kinetics, Version 1.1, 18 December 2014 http://esdac.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/degradation-kinetics

### See Also

```
Other parent solutions: DFOP.solution(), FOMC.solution(), HS.solution(), IORE.solution(), SFORB.solution(), logistic.solution()
```

## **Examples**

```
## Not run: plot(function(x) SFO.solution(x, 100, 3), 0, 2)
```

SFORB.solution

Single First-Order Reversible Binding kinetics

## **Description**

Function describing the solution of the differential equations describing the kinetic model with first-order terms for a two-way transfer from a free to a bound fraction, and a first-order degradation term for the free fraction. The initial condition is a defined amount in the free fraction and no substance in the bound fraction.

## Usage

```
SFORB.solution(t, parent_0, k_12, k_21, k_1output)
```

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## **Arguments**

t

parent_0	Starting value for the response variable at time zero.
k_12	Kinetic constant describing transfer from free to bound.
k_21	Kinetic constant describing transfer from bound to free.

Time.

k\_1output Kinetic constant describing degradation of the free fraction.

### Value

The value of the response variable, which is the sum of free and bound fractions at time t.

### References

FOCUS (2006) "Guidance Document on Estimating Persistence and Degradation Kinetics from Environmental Fate Studies on Pesticides in EU Registration" Report of the FOCUS Work Group on Degradation Kinetics, EC Document Reference Sanco/10058/2005 version 2.0, 434 pp, http://esdac.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/degradation-kinetics FOCUS (2014) "Generic guidance for Estimating Persistence and Degradation Kinetics from Environmental Fate Studies on Pesticides in EU Registration" Report of the FOCUS Work Group on Degradation Kinetics, Version 1.1, 18 December 2014 http://esdac.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/degradation-kinetics

### See Also

```
Other parent solutions: DFOP.solution(), FOMC.solution(), HS.solution(), IORE.solution(), SFO.solution(), logistic.solution()
```

### **Examples**

```
## Not run: plot(function(x) SFORB.solution(x, 100, 0.5, 2, 3), 0, 2)
```

sigma_twocomp	Two-component error model

## Description

Function describing the standard deviation of the measurement error in dependence of the measured value y:

# Usage

```
sigma_twocomp(y, sigma_low, rsd_high)
```

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## Arguments

У	The magnitude of the observed value
sigma_low	The asymptotic minimum of the standard deviation for low observed values
rsd_high	The coefficient describing the increase of the standard deviation with the mag-
	nitude of the observed value

### **Details**

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\sigma_{low}^2 + y^2 * rsd_{high}^2}$$

 $sigma = sqrt(sigma_low^2 + y^2 * rsd_high^2)$ 

This is the error model used for example by Werner et al. (1978). The model proposed by Rocke and Lorenzato (1995) can be written in this form as well, but assumes approximate lognormal distribution of errors for high values of y.

### Value

The standard deviation of the response variable.

### References

Werner, Mario, Brooks, Samuel H., and Knott, Lancaster B. (1978) Additive, Multiplicative, and Mixed Analytical Errors. Clinical Chemistry 24(11), 1895-1898.

Rocke, David M. and Lorenzato, Stefan (1995) A two-component model for measurement error in analytical chemistry. Technometrics 37(2), 176-184.

