

Table 3.3 Functions available in WinBUGS

WinBUGS Syntax	Function	Description
1. abs(x)	$ x $	Absolute value
2. cloglog(x)	$\log(-\log(1-x))$	Complementary log-log function
3. cos(x)	$\cos(x)$	Cosine function
4. cut(x)		Posterior of x is not updated by the likelihood
5. equals(x1, x2)	$f(x_1, x_2) = 1$ when $x_1 = x_2$ = 0 otherwise	Binary indicator function for equal nodes
6. exp(x)	e^x	Exponent value
7. inprod(v1[], v2[])	$\sum_i v_{1i}v_{2i}$	Inner product of two vectors
8. interp.lin(x, v1[], v2[])	$v_{2i} + (v_{2,i+1} - v_{2i}) \times (x - v_{1i}) / (v_{1,i+1} - v_{1i})$	Interpolation line
8. inverse(M[,])	\mathbf{A}^{-1}	Inverse of a symmetric positive-definite matrix
9. log(x)	$\log(x)$	Logarithm (ln)
10. logdet(M[,])	$\log \mathbf{A} $	Logarithm of the determinant of a symmetric positive-definite matrix
11. logfact(k)	$\log(k!)$	Log factorial function of an integer
12. loggam(x)	$\log(\Gamma(x))$	Log gamma function
13. logit(x)	$\log \frac{x}{1-x}$	Logit function
14. max(x1, x2)	$\max(x_1, x_2)$	Maximum of two values
15. mean(v[])	$\bar{v} = \sum_{i=1}^n v_i/n$, where n is the length of vector v	Sample mean
16. min(x1, x2)	$\min(x_1, x_2)$	Minimum of two values
17. phi(x)	$P(X \leq x), X \sim N(0, 1)$	CDF of standardized normal
18. pow(x, z)	x^z	Power function
19. sin(x)	$\sin(x)$	Sine function
20. sqr(x)	\sqrt{x}	Square root
21. rank(v[], k)	$\sum_i I(v_i \leq v_k)$, where $I(z) = 1$ if z true and 0 otherwise	Rank of s component of a vector
22. ranked(v[], k)	$v_i : \sum_s I(v_s \leq v_i) = k$	Element of a vector with rank s
23. round(x)		Round to the closest integer
24. sd(v[])	$\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (v_i - \bar{v})^2 / (n - 1)}$	Sample standard deviation
25. step(x)	$f(x) = 1$ when $x \geq 0$; 0 otherwise	Binary indicator function of positive nodes
26. sum(v[])	$\sum_i v_i$	Sum of a vector's components
27. trunc(x)		Truncation to the closest smaller than x integer

Key: x, z = single real value or logical or mathematical expression; k = single integer value; v = vector; M = matrix.