# Appendix: The package surveillance

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	Title	Test-bench	for	outbreak	detection	al	gorithms	in	surveillance	data
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**Description** A framework for the development and the evaluation of outbreak detection algorithms in in routine collected public health surveillance data. Currently the package contains an implementation of the procedures described in Stroup et. al (1989), Farrington et. al (1996), a Bayesian approach and the method used at the Robert Koch Institute, Germany. The package contains several real-world datasets and the ability to simulate outbreak data.

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CIdata

Confidence-Interval for the Mean of the Poisson Distribution

# Description

In the first column the mean from 0 to 20 is shown, In the second the lower and in the third the upper value of the 95 percent confidence interval. These intervals are used in the RKI Algorithms.

# Usage

```
data(CIdata)
```

# **Format**

A data frame with header.

# Source

L. Sachs. Angewandte Statistik. Springer Verlag, 7. Auflage, S.446, 1991

# See Also

```
algo.rki
```

```
require(surveillance)
data(CIdata)
```

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algo.bayes

The Bayes System

## Description

Evaluation of timepoints with the Bayes subsystem 1,2 or 3 or a self defined Bayes subsystem.

#### Usage

#### **Arguments**

disProgObj object of class disProg (including the observed and the state chain).

 $\label{time-point} \mbox{time-point which shoud be evaluated in algo.rkilatest Time-point. The}$ 

default is to use the latest timepoint.

control control object: range determines the desired timepoints which should be eval-

uated, b describes the number of years to go back for the reference values, w is the half window width for the reference values around the appropriate timepoint and actY is a boolean to decide if the year of timePoint also spend w reference values of the past. The parameter alpha is the 1-alpha-quantile to use in order to calculate the upper threshold. As default b, w, actY are set for the

Bayes 1 system with alpha=0.05.

#### **Details**

Using the reference values for calculating an upper limit (threshold) via the negative binomial distribution, alarm is given if the actual value is bigger or equal than this threshold. algo.bayes calls algo.bayesLatestTimepoint for the values specified in range and for the system specified in control. algo.bayes1, algo.bayes2, algo.bayes3 call algo.bayesLatestTimepoint for the values specified in range for the Bayes 1 system, Bayes 2 system or Bayes 3 system.

- "Bayes 1" reference values from 6 weeks ago and alpha=0.05 fixed.
- "Bayes 2" reference values from 6 weeks ago and 13 weeks of the year ago (symmetrical around the comparable week). Alpha is fixed at 0.05.
- "Bayes 3" 18 reference values. 9 from the year ago and 9 from two years ago (also symmetrical around the comparable week). Alpha is fixed at 0.05.

#### Value

survRes

algo.bayesLatestTimepoint returns a list of class survRes (surveillance result), which includes the alarm value for recognizing an outbreak (1 for alarm, 0 for no alarm), the threshold value for recognizing the alarm and the input object of class disProg. algo.bayes gives a list of class survRes which

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includes the vector of alarm values for every timepoint in range and the vector of threshold values for every timepoint in range for the system specified by b, w and actY, the range and the input object of class disProg. algo.bayes1 returns the same for the Bayes 1 system, algo.bayes2 for the Bayes 2 system and algo.bayes3 for the Bayes 3 system.

#### Author(s)

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```

#### Source

Riebler, A. (2004). Empirischer Vergleich von statistischen Methoden zur Ausbruchserkennung bei Surveillance Daten. Bachelor's thesis.

#### See Also

```
algo.rkiLatestTimepoint and algo.rki for the RKI system.
```

## **Examples**

algo.call

Query Transmission to Specified Surveillance Systems

# **Description**

Transmission of a object of class disProg to the specified surveillance systems.

# Usage

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#### **Arguments**

disProgObj

object of class disProg, which includes the state chain and the observed.

control

specifies which surveillance systems should be used with their parameters. The parameter funcName and range must be specified where funcName must be the apropriate method function (without 'algo.'). range defines the timepoints to be evaluated by the actual system. If control includes name this name is used in the survRes Object as name.

#### Value

```
list of survRes Objects
```

generated by the specified surveillance systems.

