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**Description** Dual interfaces, graphical and programmatic, designed for intuitive applications of Multilevel Regression and Poststratification (MRP). Users can apply the method to a variety of datasets, from electronic health records to sample survey data, through an end-to-end Bayesian data analysis workflow. The package provides robust tools for data cleaning, exploratory analysis, flexible model building, and insightful result visualization. For more details, see Si et al. (2020) <[https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/en/pub/12-001-x/2020002/article/00003-eng.pdf?st=iF1\\_Fbrh](https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/en/pub/12-001-x/2020002/article/00003-eng.pdf?st=iF1_Fbrh)> and Si (2025) <[doi:10.1214/24-STS932](https://doi.org/10.1214/24-STS932)>.

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example_model	<i>Return example MRPMoDel object with estimation results.</i>
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**Description**

Return an example MRPMoDel object with estimation results.

**Usage**

```
example_model(is_timevar = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

is\_timevar Logical indicating whether the model is fitted to time-varying data.

**Value**

A MRPMoDel object.

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example_pstrat_data	<i>Return example poststratification data</i>
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**Description**

Return example poststratification data accepted by the `$load_pstrat()` method of an `MRPWorkflow` object.

**Usage**

```
example_pstrat_data()
```

**Value**

A `data.frame` object.

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`example_sample_data`    *Return example data*

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### Description

Return example data based on the specified characteristics.

### Usage

```
example_sample_data(
  is_timevar = TRUE,
  is_aggregated = TRUE,
  special_case = NULL,
  family = "binomial"
)
```

### Arguments

<code>is_timevar</code>	Logical indicating whether the data is time-varying.
<code>is_aggregated</code>	Logical indicating whether the data is aggregated.
<code>special_case</code>	Optional character string for specific use cases such as COVID data. Options are NULL, "covid" and "poll". The default is NULL which indicates the data is not specific to any supported use case.
<code>family</code>	Character string specifying the distribution family for outcome measures. Options are "binomial" for binary outcomes and "normal" for continuous outcomes.

### Value

A `data.frame` object.

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MRPModel                      *MRPModel objects*

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### Description

An `MRPModel` object is an [R6](#) object created by the `$create_model()` method of an `MRPWorkflow` object. Each `MRPModel` object represents a multilevel regression model, providing methods for sampling, diagnostics, and poststratification.

Creates a new instance of the `MRPModel` class. This method is called by the `$create_model()` method of an `MRPWorkflow` object and does not need to be called directly by users.

**Arguments**

model_spec	List containing model effects specification, including intercept, fixed effects, varying effects, and interactions
mrp_data	List containing the MRP data structure with input sample data and new post-stratification data
metadata	List containing metadata about the analysis, including family, time variables, and special cases
link_data	List containing information about data linking, including geography and ACS year
plot_data	List containing data prepared for visualization, including dates and GeoJSON objects
extra	List containing COVID test sensitivity and specificity

**Value**

A new MRPModel object initialized with the provided model specification and relevant data.

**Methods**

MRPModel objects have the following associated methods, many of which have their own (linked) documentation pages:

**Data access:**

Method	Description
<a href="#">\$model_spec()</a>	Return model specification.
<a href="#">\$formula()</a>	Return model formula.
<a href="#">\$metadata()</a>	Return model metadata.
<a href="#">\$stan_code()</a>	Return model Stan code.

**Model fitting:**

Method	Description
<a href="#">\$fit()</a>	Fit multilevel regression model using CmdStanR.
<a href="#">\$check_fit_exists()</a>	Check if model has been fitted.
<a href="#">\$check_estimate_exists()</a>	Check if poststratification has been performed.

**Posterior summary & diagnostics:**

Method	Description
<a href="#">\$summary()</a>	Return posterior summary table.
<a href="#">\$diagnostics()</a>	Return sampling diagnostics.

**Post-processing:**

Method	Description
<code>\$ppc()</code>	Create input for posterior predictive check.
<code>\$log_lik()</code>	Create input for leave-one-out cross-validation.
<code>\$poststratify()</code>	Run poststratification to generate population estimates.

**Saving model object:**

Method	Description
<code>\$save()</code>	Save model object to file.

**Examples**