Ranke J and Meinecke S (2019) Error Models for the Kinetic Evaluation of Chemical Degradation Data. *Environments* 6(12) 124 doi:10.3390/environments6120124.

```
times < c(0, 1, 3, 7, 14, 28, 60, 90, 120)
d_pred <- data.frame(time = times, parent = 100 * exp(- 0.03 * times))</pre>
set.seed(123456)
d_syn <- add_err(d_pred, function(y) sigma_twocomp(y, 1, 0.07),</pre>
  reps = 2, n = 1)[[1]]
f_nls <- nls(value ~ SSasymp(time, 0, parent_0, lrc), data = d_syn,</pre>
start = list(parent_0 = 100, lrc = -3))
library(nlme)
f_gnls <- gnls(value ~ SSasymp(time, 0, parent_0, lrc),</pre>
  data = d_syn, na.action = na.omit,
  start = list(parent_0 = 100, lrc = -3))
if (length(findFunction("varConstProp")) > 0) {
  f_gnls_tc <- update(f_gnls, weights = varConstProp())</pre>
  f_gnls_tc_sf <- update(f_gnls_tc, control = list(sigma = 1))</pre>
f_mkin <- mkinfit("SFO", d_syn, error_model = "const", quiet = TRUE)</pre>
f_mkin_tc <- mkinfit("SFO", d_syn, error_model = "tc", quiet = TRUE)</pre>
plot_res(f_mkin_tc, standardized = TRUE)
AIC(f_nls, f_gnls, f_gnls_tc, f_gnls_tc_sf, f_mkin, f_mkin_tc)
```

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status

Method to get status information for fit array objects

# Description

Method to get status information for fit array objects

# Usage

```
status(object, ...)
## S3 method for class 'mmkin'
status(object, ...)
## S3 method for class 'status.mmkin'
print(x, ...)
## S3 method for class 'mhmkin'
status(object, ...)
## S3 method for class 'status.mhmkin'
print(x, ...)
```

# Arguments

The object to investigate object For potential future extensions . . . The object to be printed Χ

# Value

An object with the same dimensions as the fit array suitable printing method.

```
## Not run:
fits <- mmkin(</pre>
  c("SFO", "FOMC"),
  list("FOCUS A" = FOCUS_2006_A,
       "FOCUS B" = FOCUS_2006_C),
  quiet = TRUE)
status(fits)
## End(Not run)
```

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summary.mkinfit Summary method for class "mkinfit"	summary.mkinfit
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## **Description**

Lists model equations, initial parameter values, optimised parameters with some uncertainty statistics, the chi2 error levels calculated according to FOCUS guidance (2006) as defined therein, formation fractions, DT50 values and optionally the data, consisting of observed, predicted and residual values.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mkinfit'
summary(object, data = TRUE, distimes = TRUE, alpha = 0.05, ...)
## S3 method for class 'summary.mkinfit'
print(x, digits = max(3, getOption("digits") - 3), ...)
```

## **Arguments**

object	an object of class mkinfit.
data	logical, indicating whether the data should be included in the summary.
distimes	logical, indicating whether DT50 and DT90 values should be included.
alpha	error level for confidence interval estimation from t distribution
	optional arguments passed to methods like print.
x	an object of class summary.mkinfit.
digits	Number of digits to use for printing

## Value

The summary function returns a list with components, among others

```
version, Rversion
```

The mkin and R versions used

date.fit, date.summary

The dates where the fit and the summary were produced

diffs The differential equations used in the model

use\_of\_ff Was maximum or minimum use made of formation fractions

bpar Optimised and backtransformed parameters

data The data (see Description above).

start The starting values and bounds, if applicable, for optimised parameters.

fixed The values of fixed parameters.

errmin The chi2 error levels for each observed variable.

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bparms.ode All backtransformed ODE parameters, for use as starting parameters for related

models.

errparms Error model parameters.

ff The estimated formation fractions derived from the fitted model.

distimes The DT50 and DT90 values for each observed variable.

SFORB If applicable, eigenvalues and fractional eigenvector component g of SFORB

systems in the model.

The print method is called for its side effect, i.e. printing the summary.

#### Author(s)

Johannes Ranke

#### References

FOCUS (2006) "Guidance Document on Estimating Persistence and Degradation Kinetics from Environmental Fate Studies on Pesticides in EU Registration" Report of the FOCUS Work Group on Degradation Kinetics, EC Document Reference Sanco/10058/2005 version 2.0, 434 pp, http://esdac.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/degradation-kinetics

## **Examples**

```
summary(mkinfit("SFO", FOCUS_2006_A, quiet = TRUE))
```

summary.mmkin

Summary method for class "mmkin"

## Description

Shows status information on the mkinfit objects contained in the object and gives an overview of ill-defined parameters calculated by illparms.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mmkin'
summary(object, conf.level = 0.95, ...)
## S3 method for class 'summary.mmkin'
print(x, digits = max(3, getOption("digits") - 3), ...)
```