#### See Also

```
algo.rki, algo.bayes, algo.farrington
```

# **Examples**

```
# Create a test object
disProgObj \leftarrow sim.pointSource(p = 0.99, r = 0.5, length = 400, A = 1,
                                 alpha = 1, beta = 0, phi = 0,
                                 frequency = 1, state = NULL, K = 1.7)
# Let this object be tested from any methods in range = 200:400
range <- 200:400
survRes <- algo.call(disProgObj,</pre>
              control = list(
                        list(funcName = "rki1", range = range),
                        list(funcName = "rki2", range = range),
                        list(funcName = "rki3", range = range),
                         list(funcName = "rki", range = range,
                              b = 3, w = 2, actY = FALSE),
                         list(funcName = "rki", range = range,
                              b = 2, w = 9, actY = TRUE),
                         list(funcName = "bayes1", range = range),
                        list(funcName = "bayes2", range = range),
                        list(funcName = "bayes3", range = range),
                        list(funcName = "bayes", name = "myBayes",
                              range = range, b = 1, w = 5, actY = TRUE, alpha=0.05)
# this are some survResObjects
survRes$rki1
survRes$myBayes
```

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The CDC Algorithm

# **Description**

Surveillance using the CDC Algorithm

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#### **Usage**

#### **Arguments**

disProgObj object of class disProg (including the observed and the state chain).

timePoint time point which shoud be evaluated in algo.cdcLatestTimepoint. The

default is to use the latest timepoint.

control control object: range determines the desired timepoints which should be eval-

uated, b describes the number of years to go back for the reference values, m is the half window width for the reference values around the appropriate timepoint.

The standard definition is b=5 and n=1.

#### **Details**

Using the reference values for calculating an upper limit, alarm is given if the actual value is bigger than a computed threshold. algo.cdc calls algo.cdcLatestTimepoint for the values specified in range and for the system specified in control. The threshold is calculated by the predictive version, i.e.

$$mean(x) + z_{\alpha/2} * sd(x) * \sqrt{(1+1/k)},$$

which corresponds to Equation 8-1 in the Farrington and Andrews chapter. Note that an aggregation into 4-week blocks occurs and m denotes number of 4-week blocks (months) to use as reference values.

# Value

survRes

algo.cdcLatestTimepoint returns a list of class survRes (surveillance result), which includes the alarm value (alarm = 1, no alarm = 0) for recognizing an outbreak, the threshold value for recognizing the alarm and the input object of class disProg.

algo.cdc gives a list of class survRes which includes the vector of alarm values for every timepoint in range, the vector of threshold values for every timepoint in range for the system specified by b, w, the range and the input object of class disProg.

# Author(s)

M. Höhle

#### **Source**

Stroup, D., G. Williamson, J. Herndon, and J. Karon (1989). Detection of aberrations in the occurence of notifiable diseases surveillance data. Statistics in Medicine 8, 323-329.

Farrington, C. and N. Andrews (2003). Monitoring the Health of Populations, Chapter Outbreak Detection: Application to Infectious Disease Surveillance, pp. 203-231. Oxford University Press.

# See Also

 $\verb|algo.rkiLatestTimepoint, algo.bayesLatestTimepoint | \verb|and| | \verb|algo.bayes| | for the Bayes | system. |$ 

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#### **Examples**

algo.compare

Comparison of Specified Surveillance Systems using Quality Values

#### **Description**

Comparison of specified surveillance systems using quality values.

# Usage

```
algo.compare(survResList)
```

## **Arguments**

survResList a list of survRes objects to compare via quality values.

#### Value

matrix

Matrix with values from algo.quality, i.e. quality values for every surveil-lance system found in survResults.

## See Also

```
algo.quality
```

```
# Create a test object
disProgObj \leftarrow sim.pointSource(p = 0.99, r = 0.5, length = 400,
                            A = 1, alpha = 1, beta = 0, phi = 0,
                             frequency = 1, state = NULL, K = 1.7)
# Let this object be tested from any methods in range = 200:400
range <- 200:400
survRes <- algo.call(disProgObj,</pre>
                    control = list(
                        list(funcName = "rki1", range = range),
                        list(funcName = "rki2", range = range),
                        list(funcName = "rki3", range = range),
                        list(funcName = "rki", range = range,
                                     b = 3, w = 2, actY = FALSE),
                        list(funcName = "rki", range = range,
                                     b = 2, w = 9, actY = TRUE),
                        list(funcName = "bayes1", range = range),
                        list(funcName = "bayes2", range = range),
```

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```
list(funcName = "bayes3", range = range),
list(funcName = "bayes", name = "myBayes",
range = range, b = 1, w = 5, actY = TRUE,alpha=0.05)
))
algo.compare(survRes)
```

algo.farrington

Surveillance for a time series using the Farrington procedure.

## **Description**

The function takes range values of the time series counts and for each uses a GLM to predict the number of counts according to the procedure by Farrington et. al. This is then compared to the observed number of counts and in case an exceedance of the confidence interval calculated is seen an alarm is raised.

# Usage