```

library(shinymrp)

# Initialize workflow
workflow <- mrp_workflow()

# Load example data
sample_data <- example_sample_data()

# Preprocess sample data
workflow$preprocess(
  sample_data,
  is_timevar = TRUE,
  is_aggregated = TRUE,
  special_case = NULL,
  family = "binomial"
)

# Link to ACS data at ZIP code level
workflow$link_acs(
  link_geo = "zip",
  acs_year = 2021
)

# Create and fit multiple models
model <- workflow$create_model(
  intercept_prior = "normal(0, 4)",
  fixed = list(
    sex = "normal(0, 2)"
  ),
  varying = list(
    race = "normal(0, 2)",
    age = "normal(0, 2)",
    time = "normal(0, 2)"
  )
)

```

```
# Run MCMC
model$fit(n_iter = 500, n_chains = 2, seed = 123)

# Estimates summary and diagnostics
posterior_summary <- model$summary()

# Sampling diagnostics
model_diagnostics <- model$diagnostics()
```

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MRPModel-method-check\_estimate\_exists

*Check if poststratification has been performed*

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### Description

The `$check_estimate_exists()` method of an `MRPModel` object checks whether poststratification has been performed. Check out the [More examples of R6 classes](#) vignette for usage examples.

### Usage

```
check_estimate_exists()
```

### Value

Logical indicating whether poststratification has been performed.

---

MRPModel-method-check\_fit\_exists

*Check if model has been fitted*

---

### Description

The `$check_fit_exists()` method of an `MRPModel` object checks whether the model has been fitted. Check out the [More examples of R6 classes](#) vignette for usage examples.

### Usage

```
check_fit_exists()
```

### Value

Logical indicating whether the model has been fitted.

---

MRPModel-method-diagnostics

*Return sampling diagnostics*


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### Description

The `$diagnostics()` method of an `MRPModel` object returns MCMC diagnostics, including convergence statistics and sampling efficiency measures. Check out this [official Stan guide](#) for more information on interpreting these metrics. For usage examples, refer to the [More examples of R6 classes](#) vignette.

### Usage

```
diagnostics(summarize = TRUE)
```

### Arguments

<code>summarize</code>	Logical indicating whether to return a summarized version of the diagnostics (default is TRUE)
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### Value

A `data.frame` object if `summarize` is TRUE, otherwise a list of raw diagnostics.

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MRPModel-method-fit

*Fit multilevel regression model using cmdstanr*


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### Description

The `$fit()` method of an `MRPModel` object fits the model using Stan's main Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) algorithm. Check out the [More examples of R6 classes](#) vignette for usage examples.

### Usage

```
fit(n_iter = 2000, n_chains = 4, seed = NULL, ...)
```

### Arguments

<code>n_iter</code>	Number of MCMC iterations per chain (including warmup iterations). Default is 2000.
<code>n_chains</code>	Number of MCMC chains to run. Default is 4.
<code>seed</code>	Random seed for reproducibility. Default is NULL.
<code>...</code>	Additional arguments passed to <code>CmdStanR \$sample()</code> method.

### Value

No return value, called for side effects.

---

`MRPModel-method-formula`*Return model formula*

---

**Description**

The `$formula()` method of an `MRPModel` object returns the lme4-style formula constructed from the given model specification. Check out the [More examples of R6 classes](#) vignette for usage examples.

**Usage**

```
formula()
```

**Value**

A character string of the model formula.

---

`MRPModel-method-log_lik`*Create inputs for leave-one-out cross-validation*

---

**Description**

The `$log_lik()` method of an `MRPModel` object runs Stan's standalone generated quantities and extracts log-likelihood values for leave-one-out cross-validation. This method is called by the `$compare_models()` method of an `MRPWorkflow` object and does not need to be called directly by users.

**Usage**

```
log_lik()
```

**Value**

A `data.frame` object containing log-likelihood values.

MRPModel-method-metadata

*Return model metadata.*

---

### Description

The `$metadata()` method of an `MRPModel` object returns the metadata associated with the model, including metadata inherited from a workflow object and model fitting parameters. Check out the [More examples of R6 classes](#) vignette for usage examples.

### Usage

