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change_group	<i>Change Group ID</i>
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Description

Change the group ID to be consecutive numbers, starting at 1, which is required for model fitting.

Usage

```
change_group(group)
```

Arguments

group Numeric Vector. The grouping variable (e.g., subjects).

Value

Updated group ID.

Examples

```
# congruent trials
dat <- subset(flanker, id %in% c(39, 23, 2))
change_group(dat$id)
```

coef.vicc	<i>Extract the Group-Specific Coefficients</i>
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Description

Extract the group-specific coefficients (fixed effect + random effect).

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'vicc'
coef(object, cred = 0.9, ...)
```

Arguments

object An object of class `vicc`
 cred Numeric. Credible interval width (defaults to `0.90`).
 ... Currently ignored.

Value

An array with the summarized parameters

Examples

```
Y <- flanker
# congruent trials
congruent <- subset(Y, cond == 0)

# subset 25 from each group
dat <- congruent[unlist(tapply(1:nrow(congruent),
                             congruent$id,
                             head, 25)), ]

# fit model
fit <- vicc(y = dat$rt,
            group = dat$id,
            iter = 250,
            burnin = 10,
            type = "customary")

coef(fit)
```

 fixef.vicc

Extract Fixed Effects

Description

Summarize the fixed effects.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'vicc'
fixef(object, cred = 0.9, ...)
```

Arguments

object An object of class `vicc`.
 cred Numeric. Credible interval width (defaults to `0.90`)
 ... Currently ignored.

Value

Summarized fixed effects

Examples

```
# data
Y <- flanker

# congruent trials
congruent <- subset(Y, cond == 0)

# subset 25 from each group
dat <- congruent[unlist(tapply(1:nrow(congruent),
                             congruent$id,
                             head, 25)), ]

fit <- vicc(
  y = dat$rt,
  group = dat$id,
  iter = 250,
  burnin = 10,
  type = "pick_none"
)

fixef(fit)
```

flanker

Data: Flanker Task data from Hedge et al. (2018).

Description

A dataset containing 33660 rows and 7 columns.

- Block
- Trial number
- Arrow direction (1=left, 2=right)
- Condition (0 = congruent, 1=neutral, 2=incongruent)
- Correct (1) or incorrect (0)
- Reaction time (seconds)

Usage

```
data("flanker")
```

Format

A dataframe 33660 rows and 7 columns.

Note

Reaction times less than 0.20 and greater than 2 seconds were removed.

References

Hedge C, Powell G, Sumner P (2018). “The reliability paradox: Why robust cognitive tasks do not produce reliable individual differences.” *Behavior Research Methods*, **50**(3), 1166–1186.

pip *Posterior Inclusion Probabilities*

Description

Extract the posterior inclusion probabilities (PIP) for either the random intercepts for sigma or the random effects standard deviation for sigma.

Usage

```
pip(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object	Ab object of class vicc.
...	Currently ignored.

Value

A data frame.

Note

The PIPs indicate whether the groups differ from the fixed effect, or average, within-group variance. If the PIP is large, this indicates there is high probability that group differs from the common variance. A marginal Bayes factor can be computed as $PIP / (1 - PIP)$, assuming that `prior_prob = 0.5`.

Examples

```
# congruent trials
congruent <- subset(flanker, cond == 0)

# subset 25 from each group
dat <- congruent[unlist(tapply(1:nrow(congruent),
                             congruent$id,
                             head, 25)), ]

# fit model
fit <- vicc(y = dat$rt,
            group = dat$id,
            iter = 250,
            burnin = 10,
            type = "pick_group")

pip(fit)
```

plot.pip

Plot pip Objects

Description

Bar plot for the posterior inclusion probabilities, which corresponds to the probability that each group differs from the average within-group variance.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'pip'
plot(x, fill = "black", width = 0.5, ...)
```

Arguments

x	An object of class pip.
fill	Character string. Which color for the bars (defaults to black)?
width	Numeric. The width for the bars (defaults to 0.5).
...	Currently ignored

Value

A ggplot object.

Examples

```

# congruent trials
congruent <- subset(flanker, cond == 0)

# subset 25 from each group
dat <- congruent[unlist(tapply(1:nrow(congruent),
                             congruent$id,
                             head, 25)), ]

fit <- vicc(
  y = dat$rt,
  group = dat$id,
  iter = 500,
  burnin = 10,
  type = "pick_group"
)

pips <- pip(fit)

plot(pips)

```

plot.vicc

Plot vicc Objects

Description

Plot the group-specific coefficients or the random effects.