```
algo.farrington(disProgObj, control=list(range=NULL, b=3, w=3,
reweight=TRUE, verbose=FALSE, alpha=0.01))
```

# **Arguments**

disProgObj object of class disProgObj (including the observed and the state chain)
control Control object

range Specifies the index of all timepoints which should be tested. If range is NULL the maximum number of possible weeks is used.

- b how many years back in time to include when forming the base counts.
- w windows size, i.e. number of weeks to include before and after the current

reweight Boolean specifying whether to perform reweight step

verbose show extra debugging information

alpha An approximate (two-sided)  $(1 - \alpha)\%$  confidence interval is calculated

# **Details**

The following steps are perfored according to the Farrington et. al. paper.

- 1. fit of the initial model and initial estimation of mean and overdispersion.
- 2. calculation of the weights omega (correction for past outbreaks)
- 3. refitting of the model
- 4. revised estimation of overdispersion
- 5. rescaled model
- 6. omission of the trend, if it is not significant
- 7. repetition of the whole procedure
- 8. calculation of the threshold value
- 9. computation of exceedance score

#### Value

An object of class SurvRes

#### Author(s)

M. Höhle

#### **Source**

A statistical algorithm for the early detection of outbreaks of infectious disease, Farrington, C.P., Andrews, N.J, Beale A.D. and Catchpole, M.A. (1996). , J. R. Statist. Soc. A, 159, 547-563.

#### See Also

```
algo.farrington.fitGLM,algo.farrington.threshold
```

#### **Examples**

```
#Read Salmonella Agona data
library(xtable)
salmonella.agona <- readData("salmonella.agona", week53to52=FALSE)

#Do surveillance for the last 100 weeks.
n <- length(salmonella.agona$observed)
#Set control parameters.
control <- list(b=4, w=3, range=(n-100):n, reweight=TRUE, verbose=FALSE, alpha=0.01)
res <- algo.farrington(salmonella.agona, control=control)
#Plot the result.
plot(res, disease="Salmonella Agona", method="Farrington")</pre>
```

```
algo.farrington.assign.weights

Assign weights to base counts
```

# **Description**

Weights are assigned according to the Anscombe residuals

# Usage

```
algo.farrington.assign.weights(s)
```

# **Arguments**

s Vector of standardized Anscombe residuals

# Value

Weights according to the residuals

#### See Also

```
See Also as anscombe.residuals
```

```
algo.farrington.fitGLM
```

Fit the Poisson GLM of the Farrington procedure for a single time point

# **Description**

The function fits a Poisson regression model (GLM) with mean predictor

$$\log \mu_t = \alpha + \beta w_t$$

as specified by the Farrington procedure. That way we are able to predict the value  $c_0$ . If requested Anscombe residuals are computed based on an initial fit and a 2nd fit is made using weights, where base counts suspected to be caused by earlier outbreaks are downweighted.

## Usage

# **Arguments**

response The vector of observed base counts

wtime Vector of week numbers corresponding to response

timeTrend Boolean whether to fit the  $\beta t$  or not

reweight Fit twice – 2nd time with Anscombe residuals

# **Details**

Compute weights from an initial fit and rescale using Anscombe based residuals as described in the anscombe.residuals function.

# Value

An object of class GLM with additional fields wtime, response and phi

#### See Also

```
anscombe.residuals
```

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```
algo.farrington.threshold
```

Threshold computations using a two sided confidence interval

# **Description**

Depending on the current transformation  $h(y) = \{y, \sqrt{y}, y^{2/3}\},\$ 

$$V(h(y_0) - h(\mu_0)) = V(h(y_0)) + V(h(\mu_0))$$

is used to compute a prediction interval. The prediction variance consists of a component due to the variance of having a single observation and a prediction variance.

# Usage

#### **Arguments**

pred A GLM prediction object

phi Current overdispersion (superflous?)

alpha Quantile level in Gaussian based CI, i.e. an  $(1-\alpha)\%$  confidence interval is

computed.

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Skewness correction, i.e. one of "none", "sqrt", or "2/3".

#### Value

vector Vector of length 2 with lower and upper bounds of an  $(1-\alpha)\%$  confidence

interval.

algo.quality Computation of Quality Values for a Surveillance System Result

# Description

Computation of the quality values for a surveillance System output.