```
metadata()
```

### Value

A list containing the model metadata.

---

MRPModel-method-model\_spec

*Return model specification*

---

### Description

The `$model_spec()` method of an `MRPModel` object returns the model specification list. Check out the [More examples of R6 classes](#) vignette for usage examples.

### Usage

```
model_spec()
```

### Value

A list containing the model specification including intercept, fixed effects, varying effects, and interactions.

---

`MRPModel-method-poststratify`*Run poststratification to generate population estimates*

---

**Description**

The `$poststratify()` method of an `MRPModel` object runs Stan's standalone generated quantities and extracts posterior samples for poststratified estimates. This method is called by the `$poststratify()` method of a `MRPWorkflow` object and does not need to be called directly by users.

**Usage**

```
poststratify(interval = 0.95)
```

**Arguments**

<code>interval</code>	Confidence interval (a numeric value between 0 and 1) or standard deviation ("1sd" or "2sd") for the estimates (default is 0.95).
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**Value**

A `data.frame` object containing the poststratified estimates and their corresponding uncertainty intervals.

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`MRPModel-method-ppc`*Create input for posterior predictive check*

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**Description**

The `$ppc()` method of an `MRPModel` object runs Stan's standalone generated quantities to draw from the posterior predictive distribution. This method is called by the `$pp_check()` method of a `MRPWorkflow` object and does not need to be called directly by users.

**Usage**

```
ppc()
```

**Value**

A `data.frame` object containing samples from the posterior predictive distribution.

---

MRPModel-method-save *Save model object to file*

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### Description

The `$save()` method of an `MRPModel` object saves a fitted `MRPModel` object to a file for later use. `qs2::qs_save()` is used internally, and it is customary to use the `.qs2` file extension. Check out the [More examples of R6 classes](#) vignette for usage examples.

### Usage

```
save(file)
```

### Arguments

`file` File path where the model should be saved.

### Value

No return value, called for side effects.

---

MRPModel-method-stan\_code  
*Return model Stan code.*

---

### Description

The `$stan_code()` method of an `MRPModel` object returns the model Stan code. Check out the [More examples of R6 classes](#) vignette for usage examples.

### Usage

```
stan_code()
```

### Value

A character string containing the model Stan code.

---

MRPModel-method-summary

*Return posterior summary table*


---

## Description

The `$summary()` method of an `MRPModel` object returns tables containing the summary of posterior samples for the model parameters and diagnostics. Check out the [More examples of R6 classes vignette](#) for usage examples.

## Usage

```
summary()
```

## Value

A list of data.frame objects containing posterior sample summary and diagnostics for model parameters:

- fixed effects (`fixed`)
- standard deviations of varying effects (`varying`)
- standard deviations of residuals (`residual`)
- BYM2 proportion of spatial structure (`spatial_proportion`)

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MRPWorkflow

*MRPWorkflow objects*


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## Description

A `MRPWorkflow` object is an [R6](#) object created by the `mrp_workflow()` function. This class provides methods for all steps in the workflow, from data preparation and visualization to model fitting.

## Methods

`MRPWorkflow` objects have the following associated methods with their own (linked) documentation pages:

### Data preparation:

Method	Description
<code>\$preprocess()</code>	Preprocess sample data.
<code>\$preprocessed_data()</code>	Return preprocessed sample data.
<code>\$link_acs()</code>	Link sample data to ACS data.
<code>\$load_pstrat()</code>	Load custom poststratification data.

**Model fitting & diagnostics:**

Method	Description
<code>\$create_model()</code>	Create a <code>MRPModel</code> object.
<code>\$pp_check()</code>	Perform posterior predictive check.
<code>\$compare_models()</code>	Compare models using LOO-CV.

**Visualization:**

Method	Description
<code>\$demo_bars()</code>	Create demographic comparison bar plots.
<code>\$covar_hist()</code>	Create geographic covariate distribution histograms.
<code>\$sample_size_map()</code>	Create sample size map.
<code>\$outcome_plot()</code>	Create summary plots of raw outcome measure.
<code>\$outcome_map()</code>	Visualize raw outcome measure by geography.
<code>\$estimate_plot()</code>	Visualize estimates for demographic groups.
<code>\$estimate_map()</code>	Visualize estimates for geographic areas.

**Examples**

