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build_agent_simulation_data
Build agent simulation panel

Description

Read cleaned agent-level simulation data for a crop year, unnest per-draw outcomes, filter to the requested draw(s), compute county-level expected yields, and add per-row revenue.

Usage

```
build_agent_simulation_data(year, sim, agents_dir = "data/cleaned_agents_data")
```

Arguments

year	Integer. Crop year.
sim	Integer vector. Draw number(s) to keep.
agents_dir	Character. Directory containing cleaned agent data. Default: "data/cleaned_agents_data".

Details

The function:

1. Loads cleaned_agents_data_<year>.rds from agents_dir.
2. Unnests draw pools: number, farm yield/price, and county yield/price.
3. Filters to sim (matching rma_draw_number).
4. Renames simulated fields to canonical names and floors negative county yields at zero.
5. Computes a planted-acre-weighted expected_county_yield.
6. Computes row-level revenue = actual_farm_yield * actual_price * planted_acres.

Value

A [data.table](#) containing all original columns plus:

- expected_county_yield
- final_county_yield
- harvest_price
- revenue

build_supplemental_offering_and_adoption

Build panel of supplemental insurance availability (offering) and adoption (acres)

Description

Creates a county-year-commodity panel with availability flags for APH/SCO/ECO90/ECO95 and adoption/acreage measures from RMA SOB/TPU. Availability is sourced from the RMA ADM (A00030_InsuranceOffer). ECO availability applies starting in 2021.

Usage

```
build_supplemental_offering_and_adoption(
  cleaned_rma_sobtpu_file_path = "data/cleaned_rma_sobtpu.rds",
  output_directory = "data"
)
```

Arguments

cleaned_rma_sobtpu_file_path

Character. Path to cleaned RMA SOB/TPU RDS. Default: "data/cleaned_rma_sobtpu.rds".

output_directory

Character. Directory to save output RDS; created if missing. Default: "data".

Details

Output columns:

- commodity_year, state_code, county_code, commodity_code, county_fips
- avail_aph, avail_sco, avail_eco90, avail_eco95 (0/1 flags)
- insured_acres, sco, eco90, eco95 (adopted acres)

Availability aggregation uses max() (binary). Acreage aggregation uses sum(). Missing numeric values are replaced with 0.

Value

Invisibly returns the output file path. Also prints a brief summary.

Examples

```
## Not run:
  path <- build_supplemental_offering_and_adoption()
  readRDS(path)[1:5]

## End(Not run)
```

clean_agents_data	<i>Clean agent-level data for a given year</i>
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Description

Downloads, merges, and processes agent-level insurance data for the specified year. Combines revenue draws, calibrated yields, and RMA reference data, computes premium/subsidy measures, and saves the cleaned dataset as an RDS file.

Usage

```
clean_agents_data(
  year,
  cleaned_rma_sobtpu_file_path = "data/cleaned_rma_sobtpu.rds",
  cleaned_rma_sco_and_eco_adm_file_path = "data/cleaned_rma_sco_and_eco_adm.rds",
  output_directory = "data/cleaned_agents_data"
)
```

Arguments

year	Integer. Commodity year to process (e.g., 2015).
cleaned_rma_sobtpu_file_path	Path to cleaned RMA SOB/TPU RDS file. Default: "data-raw/data/cleaned_rma_sobtpu.rds".
cleaned_rma_sco_and_eco_adm_file_path	Path to cleaned RMA SCO & ECO admin RDS file. Default: "data-raw/data/cleaned_rma_sco_a
output_directory	Directory to save output RDS file. Created if missing. Default: "data/cleaned_agents_data".

Value

Returns the input year on success, with attributes for save_path and number of rows. Returns NULL on error.

Note

Requires **data.table**, access to GitHub-hosted RDS files, and the helper function `get_compressed_adm()`.

clean_rma_sco_and_eco_adm

Build SCO/ECO/Area ADM table for a given year (adds SCO88/SCO90)

Description

Downloads yearly ADM fragments from GitHub Releases for *Supplemental SCO*, *Supplemental ECO*, and *Area* plans, aggregates key parameters by common grouping keys, linearly interpolates SCO rates to 88% and 90% (using AYP and, for years ≥ 2021 , ECO anchors), and returns the cleaned, stacked table.

Usage

```
clean_rma_sco_and_eco_adm(year)
```

Arguments

year Integer. commodity year (e.g., 2022).

Value

A [data.table](#) containing original SCO/ECO/Area ADM rows plus synthesized **SCO88** (insurance_plan_code + 10) and **SCO90** (insurance_plan_code + 20) rows with non-invalid base_rate.

Note

Requires internet access. Missing plan files for a year are skipped silently.

clean_rma_sobtpu

Clean and enrich RMA Summary of Business (SOB) data

Description

Processes RMA Summary of Business (SOB) data to produce an analysis-ready dataset with aggregated core insurance metrics and **shares** of Supplemental Coverage Option (SCO) and Enhanced Coverage Option (ECO) by coverage level.

