

# Package ‘nmw’

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**Description** This shows how NONMEM(R) software works. NONMEM's classical estimation methods like 'First Order(FO) approximation', 'First Order Conditional Estimation(FOCE)', and 'Laplacian approximation' are explained.

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nmw-package

*Understanding Nonlinear Mixed Effects Modeling for Population Pharmacokinetics***Description**

This shows how NONMEM(R) <<http://www.iconplc.com/innovation/nonmem/>> software works.

**Details**

This package explains 'First Order(FO) approximation' method, 'First Order Conditional Estimation(FOCE)' method, and 'Laplacian(LAPL)' method of NONMEM software.

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**Examples**

```
DataAll = Theoph
colnames(DataAll) = c("ID", "BWT", "DOSE", "TIME", "DV")
DataAll[, "ID"] = as.numeric(as.character(DataAll[, "ID"]))

nTheta = 3
nEta = 3
nEps = 2

THETAinit = c(2, 50, 0.1)
OMinit = matrix(c(0.2, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.2, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.2), nrow=nEta, ncol=nEta)
SGinit = diag(c(0.1, 0.1))

LB = rep(0, nTheta) # Lower bound
UB = rep(1000000, nTheta) # Upper bound

FGD = deriv(~DOSE/(TH2*exp(ETA2))*TH1*exp(ETA1)/(TH1*exp(ETA1) - TH3*exp(ETA3))*
            (exp(-TH3*exp(ETA3)*TIME)-exp(-TH1*exp(ETA1)*TIME)),
```

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      c("ETA1", "ETA2", "ETA3"),
      function.arg=c("TH1", "TH2", "TH3", "ETA1", "ETA2", "ETA3", "DOSE", "TIME"),
      func=TRUE, hessian=TRUE)
H = deriv(~F + F*EPS1 + EPS2, c("EPS1", "EPS2"), function.arg=c("F", "EPS1", "EPS2"), func=TRUE)

PRED = function(THETA, ETA, DATAi)
{
  FGDres = FGD(THETA[1], THETA[2], THETA[3], ETA[1], ETA[2], ETA[3], DOSE=320, DATAi[, "TIME"])
  Gres = attr(FGDres, "gradient")
  Hres = attr(H(FGDres, 0, 0), "gradient")

  if (e$METHOD == "LAPL") {
    Dres = attr(FGDres, "hessian")
    Res = cbind(FGDres, Gres, Hres, Dres[,1,1], Dres[,2,1], Dres[,2,2], Dres[,3,])
    colnames(Res) = c("F", "G1", "G2", "G3", "H1", "H2", "D11", "D21", "D22", "D31", "D32", "D33")
  } else {
    Res = cbind(FGDres, Gres, Hres)
    colnames(Res) = c("F", "G1", "G2", "G3", "H1", "H2")
  }
  return(Res)
}

##### First Order Approximation Method # Commented out for the CRAN CPU time
#InitStep(DataAll, THETAinit=THETAinit, Ominit=Ominit, SGinit=SGinit, LB=LB, UB=UB,
#          Pred=PRED, METHOD="ZERO")
#(EstRes = EstStep())          # 4 sec
#(CovRes = CovStep())          # 2 sec
#PostHocEta() # Using e$FinalPara from EstStep()
#TabStep()

##### First Order Conditional Estimation with Interaction Method
#InitStep(DataAll, THETAinit=THETAinit, Ominit=Ominit, SGinit=SGinit, LB=LB, UB=UB,
#          Pred=PRED, METHOD="COND")
#(EstRes = EstStep())          # 2 min
#(CovRes = CovStep())          # 1 min
#get("EBE", envir=e)
#TabStep()

##### Laplacian Approximation with Interacton Method
#InitStep(DataAll, THETAinit=THETAinit, Ominit=Ominit, SGinit=SGinit, LB=LB, UB=UB,
#          Pred=PRED, METHOD="LAPL")
#(EstRes = EstStep())          # 4 min
#(CovRes = CovStep())          # 1 min
#get("EBE", envir=e)
#TabStep()

```

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AddCox

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*Add a Covariate Column to an Existing NONMEM dataset*


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## Description

A new covariate column can be added to an existing NONMEM dataset.

**Usage**

