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**Description** Allows users to import data files containing heartbeat

positions in the most broadly used formats, to remove outliers or points with unacceptable physiological values present in the time series, to plot HRV data, and to perform time domain, frequency domain and nonlinear HRV analysis. See Garcia et al. (2017) <DOI:10.1007/978-3-319-65355-6>.

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# Description

RHRV offers functions for performing power spectral analysis of heart rate data. We will use this package for the study of several diseases, such as obstructive sleep apnoea or chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.

# **Details**

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This is a package for developing heart rate variability studies of ECG records. Data are read from an ascii file containing a column with beat positions in seconds. A function is included in order to build this file from an ECG record in WFDB format (visit the site http://www.physionet.org for more information).

#### Note

An example including all the necessary steps to obtain and to analyze by episodes the power bands of a wfdb register is giving below:

```
##Reading a wfdb register and storing into a data structure:
md = CreateHRVData(Verbose = TRUE)
md = LoadBeatWFDB(md, RecordName = "register_name",
RecordPath = "register_path")
##Loading information of episodes of apnea:
md = LoadApneaWFDB(md, RecordName = "register_name",
RecordPath = "register_path", Tag = "APN")
##Generating new episodes before and after previous episodes of
md = GenerateEpisodes(md, NewBegFrom = "Beg", NewEndFrom = "Beg",
DispBeg = -600, DispEnd = -120, OldTag = "APN",
NewTag = "PREV_APN")
md = GenerateEpisodes(md, NewBegFrom = "End", NewEndFrom = "End",
DispBeg = 120, DispEnd = 600, OldTag = "APN",
NewTag = "POST_APN")
##Calculating heart rate signal:
md = BuildNIHR(md)
##Filtering heart rate signal:
md = FilterNIHR(md)
##Interpolating heart rate signal:
md = InterpolateNIHR(md)
##Calculating spectrogram and power per band:
md = CreateFreqAnalysis(md)
md = CalculatePowerBand(md, indexFreqAnalysis = 1, size = 120,
shift = 10, sizesp = 1024)
##Plotting power per band, including episodes information:
PlotPowerBand(md, indexFreqAnalysis = 1, hr = TRUE, ymax = 2400000,
```

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```
ymaxratio = 3, Tag = "all")

##Splitting power per band using episodes before and after
episodes of apnea:
PrevAPN = SplitPowerBandByEpisodes(md, indexFreqAnalysis = 1,
Tag = "PREV_APN")
PostAPN = SplitPowerBandByEpisodes(md, indexFreqAnalysis = 1,
Tag = "POST_APN")

##Performing Student's t-test:
result = t.test(PrevAPN$InEpisodes$ULF, PostAPN$InEpisodes$ULF)
print(result)
```

## Author(s)

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## References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, L., A.J. Mendez, M.J. Lado, D.N. Olivieri, X.A. Vila, and I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103(1):39-50, july 2011.

AddEpisodes	Adds new episodes manually

# **Description**

Adds information of episodes manually, or annotated physiological events, and stores it into the data structure containing the beat positions

# Usage

AddEpisodes(HRVData, InitTimes, Tags, Durations, Values, verbose=NULL)

# Arguments

HRVData	Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it
InitTimes	Vector containing init times in seconds
Tags	Vector containing types of episodes
Durations	Vector containing durations in seconds
Values	Vector containing numerical values for episodes
verbose	Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead

#### Value

Returns HRVData, the structure that contains beat positions register and new episodes information

#### Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila

#### References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

AnalyzeHRbyEpisodes

Analyzes Heart Rate using episodes information

## **Description**

Analyzes Heart Rate allowing to evaluate the application of a desired function inside and outside episodes

## Usage

```
AnalyzeHRbyEpisodes(HRVData, Tag="", func, ..., verbose=NULL)
```

# **Arguments**

HRVData	Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it
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Tag Type of episode

func Function to be applied to Heart Rate Data inside and outside episodes

... optional arguments to func

verbose Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead

#### Value

Returns a list with two objects, that is, the values of the application of the selected function inside and outside episodes

# Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila

#### References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

## See Also

SplitHRbyEpisodes for splitting in two parts Heart Rate Data using an specific episode type

AnalyzePowerBandsByEpisodes

Analyze power band by episodes

# **Description**

Analyzes the ULF, VLF, LF and HF bands from a given indexFreqAnalysis allowing to evaluate the application of a desired function inside and outside each episode.

## Usage

```
AnalyzePowerBandsByEpisodes(HRVData,
  indexFreqAnalysis = length(HRVData$FreqAnalysis), Tag = "",
  verbose = NULL, func, ...)
```

## Arguments

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it.

indexFreqAnalysis

Integer value denoting which frequency analysis is going to be analyzed using

func. Default: 1

Tag Type of episode

verbose Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead

func Function to be applied to each power band inside and outside episodes

... Optional arguments for func.

#### Value

Returns a list with two objects, that is, the values of the application of the selected function inside ("resultIn") and outside ("resultOut") episodes in the given indexFreqAnalysis. Each of these list has another set of lists: the "ULF", "VLF", "LF" and "HF" lists.

# **Examples**

AvgIntegralCorrelation

Calculates the average of the Integral Correlations

## **Description**

WARNING: **deprecated** function. The Integral correlation is calculated for every vector of the m-dimensional space, and then the average of all these values is calculated

## Usage

```
AvgIntegralCorrelation(HRVData, Data, m, tau, r)
```

#### **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it

Data Portion of HRVData to be analyzed

m Value of the dimension of the expansion of data

tau Delay of the expansion of data

r Distance for calculating correlation

#### Value

Returns the value of the average of IntegralCorrelations

#### Note

This function is used in the CalculateApEn function, which is **deprecated**. We suggest the use of the CalculateSampleEntropy function instead of CalculateApEn.

## Author(s)

```
M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila
```

## References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

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## See Also

IntegralCorrelation

BuildNIHR

Builds the instantaneous heart rate signal from a beat position array

# Description

The instantaneous heart rate can be defined as the inverse of the time separation between two consecutive heart beats. Once the beats have been identified, and since the only valid values contributing to the heart rate signal are the corresponding to normal beats preceded by other normal beats, a further operation should be performed for the calculation of the instantaneous heart rate.

## Usage

BuildNIHR(HRVData, verbose=NULL)

## **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it

verbose Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead

# Value

Returns HRVData, the structure that contains beat positions register and now associated heart rate instantaneous values also

#### Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila

## References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

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BuildTakens	Build the Takens' vectors

# **Description**

This function builds the Takens' vectors of the Non Interpolated RR intervals. The set of Takens' vectors is the result of embedding the time series in a m-dimensional space. That is, the  $n^{th}$  Takens' vector is defined as

$$T[n] = \{niRR[n], niRR[n + timeLag], ..., niRR[n + m * timeLag]\}.$$

Taken's theorem states that we can then reconstruct an equivalent dynamical system to the original one (the dynamical system that generated the observed time series) by using the Takens' vectors.

## Usage

BuildTakens(HRVData, embeddingDim, timeLag)

# Arguments

HRVData	Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it
embeddingDim	Integer denoting the dimension in which we shall embed the RR series.
timeLag	Integer denoting the number of time steps that will be use to construct the Takens' vectors.

# Value

A matrix containing the Takens' vectors (one per row).

## Note

This function is based on the buildTakens function from the nonlinearTseries package.

# References

H. Kantz and T. Schreiber: Nonlinear Time series Analysis (Cambridge university press)

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# Description

WARNING: **deprecated** function. In order to calculate de Fractal Dimension and Approximate Entropy (or others properties of the data) a representation of the data in a space m-dimensional is needed

# Usage