```

library(shinymrp)

# Initialize the MRP workflow
workflow <- mrp_workflow()

# Load example data
sample_data <- example_sample_data()

### DATA PREPARATION

# Preprocess sample data
workflow$preprocess(
  sample_data,
  is_timevar = TRUE,
  is_aggregated = TRUE,
  special_case = NULL,
  family = "binomial"
)

# Link data to the ACS
# and obtain poststratification data
workflow$link_acs(
  link_geo = "zip",
  acs_year = 2021
)

### DESCRIPTIVE STATISTICS

# Visualize demographic distribution of data

```

```
sex_bars <- workflow$demo_bars(demo = "sex")

# Visualize geographic distribution of data
ss_map <- workflow$sample_size_map()

# Visualize outcome measure
raw_outcome_plot <- workflow$outcome_plot()

### MODEL BUILDING

# Create new model objects
model <- workflow$create_model(
  intercept_prior = "normal(0, 4)",
  fixed = list(
    sex = "normal(0, 2)",
    race = "normal(0, 2)"
  ),
  varying = list(
    age = "",
    time = ""
  )
)

# Run MCMC
model$fit(n_iter = 500, n_chains = 2, seed = 123)

# Estimates summary and diagnostics
model$summary()

# Sampling diagnostics
model$diagnostics()

# Posterior predictive check
workflow$pp_check(model)

### VISUALIZE RESULTS

# Plots of overall estimates, estimates for demographic groups, and geographic areas
workflow$estimate_plot(model, group = "sex")

# Choropleth map of estimates for geographic areas
workflow$estimate_map(model, geo = "county")
```

**Description**

The `$compare_models()` method compares multiple fitted `MRPModel` objects using leave-one-out cross-validation to assess relative model performance. Check out the [More examples of R6 classes](#) vignette for usage examples.

**Usage**

```
compare_models(..., suppress = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

`...` Multiple `MRPModel` objects to compare.  
`suppress` Character string specifying output to suppress during comparison.

**Value**

A `data.frame` object containing the comparison results.

---

MRPWorkflow-method-covar\_hist

*Create geographic covariate distribution histogram*

---

**Description**

The `covar_hist()` method creates histogram plots showing the distribution of geographic covariates across ZIP codes. Refer to the [More on data preparation](#) for their definitions. This method is only available for [COVID data](#). Check out the [More examples of R6 classes](#) vignette for usage examples.

**Usage**

```
covar_hist(covar, file = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

`covar` Character string specifying the geographic covariate. Options are "college", "poverty", "employment", "income", "urbanicity", and "adi".  
`file` Optional file path to save the plot.  
`...` Additional arguments passed to [ggsave](#), such as width and height.

**Value**

A `ggplot` object showing the covariate distribution histogram.

---

`MRPWorkflow-method-create_model`*Create a new MRPMModel object*

---

## Description

The `$create_model()` method creates a new `MRPMModel` object with Stan code generated from the model specification list. `CmdStanR` objects are used internally to interface with Stan to compile the code and run its MCMC algorithm. Check out the [More examples of R6 classes](#) vignette for usage examples.

## Usage