```
AddCox(nmData, coxData, coxCol, dateCol = "DATE", idCol = "ID")
```

**Arguments**

nmData	an existing NONMEM dataset
coxData	a data table containing a covariate column
coxCol	the covariate column name in the coxData table
dateCol	date column name in the NONMEM dataset and the covariate data table
idCol	ID column name in the NONMEM dataset and the covariate data table

**Details**

It first carry forward for the missing data. If NA is remained, it carry backward.

**Value**

A new NONMEM dataset containing the covariate column

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CombDmExPc

*Combine the demographics(DM), dosing(EX), and DV(PC) tables into a new NONMEM dataset*

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**Description**

A new NONMEM dataset can be created from the demographics, dosing, and DV tables.

**Usage**

```
CombDmExPc(dm, ex, pc)
```

**Arguments**

dm	A demographics table. It should contain a row per subject.
ex	An exposure table. Drug administration (dosing) history table.
pc	A DV(dependent variable) or PC(drug concentration) table

**Details**

Combining a demographics, a dosing, and a concentration table can produce a new NONMEM dataset.

**Value**

A new NONMEM dataset

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CovStep

*Covariance Step*

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**Description**

It calculates standard errors and various variance matrices with the `e$FinalPara` after estimation step.

**Usage**

`CovStep()`

**Details**

Because `EstStep` uses nonlinear optimization, covariance step is separated from estimation step. It calculates variance-covariance matrix of estimates in the original scale.

**Value**

Time	consumed time
Standard Error	standard error of the estimates in the order of theta, omega, and sigma
Covariance Matrix of Estimates	covariance matrix of estimates in the order of theta, omega, and sigma. This is $\text{inverse}(\mathbf{R}) \times \mathbf{S} \times \text{inverse}(\mathbf{R})$ by default.
Correlation Matrix of Estimates	correlation matrix of estimates in the order of theta, omega, and sigma
Inverse Covariance Matrix of Estimates	inverse covariance matrix of estimates in the order of theta, omega, and sigma
Eigen Values	eigen values of covariance matrix
R Matrix	R matrix of NONMEM, the second derivative of log likelihood function with respect to estimation parameters
S Matrix	S matrix of NONMEM, sum of individual cross-product of the first derivative of log likelihood function with respect to estimation parameters

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**References**

NONMEM Users Guide

**See Also**

[EstStep](#), [InitStep](#)

**Examples**

```
# Only after InitStep and EstStep
#CovStep()
```

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EstStep

*Estimation Step*

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**Description**

This estimates upon the conditions with `InitStep`.

**Usage**

`EstStep()`

**Details**

It does not have arguments. All necessary arguments are stored in the `e` environment. It assumes "INTERACTION" between `eta` and `epsilon` for "COND" and "LAPL" options. The output is basically same to NONMEM output.

**Value**

Initial OFV	initial value of the objective function
Time	time consumed for this step
Optim	the raw output from <code>optim</code> function
Final Estimates	final estimates in the original scale

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**References**

NONMEM Users Guide

**See Also**

[InitStep](#)

**Examples**

```
# Only After InitStep
#EstStep()
```

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InitStep

*Initialization Step*


---

**Description**

It receives parameters for the estimation and stores them into e environment.

**Usage**

```
InitStep(DataAll, THETAinit, OMinit, SGinit, LB, UB, Pred, METHOD)
```

**Arguments**

DataAll	Data for all subjects. It should contain columns which Pred function uses.
THETAinit	Theta initial values
OMinit	Omega matrix initial values
SGinit	Sigma matrix initial values
LB	Lower bounds for theta vector
UB	Upper bounds for theta vector
Pred	Prediction function name
METHOD	one of the estimation methods "ZERO", "COND", or "LAPL"

**Details**

Prediction function should return not only prediction values(F or IPRED) but also G (first derivative with respect to etas) and H (first derivative of Y with respect to epsilon). For the "LAPL", prediction function should return second derivative with respect to eta also. "INTERACTION" is TRUE for "COND" and "LAPL" option, and FALSE for "ZERO". Omega matrix should be full block one. Sigma matrix should be diagonal one.

**Value**

This does not return values, but stores necessary values into the environment e.

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**References**

NONMEM Users Guide

**Examples**