## Arguments

object an object of class mmkin

conf.level confidence level for testing parameters

... optional arguments passed to methods like print.

x an object of class summary.mmkin. digits number of digits to use for printing summary.nlme.mmkin 111

## **Examples**

summary.nlme.mmkin

Summary method for class "nlme.mmkin"

## **Description**

Lists model equations, initial parameter values, optimised parameters for fixed effects (population), random effects (deviations from the population mean) and residual error model, as well as the resulting endpoints such as formation fractions and DT50 values. Optionally (default is FALSE), the data are listed in full.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'nlme.mmkin'
summary(
   object,
   data = FALSE,
   verbose = FALSE,
   distimes = TRUE,
   alpha = 0.05,
   ...
)

## S3 method for class 'summary.nlme.mmkin'
print(x, digits = max(3, getOption("digits") - 3), verbose = x$verbose, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

object	an object of class nlme.mmkin
data	logical, indicating whether the full data should be included in the summary.
verbose	Should the summary be verbose?
distimes	logical, indicating whether DT50 and DT90 values should be included.
alpha	error level for confidence interval estimation from the t distribution
	optional arguments passed to methods like print.
X	an object of class summary.nlme.mmkin
digits	Number of digits to use for printing

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#### Value

The summary function returns a list based on the nlme object obtained in the fit, with at least the following additional components

nlmeversion, mkinversion, Rversion

The nlme, mkin and R versions used

date.fit, date.summary

The dates where the fit and the summary were produced

diffs The differential equations used in the degradation model use\_of\_ff Was maximum or minimum use made of formation fractions

data The data

confint\_trans Transformed parameters as used in the optimisation, with confidence intervals

confint\_back Backtransformed parameters, with confidence intervals if available ff The estimated formation fractions derived from the fitted model.

distimes The DT50 and DT90 values for each observed variable.

SFORB If applicable, eigenvalues of SFORB components of the model.

The print method is called for its side effect, i.e. printing the summary.

## Author(s)

Johannes Ranke for the mkin specific parts José Pinheiro and Douglas Bates for the components inherited from nlme

```
# Generate five datasets following SFO kinetics
sampling_times = c(0, 1, 3, 7, 14, 28, 60, 90, 120)
dt50_sfo_in_pop <- 50
k_{in} - \log(2) / dt50_sfo_{in} - \log(2)
set.seed(1234)
k_{in} \leftarrow rlnorm(5, log(k_{in}pop), 0.5)
SFO <- mkinmod(parent = mkinsub("SFO"))</pre>
pred_sfo <- function(k) {</pre>
  mkinpredict(SFO,
    c(k_parent = k),
    c(parent = 100),
    sampling_times)
}
ds_sfo_mean <- lapply(k_in, pred_sfo)</pre>
names(ds_sfo_mean) <- paste("ds", 1:5)</pre>
set.seed(12345)
ds_sfo_syn <- lapply(ds_sfo_mean, function(ds) {</pre>
  add_err(ds,
    sdfunc = function(value) sqrt(1^2 + value^2 * 0.07^2),
```

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```
n = 1)[[1]]
})

## Not run:
# Evaluate using mmkin and nlme
library(nlme)
f_mmkin <- mmkin("SFO", ds_sfo_syn, quiet = TRUE, error_model = "tc", cores = 1)
f_nlme <- nlme(f_mmkin)
summary(f_nlme, data = TRUE)

## End(Not run)</pre>
```

summary.saem.mmkin

Summary method for class "saem.mmkin"

## **Description**

Lists model equations, initial parameter values, optimised parameters for fixed effects (population), random effects (deviations from the population mean) and residual error model, as well as the resulting endpoints such as formation fractions and DT50 values. Optionally (default is FALSE), the data are listed in full.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'saem.mmkin'
summary(
   object,
   data = FALSE,
   verbose = FALSE,
   covariates = NULL,
   covariate_quantile = 0.5,
   distimes = TRUE,
   ...
)

## S3 method for class 'summary.saem.mmkin'
print(x, digits = max(3, getOption("digits") - 3), verbose = x$verbose, ...)
```

## Arguments

object an object of class saem.mmkin

data logical, indicating whether the full data should be included in the summary.

verbose Should the summary be verbose?

covariates Numeric vector with covariate values for all variables in any covariate models

in the object. If given, it overrides 'covariate\_quantile'.