```
create_model(  
  intercept_prior = NULL,  
  fixed = NULL,  
  varying = NULL,  
  interaction = NULL,  
  sens = 1,  
  spec = 1  
)
```

## Arguments

<code>intercept_prior</code>	Character string specifying the prior distribution for the overall intercept. Check <i>Details</i> for more information about prior specification.
<code>fixed</code>	List of the fixed effects in the model and their prior distributions. Check <i>Details</i> for more information about prior specification.
<code>varying</code>	List of the varying effects in the model and the prior distributions of their standard deviations. Check <i>Details</i> for more information about prior specification.
<code>interaction</code>	List of the interactions in the model and their prior distributions. Interaction names are created by concatenating the names of the interacting variables with a colon (e.g., "sex:age"). Currently, only two-way interactions are supported. Check <i>Details</i> for more information about prior specification.
<code>sens</code>	Sensitivity adjustment in the COVID-19 test results. Check <i>Details</i> for more information.
<code>spec</code>	Specificity adjustment in the COVID-19 test results. Check <i>Details</i> for more information.

## Details

### Prior specification:

The syntax for the prior distributions is similar to that of Stan. The following are currently supported:

- normal(mu, sigma)
- student\_t(nu, mu, sigma)
- structured
- icar
- bym2

The structured prior distribution developed by [Si et al. \(2020\)](#), which can be assigned to three types of two-way interactions:

- Two categorical variables (both with more than two levels)
- One categorical variable (with more than two levels) and one binary variable
- One categorical variable (with more than two levels) and one continuous variable

The spatial prior options (ICAR and BYM2) are useful when data contain geographic units (e.g., ZIP codes, counties, states) with spatial structure, specifically when observations exhibit correlation among neighboring regions. For details about the implementation and usage, see [Spatial prior specification in shinymrp](#).

The following default prior distributions are assigned to effects with empty strings ("") in the model specification list:

- Overall intercept: normal(0,5)
- Coefficient: normal(0,3)

The model assumes varying effects follow a normal distribution with an unknown standard deviation, which will be assigned with priors.

- Standard deviation (main effect): normal+(0,3)
- Standard deviation (interaction): normal+(0,1)

#### Testing sensitivity and specificity:

For COVID data, we allow users to specify the PCR testing sensitivity and specificity. Let  $p_k$  be the probability that person  $i$  in group  $k$  tests positive. The analytic incidence  $p_k$  is a function of the test sensitivity  $\delta$ , specificity  $\gamma$ , and the true incidence  $\pi_k$  for individuals in group  $k$ :

$$p_k = (1 - \gamma)(1 - \pi_k) + \delta\pi_k.$$

#### Value

A new MRPModel object.

---

MRPWorkflow-method-demo\_bars

*Create demographic comparison bar plots*

---

#### Description

Creates bar plots for comparing demographic distributions between sample data and poststratification data. Check out the [More examples of R6 classes](#) vignette for usage examples.

**Usage**

```
demo_bars(demo, file = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

demo	Character string specifying the demographic variable to plot.
file	Optional file path to save the plot.
...	Additional arguments passed to <code>ggsave</code> , such as width and height.

**Value**

A ggplot object showing demographic comparisons

---

MRPWorkflow-method-estimate\_map

*Create a choropleth map of MRP estimates*

---

**Description**

The `$estimate_map()` method creates interactive choropleth maps that show MRP estimates by geographic region. This method cannot be used if either the sample or the poststratification data contains no geographic information. Check out the [More examples of R6 classes](#) vignette for usage examples.

**Usage**

```
estimate_map(
  model,
  geo = NULL,
  time_index = NULL,
  interval = 0.95,
  file = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

model	Fitted MRPModel object
geo	Character string specifying the geographic level for mapping. Options include geography for data linking and those at larger scales. A "linking" geography is required to use this method. It is either specified as <code>geo</code> in the <code>\$link_acs()</code> method or the smallest common geographic scale between the sample data and the custom poststratification data input using <code>\$load_pstrat()</code> .
time_index	Integer specifying the time index for time-varying data.
interval	Confidence interval (a numeric value between 0 and 1) or standard deviation ("1sd" or "2sd") for the estimates (default is 0.95).

`file` Optional file path with `.html` extension to save the interactive map. Expand the hamburger menu in the top right corner of the map to access other export options.

### Value

A highcharter map object showing MRP estimates by geography.

---

MRPWorkflow-method-estimate\_plot

*Visualize estimates for demographic groups*

---

### Description

The `$estimate_plot()` method creates plots showing overall MRP estimates or estimates for different demographic groups. Check out the [More examples of R6 classes](#) vignette for usage examples.

### Usage