```
BuildTakensVector(HRVData, Data, m, tau)
```

# **Arguments**

HRVData	Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it

Data Portion of HRVData to be analyzed

m Value of the dimension of the expansion of data

tau Delay of the expansion of data

# Value

Returns a matrix with the Expanded Data with N-(m-1)\*tau rows (N is the length of the Data to be analyzed) and m columns

# Note

This function is **deprecated**. Please use BuildTakens instead.

## Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila

# References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

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CalculateApEn	Calculates Approximate Entropy	
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#### **Description**

WARNING: deprecated function. Calculates Approximate Entropy as indicated by Pincus

# Usage

## **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it indexNonLinearAnalysis

Reference to the data structure that will contain the non linear analysis

m Value of the dimension of the expansion of data

r Delay of the expansion of data

Distance for calculating correlation

N Number of points of the portion of signal to be analyzed

verbose Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead

#### Value

Returns HRVData, the structure that contains beat positions register and now associated heart rate instantaneous values also, including the value of the Approximate Entropy

#### Note

This function is **deprecated**. We suggest the use of the CalculateSampleEntropy function instead, which is faster.

#### Author(s)

```
M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila
```

#### References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011) S. M. Pincus, "Approximate entropy as a measure of system complexity," Mathematics 88, 2297-2301 (1991)

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#### See Also

```
BuildTakensVector for expand data
IntegralCorrelation for correlation calculations
AvgIntegralCorrelation for averaging correlation calculations
```

CalculateCorrDim Correlation sum, correlation dimension and generalized correlation dimension (order q > 1)

# **Description**

Functions for estimating the correlation sum and the correlation dimension of the RR time series using phase-space reconstruction

#### Usage

```
CalculateCorrDim(HRVData,
  indexNonLinearAnalysis = length(HRVData$NonLinearAnalysis),
  minEmbeddingDim = NULL, maxEmbeddingDim = NULL, timeLag = NULL,
  minRadius, maxRadius, pointsRadius = 20, theilerWindow = 100,
  corrOrder = 2, doPlot = TRUE)

EstimateCorrDim(HRVData,
  indexNonLinearAnalysis = length(HRVData$NonLinearAnalysis),
  regressionRange = NULL, useEmbeddings = NULL, doPlot = TRUE)

PlotCorrDim(HRVData,
  indexNonLinearAnalysis = length(HRVData$NonLinearAnalysis), ...)
```

## **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it indexNonLinearAnalysis

Reference to the data structure that will contain the nonlinear analysis

minEmbeddingDim

Integer denoting the minimum dimension in which we shall embed the time series

maxEmbeddingDim

Integer denoting the maximum dimension in which we shall embed the time series. Thus, we shall estimate the correlation dimension between *minEmbeddingDim* and *maxEmbeddingDim*.

timeLag Integer denoting the number of time steps that will be use to construct the Tak-

ens' vectors.

minRadius Minimum distance used to compute the correlation sum C(r)

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maxRadius Maximum distance used to compute the correlation sum C(r)

points Radius The number of different radius where we shall estimate C(r). Thus, we will

estimate C(r) in pointsRadius between minRadius and maxRadius

theilerWindow Integer denoting the Theiler window: Two Takens' vectors must be separated

by more than theilerWindow time steps in order to be considered neighbours. By using a Theiler window, we exclude temporally correlated vectors from our

estimations.

corr0rder Order of the generalized correlation Dimension q. It must be greater than 1

(corrOrder>1). Default, corrOrder=2

doPlot Logical value. If TRUE (default), a plot of the correlation sum is shown

regressionRange

Vector with 2 components denoting the range where the function will perform

linear regression

useEmbeddings A numeric vector specifying which embedding dimensions should the algorithm

use to compute the correlation dimension

... Additional plot parameters.

#### **Details**

The correlation dimension is the most common measure of the fractal dimensionality of a geometrical object embedded in a phase space. In order to estimate the correlation dimension, the correlation sum is defined over the points from the phase space:

$$C(r) = \{(number\ of\ points\ (x_i, x_j)\ verifying\ that\ distance\ (x_i, x_j) < r\})/N^2$$

However, this estimator is biased when the pairs in the sum are not statistically independent. For example, Taken's vectors that are close in time, are usually close in the phase space due to the non-zero autocorrelation of the original time series. This is solved by using the so-called Theiler window: two Takens' vectors must be separated by, at least, the time steps specified with this window in order to be considered neighbours. By using a Theiler window, we exclude temporally correlated vectors from our estimations.

The correlation dimension is estimated using the slope obtained by performing a linear regression of  $\log 10(C(r))\ Vs$ .  $\log 10(r)$ . Since this dimension is supposed to be an invariant of the system, it should not depend on the dimension of the Taken's vectors used to estimate it. Thus, the user should plot  $\log 10(C(r))\ Vs$ .  $\log 10(r)$  for several embedding dimensions when looking for the correlation dimension and, if for some range  $\log 10(C(r))$  shows a similar linear behaviour in different embedding dimensions (i.e. parallel slopes), these slopes are an estimate of the correlation dimension. The *estimate* routine allows the user to get always an estimate of the correlation dimension, but the user must check that there is a linear region in the correlation sum over different dimensions. If such a region does not exist, the estimation should be discarded.

Note that the correlation sum C(r) may be interpreted as:  $C(r) = \langle p(r) \rangle$ , that is: the mean probability of finding a neighbour in a ball of radius r surrounding a point in the phase space. Thus, it is possible to define a generalization of the correlation dimension by writing:

$$C_q(r) = \langle p(r)^{(q-1)} \rangle$$

Note that the correlation sum

$$C(r) = C_2(r)$$

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It is possible to determine generalized dimensions Dq using the slope obtained by performing a linear regression of  $log10(Cq(r))\ Vs.\ (q-1)log10(r)$ . The case q=1 leads to the information dimension, that is treated separately in this package. The considerations discussed for the correlation dimension estimate are also valid for these generalized dimensions.

#### Value

The *CalculateCorrDim* returns the *HRVData* structure containing a *corrDim* object storing the results of the correlation sum (see corrDim) of the RR time series.

The EstimateCorrDim function estimates the correlation dimension of the RR time series by averaging the slopes of the embedding dimensions specified in the useEmbeddings parameter. The slopes are determined by performing a linear regression over the radius' range specified in regressionRange.If doPlot is TRUE, a graphic of the regression over the data is shown. The results are returned into the HRVData structure, under the NonLinearAnalysis list.

*PlotCorrDim* shows two graphics of the correlation integral: a log-log plot of the correlation sum Vs the radius and the local slopes of log10(C(r)) Vs log10(C(r)).

#### Note

This function is based on the timeLag function from the nonlinearTseries package.

In order to run *EstimateCorrDim*, it is necessary to have performed the correlation sum before with *ComputeCorrDim*.

#### References

H. Kantz and T. Schreiber: Nonlinear Time series Analysis (Cambridge university press)

## See Also

corrDim.

## **Examples**

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**Detrended Fluctuation Analysis** 

#### **Description**

Performs Detrended Fluctuation Analysis (DFA) on the RR time series, a widely used technique for detecting long range correlations in time series. These functions are able to estimate several scaling exponents from the time series being analyzed. These scaling exponents characterize short or long-term fluctuations, depending of the range used for regression (see details).

# Usage

```
CalculateDFA(HRVData,
  indexNonLinearAnalysis = length(HRVData$NonLinearAnalysis),
  windowSizeRange = c(10, 300), npoints = 25, doPlot = TRUE)

EstimateDFA(HRVData,
  indexNonLinearAnalysis = length(HRVData$NonLinearAnalysis),
  regressionRange = NULL, doPlot = TRUE)