```

DataAll = Theoph
colnames(DataAll) = c("ID", "BWT", "DOSE", "TIME", "DV")
DataAll[, "ID"] = as.numeric(as.character(DataAll[, "ID"]))

nTheta = 3
nEta = 3
nEps = 2

THETAinit = c(2, 50, 0.1) # Initial estimate
OMinit = matrix(c(0.2, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.2, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.2), nrow=nEta, ncol=nEta)
OMinit
SGinit = diag(c(0.1, 0.1))
SGinit

LB = rep(0, nTheta) # Lower bound
UB = rep(1000000, nTheta) # Upper bound

FGD = deriv(~DOSE/(TH2*exp(ETA2))*TH1*exp(ETA1)/(TH1*exp(ETA1) - TH3*exp(ETA3))*
            (exp(-TH3*exp(ETA3)*TIME)-exp(-TH1*exp(ETA1)*TIME)),
            c("ETA1", "ETA2", "ETA3"),
            function.arg=c("TH1", "TH2", "TH3", "ETA1", "ETA2", "ETA3", "DOSE", "TIME"),
            func=TRUE, hessian=TRUE)
H = deriv(~F + F*EPS1 + EPS2, c("EPS1", "EPS2"), function.arg=c("F", "EPS1", "EPS2"), func=TRUE)

PRED = function(THETA, ETA, DATAi)
{
  FGDres = FGD(THETA[1], THETA[2], THETA[3], ETA[1], ETA[2], ETA[3], DOSE=320, DATAi[, "TIME"])
  Gres = attr(FGDres, "gradient")
  Hres = attr(H(FGDres, 0, 0), "gradient")

  if (e$METHOD == "LAPL") {
    Dres = attr(FGDres, "hessian")
    Res = cbind(FGDres, Gres, Hres, Dres[,1,1], Dres[,2,1], Dres[,2,2], Dres[,3,])
    colnames(Res) = c("F", "G1", "G2", "G3", "H1", "H2", "D11", "D21", "D22", "D31", "D32", "D33")
  } else {
    Res = cbind(FGDres, Gres, Hres)
    colnames(Res) = c("F", "G1", "G2", "G3", "H1", "H2")
  }
  return(Res)
}

##### First Order Approximation Method
InitStep(DataAll, THETAinit=THETAinit, OMinit=OMinit, SGinit=SGinit, LB=LB, UB=UB,
         Pred=PRED, METHOD="ZERO")

##### First Order Conditional Estimation with Interaction Method
InitStep(DataAll, THETAinit=THETAinit, OMinit=OMinit, SGinit=SGinit, LB=LB, UB=UB,
         Pred=PRED, METHOD="COND")

##### Laplacian Approximation with Interacton Method
InitStep(DataAll, THETAinit=THETAinit, OMinit=OMinit, SGinit=SGinit, LB=LB, UB=UB,

```



```
Pred=PRED, METHOD="LAPL")
```

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TabStep

*Table Step*

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### Description

This produces standard table.

### Usage

```
TabStep()
```

### Details

It does not have arguments. All necessary arguments are stored in the e environment. This is similar to other standard results table.

### Value

A table with ID, TIME, DV, PRED, RES, WRES, derivatives of G and H. If the estimation method is other than 'ZERO' (First-order approximation), it includes CWRES, CIPREDI (formerly IPRED), CIRESI (formerly IRES).

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### References

NONMEM Users Guide

### See Also

[EstStep](#)

### Examples

```
# Only After EstStep  
#TabStep()
```

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TrimOut

*Trimming and beautifying NONMEM original OUTPUT file*

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**Description**

TrimOut removes unnecessary parts from NONMEM original OUTPUT file.

**Usage**

```
TrimOut(inFile, outFile="PRINT.OUT")
```

**Arguments**

inFile	NONMEM original untidy OUTPUT file name
outFile	Output file name to be written

**Details**

NONMEM original OUTPUT file contains unnecessary parts such as CONTROL file content, Start/End Time, License Info, Print control characters such as "+", "0", "1". This function trims those.

**Value**

outFile will be written in the current working folder or designated folder. This returns TRUE if the process was smooth.

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