# Usage

```
algo.quality(survResObj, penalty = 20)
```

#### **Arguments**

survResObj object of class survRes, which includes the state chain and the computed alarm

chain

penalty the maximal penalty for the lag

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#### **Details**

The lag is defined as follows: In the state chain just the beginnings of an outbreak chain (outbreaks directly following each other) are considered. In the alarm chain, the range from the beginning of an outbreak until min(nextoutbreakbeginning, penalty) timepoints is considered. The penalty timepoints were chosen, to provide an upper bound on the penalty for not discovering an outbreak. Now the difference between the first alarm by the system and the defined beginning is denoted "the lag" Additionally outbreaks found by the system are not punished. At the end, the mean of the lags for every outbreak chain is returned as summary lag.

#### Value

```
list of quality values
```

- TP: Number of correct found outbreaks.
- FP: Number of false found outbreaks.
- TN: Number of correct found non outbreaks.
- FN: Number of false found non outbreaks.
- sens: True positive rate, meaning TP/(FN + TP).
- spec: True negative rate, meaning TN/(TN + FP).
- dist: Euclidean distance between (1-spec, sens) to (0,1).
- lag: Lag of the outbreak recognizing by the system.

#### See Also

```
algo.compare
```

# **Examples**

algo.rki

The RKI System

# Description

Evaluation of timepoints with the RKI subsystems 1, 2 or 3 or a self defined RKI subsystem.

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#### **Usage**

#### **Arguments**

disProgObj object of class disProg (including the observed and the state chain).

timePoint time point which shoud be evaluated in algo.rkiLatestTimepoint. The

default is to use the latest timepoint.

control control control object: range determines the desired timepoints which should be eval-

uated, b describes the number of years to go back for the reference values, w is the half window width for the reference values around the appropriate timepoint and actY is a boolean to decide if the year of timePoint also spend w reference values of the past. As default b, w, actY are set for the RKI 3 system.

#### **Details**

Using the reference values for calculating an upper limit (threshold), alarm is given if the actual value is bigger than a computed threshold. algo.rki calls algo.rkiLatestTimepoint for the values specified in range and for the system specified in control. algo.rkil calls algo.rkiLatestTimepoint for the values specified in range for the RKI 1 system. algo.rki2 calls algo.rkiLatestTimepoint for the values specified in range for the RKI 2 system. algo.rki3 calls algo.rkiLatestTimepoint for the values specified in range for the RKI 3 system.

- "RKI 1" reference values from 6 weeks ago
- "RKI 2" reference values from 6 weeks ago and 13 weeks of the year ago (symmetrical around the comparable week).
- "RKI 3" 18 reference values. 9 from the year ago and 9 from two years ago (also symmetrical around the comparable week).

#### Value

survRes

algo.rkiLatestTimepoint returns a list of class survRes (surveillance result), which includes the alarm value (alarm = 1, no alarm = 0) for recognizing an outbreak, the threshold value for recognizing the alarm and the input object of class disProg.

algo.rki gives a list of class survRes which includes the vector of alarm values for every timepoint in range, the vector of threshold values for every timepoint in range for the system specified by b, w and actY, the range and the input object of class disProg. algo.rkil returns the same for the RKI 1 system, algo.rkil for the RKI 2 system and algo.rkil for the RKI 3 system.

#### Author(s)

M. Höhle, A. Riebler, Christian Lang

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#### See Also

algo.bayesLatestTimepoint and algo.bayes for the Bayes system.

#### **Examples**

algo.summary

Summary Table Generation for Several Disease Chains

# Description

Summary table generation for several disease chains.

# Usage

```
algo.summary(compMatrices)
```

# Arguments

compMatrices list of matrices constructed by algo.compare.

# **Details**

As lag the mean of all single lags is returned. TP values, FN values, TN values and FP values are summed up. dist, sens and spec are new computed on the basis of the new TP value, FN value, TN value and FP value.

#### Value

matrix

summing up the singular input matrices

#### See Also

```
algo.compare, algo.quality
```

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#### **Examples**

```
# Create a test object
disProgObj1 \leftarrow sim.pointSource(p = 0.99, r = 0.5, length = 400,
                         A = 1, alpha = 1, beta = 0, phi = 0,
                         frequency = 1, state = NULL, K = 1.7)
disProgObj2 <- sim.pointSource(p = 0.99, r = 0.5, length = 400,
                         A = 1, alpha = 1, beta = 0, phi = 0,
                         frequency = 1, state = NULL, K = 5)
disProgObj3 <- sim.pointSource(p = 0.99, r = 0.5, length = 400,
                         A = 1, alpha = 1, beta = 0, phi = 0,
                         frequency = 1, state = NULL, K = 17)
# Let this object be tested from any methods in range = 200:400
range <- 200:400
control <- list( list(funcName = "rkil", range = range),</pre>
                list(funcName = "rki2", range = range),
                list(funcName = "rki3", range = range)
compMatrix1 <- algo.compare(algo.call(disProgObj1, control=control))</pre>
compMatrix2 <- algo.compare(algo.call(disProgObj2, control=control))</pre>
compMatrix3 <- algo.compare(algo.call(disProgObj3, control=control))</pre>
algo.summary( list(a=compMatrix1, b=compMatrix2, c=compMatrix3) )
```

anscombe.residuals Compute Anscombe residuals

# Description

The residuals of m are transformed to form Anscombe residuals. which makes them approximately standard normal distributed.

