

# Package: BayesianWebs (via r-universe)

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check_model	<i>Check fitted model</i>
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## Description

Check fitted model

## Usage

```
check_model(fit = NULL, data = NULL)
```

## Arguments

fit	A fitted model, as obtained from <a href="#">fit_model()</a> .
data	Data list (from <a href="#">prepare_data()</a> ).

## Value

Model checks on console and graphical window.

## Examples

```
data(web)
dt <- prepare_data(mat = web, sampl.eff = rep(20, nrow(web)))
fit <- fit_model(dt, refresh = 0)
check_model(fit, data = data)
```

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fit_model	<i>Fit model</i>
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## Description

Fit model

## Usage

```
fit_model(  
  data = NULL,  
  model = c("sampling_effort", "Young2021", "varying_preferences"),  
  beta = 0.01,  
  ...  
)
```

## Arguments

data	A named list containing the required data, as obtained from <a href="#">prepare_data()</a> .
model	character. One of "Young2021", "sampling_effort", or "varying_preferences", or a path to a file describing the Stan model in case you want to use a modified Stan model.
beta	Rate of exponential prior on r (preference) parameter. Default beta is 0.01. Increase it if you have large count numbers (can examine the resultant prior using <a href="#">plot_prior()</a> ).
...	Further arguments for <a href="#">cmdstanr::sample()</a> , like <code>iter_warmup</code> , <code>iter_sampling</code> , or <code>thin</code> , among others. It is recommended to increase the number of iterations (e.g. <code>iter_sampling = 10000</code> ).

## Value

A fitted model ([cmdstanr::CmdStanMCMC\(\)](#) object).

## Examples

```
data(web)  
dt <- prepare_data(mat = web, sampl.eff = rep(20, nrow(web)))  
fit <- fit_model(dt)
```

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get_posterior	<i>Get posterior values</i>
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## Description

Get posterior values

## Usage

```
get_posterior(  
  fit = NULL,  
  data = NULL,  
  param = c("all", "connectance", "preference", "plant.abund", "animal.abund",  
            "int.prob", "link")  
)
```

## Arguments

fit	Fitted model (from <code>fit_model()</code> )
data	Data list (from <code>prepare_data()</code> )
param	character. Name of the parameter to retrieve the posterior samples.

## Value

A data frame

## Examples

```
data(web)  
dt <- prepare_data(mat = web, sampl.eff = rep(20, nrow(web)))  
fit <- fit_model(dt, refresh = 0)  
get_posterior(fit, dt, param = "connectance")  
  
int.prob <- get_posterior(fit, dt, param = "int.prob")  
int.prob  
int.prob |> tidybayes::mean_qi() # mean edge probability  
  
# all posteriors  
get_posterior(fit, dt, param = "all")
```

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get_seed	<i>Get seed used to fit a model</i>
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**Description**

Get seed used to fit a model

**Usage**

```
get_seed(fit = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

fit                    A fitted model

**Value**

A number

**Examples**

```
data(web)
dt <- prepare_data(mat = web, sampl.eff = rep(20, nrow(web)))
fit <- fit_model(dt, refresh = 0)
get_seed(fit)
```

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plot_counts_obs	<i>Plot heatmap of observed counts</i>
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**Description**

Plot heatmap of observed counts

**Usage**

```
plot_counts_obs(mat = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

mat                    A matrix with count data reporting interaction frequency (e.g. visits to flowers, number of fruits consumed per plant or species). Plants must be in rows, Animals must be in columns.

...                    Further arguments for `network.tools::plot_web_heatmap()`.

**Value**

A ggplot object

**Examples**

```
data(web)
plot_counts_obs(web)
plot_counts_obs(web, sort = FALSE)
plot_counts_obs(web, zero.na = FALSE, sort = FALSE)
```

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plot_counts_pred	<i>Plot heatmap of predicted counts</i>
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**Description**

Plot heatmap of predicted counts

**Usage**

```
plot_counts_pred(pred.df = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

pred.df	A data frame containing the predicted counts, as generated by <code>predict_counts()</code>
...	Further arguments for <code>network.tools::plot_web_heatmap()</code> .

**Value**

A ggplot object

**Examples**

```
data(web)
dt <- prepare_data(mat = web, sampl.eff = rep(20, nrow(web)))
fit <- fit_model(dt, refresh = 0)
pred.df <- predict_counts(fit, dt)
plot_counts_pred(pred.df)
plot_counts_pred(pred.df, sort = FALSE)
```

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plot\_counts\_pred\_obs *Plot predicted versus observed counts*

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## Description

Plot predicted versus observed counts

## Usage