PlotDFA(HRVData, indexNonLinearAnalysis = length(HRVData$NonLinearAnalysis),
  ...)
```

# **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it indexNonLinearAnalysis

Reference to the data structure that will contain the nonlinear analysis

windowSizeRange

Range of values for the windows size that will be used to estimate the fluctuation

function. Default: c(10,300).

npoints The number of different window sizes that will be used to estimate the Fluctua-

tion function in each zone.

doPlot logical value. If TRUE (default value), a plot of the Fluctuation function is

shown

regressionRange

Vector with 2 components denoting the range where the function will perform

linear regression

... Additional plot parameters.

## **Details**

The Detrended Fluctuation Analysis (DFA) has become a widely used technique for detecting long range correlations in time series. The DFA procedure may be summarized as follows:

1. Integrate the time series to be analyzed. The time series resulting from the integration will be referred to as the profile.

- 2. Divide the profile into N non-overlapping segments.
- 3. Calculate the local trend for each of the segments using least-square regression. Compute the total error for each of the segments.
- 4. Compute the average of the total error over all segments and take its root square. By repeating the previous steps for several segment sizes (let's denote it by t), we obtain the so-called Fluctuation function F(t).
- 5. If the data presents long-range power law correlations:  $F(t) \sim t^{\alpha}$  and we may estimate using regression.
- 6. Usually, when plotting  $\log(F(t))$  Vs log(t) we may distinguish two linear regions. By regression them separately, we obtain two scaling exponents,  $\alpha_1$  (characterizing short-term fluctuations) and  $\alpha_2$  (characterizing long-term fluctuations).

Steps 1-4 are performed using the *CalculateDFA* function. In order to obtain a estimate of some scaling exponent, the user must use the *EstimateDFA* function specifying the regression range (window sizes used to detrend the series).  $\alpha_1$  is usually obtained by performing the regression in the 3 < t < 17 range wheras that  $\alpha_2$  is obtained in the 15 < t < 65 range (However the F(t) function must be linear in these ranges for obtaining reliable results).

#### Value

The CalculateDFA returns a HRVData structure containing the computations of the Fluctuation function of the RR time series under the NonLinearAnalysis list.

The *EstimateDFA* function estimates an scaling exponent of the RR time series by performing a linear regression over the time steps' range specified in *regressionRange*. If *doPlot* is TRUE, a graphic of the regression over the data is shown. In order to run *EstimateDFA*, it is necessary to have performed the Fluctuation function computations before with *ComputeDFA*. The results are returned into the *HRVData* structure, under the *NonLinearAnalysis* list. Since it is possible to estimate several scaling exponents, depending on the regression range used, the scaling exponents are also stored into a list.

PlotDFA shows a graphic of the Fluctuation functions vs window's sizes.

## Note

This function is based on the dfa function from the nonlinearTseries package.

# See Also

dfa

CalculateEmbeddingDim Estimate the proper embedding dimension for the RR time series

#### **Description**

This function determines the minimum embedding dimension from a scalar time series using the algorithm proposed by L. Cao (see references).

#### Usage

```
CalculateEmbeddingDim(HRVData, numberPoints = 5000, timeLag = 1,
  maxEmbeddingDim = 15, threshold = 0.95, maxRelativeChange = 0.05,
  doPlot = TRUE)
```

#### **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it

numberPoints Number of points from the time series that will be used to estimate the embed-

ding dimension. By default, 5000 points are used.

timeLag Time lag used to build the Takens' vectors needed to estimate the embedding

dimension (see buildTakens). Default: 1.

maxEmbeddingDim

Maximum possible embedding dimension for the time series. Default: 15.

threshold Numerical value between 0 and 1. The embedding dimension is estimated using

the E1(d) function. E1(d) stops changing when d is greater than or equal to embedding dimension, staying close to 1. This value establishes a threshold for

considering that E1(d) is close to 1. Default: 0.95

maxRelativeChange

Maximum relative change in E1(d) with respect to E1(d-1) in order to consider that the E1 function has been stabilized and it will stop changing. Default: 0.05.

doPlot Logical value. If TRUE (default value), a plot of E1(d) and E2(d) is shown.

## **Details**

The Cao's algorithm uses 2 functions in order to estimate the embedding dimension from a time series: the E1(d) and the E2(d) functions, where d denotes the dimension.

E1(d) stops changing when d is greater than or equal to the embedding dimension, staying close to 1. On the other hand, E2(d) is used to distinguish deterministic signals from stochastic signals. For deterministic signals, there exists some d such that E2(d)!=1. For stochastic signals, E2(d) is approximately 1 for all the values.

## Note

The current implementation of this function is fully written in R, based on the estimateEmbeddingDim function from the nonlinearTseries package. Thus it requires heavy computations and may be quite slow. The *numberPoints* parameter can be used for controlling the computational burden.

Future versions of the package will solve this issue.

#### References

Cao, L. Practical method for determining the minimum embedding dimension of a scalar time series. Physica D: Nonlinear Phenomena, 110,1, pp. 43-50 (1997).

## See Also

estimateEmbeddingDim.

## **Examples**

CalculateEnergyInPSDBands

CalculateSPDBandsEnergy

## **Description**

Calculates the Energy in the bands of the Power Spectral Density (PSD).

## Usage

```
CalculateEnergyInPSDBands(HRVData,
  indexFreqAnalysis = length(HRVData$FreqAnalysis), ULFmin = 0,
  ULFmax = 0.03, VLFmin = 0.03, VLFmax = 0.05, LFmin = 0.05,
  LFmax = 0.15, HFmin = 0.15, HFmax = 0.4)
```

## **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it. indexFreqAnalysis

An integer referencing the data structure that contains the PSD analysis.

ULFmin Lower limit ULF band used for distinguish the ULF band.
ULFmax Upper limit ULF band used for distinguish the ULF band.

VLFmin Lower limit VLF band.
VLFmax Upper limit VLF band.
LFmin Lower limit LF band.
LFmax Upper limit LF band.
HFmin Lower limit HF band.
HFmax Upper limit HF band.

# Value

A vector containing the energy of the ULF, VLF, LF and HF bands in the PSD.

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## See Also

PlotPSD, CalculatePSD.

## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
data(HRVData)
HRVData=BuildNIHR(HRVData)
HRVData=FilterNIHR(HRVData)
# Frequency analysis requires interpolated data (except Lomb)
HRVData=InterpolateNIHR(HRVData)
HRVData=CreateFreqAnalysis(HRVData)
HRVData=CalculatePSD(HRVData,1,"pgram",doPlot = F)
# get Energy in the default ULF, VLF and LF frequency bands.
# We modify the limits for the HF band
CalculateEnergyInPSDBands(HRVData, 1, HFmin = 0.15, HFmax = 0.3)
## End(Not run)
```

CalculateFracDim

Calculates Fractal Dimension

## **Description**

WARNING: deprecated function. Calculates Fractal Dimension as indicated by Pincus

# Usage

```
CalculateFracDim(HRVData, indexNonLinearAnalysis = length(HRVData$NonLinearAnalysis),
    m = 10, tau = 3, Cra = 0.005, Crb = 0.75, N = 1000, verbose=NULL)
```

## **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it indexNonLinearAnalysis

Reference to the data structure that will contain the non linear analysis

m Value of the dimension of the expansion of data

tau Delay of the expansion of data

Cra Minimum value of correlation for calculating Fractal Dimension
Crb Maximum value of correlation for calculating Fractal Dimension

N Number of points of the portion of signal to be analyzed

verbose Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead

#### Value

Returns HRVData, the structure that contains beat positions register and now associated heart rate instantaneous values also, including the value of the Fractal Dimension

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#### Note

This function is **deprecated**. We suggest the use of the CalculateCorrDim function instead, which is faster.

#### Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila

## References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011) S. M. Pincus, "Approximate entropy as a measure of system complexity," Mathematics 88, 2297-2301 (1991)

#### See Also

CalculateRfromCorrelation for finding r distance at which the correlation has a certain value

CalculateInfDim

Information dimension of the RR time series

#### **Description**

Information dimension of the RR time series

# Usage

```
CalculateInfDim(HRVData,
  indexNonLinearAnalysis = length(HRVData$NonLinearAnalysis),
  minEmbeddingDim = NULL, maxEmbeddingDim = NULL, timeLag = NULL,
  minFixedMass = 1e-04, maxFixedMass = 0.005, numberFixedMassPoints = 50,
  radius = 1, increasingRadiusFactor = 1.05, numberPoints = 500,
  theilerWindow = 100, doPlot = TRUE)

EstimateInfDim(HRVData,
  indexNonLinearAnalysis = length(HRVData$NonLinearAnalysis),
  regressionRange = NULL, useEmbeddings = NULL, doPlot = TRUE)

PlotInfDim(HRVData,
  indexNonLinearAnalysis = length(HRVData$NonLinearAnalysis), ...)
```

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#### **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it

indexNonLinearAnalysis

Reference to the data structure that will contain the nonlinear analysis.

minEmbeddingDim

Integer denoting the minimum dimension in which we shall embed the time

series.

maxEmbeddingDim

Integer denoting the maximum dimension in which we shall embed the time series. Thus, we shall estimate the correlation dimension between *minEmbed-line* By the last of the l

dingDim and maxEmbeddingDim.