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covariate\_quantile

This argument only has an effect if the fitted object has covariate models. If so, the default is to show endpoints for the median of the covariate values (50th

percentile).

distimes logical, indicating whether DT50 and DT90 values should be included.

... optional arguments passed to methods like print.

x an object of class summary.saem.mmkindigits Number of digits to use for printing

#### Value

The summary function returns a list based on the saemix::SaemixObject obtained in the fit, with at least the following additional components

saemixversion, mkinversion, Rversion

The saemix, mkin and R versions used

date.fit, date.summary

The dates where the fit and the summary were produced

diffs The differential equations used in the degradation model use\_of\_ff Was maximum or minimum use made of formation fractions

data The data

confint\_trans Transformed parameters as used in the optimisation, with confidence intervals

confint\_back Backtransformed parameters, with confidence intervals if available

confint\_errmod Error model parameters with confidence intervals

ff The estimated formation fractions derived from the fitted model.

distimes The DT50 and DT90 values for each observed variable.

SFORB If applicable, eigenvalues of SFORB components of the model.

The print method is called for its side effect, i.e. printing the summary.

#### Author(s)

Johannes Ranke for the mkin specific parts saemix authors for the parts inherited from saemix.

```
# Generate five datasets following DFOP-SFO kinetics
sampling_times = c(0, 1, 3, 7, 14, 28, 60, 90, 120)
dfop_sfo <- mkinmod(parent = mkinsub("DFOP", "m1"),
    m1 = mkinsub("SFO"), quiet = TRUE)
set.seed(1234)
k1_in <- rlnorm(5, log(0.1), 0.3)
k2_in <- rlnorm(5, log(0.02), 0.3)
g_in <- plogis(rnorm(5, qlogis(0.5), 0.3))
f_parent_to_m1_in <- plogis(rnorm(5, qlogis(0.3), 0.3))
k_m1_in <- rlnorm(5, log(0.02), 0.3)</pre>
```

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```
pred_dfop_sfo <- function(k1, k2, g, f_parent_to_m1, k_m1) {</pre>
 mkinpredict(dfop_sfo,
   c(k1 = k1, k2 = k2, g = g, f_parent_to_m1 = f_parent_to_m1, k_m1 = k_m1),
    c(parent = 100, m1 = 0),
    sampling_times)
}
ds_mean_dfop_sfo <- lapply(1:5, function(i) {</pre>
 mkinpredict(dfop_sfo,
    c(k1 = k1_in[i], k2 = k2_in[i], g = g_in[i],
      f_{parent_to_m1} = f_{parent_to_m1_in[i]}, k_m1 = k_m1_in[i]),
    c(parent = 100, m1 = 0),
    sampling_times)
names(ds_mean_dfop_sfo) <- paste("ds", 1:5)</pre>
\label{lem:decomposition} ds\_syn\_dfop\_sfo <- lapply(ds\_mean\_dfop\_sfo, function(ds) \{
 add_err(ds,
    sdfunc = function(value) sqrt(1^2 + value^2 * 0.07^2),
    n = 1)[[1]]
})
## Not run:
# Evaluate using mmkin and saem
f_mmkin_dfop_sfo <- mmkin(list(dfop_sfo), ds_syn_dfop_sfo,</pre>
 quiet = TRUE, error_model = "tc", cores = 5)
f_saem_dfop_sfo <- saem(f_mmkin_dfop_sfo)</pre>
print(f_saem_dfop_sfo)
illparms(f_saem_dfop_sfo)
f_saem_dfop_sfo_2 <- update(f_saem_dfop_sfo,</pre>
 no_random_effect = c("parent_0", "log_k_m1"))
illparms(f_saem_dfop_sfo_2)
intervals(f_saem_dfop_sfo_2)
summary(f_saem_dfop_sfo_2, data = TRUE)
# Add a correlation between random effects of g and k2
\verb|cov_model_3| <- f_saem_dfop_sfo_2$so@model@covariance.model| \\
cov_model_3["log_k2", "g_qlogis"] <- 1</pre>
cov_model_3["g_qlogis", "log_k2"] <- 1</pre>
f_saem_dfop_sfo_3 <- update(f_saem_dfop_sfo,</pre>
 covariance.model = cov_model_3)
intervals(f_saem_dfop_sfo_3)
# The correlation does not improve the fit judged by AIC and BIC, although
# the likelihood is higher with the additional parameter
anova(f_saem_dfop_sfo, f_saem_dfop_sfo_2, f_saem_dfop_sfo_3)
## End(Not run)
```

summary\_listing Display the output of a summary function according to the output format

## **Description**

This function is intended for use in a R markdown code chunk with the chunk option results = "asis".

#### Usage