Usage

```
clean_rma_sobtpu(study_env = setup_environment(), output_directory = "data")
```

Arguments

study_env A list-like environment produced by [setup_environment\(\)](#) that must include year_beg and year_end (inclusive integers). Defaults to setup_environment().

output_directory Character string specifying the directory where the processed .rds file should be saved. Defaults to "data". The file will be named "cleaned_rma_sobtpu.rds".

Details

The output file will be written to `file.path(output_directory, "cleaned_rma_sobtpu.rds")`. The directory is created if it does not exist.

Value

A character message describing the processed year range and number of output rows; the main side effect is writing an `.rds` file to disk.

```
compute_base_policy_outcomes
      Compute base-policy outcomes
```

Description

Vectorized **data.table** implementation of base-policy guarantees, acres/liability, premium pieces (total/subsidy/producer), and indemnity, plus a tidy column subset for downstream joins.

Usage

```
compute_base_policy_outcomes(cleaned_agents_data)
```

Arguments

`cleaned_agents_data`
A `data.frame` or `data.table` with the required columns (see error message if any are missing).

Details

Requires a set of core inputs (e.g., yields, prices, coverages, acres) and returns the standard monetary outputs for each policy row. Price risk is handled via a `new_insurance_guarantee` that depends on plan code.

Value

A [data.table](#) with key fields and outputs: `insured_acres`, `liability`, `total_premium`, `subsidy_amount`, `producer_premium`, `indemnity`, `revenue`, and supporting fields such as `harvest_price`, `expected_county_yield`, `final_county_yield`, `new_insurance_guarantee`, `projected_price`.

compute_supplemental_current

Aggregate supplemental results for the current environment

Description

Scale selected SCO/ECO factors by base-policy weights (sco, eco90, eco95), aggregate by policy keys, append base outcomes, and label the rollup as "Basic+CURRENT".

Usage

```
compute_supplemental_current(base_policy_data, supplemental_factors)
```

Arguments

base_policy_data

[data.table](#). Base-policy outcomes (contains keys, weights, and monetary fields).

supplemental_factors

[data.table](#). Supplemental outcomes from [compute_supplemental_factors](#) including sup.

Value

A [data.table](#) aggregated by policy keys with: revenue, liability, total_premium, subsidy_amount, producer_premium, indemnity, and combination.

compute_supplemental_factors

Compute supplemental policy factors (SCO/ECO)

Description

Compute shallow-loss protection, premiums, and indemnities for one SCO/ECO endorsement offering, aligning plan families and joining ADM rating inputs.

Usage

```
compute_supplemental_factors(base_policy, adm, plan, subsidy, trigger)
```

Arguments

base_policy [data.table](#). Base-policy rows (keys, yields, prices, liability, etc.).

adm [data.table](#). Rating inputs with base_rate and join keys.

plan Integer. Plan code in the offering (e.g., 31-33, 51-53, 87-89).

subsidy Numeric. Subsidy factor (e.g., 0.65, 0.80, 0.44).

trigger Numeric. Coverage trigger level (e.g., 0.86, 0.90, 0.95).

Details

Handles plan families via offsets (31-33, 41-43, 51-53, 87-89). For plans 87-89 (ECO), the coverage_level_percent for ADM is matched to the trigger (with a small tolerance), and the subsidy factor special-case is applied for underlying plan code 1. Emits a standard sup label like "SC08665" or "EC09544".

Value

A [data.table](#) with columns: commodity_year, state_code, county_code, commodity_code, type_code, practice_code, unit_structure_code, insurance_plan_code, coverage_level_percent, liability, total_premium, subsidy_amount, producer_premium, indemnity, sup.

compute_supplemental_full

Aggregate supplemental full-participation results

Description

Given selected sup labels, sum their monetary fields, append base outcomes, and produce a final rollup by policy keys with a descriptive combination label.

Usage

```
compute_supplemental_full(
  base_policy_data,
  supplemental_factors,
  supplemental_pick
)
```

Arguments

base_policy_data
[data.table](#). Base-policy outcomes.

supplemental_factors
[data.table](#). Results from [compute_supplemental_factors](#).

supplemental_pick
 Character vector of sup labels to include.

Details

The function self-filters supplemental_factors to the provided supplemental_pick (after dropping empties), aggregates within keys, appends base outcomes, and re-aggregates.

Value

A [data.table](#) aggregated by the policy keys with: revenue, liability, total_premium, subsidy_amount, producer_premium, indemnity, and combination.

compute_supplemental_incremental

Compute incremental supplemental results at an adoption rate

Description

Build an incremental scenario by scaling SC08665 supplemental dollars by a user-specified adoption rate, aggregating by keys, and appending base outcomes.