```
estimate_plot(
  model,
  group = NULL,
  interval = 0.95,
  show_caption = TRUE,
  file = NULL,
  ...
)
```

### Arguments

<code>model</code>	Fitted MRPMoel object
<code>group</code>	Character string specifying the demographic group. If left as <code>NULL</code> , overall estimates are plotted.
<code>interval</code>	Confidence interval (a numeric value between 0 and 1) or standard deviation (" <code>1sd</code> " or " <code>2sd</code> ") for the estimates (default is 0.95).
<code>show_caption</code>	Logical indicating whether to show the caption in the plot (default is <code>TRUE</code> ).
<code>file</code>	Optional file path to save the plot.
<code>...</code>	Additional arguments passed to <code>ggsave</code> , such as width and height.

### Value

A `ggplot` object showing MRP estimates.

---

MRPWorkflow-method-link\_acs

*Link sample data to ACS data*

---

### Description

The `$link_acs()` method obtains poststratification data by linking the preprocessed sample data to the American Community Survey based on given geographic granularity and year. See the [More on data preparation](#) vignette for more information on data linking. For usage examples, refer to the [More examples of R6 classes](#) vignette.

### Usage

```
link_acs(link_geo = NULL, acs_year = 2023)
```

### Arguments

<code>link_geo</code>	Character string specifying the geographic level for linking. Options are "zip", "county", and "state".
<code>acs_year</code>	Numeric value specifying the last year of the data collection period for the target ACS dataset.

### Value

No return value, called for side effects.

---

MRPWorkflow-method-load\_pstrat

*Load custom poststratification data*

---

### Description

The `$load_pstrat()` method processes and stores input poststratification data. The object is subject to the same data preprocessing steps as the sample data. See the [More on data preparation](#) vignette for more information on data processing. For usage examples, refer to the [More examples of R6 classes](#) vignette.

### Usage

```
load_pstrat(pstrat_data, is_aggregated = TRUE)
```

### Arguments

<code>pstrat_data</code>	An object of class <code>data.frame</code> (or one that can be coerced to that class).
<code>is_aggregated</code>	Logical indicating whether the poststratification data is already aggregated.

**Value**

No return value, called for side effects.

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MRPWorkflow-method-outcome\_map

*Visualize raw outcome measure by geography*

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**Description**

The `$outcome_map()` method creates maps showing the average outcome values by geography for cross-sectional data, or the highest/lowest temporal average for time-varying data. The sample and poststratification data must contain geographic information for this method to work. Check out the [More examples of R6 classes](#) vignette for usage examples.

**Usage**

```
outcome_map(summary_type = NULL, file = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

<code>summary_type</code>	Character string, for time-varying data, indicating whether to display the highest ("max") or lowest ("min") temporal average. Leave as NULL for cross-sectional data.
<code>file</code>	Optional file path with .html extension to save the interactive map. Expand the hamburger menu in the top right corner of the map to access other export options.

**Value**

A highcharter map object showing average outcome measure by geography.

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MRPWorkflow-method-outcome\_plot

*Create summary plots of the outcome measure*

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**Description**

The `$outcome_plot()` method creates plots of the average outcome values. Check out the [More examples of R6 classes](#) vignette for usage examples.

**Usage**

```
outcome_plot(file = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

file            Optional file path to save the plot.  
...            Additional arguments passed to `ggsave`, such as width and height.

**Value**

A ggplot object showing the outcome measure distribution.

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MRPWorkflow-method-pp\_check  
*Perform posterior predictive check*

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**Description**

The `$pp_check()` method creates posterior predictive check plots to assess model fit by comparing observed data to replicated data from the posterior predictive distribution. Check out the [More examples of R6 classes](#) vignette for usage examples.

**Usage**

```
pp_check(model, file = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

model            Fitted MRPMModel object.  
file            Optional file path to save the plot.  
...            Additional arguments passed to `ggsave`, such as width and height.

**Value**

A ggplot object showing the posterior predictive check result.