timeLag Integer denoting the number of time steps that will be use to construct the Tak-

ens' vectors.

minFixedMass Minimum percentage of the total points that the algorithm shall use for the esti-

mation.

maxFixedMass Maximum percentage of the total points that the algorithm shall use for the

estimation.

numberFixedMassPoints

The number of different fixed mass fractions between minFixedMass and max-

FixedMass that the algorithm will use for estimation.

radius Initial radius for searching neighbour points in the phase space. Ideally, it should

be small enough so that the fixed mass contained in this radius is slightly greater than the *minFixedMass*. However, whereas the radius is not too large (so that

the performance decreases) the choice is not critical.

increasingRadiusFactor

Numeric value. If no enough neighbours are found within *radius*, the radius is increased by a factor *increasingRadiusFactor* until successful. Default: 1.05.

numberPoints Number of reference points that the routine will try to use, saving computation

time.

theilerWindow Integer denoting the Theiler window: Two Takens' vectors must be separated

by more than theilerWindow time steps in order to be considered neighbours. By using a Theiler window, we exclude temporally correlated vectors from our

estimations.

doPlot Logical value. If TRUE (default), a plot of the correlation sum with q=1 is

shown

regressionRange

Vector with 2 components denoting the range where the function will perform

linear regression

useEmbeddings A numeric vector specifying which embedding dimensions should the algorithm

use to compute the information dimension.

.. Additional plot parameters.

#### **Details**

The information dimension is a particular case of the generalized correlation dimension when setting the order q = 1. It is possible to demonstrate that the information dimension  $D_1$  may be defined as:  $D_1 = \lim_{r \to 0} < \log p(r) > /\log(r)$ . Here, p(r) is the probability of finding a neighbour in a neighbourhood of size r and  $\ll$  is the mean value. Thus, the information dimension specifies how the average Shannon information scales with the radius r.

In order to estimate  $D_1$ , the algorithm looks for the scaling behaviour of the average radius that contains a given portion (a "fixed-mass") of the total points in the phase space. By performing a linear regression of  $\log(p)\ Vs$ .  $\log(< r>)$  (being p the fixed-mass of the total points), an estimate of  $D_1$  is obtained. The user should run the method for different embedding dimensions for checking if  $D_1$  saturates.

The calculations for the information dimension are heavier than those needed for the correlation dimension.

#### Value

The *CalculateCorrDim* returns the *HRVData* structure containing a *infDim* object storing the results of the correlation sum (see infDim) of the RR time series.

The *EstimateInfDim* function estimates the information dimension of the RR time series by averaging the slopes of the correlation sums with q=1. The slopes are determined by performing a linear regression over the radius' range specified in *regressionRange*. If *doPlot* is TRUE, a graphic of the regression over the data is shown. The results are returned into the *HRVData* structure, under the *NonLinearAnalysis* list.

*PlotInfDim* shows a graphics of the correlation sum with q=1.

#### Note

In order to run *EstimateInfDim*, it is necessary to have performed the correlation sum before with *ComputeInfDim*.

## References

H. Kantz and T. Schreiber: Nonlinear Time series Analysis (Cambridge university press)

#### See Also

CalculateCorrDim.

CalculateMaxLyapunov Maximum lyapunov exponent

# Description

Functions for estimating the maximal Lyapunov exponent of the RR time series.

#### Usage

```
CalculateMaxLyapunov(HRVData,
  indexNonLinearAnalysis = length(HRVData$NonLinearAnalysis),
  minEmbeddingDim = NULL, maxEmbeddingDim = NULL, timeLag = NULL,
  radius = 2, theilerWindow = 100, minNeighs = 5, minRefPoints = 500,
  numberTimeSteps = 20, doPlot = TRUE)

EstimateMaxLyapunov(HRVData,
  indexNonLinearAnalysis = length(HRVData$NonLinearAnalysis),
  regressionRange = NULL, useEmbeddings = NULL, doPlot = TRUE)

PlotMaxLyapunov(HRVData,
  indexNonLinearAnalysis = length(HRVData$NonLinearAnalysis), ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it indexNonLinearAnalysis

Reference to the data structure that will contain the nonlinear analysis

minEmbeddingDim

Integer denoting the minimum dimension in which we shall embed the time series

maxEmbeddingDim

Integer denoting the maximum dimension in which we shall embed the time series. Thus, we shall estimate the correlation dimension between *minEmbeddingDim* and *maxEmbeddingDim*.

timeLag Integer denoting the number of time steps that will be use to construct the Takens' vectors. Default: timeLag = 1

radius Maximum distance in which will look for nearby trajectories. Default: radius =

2

theilerWindow Integer denoting the Theiler window: Two Takens' vectors must be separated by more than *theilerWindow* time steps in order to be considered neighbours.

estimations. Default: theilerWindow = 100

minNeighs Minimum number of neighbours that a Takens' vector must have to be consid-

ered a reference point. Default: minNeighs = 5

minRefPoints Number of reference points that the routine will try to use. The routine stops

when it finds *minRefPoints* reference points, saving computation time. Default:

By using a Theiler window, temporally correlated vectors are excluded from the

minRefPoints = 500

numberTimeSteps

Integer denoting the number of time steps in which the algorithm will compute

the divergence.

doPlot Logical value. If TRUE (default value), a plot of S(t) Vs t is shown.

regressionRange

Vector with 2 components denoting the range where the function will perform linear regression

useEmbeddings A numeric vector specifying which embedding dimensions should the algorithm use to compute the maximal Lyapunov exponent.

... Additional plot parameters.

#### **Details**

It is a well-known fact that close trajectories diverge exponentially fast in a chaotic system. The averaged exponent that determines the divergence rate is called the Lyapunov exponent (usually denoted with  $\lambda$ ). If  $\delta(0)$  is the distance between two Takens' vectors in the embedding.dim-dimensional space, we expect that the distance after a time t between the two trajectories arising from this two vectors fulfills:

$$\delta(n) \sim \delta(0) \cdot exp(\lambda \cdot t)$$

The lyapunov exponent is estimated using the slope obtained by performing a linear regression of  $S(t) = \lambda \cdot t \sim log(\delta(t)/\delta(0))$  on t. S(t) will be estimated by averaging the divergence of several reference points.

The user should plot S(t)Vst when looking for the maximal lyapunov exponent and, if for some temporal range S(t) shows a linear behaviour, its slope is an estimate of the maximal Lyapunov exponent per unit of time. The estimate routine allows the user to get always an estimate of the maximal Lyapunov exponent, but the user must check that there is a linear region in the S(t)Vst. If such a region does not exist, the estimation should be discarded. The user should also run the method for different embedding dimensions for checking if  $D_1$  saturates.

#### Value

The *CalculateMaxLyapunov* returns a HRVData structure containing the divergence computations of the RR time series under the *NonLinearAnalysis* list.

The *EstimateMaxLyapunov* function estimates the maximum Lyapunov exponent of the RR time series by performing a linear regression over the time steps' range specified in *regressionRange*.If *doPlot* is TRUE, a graphic of the regression over the data is shown. The results are returned into the *HRVData* structure, under the *NonLinearAnalysis* list.

PlotMaxLyapunov shows a graphic of the divergence Vs time

#### Note

This function is based on the maxLyapunov function from the nonlinearTseries package.

In order to run *EstimateMaxLyapunov*, it is necessary to have performed the divergence computations before with *ComputeMaxLyapunov*.

#### References

Eckmann, Jean-Pierre and Kamphorst, S Oliffson and Ruelle, David and Ciliberto, S and others. Liapunov exponents from time series. Physical Review A, 34-6, 4971–4979, (1986).

Rosenstein, Michael T and Collins, James J and De Luca, Carlo J.A practical method for calculating largest Lyapunov exponents from small data sets. Physica D: Nonlinear Phenomena, 65-1, 117–134, (1993).

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## See Also

