

# Package: movetrack (via r-universe)

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**Title** Estimate flight tracks from telemetry data

**Description** `movetrack` is a `R` package that provides simple functionality to estimate flight tracks from telemetry data using random walk models written in Stan.

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**as.data.frame.movetrack**  
*Coerce to a Data Frame*

### Description

Coerce a movetrack object to a data.frame.

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'movetrack'
as.data.frame(x, ...)
```

### Arguments

x	An object of class movetrack.
...	Unused; for compatibility with the generic method.

### See Also

`summary.movetrack()`

**getDraws**                    *Extract draws*

### Description

Extract draws from a movetrack object.

### Usage

```
getDraws(fit, nsim = 50)
```

**Arguments**

- fit** An object of class `movetrack`.  
**nsim** The number of simulations to extract; defaults to 50.

**Value**

A `data.frame` with the draws.

locate	<i>Estimate locations</i>
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**Description**

Calculate point estimates based on antenna bearing and signal strength.

**Usage**

```
locate(
  data,
  ID = "tagDeployID",
  ts = "ts",
  sig = "sig",
  aLon = "recvDeployLon",
  aLat = "recvDeployLat",
  aType = NULL,
  aBearing = "antBearing",
  aRange = 12,
  dTime = 2
)
```

**Arguments**

- data** A `data.frame` containing the telemetry data.  
**ID** Unique identifier for individuals or tag deployments.  
**ts** Timestamp column.  
**sig** Signal strength column.  
**aLon** Antenna longitude column.  
**aLat** Antenna latitude column.  
**aType** Antenna type column, only required for antenna-specific detection ranges.  
**aBearing** Antenna bearing column.  
**aRange** Assumed maximum detection range of antennas in kilometres. Can be a single value or a named list of values for different antenna types.  
**dTime** Time interval in minutes for which point estimates are to be calculated.

## Details

This function performs the following steps as described in [Baldwin et al. 2018](#):

- Estimate locations for each detection: half of the maximum detection range `aRange` along the directional beam.
- Derive oscillating measurement error arising from antenna geometry and orientation.
- Calculate weighted means (by signal strength) for each time interval `dTime`.

## Value

Returns a `data.frame` containing estimated coordinates and measurement errors for each time interval together with the proportions of time intervals `w`.

## Examples

```
## Not run:
data(motusData)
locate(motusData)
locate(motusData, dTime = 1, aRange = 10)
locate(motusData, aType = "antType", aRange = list("yagi-5"=10, "yagi-6"=12))

## End(Not run)
```

**mapTrack**

*Map model result*

## Description

Map individual flight trajectories and model uncertainty.

## Usage

```
mapTrack(fit, id = NULL, nsim = 50, lwd = 2, alpha = 0.1)
```

## Arguments

<code>fit</code>	An object of class <code>movetrack</code> .
<code>id</code>	The individuals to plot. Defaults to <code>NULL</code> which plots all individuals.
<code>nsim</code>	The number of posterior draws to plot. Defaults to 50.
<code>lwd</code>	The line width for the mean trajectory. Defaults to 2.
<code>alpha</code>	The alpha value for the posterior draws. Defaults to 0.1.

## Value

Returns an overview map with the mean trajectories and `nsim` posterior draws per individual.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
mapTrack(fit)  
mapTrack(fit, nsim = 100, alpha = 0.05)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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motusData

*Motus test data*

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**Description**

Motus test data

**Usage**

motusData

**Format**

An object of class `tbl_df` (inherits from `tbl`, `data.frame`) with 4464 rows and 7 columns.

**References**

<https://motus.org/>

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plot.movetrack

*Plot model results*

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**Description**

Plot model results per individual and variable.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'movetrack'  
plot(x, vars = c("lon", "lat"), id = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

- |                   |   |
|-------------------|---|
| <code>x</code>    | An object of class <code>movetrack</code> .   |
| <code>vars</code> | The variables to plot. Defaults to <code>c("lon", "lat")</code> .                   |
| <code>id</code>   | The individuals to plot. Defaults to <code>NULL</code> which plots all individuals. |
| <code>...</code>  | Additional arguments passed to <code>movetrack::summary()</code> .                  |

**Value**

Returns one or multiple ggplot plots.

**See Also**

`movetrack::summary()`

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
# Set ggplot theme
theme_set(theme_bw(base_size = 20))

# Plot
plot(fit)
plot(fit, vars = "speed", prob = 0.89, ci = "ETI")

## End(Not run)
```

`print.movetrack`      *Print*

**Description**

Print a summary for a `movetrack` object.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'movetrack'
print(x, digits = 3, ...)
```

**Arguments**

- `x` An object of class `movetrack`.
- `digits` The minimal number of *significant* digits; defaults to 3.
- `...` Additional arguments passed to `print()`.

**See Also**

`summary.movetrack()`

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summary.movetrack	<i>Summary</i>
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### Description

Create a summary of a movetrack object.

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'movetrack'  
summary(object, var = c("lon", "lat"), ci = "HDI", prob = 0.9, ...)
```

### Arguments

object	An object of class movetrack.
var	The variable to summarise; defaults to 'lon'.
ci	The method used to calculate the credible intervals. Available options are 'HDI' for the highest posterior density interval and 'ETI' for the equal-tailed interval; defaults to 'HDI'.
prob	The probability mass of the credible interval; defaults to 0.9.
...	Unused; for compatibility with the generic method.

### Value

A data.frame with the summary statistics.

### Examples

```
## Not run:  
summary(fit)  
summary(fit, var = "distance")  
summary(fit, ci = "ETI", prob = 0.89)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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track	<i>Model data</i>
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### Description

Model flight path from point estimates using a Hidden Markov Model.

### Usage

```
track(data, states = 1, i_lambda = TRUE, ...)
```

## Arguments

data	A <code>data.frame</code> containing the point estimate data.
states	The number of states to use in the model; defaults to 1.
i_lambda	Logical indicating whether to estimate individual correlation parameters; defaults to TRUE.
...	Additional arguments passed to <code>cmdstanr::sample()</code> .

## Details

This function calls `Stan` via `cmdstanr` and uses a Hidden Markov Model (HMM) to estimate individual flight paths.

## Value

Returns a `movetrack` object including the posterior distributions for longitude, latitude, distance, and speed per time interval.

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## See Also

`cmdstanr::sample()`

## Examples

```
## Not run:
# Load data
data(motusData)

# Estimate locations
loc <- locate(motusData, dTime = 2)

# Model flight paths
track(loc, states = 2, parallel_chains = 4)
track(loc, i_lambda = FALSE, parallel_chains = 4)

## End(Not run)
```

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