## Usage

```
anscombe.residuals(m, phi)
```

#### **Arguments**

m m is a glm object of the fit
phi phi is the current estimated over-dispersion

# Value

Standardized Anscombe residuals of m

#### References

McCullagh & Nelder, Generalized Linear Models, 1989

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Weekly Campylobacter Reports in Germany 2001 - (mid) 2003

#### **Description**

Reported number of campylobacter cases for each "Kreis" in Germany over the period 1 January 2001 (IfSG) to June 2003. The data have been provided to us by the Robert Koch Institute (RKI), Berlin, Germany.

# Usage

```
data(campylobacter)
```

#### **Format**

A data frame with 130 weeks (rows) for all 439 Kreise (cols). Each entry is the number of reports in the Kreis during that week. See kreise.txt for information about the 439 kreise.

```
1001 Digit code for the 1st kreis, i.e. SK Flensburg.
```

••• ...

16077 Digit Code for the last kreis, i.e. LK Altenburger Land

#### **Source**

Data have kindly been provided to us by the Robert Koch-Institut, Germany, 2003.

## **Examples**

```
data(campylobacter)
#Show the number of cases for entire Germany
plot(apply(campylobacter, MARGIN=1, sum), type="l", ylab="reports", xlab="week no")
```

```
compMatrix.writeTable
```

Latex Table Generation

### **Description**

generates a latex table

# Usage

```
compMatrix.writeTable(compMatrix)
```

#### **Arguments**

compMatrix Matrix which includes quality values for every surveillance system.

#### Value

xtable Latex table of the entered matrix.

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#### Author(s)

M. Höhle, A. Riebler, C. Lang

# **Examples**

```
### First creates some tables ###
# Create a test object
disProgObj1 \leftarrow sim.pointSource(p = 0.99, r = 0.5, length = 400,
                                 A = 1, alpha = 1, beta = 0, phi = 0,
                                 frequency = 1, state = NULL, K = 1.7)
disProgObj2 < -sim.pointSource(p = 0.99, r = 0.5, length = 400,
                                 A = 1, alpha = 1, beta = 0, phi = 0,
                                 frequency = 1, state = NULL, K = 5)
disProgObj3 < -sim.pointSource(p = 0.99, r = 0.5, length = 400,
                                 A = 1, alpha = 1, beta = 0, phi = 0,
                                 frequency = 1, state = NULL, K = 17)
# Let this object be tested from any methods in range = 200:400
range <- 200:400
control <- list( list(funcName = "rki1", range = range),</pre>
                 list(funcName = "rki2", range = range),
                list(funcName = "rki3", range = range)
### This are single compMatrices
compMatrix1 <- algo.compare(algo.call(disProgObj1, control=control))</pre>
compMatrix2 <- algo.compare(algo.call(disProgObj2, control=control))</pre>
compMatrix3 <- algo.compare(algo.call(disProgObj3, control=control))</pre>
### This is a summary compMatrix
sumCompMatrix <- algo.summary( list(a=compMatrix1,</pre>
                                          b=compMatrix2, c=compMatrix3) )
\#\#\# Now show the latextable from the single compMatrix compMatrix1
compMatrix.writeTable(compMatrix1)
\#\#\# Now show the latextable from the summary compMatrix
compMatrix.writeTable(sumCompMatrix)
```

correct53to52

Data Correction from 53 to 52 weeks

#### **Description**

Correction of data from 53 to 52 weeks a year

#### Usage

```
correct53to52(disProgObj, firstweek = 1)
```

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#### **Arguments**

disProgObj object of class disProg (including the observed and the state chain).

firstweek the number of the first week in a year, default = 1 (if it starts with the beginning

of a year). Necessary, because the infected of week 53 and the infected of week

52 must be added.

#### **Details**

readData reads data with 53 weeks a year, but normally one year is said to have 52 weeks.

#### Value

disProg a object disProg (disease progress) including a list of the observed and the

state chain (corrected to 52 weeks instead of 53 weeks a year)

#### Author(s)

Michael Höhle <a href="http://www.stat.uni-muenchen.de/~hoehle">hoehle</a>, Andrea Riebler, Christian Lang

#### See Also

readData

# **Examples**

enlargeData

Data Enlargement

# Description

Enlargement of data which is too short for a surveillance method to evaluate.