```
maxLyapunov
```

## **Examples**

CalculatePowerBand

Calculates power per band

# **Description**

Calculates power of the heart rate signal at ULF, VLF, LF and HF bands

## Usage

#### **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it indexFreqAnalysis

Reference to the data structure that will contain the variability analysis size

Size of window for calculations (seconds)

shift Displacement of window for calculations (seconds)

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sizesp	Points for calculation (zero padding). If the user does not specify it, the function estimates a propper value.
ULFmin	Lower limit ULF band
ULFmax	Upper limit ULF band
VLFmin	Lower limit VLF band
VLFmax	Upper limit VLF band
LFmin	Lower limit LF band
LFmax	Upper limit LF band
HFmin	Lower limit HF band
HFmax	Upper limit HF band
scale	Deprecated argument
verbose	Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead
type	Type of analysis used to calculate the spectrogram. Possible options are "fourier" or "wavelet"
wavelet	Mother wavelet used to calculate the spectrogram when a wavelet-based analysis is performed. The available wavelets are: "haar" wavelet; least asymmetric Daubechies wavelets of width 8 ("la8"), 16 ("la16") and 20 ("la20") samples; extremal phase Daubechies of width 4 ("d4"), 6 ("d6"), 8 ("d8") and 16 ("d16") samples; best localized wavelets of width 14 ("b114") and 20 (" b120") samples; Fejer-Korovkin wavelets of width 4 ("fk4"), 6 ("fk6"), 8 ("fk8"), 14("fk14") and 22 ("fk22") samples; minimum bandwidth wavelets of width 4 ("mb4"), 8 ("mb8"), 16 ("mb16") and 24 ("mb24"); and the biorthogonal wavelet "bs3.1"
bandtolerance	Maximum error allowed when a wavelet-based analysis is performed. It can be specified as a absolute or a relative error depending on the "relative" parameter value
relative	Logic value specifying which kind of bandtolerance shall be used (relative or absolute). The relative tolerance takes into account the width of each of the intervals of interest.

## Value

Returns HRVData, the structure that contains beat positions register, associated heart rate instantaneous values, filtered heart rate signal equally spaced, and the analysis structure including spectral power at different bands of the heart rate signal

## Note

An example including all the necessary steps to obtain the power bands of a wfdb register is giving below:

```
##Reading a wfdb register and storing into a data structure:

md = CreateHRVData(Verbose = TRUE)

md = LoadBeatWFDB(md, RecordName = "register_name",

RecordPath = "register_path")
```

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```
##Calculating heart rate signal:
md = BuildNIHR(md)

##Filtering heart rate signal:
md = FilterNIHR(md)

##Interpolating heart rate signal:
md = InterpolateNIHR(md)

##Calculating spectrogram and power per band using fourier analysis:
md = CreateFreqAnalysis(md)
md = CalculatePowerBand(md, indexFreqAnalysis = 1, size = 120, shift = 10, sizesp = 1024)

##Calculating spectrogram and power per band using wavelet analysis:
md = CreateFreqAnalysis(md)
##Calculating spectrogram and power per band using wavelet analysis:
md = CreateFreqAnalysis(md)
md = CalculatePowerBand(md, indexFreqAnalysis = 2, type="wavelet", wavelet="la8",bandtolerance=0.0025)
```

## Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila

## References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, L., A.J. Mendez, M.J. Lado, D.N. Olivieri, X.A. Vila, and I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103(1):39-50, july 2011.

CalculatePSD

Spectral Density Estimation

# **Description**

Estimate the Power Spectral Density (PSD) of the RR time series.

# Usage

```
CalculatePSD(HRVData, indexFreqAnalysis = length(HRVData$FreqAnalysis),
  method = c("pgram", "ar", "lomb"), doPlot = T, ...)
```

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## **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it.

indexFreqAnalysis

An integer referencing the data structure that will contain the frequency analysis.

method String specifying the method used to estimate the spectral density. Allowed methods are "pgram" (the default), "ar" and "lomb".

doPlot Plot the periodogram?

Further arguments to specific PSD estimation methods or PlotPSD.

#### **Details**

The "pgram" and "ar" methods use the spec.pgram and spec.ar functions. Thus, the same arguments used in spec.pgram or spec.ar can be used when method is "pgram" or "ar", respectively. The "lomb" is based in the 1sp and thus it accepts the same parameters as this function.

#### Value

The *CalculatePSD* returns the *HRVData* structure containing a *periodogram* field storing and PSD estimation of the RR time series. When the "pgram" and "ar" methods are used the *periodogram* field is an object of class "spec". If "lomb" is used, the *periodogram* field is just a list. In any case the *periodogram* field will contain:

- freq: vector of frequencies at which the spectral density is estimated.
- spec: spectral density estimation
- series: name of the series
- · method: method used to calculate the spectrum

#### See Also

```
spectrum, PlotPSD.
```

## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
data(HRVData)
HRVData=BuildNIHR(HRVData)
HRVData=FilterNIHR(HRVData)
# Frequency analysis requires interpolated data (except Lomb)
HRVData=InterpolateNIHR(HRVData)
# Create a different freqAnalysis for each method
HRVData=CreateFreqAnalysis(HRVData)
HRVData=CalculatePSD(HRVData,1,"pgram",doPlot = F)

HRVData=CreateFreqAnalysis(HRVData)
HRVData=CalculatePSD(HRVData,2,"pgram",spans=9, doPlot = F)

HRVData=CreateFreqAnalysis(HRVData)
HRVData=CreateFreqAnalysis(HRVData)
HRVData=CalculatePSD(HRVData,3,"ar",doPlot = F)
```

```
HRVData=CreateFreqAnalysis(HRVData)
HRVData=CalculatePSD(HRVData,4,"lomb",doPlot = F)
# Plot the results
layout(matrix(c(1,2,3,4), 2, 2, byrow = TRUE))
PlotPSD(HRVData,1)
PlotPSD(HRVData,2)
PlotPSD(HRVData,3)
PlotPSD(HRVData,4)
## End(Not run)
```

CalculateRfromCorrelation

Calculates ra and rb from Correlation

# Description

WARNING: **deprecated** function. Calculates ra and rb distances that verify that their correlation values are Cra and Crb

# Usage

```
CalculateRfromCorrelation(HRVData, Data, m, tau, Cra, Crb)
```

## **Arguments**

HRVData	Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it
Data	Portion of HRVData to be analyzed
m	Value of the dimension of the expansion of data
tau	Delay of the expansion of data
Cra	Minimum value of correlation for calculating Fractal Dimension
Crb	Maximum value of correlation for calculating Fractal Dimension

# Value

Returns a 2 by 2 matrix containing ra and rb distance in the first row and their exact correlation values in the second row

#### Note

This function is used in the CalculateFracDim function, which is **deprecated**. We suggest the use of the CalculateCorrDim function instead of CalculateFracDim.

# Author(s)

```
M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila
```

#### References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, L., A.J. Mendez, M.J. Lado, D.N. Olivieri, X.A. Vila, and I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103(1):39-50, july 2011. S. M. Pincus, "Approximate entropy as a measure of system complexity," Mathematics 88, 2297-2301 (1991)

#### See Also

CalculateFracDim

CalculateSampleEntropy

Sample Entropy (also known as Kolgomorov-Sinai Entropy)

# **Description**

These functions measure the complexity of the RR time series. Large values of the Sample Entropy indicate high complexity whereas that smaller values characterize more regular signals.

## Usage

```
CalculateSampleEntropy(HRVData,
   indexNonLinearAnalysis = length(HRVData$NonLinearAnalysis), doPlot = TRUE)

EstimateSampleEntropy(HRVData,
   indexNonLinearAnalysis = length(HRVData$NonLinearAnalysis),
   regressionRange = NULL, useEmbeddings = NULL, doPlot = TRUE)