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MRPWorkflow-method-preprocess  
*Preprocess sample data*

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**Description**

The `$preprocess()` method runs the preprocessing pipeline that includes data standardization, filtering, imputation, and aggregation. See the [More on data preparation](#) vignette for more information about data processing. For usage examples, refer to the [More examples of R6 classes](#) vignette.

**Usage**

```
preprocess(
  data,
  is_timevar = FALSE,
  is_aggregated = FALSE,
  special_case = NULL,
  family = NULL,
  time_freq = NULL,
  freq_threshold = 0
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>data</code>	An object of class <code>data.frame</code> (or one that can be coerced to that class) that satisfies the requirements specified in the <a href="#">More on data preparation</a> vignette.
<code>is_timevar</code>	Logical indicating whether the data contains time-varying components.
<code>is_aggregated</code>	Logical indicating whether the data is already aggregated.
<code>special_case</code>	Character string specifying special case handling. Options are <code>NULL</code> (the default), <code>"covid"</code> , and <code>"poll"</code> .
<code>family</code>	Character string specifying the distribution family for the outcome variable. Options are <code>"binomial"</code> for binary outcome measures and <code>"normal"</code> for continuous outcome measures.
<code>time_freq</code>	Character string specifying the time indexing frequency or time length for grouping dates (YYYY-MM-DD) in the data. Options are <code>NULL</code> (the default), <code>"week"</code> , <code>"month"</code> , and <code>"year"</code> . This parameter must be <code>NULL</code> for cross-sectional data or time-varying data that already has time indices.
<code>freq_threshold</code>	Numeric value specifying the minimum frequency threshold for including observations. Values with lower frequency will cause the entire row to be removed. The default value is 0 (no filtering).

**Value**

No return value, called for side effects.

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MRPWorkflow-method-preprocessed\_data

*Return preprocessed sample data*

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**Description**

The `$preprocessed_data()` method returns the preprocessed sample data. Check out the [More examples of R6 classes](#) vignette for usage examples.

**Usage**

```
preprocessed_data()
```

**Value**

A data.frame object containing the preprocessed sample data.

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MRPWorkflow-method-sample\_size\_map  
*Create sample size map*

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**Description**

The `$sample_size_map()` method creates interactive choropleth maps showing data distribution with respect to geography. This method cannot be used if either the sample or the poststratification data contains no geographic information. Check out the [More examples of R6 classes](#) vignette for usage examples.

**Usage**

```
sample_size_map(file = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

`file` Optional file path with .html extension to save the interactive map. Expand the hamburger menu in the top right corner of the map to access other export options.

**Value**

A highcharter map object showing sample size distribution.

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mrp\_workflow *Create a new MRPWorkflow object*

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**Description**

Create a new [MRPWorkflow](#) object that implements the Bayesian data analysis workflow common in applications of Multilevel Regression and Post-stratification (MRP).

**Usage**

```
mrp_workflow()
```

**Value**

A MRPWorkflow object.

run\_app

*Run the Shiny Application***Description**

Run the Shiny Application

**Usage**

```
run_app(
  onStart = NULL,
  options = list(),
  enableBookmarking = NULL,
  uiPattern = "/",
  launch.browser = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

onStart	A function that will be called before the app is actually run. This is only needed for shinyAppObj, since in the shinyAppDir case, a global .R file can be used for this purpose.
options	Named options that should be passed to the runApp call (these can be any of the following: "port", "launch.browser", "host", "quiet", "display.mode" and "test.mode"). You can also specify width and height parameters which provide a hint to the embedding environment about the ideal height/width for the app.
enableBookmarking	Can be one of "url", "server", or "disable". The default value, NULL, will respect the setting from any previous calls to <a href="#">enableBookmarking()</a> . See <a href="#">enableBookmarking()</a> for more information on bookmarking your app.
uiPattern	A regular expression that will be applied to each GET request to determine whether the ui should be used to handle the request. Note that the entire request path must match the regular expression in order for the match to be considered successful.
launch.browser	Logical; if TRUE (default) open in an external browser even when running inside RStudio. If FALSE, use RStudio Viewer (when available).
...	arguments passed into golem options via <a href="#">with_golem_options()</a> . See <a href="#">?golem::get_golem_options</a> for details.

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