# Usage

```
enlargeData(disProgObj, range = 1:156, times = 1)
```

#### **Arguments**

disProgObj object of class disProg (including the observed and the state chain).

range of already existing data (state, observed) which should be used for

en largement.

times number of times to enlarge.

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#### **Details**

observed and state are enlarged in the way that the part range of observed and state is repeated times times in front of observed and state. Sometimes it's useful to care for the cyclic property of the timeseries, so as default we enlarge observed and state once with the first three existing years, assuming a year has 52 weeks.

#### Value

disProq

a object disProg (disease progress) including a list of the observed and the state chain (extended with cyclic data generation)

#### Author(s)

Michael Höhle <a href="http://www.stat.uni-muenchen.de/~hoehle">hoehle</a>, Andrea Riebler, Christian Lang

#### See Also

readData

# **Examples**

```
obj <- readData("k1")
enlargeData(obj) # enlarge once with part 1:156
enlargeData(obj, 33:36, 10) # enlarge 10 times with part 33:36</pre>
```

m1

# RKI SurvStat Data

# Description

14 datasets for different diseases beginning in 2001 to the 3rd Quarter of 2004 including their defined outbreaks.

- m1 'Masern' in the 'Landkreis Nordfriesland' (Germany, Schleswig-Holstein)
- m2 'Masern' in the 'Stadt- und Landkreis Coburg' (Germany, Bayern)
- m3 'Masern' in the 'Kreis Leer' (Germany, Niedersachsen)
- m4 'Masern' in the 'Stadt- und Landkreis Aachen' (Germany, Nordrhein-Westfalen)
- m5 'Masern' in the 'Stadt Verden' (Germany, Niedersachsen)
- q1\_nrwh 'Q-Fieber' in the 'Hochsauerlandkreis' (Germany, Westfalen) and in the 'Landkreis Waldeck-Frankenberg' (Germany, Hessen)
- q2 'Q-Fieber' in 'München' (Germany, Bayern)
- s1 'Salmonella Oranienburg' in Germany
- s2 'Salmonella Agona' in 12 'Bundesländern' of Germany
- s3 'Salmonella Anatum' in Germany
- k1 'Kryptosporidiose' in Germany, 'Baden-Württemberg'
- n1 'Norovirus' in 'Stadtkreis Berlin Mitte' (Germany, Berlin)
- n2 'Norovirus' in 'Torgau-Oschatz' (Germany, Sachsen)
- h1\_nrwrp 'Hepatitis A' in 'Oberbergischer Kreis, Olpe, Rhein-Sieg-kreis' (Germany, Nordrhein-Westfalen) and 'Siegenwittgenstein Altenkirchen' (Germany, Rheinland-Pfalz)

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# Usage

```
data(m1)
```

#### **Format**

A data frame with 212 observations on the following 3 variables.

week weeknumber

observed Number of counts in the corresponding week

**state** Boolean whether there was an outbreak.

#### Source

Robert Koch-Institut: SurvStat: http://www3.rki.de/SurvStat; m1 and m3 were queried on 10 November 2004. The rest during September 2004.

#### See Also

```
readData
```

# **Examples**

```
require(surveillance)
disProgObj <- readData("k1")
    disProgObj <- correct53to52(disProgObj)
    survResObj <- algo.rki1(disProgObj, control=list(range=27:192))
    plot(survResObj, "RKI 1", "k1", firstweek=27, startyear=2002)</pre>
```

makePlot

Plot Generation

## **Description**

Just a test method.

# Usage

#### **Arguments**

outputpath path for the storage
data abbreviation of the disease-file

method method to be called name of the method

disease name range range to plot

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#### **Details**

makePlot reads the data given in data using the function readData, and the data are corrected to 52 weeks, enlarged using enlargeData and sendt to the surveillance system given in method. The system result is plotted and stored in outputpath.

# Author(s)

```
M. Höhle, A. Riebler, C. Lang
```

# See Also

```
readData, correct53to52, enlargeData, algo.call, plot.survRes
```

# **Examples**

```
makePlot("./", "k1", "rki2", "RKI 2", "Kryptosporidiose")
```

plot.disProg Plot Generation of the Observed and the defined Outbreak State of a Timeseries

# Description

Plotting of a disProg object.