```
summary_listing(object, caption = NULL, label = NULL, clearpage = TRUE)
tex_listing(object, caption = NULL, label = NULL, clearpage = TRUE)
html_listing(object, caption = NULL)
```

## **Arguments**

object The object for which the summary is to be listed

caption An optional caption

label An optional label, ignored in html output

clearpage Should a new page be started after the listing? Ignored in html output

```
synthetic_data_for_UBA_2014
```

Synthetic datasets for one parent compound with two metabolites

## Description

The 12 datasets were generated using four different models and three different variance components. The four models are either the SFO or the DFOP model with either two sequential or two parallel metabolites.

Variance component 'a' is based on a normal distribution with standard deviation of 3, Variance component 'b' is also based on a normal distribution, but with a standard deviation of 7. Variance component 'c' is based on the error model from Rocke and Lorenzato (1995), with the minimum standard deviation (for small y values) of 0.5, and a proportionality constant of 0.07 for the increase of the standard deviation with y. Note that this is a simplified version of the error model proposed by Rocke and Lorenzato (1995), as in their model the error of the measured values approximates lognormal distribution for high values, whereas we are using normally distributed error components all along.

Initial concentrations for metabolites and all values where adding the variance component resulted in a value below the assumed limit of detection of 0.1 were set to NA.

As an example, the first dataset has the title SFO\_lin\_a and is based on the SFO model with two sequential metabolites (linear pathway), with added variance component 'a'.

Compare also the code in the example section to see the degradation models.

## Usage

```
synthetic_data_for_UBA_2014
```

#### **Format**

A list containing twelve datasets as an R6 class defined by mkinds, each containing, among others, the following components

```
title The name of the dataset, e.g. SFO_lin_a data A data frame with the data in the form expected by mkinfit
```

#### Source

Ranke (2014) Prüfung und Validierung von Modellierungssoftware als Alternative zu ModelMaker 4.0, Umweltbundesamt Projektnummer 27452

Rocke, David M. und Lorenzato, Stefan (1995) A two-component model for measurement error in analytical chemistry. Technometrics 37(2), 176-184.