Usage

```

## S3 method for class 'vicc'
plot(x, type = "coef", ...)

```

Arguments

x	An object of class vicc.
type	Character string. Which parameters should be plotted? The options are ranef and coef (the default).
...	Currently ignored.

Value

A ggplot object.

Examples

```
# congruent trials
congruent <- subset(flanker, cond == 0)

# subset 25 from each group
dat <- congruent[unlist(tapply(1:nrow(congruent),
                             congruent$id,
                             head, 25)), ]

# fit model
fit <- vicc(y = dat$rt,
            group = dat$id,
            iter = 250,
            burnin = 10,
            type = "customary")

plts <- plot(fit)
```

posterior_samples *Extract Posterior Samples*

Description

Extract posterior samples for vicc objects

Usage

```
posterior_samples(object)
```

Arguments

object An object of class vicc

Value

An object of class data.frame

Examples

```
# congruent trials
congruent <- subset(flanker, cond == 0)

# subset 25 from each group
dat <- congruent[unlist(tapply(1:nrow(congruent),
                             congruent$id,
                             head, 25)), ]
```



```
# fit model
fit <- vicc(y = dat$rt,
           group = dat$id,
           iter = 250,
           burnin = 10,
           type = "customary")

samps <- posterior_samples(fit)
```

print.pip	<i>Print pip Objects</i>
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Description

Print pip Objects

Usage

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

Arguments

x	An object of class pip.
...	Currently ignored.

print.vicc	<i>Print vicc Objects</i>
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Description

Print vicc Objects

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'vicc'
print(x, cred = 0.95, ...)
```

Arguments

x	An object of class vicc.
cred	Numeric. Credible interval width (defaults to 0.90).
...	Currently ignored

`ranef.vicc`*Extract the Random Effects*

Description

Extract the group-specific parameter estimates.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'vicc'  
ranef(object, cred = 0.9, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>object</code>	An object of class <code>vicc</code>
<code>cred</code>	Numeric. Credible interval width (defaults to 0.90).
<code>...</code>	Currently ignored.

Value

An array with the summarized parameters.

Examples

```
flanker <- vICC::flanker  
  
# congruent trials  
congruent <- subset(flanker, cond == 0)  
  
# subset 25 from each group  
dat <- congruent[unlist(tapply(1:nrow(congruent),  
                             congruent$id,  
                             head, 25)), ]  
  
# fit model  
fit <- vicc(y = dat$rt,  
            group = dat$id,  
            iter = 250,  
            burnin = 10,  
            type = "customary")  
  
ranef(fit)
```

vicc*Varying Intraclass Correlation Coefficients*

Description

Compute varying intraclass correlation coefficients with the method introduced in Williams et al. (2019).

Usage

```
vicc(  
  y,  
  group,  
  type = "pick_group",  
  iter = 5000,  
  chains = 2,  
  burnin = 500,  
  prior_scale = 1,  
  prior_prob = 0.5  
)
```

Arguments

<code>y</code>	Numeric vector. The outcome variable.
<code>group</code>	Numeric vector. The grouping variable (e.g., subjects). Note that the groups must be numbered from 1 to the total number of groups. See change_group .
<code>type</code>	Character string. Which model should be fitted (defaults to <code>pick_group</code>)? The options are described in Details .
<code>iter</code>	Numeric. The number of posterior samples per chain (excluding burnin).
<code>chains</code>	Numeric. The number of chains (defaults to 2).
<code>burnin</code>	Numeric. The number of burnin samples, which are discarded (defaults to 500).
<code>prior_scale</code>	Numeric. The prior distribution scale parameter (defaults to 1). Note the prior is a half student-t distribution with 10 degrees of freedom.
<code>prior_prob</code>	Numeric. The prior inclusion probability (defaults to 0.5). This is used for type = <code>"pick_tau"</code> or type = <code>"pick_group"</code> and ignored otherwise.

Value

An object of class `vicc`.

References

Williams DR, Martin SR, Rast P (2019). "Putting the Individual into Reliability: Bayesian Testing of Homogeneous Within-Person Variance in Hierarchical Models." *PsyArXiv*.

Examples

```
# congruent trials
congruent <- subset(flanker, cond == 0)

# subset 25 from each group
dat <- congruent[unlist(tapply(1:nrow(congruent),
                             congruent$id,
                             head, 25)), ]

# fit model
fit <- vicc(y = dat$rt,
            group = dat$id,
            iter = 250,
            burnin = 10,
            type = "customary")
```

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