# Usage

```
plot.disProg(x, title = "", startyear = 2001, firstweek = 1, ...)
```

# Arguments

X	Object of class disProg
title	Plot title
startyear	Year to begin the axis labeling (the year where the oldest data come from)
firstweek	Number of the first week of January in the first year (just for axis labeling grounds)
	further arguments for the function matplot

#### Value

a plot showing the number of infected and the defined alarm status for a timeseries created by simulation or given in data.

#### Author(s)

```
M. Höhle, A. Riebler, C. Lang
```

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## **Examples**

plot.survRes

Plot Generation

# Description

Plotting of a survRes object.

## Usage

# Arguments

X	Object of class survRes
method	Surveillance method to be used in title
disease	Name of disease in title
startyear	Year to begin the axis labeling (the year where the oldest data come from)
firstweek	Number of the first week of January in the first year (just for axis labeling reasons)
legend	Boolean indicating whether to add a legend
	further arguments for the function matplot

## Value

a plot showing the number of infected, the threshold for recognizing an outbreak, the computed alarm status and the defined alarm status.

#### Author(s)

```
M. Höhle, A. Riebler, C. Lang
```

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#### **Examples**

print.algoQV

Print quality value object

# Description

Print a single qualitity value object in a nicely formatted way

# Usage

```
print.algoQV <- function(algoQVObj)</pre>
```

# **Arguments**

alqoQV

Quality Values object generated with quality

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readData $R$	eading of Disease Data
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# Description

Reading of disease data.

# Usage

```
readData(abb, week53to52=TRUE, sysPath=TRUE)
```

# **Arguments**

abb abbreviation of the diseasename.

week53to52 Boolean indicating whether to convert RKI 53 Weeks System to 52 weeks a year

sysPath Boolean, if TRUE then R automatically looks in the data directory of the surveil-

lance package.

# **Details**

# Value

 $\hbox{\tt disProg} \qquad \quad \hbox{\tt a object disProg (disease progress) including a list of the observed and the} \\$ 

state chain.

# Author(s)

Michael Höhle, Andrea Riebler, Christian Lang

# See Also

```
m1, m2, m3, m4, m5, q1_nrwh, q2, s1, s2, s3, k1, n1, n2, h1_nrwrp
```

```
readData("m5")
```

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```
salmonella.agona Salmonella Agona cases in the UK 1990-1995
```

#### **Description**

Reported number of cases of the Salmonella Agona serovar in the UK 1990-1995. Note however that the counts do not correspond exactly to the ones used by Farrington et. al (1996).

# Usage

```
data(salmonella.agona)
```

#### **Format**

A data frame with 312 observations on the following 2 variables.

week First four digits are the year, last two the week number within that year

observed Number of counts in the corresponding week

state Boolean whether there was an outbreak – dummy not implemented.

#### **Source**

A statistical algorithm for the early detection of outbreaks of infectious disease, Farrington, C.P., Andrews, N.J, Beale A.D. and Catchpole, M.A. (1996). , J. R. Statist. Soc. A, 159, 547-563.

# **Examples**

```
data(salmonella.agona)
plot(salmonella.agona$observed,type="1",ylab="counts",xlab="")
```

sim.pointSource

Generation of Simulated Point Source Epidemy

# **Description**

Simulation of epidemies which were introduced by point sources. The basis of this proagramme is a combination of a Hidden Markov Modell (to get random timepoints for outbreaks) and a simple model (compare sim.seasonalNoise) to simulate the epidemy.

# Usage

```
sim.pointSource(p = 0.99, r = 0.01, length = 400, A = 1, alpha = 1, beta = 0, phi = 0, frequency = 1, state = NULL, K)
```

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# **Arguments**

р	probability to get a new epidemy at time i if there was one at time i-1, default 0.99.
r	probability to get no new epidemy at time i if there was none at time i-1, default $0.01$ .
length	number of weeks to model, default $400$ . length is ignored if state is given. In this case the length of state is used.
А	amplitude (range of sinus), default = 1.
alpha	parameter to move along the y-axis (negative values not allowed) with alpha $>$ = A, default = 1.
beta	regression coefficient, default = 0.
phi	factor to create seasonal moves (moves the curve along the x-axis), default = $0$ .
frequency	factor to determine the oscillation-frequency, default = 1.
state	use a state chain to define the status at this timepoint (outbreak or not). If not given a Markov chain is generated by the programme, default NULL.
K	additional weigth for an outbreak which influences the distribution parameter $mu$ , default = $0$ .

# Value

disProg a object disProg (disease progress) including a list of the observed, the state chain and nearly all input parameters.

# Author(s)

M. Höhle, A. Riebler, C. Lang

# See Also