PlotSampleEntropy(HRVData,
   indexNonLinearAnalysis = length(HRVData$NonLinearAnalysis), ...)
```

# **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it indexNonLinearAnalysis

Reference to the data structure that will contain the nonlinear analysis

doPlot Logical value. If TRUE (default), a plot of the correlation sum is shown

regressionRange

Vector with 2 components denoting the range where the function will perform

linear regression

useEmbeddings A numeric vector specifying which embedding dimensions should the algorithm

use to compute the sample entropy.

. . . Additional plot parameters.

#### **Details**

The sample entropy is computed using:

$$h_q(m,r) = log(C_q(m,r)/C_q(m+1,r))$$

where m is the embedding dimension and r is the radius of the neighbourhood. When computing the correlation dimensions we use the linear regions from the correlation sums in order to do the estimates. Similarly, the sample entropy  $h_q(m,r)$  should not change for both various m and r.

#### Value

The *CalculateSampleEntropy* returns a HRVData structure containing the sample entropy computations of the RR time series under the *NonLinearAnalysis* list.

The *EstimateSampleEntropy* function estimates the sample entropy of the RR time series by performing a linear regression over the radius' range specified in *regressionRange*. If *doPlot* is TRUE, a graphic of the regression over the data is shown. In order to run *EstimateSampleEntropy*, it is necessary to have performed the sample entropy computations before with *ComputeSampleEntropy*. The results are returned into the *HRVData* structure, under the *NonLinearAnalysis* list.

PlotSampleEntropy shows a graphic of the sample entropy computations.

#### Note

In order to run this functions, it is necessary to have used the CalculateCorrDim function.

This function is based on the sampleEntropy function from the nonlinearTseries package.

#### References

H. Kantz and T. Schreiber: Nonlinear Time series Analysis (Cambridge university press)

## See Also

```
sampleEntropy
```

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CalculateSpectrogram Calculates the spectrogram of a signal

## **Description**

Calculates the spectrogram of the heart rate signal after filtering and interpolation in a window of a certain size

# Usage

```
CalculateSpectrogram(HRVData, size, shift, sizesp = 1024, verbose=NULL)
```

## **Arguments**

HRVData	Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it
size	Size of window for calculating spectrogram (seconds)
shift	Displacement of window for calculating spectrogram (seconds)
sizesp	Points for calculating spectrogram (zero padding)
verbose	Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead

#### Value

Returns the spectrogram of the heart rate signal

#### Note

An example including all the necessary steps to obtain the spectrogram of a wfdb register is giving below:

```
##Reading a wfdb register and storing into a data structure:
md = CreateHRVData(Verbose = TRUE)
md = LoadBeatWFDB(md, RecordName = "register_name",
RecordPath = "register_path", verbose = TRUE)

##Calculating heart rate signal:
md = BuildNIHR(md)

##Filtering heart rate signal:
md = FilterNIHR(md)

##Interpolating heart rate signal:
md = InterpolateNIHR(md)

##Calculating spectrogram:
CalculateSpectrogram(md, size = 120, shift = 10, sizesp = 1024)
```

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#### Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila

#### References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

CalculateTimeLag

Estimate an appropiate time lag for the Takens' vectors

# **Description**

Given a time series (timeSeries), an embedding dimension (m) and a time lag (timeLag), the  $n^{th}$  Takens' vector is defined as

```
T[n] = timeSeries[n], timeSeries[n + timeLag], ...timeSeries[n + m * timeLag].
```

This function estimates an appropriate time lag by using the autocorrelation or the average mutual information (AMI) function.

# Usage

```
CalculateTimeLag(HRVData, technique = c("acf", "ami"),
  method = c("first.e.decay", "first.zero", "first.minimum", "first.value"),
  value = 1/exp(1), lagMax = NULL, doPlot = TRUE, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

HRVData	Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it.
technique	The technique that we shall use to estimate the time lag. Allowed values are "acf" and "ami".
method	The method that we shall use to select the time lag (see the Details section). Available methods are "first.zero", "first.e.decay", "first.minimum" and "first.value".
value	Numeric value indicating the value that the autocorrelation/AMI function must cross in order to select the time lag. It is used only with the "first.value" method.
lagMax	Maximum lag at which to calculate the acf/AMI.
doPlot	Logical value. If TRUE (default value), a plot of the autocorrelation/AMI function is shown.
	Additional parameters for the <i>acf</i> or the <i>mutualInformation</i> functions (see mutualInformation).

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#### **Details**

A basic criteria for estimating a proper time lag is based on the following reasoning: if the time lag used to build the Takens' vectors is too small, the coordinates will be too highly temporally correlated and the embedding will tend to cluster around the diagonal in the phase space. If the time lag is chosen too large, the resulting coordinates may be almost uncorrelated and the resulting embedding will be very complicated. Thus, the autocorrelation function can be used for estimating an appropriate time lag of a time series. However, it must be noted that the autocorrelation is a linear statistic, and thus it does not take into account nonlinear dynamical correlations. To take into account nonlinear correlations the average mutual information (AMI) can be used. Independently of the technique used to compute the correlation, the time lag can be selected in a variety of ways:

- Select the time lag where the autocorrelation/AMI function decays to 0 (*first.zero* method). This method is not appropriate for the AMI function, since it only takes positive values.
- Select the time lag where the autocorrelation/AMI function decays to 1/e of its value at zero (first.e.decay method).
- Select the time lag where the autocorrelation/AMI function reaches its first minimum (*first.minimum* method).
- Select the time lag where the autocorrelation/AMI function decays to the value specified by the user (*first.value* method and *value* parameter).

#### Value

The estimated time lag.

#### Note

If the autocorrelation/AMI function does not cross the specifiged value, an error is thrown. This may be solved by increasing the lag.max or selecting a higher value to which the autocorrelation/AMI function may decay.

This function is based on the timeLag function from the nonlinearTseries package.

#### References

H. Kantz and T. Schreiber: Nonlinear Time series Analysis (Cambridge university press)

## See Also

```
timeLag, mutualInformation.
```

## **Examples**

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## End(Not run)

CreateFreqAnalysis

Creates data analysis structure for frequency analysis calculations

## **Description**

Creates data analysis structure that stores the information extracted from a variability analysis of heart rate signal and joins it to HRVData as a member of a list

# Usage

CreateFreqAnalysis(HRVData, verbose=NULL)

# **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it

verbose Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead

## Value

Returns HRVData, the structure that contains beat positions register, associated heart rate instantaneous values, filtered heart rate signal equally spaced, and a new analysis structure as a member of a list

#### Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila

## References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

# See Also

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CreateHRVData

Creates data structure for all the calculations

### **Description**

Creates data structure that stores the beats register and all the information obtained from it

## Usage

```
CreateHRVData(Verbose = FALSE)
```

## **Arguments**

Verbose

Boolean argument that allows to specify if the function returns additional information

#### Value

Returns HRVData, the structure that will contain beat positions register, associated heart rate instantaneous values, filtered heart rate signal equally spaced, and one or more analysis structures

### Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila

### References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

#### See Also

 ${\tt CreateFreqAnalysis}, {\tt CreateTimeAnalysis}, {\tt CreateNonLinearAnalysis}$ 

CreateNonLinearAnalysis

Creates data analysis structure for non linear analysis calculations

## Description

Creates data analysis structure that stores the information extracted from a non linear analysis of ECG signal and joins it to HRVData as a member of a list

## Usage

CreateNonLinearAnalysis(HRVData, verbose=NULL)

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## **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it verbose Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead

#### Value

Returns HRVData, the structure that contains beat positions register, associated heart rate instantaneous values, filtered heart rate signal equally spaced, and a new analysis structure as a member of a list

#### Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila

#### References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

### See Also

CreateHRVData

CreateTimeAnalvsis	Creates data analysis structure for time analysis calculations	

# Description

Creates data analysis structure that stores the information extracted from a time analysis of ECG signal and joins it to HRVData as a member of a list

### Usage

CreateTimeAnalysis(HRVData, size=300, numofbins=NULL, interval=7.8125, verbose=NULL)

# Arguments

HRVData	Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it
size	Size of window (seconds)
numofbins	Number of bins in histogram. If it is not specified, the interval parameter is used (default)
interval	Width of bins in histogram (milliseconds)
verbose	Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead

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## Value

Returns HRVData, the structure that contains beat positions register, associated heart rate instantaneous values, filtered heart rate signal equally spaced, and a new analysis structure as a member of a list

## Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila

## References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

#### See Also

CreateHRVData

EditNIHR	Manually edition of non-interpolated instantaneous heart rate
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# Description

Plots non-interpolated instantaneous heart rate for manual removing of outliers

## Usage

```
EditNIHR(HRVData, scale = 1, verbose=NULL)
```

# **Arguments**

HRVData	Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it
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scale Allows scaling for small screens

verbose Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead

### Value

Returns Data, the structure that contains beat positions register, and manually edited associated heart rate instantaneous values

## Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila

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### References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

EstimatePSDSlope

Estimate the slope of the Power Spectral Density (PSD).