```
## Not run:
# The data have been generated using the following kinetic models
m_synth_SFO_lin <- mkinmod(parent = list(type = "SFO", to = "M1"),</pre>
                            M1 = list(type = "SFO", to = "M2"),
                            M2 = list(type = "SFO"), use_of_ff = "max")
m_synth_SFO_par <- mkinmod(parent = list(type = "SFO", to = c("M1", "M2"),</pre>
                                          sink = FALSE),
                            M1 = list(type = "SFO"),
                            M2 = list(type = "SFO"), use_of_ff = "max")
m_synth_DFOP_lin <- mkinmod(parent = list(type = "DFOP", to = "M1"),</pre>
                             M1 = list(type = "SFO", to = "M2"),
                             M2 = list(type = "SFO"), use_of_ff = "max")
m_{synth_DFOP_par} < -mkinmod(parent = list(type = "DFOP", to = c("M1", "M2"),
                                            sink = FALSE),
                             M1 = list(type = "SFO"),
                             M2 = list(type = "SFO"), use_of_ff = "max")
# The model predictions without intentional error were generated as follows
sampling_times = c(0, 1, 3, 7, 14, 28, 60, 90, 120)
d_synth_SF0_lin <- mkinpredict(m_synth_SF0_lin,</pre>
                                c(k_parent = 0.7, f_parent_to_M1 = 0.8,
                                  k_M1 = 0.3, f_{M1_{to}M2} = 0.7,
                                  k_M2 = 0.02,
                                c(parent = 100, M1 = 0, M2 = 0),
                                sampling_times)
d_synth_DFOP_lin <- mkinpredict(m_synth_DFOP_lin,</pre>
                                 c(k1 = 0.2, k2 = 0.02, g = 0.5,
                                   f_{parent_{to}M1} = 0.5, k_{M1} = 0.3,
                                   f_M1_{to_M2} = 0.7, k_M2 = 0.02),
```

```
c(parent = 100, M1 = 0, M2 = 0),
                                  sampling_times)
d_synth_SFO_par <- mkinpredict(m_synth_SFO_par,</pre>
                                c(k_parent = 0.2,
                                  f_{parent_to_M1} = 0.8, k_M1 = 0.01,
                                  f_{parent_{to}M2} = 0.2, k_{M2} = 0.02),
                                 c(parent = 100, M1 = 0, M2 = 0),
                                 sampling_times)
d_synth_DFOP_par <- mkinpredict(m_synth_DFOP_par,</pre>
                                c(k1 = 0.3, k2 = 0.02, g = 0.7,
                                  f_{parent_to_M1} = 0.6, k_M1 = 0.04,
                                 f_{parent_{to_{M2}}} = 0.4, k_{M2} = 0.01),
                                 c(parent = 100, M1 = 0, M2 = 0),
                                 sampling_times)
# Construct names for datasets with errors
d_synth_names = paste0("d_synth_", c("SFO_lin", "SFO_par",
                                      "DFOP_lin", "DFOP_par"))
# Original function used or adding errors. The add_err function now published
# with this package is a slightly generalised version where the names of
# secondary compartments that should have an initial value of zero (M1 and M2
# in this case) are not hardcoded any more.
# add_err = function(d, sdfunc, LOD = 0.1, reps = 2, seed = 123456789)
# {
#
   set.seed(seed)
   d_long = mkin_wide_to_long(d, time = "time")
#
   d_rep = data.frame(lapply(d_long, rep, each = 2))
   d_rep$value = rnorm(length(d_rep$value), d_rep$value, sdfunc(d_rep$value))
  d_rep[d_rep$time == 0 & d_rep$name %in% c("M1", "M2"), "value"] <- 0</pre>
   d_NA <- transform(d_rep, value = ifelse(value < LOD, NA, value))</pre>
   d_NA$value <- round(d_NA$value, 1)</pre>
   return(d_NA)
# }
\# The following is the simplified version of the two-component model of Rocke
# and Lorenzato (1995)
sdfunc_twocomp = function(value, sd_low, rsd_high) {
 sqrt(sd_low^2 + value^2 * rsd_high^2)
# Add the errors.
for (d_synth_name in d_synth_names)
{
 d_synth = get(d_synth_name)
 assign(paste0(d_synth_name, "_a"), add_err(d_synth, function(value) 3))
 assign(paste0(d_synth_name, "_b"), add_err(d_synth, function(value) 7))
 assign(paste0(d_synth_name, "_c"), add_err(d_synth,
                           function(value) sdfunc_twocomp(value, 0.5, 0.07)))
```

test\_data\_from\_UBA\_2014

Three experimental datasets from two water sediment systems and one soil

#### **Description**

The datasets were used for the comparative validation of several kinetic evaluation software packages (Ranke, 2014).

## Usage