```
sim.seasonalNoise
```

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sim.seasonalNoise Generation of Background Noise for Simulated Timeserieses

# **Description**

Generation of a cyclic model of a poisson distribution as background data for a simulated timevector.

#### Usage

#### **Arguments**

A	amplitude (range of sinus), default = 1.
alpha	parameter to move along the y-axis (negative values not allowed) with alpha $>$ = A, default = 1.
beta	regression coefficient, default = 0.
phi	factor to create seasonal moves (moves the curve along the x-axis), default = $0$ .
length	number of weeks to model.
length	number of weeks to model.

frequency factor to determine the oscillation-frequency, default = 1.

 $\hbox{state} \qquad \qquad \hbox{if a state chain is entered the outbreaks will be additional weighted by $K$}.$ 

K additional weigth for an outbreak which influences the distribution parameter

mu, default = 0.

## Value

seasonNoise Object of class seasonNoise which includes the modelled timevector, the parameter mu and all input parameters.

# Author(s)

```
M. Höhle, A. Riebler, C. Lang
```

# See Also

```
sim.pointSource
```

```
season <- sim.seasonalNoise(length = 300)
plot(season$seasonalBackground, type = "1")

# use a negative timetrend beta
season <- sim.seasonalNoise(beta = -0.003, length = 300)
plot(season$seasonalBackground, type = "1")</pre>
```

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test

Print xtable for several diseases and the summary

# **Description**

Just a test method

# Usage

```
test(data = c("k1", "m5"), range = 157:339)
```

# **Arguments**

data vector of abbreviations for the diseases

range timepoints to evaluate

## **Details**

The specified datasets are readed, corrected, enlarged and sent to the RKI 1, RKI 2, RKI 3 and Bayes system. The quality values are computed and printed for each diesease as latex table. Additionally a summary latex table for all diseases is printed

# Value

xtable printed latex tables

#### Author(s)

M. Höhle, A. Riebler, C. Lang

# **Examples**

testSim

Print xtable for a Simulated Disease and the Summary

# Description

Just a test method.

#### Usage

```
testSim(p = 0.99, r = 0.01, length = 400, A = 1, alpha = 1, beta = 0, phi = 0, frequency = 1, state = NULL, K, range = 200:400)
```

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# **Arguments**

р	probability to get a new epidemy at time $i$ if there was one at time $i$ -1, default $0.99$
r	probability to get no new epidemy at time i if there was none at time i-1, default $0.01$
length	number of weeks to model, default 400
A	amplitude (range of sinus), default = 1
alpha	parameter to move along the y-axis (negative values not allowed) with alpha $>$ = A, default = 1
beta	regression coefficient, default = 0
phi	factor to create seasonal moves (moves the curve along the x-axis), default = $0$
frequency	factor to determine the oscillation-frequency, default = 1
state	use a state chain to define the status at this timepoint (outbreak or not). If not given a Markov chain is generated by the programme, default NULL
K	additional weigth for an outbreak which influences the distribution parameter mu, default = $0$
range	range of timepoints to be evaluated by the RKI 1 system, default 200:400.

## **Details**

A pointSource epidemy is generated and sent to the RKI 1 system, the quality values for the result are computed and shown as a latex table. Additionally a plot of the result is generated.

# Value

```
xtable one printed latex table and a result plot
```

# Author(s)

```
M. Höhle, A. Riebler, C. Lang
```

# See Also

```
sim.pointSource, algo.call, algo.compare, plot.survRes, compMatrix.writeTable
```

```
testSim(K = 2)

testSim(r = 0.5, K = 5)
```

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toFileDisProg

Writing of Disease Data

# Description

Writing of disease data (disProg object) into a file.

# Usage

```
toFileDisProg(disProgObj, toFile)
```

# **Arguments**

 $\verb|disProgObj| The disProgObj| to save in file$ 

toFile The path and filename of the file to save

#### **Details**

#### Value

file

The file with the disease data

#### Author(s)

```
Michael Höhle <a href="http://www.stat.uni-muenchen.de/~hoehle">hoehle</a>, Andrea Riebler, Christian Lang
```

## See Also

```
readData, sim.pointSource
```

# **Examples**

```
disProgObj <- sim.pointSource(length=200, K=1)
toFileDisProg(disProgObj, "./simulation.txt")
mydisProgObj <- readData("./simulation",sysPath=FALSE)</pre>
```

xtable.algoQV

Xtable quality value object

# Description

Xtable a single qualitity value object in a nicely formatted way

# Usage

```
xtable.algoQV <- function(algoQVObj)</pre>
```

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# **Arguments**

algoQV Quality Values object generated with quality

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