```
plot_counts_pred_obs(  
  pred.df = NULL,  
  data = NULL,  
  byplant = FALSE,  
  width = 0.95,  
  ...  
)
```

## Arguments

pred.df	A data frame containing the predicted counts, as generated by <code>predict_counts()</code>
data	Data list (from <code>prepare_data()</code> )
byplant	Logical. If TRUE, show predicted and observed counts per plant (using <code>ggplot2::facet_wrap()</code> ). If FALSE, show all interactions in the same plot.
width	width of the credible interval (default = 0.95).
...	Further arguments to be passed to <code>ggplot2::facet_wrap()</code> if <code>byplant = TRUE</code> , or to <code>tidybayes::geom_pointinterval()</code> if <code>byplant = FALSE</code> .

## Value

A ggplot object

## Examples

```
data(web)  
dt <- prepare_data(mat = web, sampl.eff = rep(20, nrow(web)))  
fit <- fit_model(dt, refresh = 0)  
pred.df <- predict_counts(fit, dt)  
plot_counts_pred_obs(pred.df, dt)  
plot_counts_pred_obs(pred.df, dt, fatten_point = 3)  
plot_counts_pred_obs(pred.df, dt, byplant = TRUE)  
plot_counts_pred_obs(pred.df, dt, byplant = TRUE, scale = "free")
```

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plot\_interaction\_prob *Plot heatmap of interaction probabilities*

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### Description

Plot a heatmap of average interaction probabilities

### Usage

```
plot_interaction_prob(post = NULL)
```

### Arguments

post                    Data frame containing the posterior probabilities, as generated from `get_posterior()`.

### Value

A ggplot object

### Examples

```
data(web)
dt <- prepare_data(mat = web, sampl.eff = rep(20, nrow(web)))
fit <- fit_model(dt, refresh = 0)
post <- get_posterior(fit, dt)
plot_interaction_prob(post)
```

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plot\_prior                    *Plot prior distribution for r (preference) parameter*

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### Description

The  $r$  (preference) parameter in Young et al. model takes a prior exponential distribution with rate =  $\beta$ . Use this function to visualise the prior distribution of  $r$  given the chosen  $\beta$ . Alternatively, if providing the fitted model, a plot comparing the prior versus posterior preference(s) will be produced.

### Usage

```
plot_prior(beta = NULL, fit = NULL, data = NULL)
```

### Arguments

beta                    A number > 0. Rate of the exponential distribution.  
fit                      A fitted model, as obtained from `fit_model()`.  
data                    Data list (from `prepare_data()`).



**Value**

A plot

**Examples**

```
## Providing value for beta
plot_prior(beta = 0.01)
plot_prior(beta = 0.001)

## Providing fitted model
data(web)
dt <- prepare_data(mat = web, sampl.eff = rep(20, nrow(web)))
fit <- fit_model(dt, refresh = 0)
plot_prior(fit = fit, data = dt)
```

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plot_residuals	<i>Plot heatmap of residuals</i>
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**Description**

Plot heatmap of residuals (observed - predicted counts).

**Usage**

```
plot_residuals(pred.df = NULL, data = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

pred.df	A data frame containing the predicted counts, as generated by <a href="#">predict_counts()</a>
data	Data list (from <a href="#">prepare_data()</a> )
...	Further arguments for <a href="#">network.tools::plot_web_heatmap()</a> .

**Value**

A ggplot object

**Examples**

```
data(web)
dt <- prepare_data(mat = web, sampl.eff = rep(20, nrow(web)))
fit <- fit_model(dt, refresh = 0)
pred.df <- predict_counts(fit, dt)
plot_residuals(pred.df, dt)
plot_residuals(pred.df, dt, sort = FALSE)
```

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predict_counts	<i>Predict interaction counts</i>
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**Description**

Generate the posterior predictive distribution of counts for every pairwise interaction.

**Usage**

```
predict_counts(fit = NULL, data = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

fit	Fitted model
data	Data list

**Value**

A data frame

**Examples**

```
data(web)
dt <- prepare_data(mat = web, sampl.eff = rep(20, nrow(web)))
fit <- fit_model(dt, refresh = 0)
predict_counts(fit, dt)
```

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prepare_data	<i>Prepare the data for modelling</i>
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**Description**

Prepare the data for modelling

**Usage**

```
prepare_data(mat = NULL, sampl.eff = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

mat	An integer matrix containing quantitative (not qualitative or binary) count data con interaction frequency (e.g. visits to flowers, number of fruits consumed per plant or species). Plants must be in rows, Animals must be in columns.
sampl.eff	A numeric vector with the sampling effort (e.g. observation hours) spent on each plant.

**Value**

A named list with all the data required to run the model.

**Examples**

```
data(web)
prepare_data(web, sampl.eff = rep(20, nrow(web)))
```

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web	<i>Plant-pollinator network</i>
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**Description**

An example bipartite network of 8 plant species and 21 pollinators, from [Kaiser-Bunbury et al. 2017](#).

**Usage**

```
web
```

**Format**

web:

A numeric (integer) matrix with 8 rows (representing plants) and 21 columns (representing animals)

**Source**

Kaiser-Bunbury, C., Mougil, J., Whittington, A. et al. Ecosystem restoration strengthens pollination network resilience and function. *Nature* 542, 223–227 (2017). <https://doi.org/10.1038/nature21071>

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