```
test_data_from_UBA_2014
```

#### **Format**

A list containing three datasets as an R6 class defined by mkinds. Each dataset has, among others, the following components

```
title The name of the dataset, e.g. UBA_2014_WS_river data A data frame with the data in the form expected by mkinfit
```

#### Source

Ranke (2014) Prüfung und Validierung von Modellierungssoftware als Alternative zu ModelMaker 4.0, Umweltbundesamt Projektnummer 27452

```
## Not run:
# This is a level P-II evaluation of the dataset according to the FOCUS kinetics
# guidance. Due to the strong correlation of the parameter estimates, the
# covariance matrix is not returned. Note that level P-II evaluations are
# generally considered deprecated due to the frequent occurrence of such
```

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```
# large parameter correlations, among other reasons (e.g. the adequacy of the
 # model).
 m_ws <- mkinmod(parent_w = mkinsub("SFO", "parent_s"),</pre>
                   parent_s = mkinsub("SFO", "parent_w"))
 f_river <- mkinfit(m_ws, test_data_from_UBA_2014[[1]]$data, quiet = TRUE)</pre>
 plot_sep(f_river)
 summary(f_river)$bpar
 mkinerrmin(f_river)
 # This is the evaluation used for the validation of software packages
 # in the expertise from 2014
 m_soil <- mkinmod(parent = mkinsub("SFO", c("M1", "M2")),</pre>
                     M1 = mkinsub("SFO", "M3"),
M2 = mkinsub("SFO", "M3"),
                     M3 = mkinsub("SFO"),
                     use_of_ff = "max")
 f_soil <- mkinfit(m_soil, test_data_from_UBA_2014[[3]]$data, quiet = TRUE)</pre>
 plot_sep(f_soil, lpos = c("topright", "topright", "topright", "bottomright"))
 summary(f_soil)$bpar
 mkinerrmin(f_soil)
## End(Not run)
```

transform\_odeparms

Functions to transform and backtransform kinetic parameters for fitting

## **Description**

The transformations are intended to map parameters that should only take on restricted values to the full scale of real numbers. For kinetic rate constants and other parameters that can only take on positive values, a simple log transformation is used. For compositional parameters, such as the formations fractions that should always sum up to 1 and can not be negative, the ilr transformation is used.

## Usage

```
transform_odeparms(
  parms,
  mkinmod,
  transform_rates = TRUE,
  transform_fractions = TRUE
)
backtransform_odeparms(
  transparms,
  mkinmod,
```

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```
transform_rates = TRUE,
  transform_fractions = TRUE
)
```

# **Arguments**

parms

Parameters of kinetic models as used in the differential equations.

mkinmod

The kinetic model of class mkinmod, containing the names of the model variables that are needed for grouping the formation fractions before ilr transformation, the parameter names and the information if the pathway to sink is included in the model.

transform\_rates

Boolean specifying if kinetic rate constants should be transformed in the model specification used in the fitting for better compliance with the assumption of normal distribution of the estimator. If TRUE, also alpha and beta parameters of the FOMC model are log-transformed, as well as k1 and k2 rate constants for the DFOP and HS models and the break point tb of the HS model.

transform\_fractions

Boolean specifying if formation fractions constants should be transformed in the model specification used in the fitting for better compliance with the assumption of normal distribution of the estimator. The default (TRUE) is to do transformations. The g parameter of the DFOP model is also seen as a fraction. If a single fraction is transformed (g parameter of DFOP or only a single target variable e.g. a single metabolite plus a pathway to sink), a logistic transformation is used stats::qlogis(). In other cases, i.e. if two or more formation fractions need to be transformed whose sum cannot exceed one, the ilr transformation is used.

transparms

Transformed parameters of kinetic models as used in the fitting procedure.

## **Details**

The transformation of sets of formation fractions is fragile, as it supposes the same ordering of the components in forward and backward transformation. This is no problem for the internal use in mkinfit.

#### Value

A vector of transformed or backtransformed parameters

#### Author(s)

Johannes Ranke