Usage

```
compute_supplemental_incremental(
  base_policy_data,
  supplemental_factors,
  adoption_rate
)
```

Arguments

`base_policy_data` [data.table](#). Base-policy outcomes.

`supplemental_factors` [data.table](#). Output from `compute_supplemental_factors` filtered to `sup == "SC08665"`.

`adoption_rate` Numeric. Percentage (e.g., 10 for 10\ scale incremental supplemental amounts.

Value

A [data.table](#) aggregated by the policy keys with: revenue, liability, total_premium, subsidy_amount, producer_premium, indemnity, and combination.

dispatcher_supplemental_simulation

Dispatcher: simulate supplemental outcomes for one draw

Description

Orchestrate the full supplemental simulation workflow for a given crop year and draw: build the agent panel, compute base-policy results, generate supplemental factors, assemble *Current*, *Full*, and *Incremental* scenarios, and write the combined results to disk.

Usage

```
dispatcher_supplemental_simulation(
  sim,
  year,
  agents_dir = "data/cleaned_agents_data",
  cleaned_rma_sco_and_eco_adm_file_path = "data/cleaned_rma_sco_and_eco_adm.rds",
  output_directory = NULL
)
```

Arguments

sim	Integer. Draw number used in data building and the filename.
year	Integer. Crop year.
agents_dir	Character. Directory for cleaned agents data.
cleaned_rma_sco_and_eco_adm_file_path	Character. Path to RDS of SCO/ECO ADM with join keys and base_rate. Default: "data/cleaned_rma_sco_and_eco_adm.rds".
output_directory	Character or NULL. Where to write results; see Details for default behavior.

Details

The pipeline:

1. [build_agent_simulation_data](#) to construct the panel.
2. [compute_base_policy_outcomes](#) for base outcomes.
3. [study_scenarios](#) to enumerate offerings/mixes.
4. Load SCO/ECO ADM; filter to commodity_year == year; average base_rate by key; drop invalid/zero rates.
5. Loop offerings through [compute_supplemental_factors](#).
6. Build scenarios:
 - *Current*: [compute_supplemental_current](#).
 - *Full*: [compute_supplemental_full](#).
 - *Incremental*: [compute_supplemental_incremental](#).
7. Aggregate base-only results, rbind all scenarios, and save as simXXX.rds in output_directory.

If output_directory is NULL, it defaults to file.path(study_env\$wd\$dir_sim, year) (ensure study_env\$wd\$dir_sim exists in the calling environment).

Value

Invisibly writes simXXX.rds to output_directory.

setup_environment	<i>Setup Project Environment</i>
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Description

Loads project settings, creates working directories (both under a fast scratch area and in the project), sets useful options(), fixes the RNG seed, and stores the analysis year range.

Usage

```
setup_environment(
  year_beg = 2015,
  year_end = 2024,
  seed = 1980632,
  fastscratch_root = NULL
)
```

Arguments

- `year_beg` Integer. Beginning year of the analysis (default: 2015).
- `year_end` Integer. Ending year of the analysis (default: 2024).
- `seed` Integer. Random seed for reproducibility (default: 1980632).
- `fastscratch_root` Optional character. Root directory where intermediate files from simulations and estimations will be written for later aggregation. If NULL, it is set automatically based on the operating system:
 - Windows: "C:/fastscratch"
 - Linux/macOS: "/fastscratch/<username>"

Details

Creates these directories (if absent):

- Fast scratch tree (for large, intermediate outputs): <fastscratch_root>/HiddenSafetyNet2025/output/ with subfolders sims, expected, draw_farm, draw_cost.
- Project-local (for smaller, version-controlled artifacts): data/, data/output/, data/cleaned_agents_data/.

Sets:

- `options(scipen = 999)`
- `options(future.globals.maxSize = 8 * 1024^3)` (= 8 GiB)
- `options(dplyr.summarise.inform = FALSE)`
- `set.seed(seed)`

Requires the packages **future.apply**, **rfcip**, **data.table**, and **rfcipCalcPass**.

Value

A list with:

- wd** Named list of working directories (fastscratch root and subfolders).
- year_beg** Starting year (integer).
- year_end** Ending year (integer).

<code>study_scenarios</code>	<i>Build study scenarios (SCO/ECO offerings and mixes)</i>
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Description

Define the endorsement offerings (plan family - trigger - subsidy - label) and the full-participation SCO/ECO mixes to evaluate for a given year.

Usage

```
study_scenarios(year)
```

Arguments

year Integer. Crop year used to determine available ECO variants.

Details

For years ≥ 2021 , ECO 90/44 and 95/44 variants are added and the participation set is expanded accordingly. Offerings create sup labels such as "SC08665", "SC09080", "EC09044", "EC09544".

Value

A named list with:

- offerings: [data.table](#) of insurance_plan_code, Trigger, plan, Subsidy_factor.
- full_participation: [data.table](#) of SCO/ECO label combinations to test (columns sco, eco).

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