```
SFO_SFO <- mkinmod(
  parent = list(type = "SFO", to = "m1", sink = TRUE),
  m1 = list(type = "SFO"), use_of_ff = "min")
# Fit the model to the FOCUS example dataset D using defaults</pre>
```

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```
FOCUS_D <- subset(FOCUS_2006_D, value != 0) # remove zero values to avoid warning
fit <- mkinfit(SF0_SF0, F0CUS_D, quiet = TRUE)</pre>
fit.s <- summary(fit)</pre>
# Transformed and backtransformed parameters
print(fit.s$par, 3)
print(fit.s$bpar, 3)
## Not run:
# Compare to the version without transforming rate parameters (does not work
# with analytical solution, we get NA values for m1 in predictions)
fit.2 <- mkinfit(SFO_SFO, FOCUS_D, transform_rates = FALSE,</pre>
  solution_type = "deSolve", quiet = TRUE)
fit.2.s <- summary(fit.2)</pre>
print(fit.2.s$par, 3)
print(fit.2.s$bpar, 3)
## End(Not run)
initials <- fit$start$value</pre>
names(initials) <- rownames(fit$start)</pre>
transformed <- fit$start_transformed$value</pre>
names(transformed) <- rownames(fit$start_transformed)</pre>
transform_odeparms(initials, SFO_SFO)
backtransform_odeparms(transformed, SFO_SFO)
## Not run:
# The case of formation fractions (this is now the default)
SFO_SFO.ff <- mkinmod(</pre>
  parent = list(type = "SFO", to = "m1", sink = TRUE),
  m1 = list(type = "SFO"),
 use_of_ff = "max")
fit.ff <- mkinfit(SFO_SFO.ff, FOCUS_D, quiet = TRUE)</pre>
fit.ff.s <- summary(fit.ff)</pre>
print(fit.ff.s$par, 3)
print(fit.ff.s$bpar, 3)
initials <- c("f_parent_to_m1" = 0.5)
transformed <- transform_odeparms(initials, SFO_SFO.ff)</pre>
backtransform_odeparms(transformed, SFO_SFO.ff)
# And without sink
SF0_SF0.ff.2 <- mkinmod(</pre>
  parent = list(type = "SFO", to = "m1", sink = FALSE),
  m1 = list(type = "SFO"),
 use_of_ff = "max")
fit.ff.2 <- mkinfit(SFO_SFO.ff.2, FOCUS_D, quiet = TRUE)</pre>
fit.ff.2.s <- summary(fit.ff.2)</pre>
print(fit.ff.2.s$par, 3)
print(fit.ff.2.s$bpar, 3)
## End(Not run)
```

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update.mkinfit

Update an mkinfit model with different arguments

## **Description**

This function will return an updated mkinfit object. The fitted degradation model parameters from the old fit are used as starting values for the updated fit. Values specified as 'parms.ini' and/or 'state.ini' will override these starting values.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mkinfit'
update(object, ..., evaluate = TRUE)
```

## **Arguments**

object An mkinfit object to be updated

... Arguments to mkinfit that should replace the arguments from the original call.

Arguments set to NULL will remove arguments given in the original call

evaluate Should the call be evaluated or returned as a call

## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
fit <- mkinfit("SFO", subset(FOCUS_2006_D, value != 0), quiet = TRUE)
parms(fit)
plot_err(fit)
fit_2 <- update(fit, error_model = "tc")
parms(fit_2)
plot_err(fit_2)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

[.mmkin

Subsetting method for mmkin objects

# Description

Subsetting method for mmkin objects

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mmkin'
x[i, j, ..., drop = FALSE]
```

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# Arguments

X	An mmkin object
i	Row index selecting the fits for specific models
j	Column index selecting the fits to specific datasets
	Not used, only there to satisfy the generic method definition
drop	If FALSE, the method always returns an mmkin object, otherwise either a list of mkinfit objects or a single mkinfit object.

# Value

An object of class mmkin.

## Author(s)

Johannes Ranke

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