### **Description**

Estimate the slope of the Power Spectral Density (PSD) of the RR time series.

### Usage

```
EstimatePSDSlope(HRVData, indexFreqAnalysis = length(HRVData$FreqAnalysis),
  indexNonLinearAnalysis = length(HRVData$NonLinearAnalysis),
  regressionRange = NULL, doPlot = T, main = "PSD power law",
  xlab = "Frequency (Hz)", ylab = "Spectrum", pch = NULL, log = "xy",
  ...)
```

### **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it. indexFreqAnalysis

An integer referencing the periodogram that will be used for estimating the spectral index.

indexNonLinearAnalysis

An integer referencing the structure that will store the resulting estimations.

regressionRange

Range of frequencies in which the regression will be performed. Default is c(1e-

4, 1e-2) Hz.

doPlot Plot the periodogram and the least-squares fit?

main Title for the plot.

xlab Title for the x axis.

ylab Title for the y axis.

pch Symbol for the plotting points.

log A character string which contains "x" if the x axis is to be logarithmic, "y" if the

y axis is to be logarithmic and "xy" or "yx" if both axes are to be logarithmic

(default).

... Other arguments for the plotting function.

## Details

The power spectrum of most physiological signals fulfils  $S(f) = Cf^{-\beta}$  (1/f spectrum). This function estimates the  $\beta$  exponent, which is usually referred to as the spectral index.

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#### Value

The *EstimatePSDSlope* returns the *HRVData* structure containing a *PSDSlope* field storing the spectral index and the proper Hurst exponent.

#### Note

It should be noted that the PSD must be estimated prior to the use of this function. We do not recommend the use of the AR spectrum when estimating the spectral index.

#### References

Voss, Andreas, et al. "Methods derived from nonlinear dynamics for analysing heart rate variability." Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society A: Mathematical, Physical and Engineering Sciences 367.1887 (2009): 277-296.

Eke, A., Herman, P., Kocsis, L., & Kozak, L. R. (2002). Fractal characterization of complexity in temporal physiological signals. Physiological measurement, 23(1), R1.

#### See Also

```
spectrum, lsp, Calculate PSD.
```

## **Examples**

 ${\tt ExtractTimeSegment}$ 

Time windows of HR record

## **Description**

Extracts a temporal subset between the times starttime and endtime.

```
ExtractTimeSegment(HRVData, starttime, endtime)
```

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# **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it. This

function calls Window to perform the extraction.

starttime The start time of the period of interest.
endtime The end time of the period of interest.

#### Details

If the *HRVData* contains episodes, beats or RR time series, these will be also extracted into the new HRV structure. On the other hand, all the analysis stored in the original structure will be lost.

#### Value

A new *HRVData* structure containing the temporal data within the specified range.

## Author(s)

Leandro Rodriguez-Linares

## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
data(HRVProcessedData)
# Rename for convenience
HRVData <- HRVProcessedData
PlotNIHR(HRVData)
newHRVData <- ExtractTimeSegment(HRVData, 2000, 4000)
PlotNIHR(newHRVData)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

FilterNIHR

Artefact filter based in an adaptive threshold

## Description

An algorithm that uses adaptive thresholds for rejecting those beats different from the given threshold more than a certain value. The rule for beat acceptation or rejection is to compare with previous, following and with the updated mean. We apply also a comparison with acceptable physiological values (default values 25 and 200 bpm).

```
FilterNIHR(HRVData, long=50, last=13, minbpm=25, maxbpm=200, mini=NULL,
maxi=NULL, fixed=NULL, verbose=NULL)
```

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## **Arguments**

HRVData	Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it
long	Number of beats to calculate the updated mean
last	Initial threshold
minbpm	Minimum physiologically acceptable value for HR
maxbpm	Maximum physiologically acceptable value for HR
mini	Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility
maxi	Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility
fixed	Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility
verbose	Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead

#### Value

Returns HRVData, the structure that contains beat positions register, associated heart rate instantaneous values also, and now filtered heart rate signal

## Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila

## References

X. Vila, F. Palacios, J. Presedo, M. Fernandez-Delgado, P. Felix, S. Barro, "Time-Frequency analysis of heart-rate variability," IEEE Eng. Med. Biol. Magazine 16, 119-125 (1997) L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

## **Description**

Creates new episodes, or annotated physiological events, from existing ones and stores them into the data structure containing the beat positions

```
GenerateEpisodes(HRVData, NewBegFrom, NewEndFrom, DispBeg, DispEnd,
OldTag = "", NewTag = "", verbose=NULL)
```

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## **Arguments**

HRVData	Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it
NewBegFrom	Source of new beginning of episodes ("Beg" for indicating the beginning as the beginning of the old episode, "End" for end)
NewEndFrom	Source of new end of episodes ("Beg" for indicating the end as the beginning of the old episode, "End" for end)
DispBeg	Absolute displacement from the beginning for new episodes in seconds
DispEnd	Absolute displacement from the end for new episodes in seconds
OldTag	Tag of old episodes
NewTag	Tag for new episodes (if empty, copies OldTag)
verbose	Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead

#### Value

Returns HRVData, the structure that contains beat positions register and new episodes information

### Note

```
##Example of arguments for creating episodes displaced one minute before old ones:

##NewBegFrom = "Beg", NewEndFrom = "End", DispBeg = -60,
DispEnd = -60

##Example of arguments for creating episodes just after previous ones of 1 minute length:

##NewBegFrom = "End", NewEndFrom = "End", DispBeg = 0,
DispEnd = 60
```

# Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila

#### References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

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getNormSpectralUnits Normalized Spectral Units

# Description

Calculates the spectrogram bands in normalized units

#### **Usage**

```
getNormSpectralUnits(HRVData,
  indexFreqAnalysis = length(HRVData$FreqAnalysis), VLFnormalization = T)
```

## **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it indexFreqAnalysis

Reference to the data structure that contains the spectrogram analysis

**VLFnormalization** 

Logical value. If TRUE (default), the function normalizes LF and HF power series by its sum. If FALSE, the function computes VLF, LF and HF power series by its sum.

## **Details**

The default behaviour of this function computes the normalized power time series in the LF and HF bands following the Task Force recommendations:

```
normalized\_LF = LF\_power/(total\_power - VLF\_power - ULF\_power) normalized\_HF = HF\_power/(total\_power - VLF\_power - ULF\_power)
```

If *VLFnormalization* is set to FALSE, the functions computes:

```
normalized\_VLF = VLF\_power/(total\_power - ULF\_power) normalized\_LF = LF\_power/(total\_power - ULF\_power) normalized\_HF = HF\_power/(total\_power - ULF\_power)
```

The resulting time series are returned in a list. Note that before using this function, the spectrogram should be computed with the *CalculatePowerBand* function.

## Value

The *getNormSpectralUnits* returns a list storing the resulting normalized power-band series. Note that this list is not stored in the *HRVData* structure.

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### References

Camm, A. J., et al. "Heart rate variability: standards of measurement, physiological interpretation and clinical use. Task Force of the European Society of Cardiology and the North American Society of Pacing and Electrophysiology." Circulation 93.5 (1996): 1043-1065.

## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
# load some data...
data(HRVProcessedData)
hd = HRVProcessedData
# Perform some spectral analysis and normalize the results
hd = CreateFreqAnalysis(hd)
hd = CalculatePowerBand(hd,indexFreqAnalysis = 1,shift=30,size=60)
normUnits = getNormSpectralUnits(hd)
# plot the normalized time series
par(mfrow=c(2,1))
plot(normUnits$Time, normUnits$LF, xlab="Time", ylab="normalized LF",
     main="normalized LF",type="1")
plot(normUnits$Time, normUnits$HF, xlab="Time", ylab="normalized HF",
    main="normalized HF", type="l")
par(mfrow=c(1,1))
## End(Not run)
```

HRVData

**HRVData** 

## Description

HRVData structure containing the occurrence times of the hearbeats of patient suffering from paraplegia and hypertension. The subject from whom the HR was obtained is a patient suffering from paraplegia and hypertension (systolic blood pressure above 200 mmHg). During the recording, he is supplied with prostaglandin E1 (a vasodilator that is rarely employed) and systolic blood pressure fell to 100 mmHg for over an hour. Then, the blood pressure was slowly recovering until 150 mmHg, more or less

### Usage

data(HRVData)

## Format

A HRVData structure containing the occurrence times of the heartbeats

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### **Description**

HRV data containing the heart rhythm of patient suffering from paraplegia and hypertension. The subject from whom the HR was obtained is a patient suffering from paraplegia and hypertension (systolic blood pressure above 200 mmHg). During the recording, he is supplied with prostaglandin E1 (a vasodilator that is rarely employed) and systolic blood pressure fell to 100 mmHg for over an hour. Then, the blood pressure was slowly recovering until 150 mmHg, more or less

## Usage

```
data(HRVProcessedData)
```

#### **Format**

A HRVData structure containing the interpolated and filtered HR series

### See Also

**HRVData** 

IntegralCorrelation
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# Description

WARNING: **deprecated** function. The Integral correlation is calculated for every vector of the m-dimensional space

## Usage

```
IntegralCorrelation(HRVData, Data, m, tau, r)
```

# Arguments

HRVData	Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it
Data	Portion of HRVData to be analyzed
m	Value of the dimension of the expansion of data
tau	Delay of the expansion of data
r	Distance for calculating correlation

## Value

Returns the value of the average of IntegralCorrelations

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## Note

This function is used in the CalculateApEn function, which is **deprecated**. We suggest the use of the CalculateSampleEntropy function instead of CalculateApEn.

# Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila

### References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

#### See Also

BuildTakensVector

InterpolateNIHR	Linear or Spline interpolator for build the sample heart rate signal

## **Description**

An algorithm to obtain a heart rate signal with equally spaced values at a certain sampling frequency

## Usage

```
InterpolateNIHR(HRVData, freqhr = 4, method = c("linear", "spline"), verbose=NULL)
```

# **Arguments**

HRVData	Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it
freqhr	Sampling frequency
method	"linear" interpolation or "spline" monotone interpolation
verbose	Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead

### Value

Returns HRVData, the structure that contains beat positions register, associated heart rate instantaneous values also, and filtered heart rate signal equally spaced

## Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila

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### References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

ListEpisodes

Episodes listing

# Description

Lists episodes included in a RHRV record

# Usage

```
ListEpisodes(HRVData, TimeHMS = FALSE)
```

## **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it

TimeHMS Boolean argument to print times in H:M:S format

## Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila

### References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

LoadApneaWFDB

Loads apnea episodes for WFDB record

## **Description**

Loads the information of apnea episodes and stores it into the data structure containing the beat positions and other related information

```
LoadApneaWFDB(HRVData, RecordName, RecordPath = ".", Tag = "APNEA",
verbose=NULL)
```

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## Arguments

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it

RecordName The WFDB file to be used

RecordPath The path of the WFDB file

To include APNEA episodes

verbose Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead

#### Value

Returns HRVData, the structure that contains beat positions register and other related information and apnea episodes information

### Note

An example including all the steps to download a record from Physionet and load its content and the Apnea annotations is included below:

```
dirorig <- "http://www.physionet.org/physiobank/database/apnea-ecg/" files <- c("a01.hea", "a01.apn", "a01.qrs") filesorig <- paste(dirorig, files, sep = "") for (i in 1:length(files)) download.file(filesorig[i], files[i]) hrv.data <- CreateHRVData() hrv.data <- LoadBeatWFDB(hrv.data, "a01") hrv.data <- LoadApneaWFDB(hrv.data, "a01")
```

## Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila

### References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

LoadBeat	Builds an array of beats positions from different type of files

## **Description**

Reads the specific file with data of beat positions and stores the values in a data structure

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### Usage

```
LoadBeat(fileType, HRVData, Recordname, RecordPath = ".", annotator = "qrs", scale = 1, datetime = "1/1/1900 0:0:0", annotationType = "QRS", verbose = NULL)
```

## **Arguments**

fileType The format of the file to be used: WFDB, Ascii, RR, Polar, Suunto, EDFPlus,

Ambit

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it

Recordname The file to be used
RecordPath The path of the file

annotator The extension of the file, only if we are working with a WFDB file

scale 1 if beat positions in seconds or 0.001 if beat positions in milliseconds, only if

we are working with a RR or an Ascii file

datetime Date and time (DD/MM/YYYY HH:MM:SS), only if we are working with a RR

or an Ascii file

annotationType The type of annotation wished, only if we are working with an EDF+ file verbose Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead

#### Value

Returns HRVData, the structure that contains beat positions register

## Author(s)

I. Garcia

### References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, L., A.J. Mendez, M.J. Lado, D.N. Olivieri, X.A. Vila, and I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103(1):39-50, july 2011.

LoadBeatAmbit Imports data from a record in Suunto Ambit XML format

## **Description**

Reads a Suunto Ambit XML file with data of beat positions and stores the values in a data structure

```
LoadBeatAmbit(HRVData, RecordName, RecordPath = ".", verbose = NULL)
```

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## Arguments

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it

RecordName The Suunto Ambit XML file to be read

RecordPath The path of the file

verbose Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead

### Value

Returns HRVData, the structure that contains beat positions register

### Author(s)

Matti Lassila

#### References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, X. Vila, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, "RHRV: An R-based software package for heart rate variability analysis of ECG recordings," 3rd Iberian Conference in Systems and Information Technologies (CISTI 2008), Proceedings I, 565-573, ISBN: 978-84-612-4476-8 (2008)

LoadBeatAscii Builds an array of beats positions from an ascii file

# Description

Reads an ascii file with data of beat positions and stores the values in a data structure. A segment of a file can be loaded making use of the "starttime" and "endtime" arguments.

## Usage

```
LoadBeatAscii(HRVData, RecordName, RecordPath=".", scale = 1, starttime=NULL, endtime=NULL, datetime = "1/1/1900 0:0:0", verbose = NULL)
```

## **Arguments**

HRVData	Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it

RecordName Ascii file containing the beats to be loaded

RecordPath The path of the file

scale 1 if beat positions in seconds or 0.001 if beat positions in milliseconds

starttime Beginning of the segment of file to load

endtime End of the segment of file to load

datetime Date and time (DD/MM/YYYY HH:MM:SS)

verbose Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead

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### Value

Loads beats positions into the structure that contains RHRV information. The file containing the heartbeats positions must be a single column file with no headers. Each line should denote the occurrence time of each heartbeat. An example of a valid file could be the following:

```
0
0.3280001
0.7159996
1.124
1.5
1.88
(...)
```

## Author(s)

A. Mendez, L. Rodriguez, A. Otero, C.A. Garcia, X. Vila, M. Lado

### References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, L., A.J. Mendez, M.J. Lado, D.N. Olivieri, X.A. Vila, and I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103(1):39-50, july 2011.

LoadBeatEDFPlus

Imports data from a record in EDF+ format

# **Description**

Basically, this algorithm reads the annotation file for the ECG register, and stores the information obtained in a data structure.

### Usage

```
LoadBeatEDFPlus(HRVData, RecordName, RecordPath = ".",
annotationType ="QRS", verbose = NULL)
```

# **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it

RecordName The EDF+ file to be used

RecordPath The path of the file

annotationType The type of annotation wished

verbose Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead

## Value

Returns HRVData, the structure that contains beat positions register

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### Author(s)

I. Garcia

#### References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, L., A.J. Mendez, M.J. Lado, D.N. Olivieri, X.A. Vila, and I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103(1):39-50, july 2011.

LoadBeatPolar

Imports data from a record in Polar format

## **Description**

Reads a Polar file with data of beat positions and stores the values in a data structure

### Usage

LoadBeatPolar(HRVData, RecordName, RecordPath=".", verbose = NULL)

### **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it

RecordName The Polar file to be used

RecordPath The path of the file

verbose Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead

## Value

Returns HRVData, the structure that contains beat positions register

### Author(s)

I. Garcia

#### References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

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LoadBeatRR	Builds an array of beats positions from an ascii file
LoadBeatRR	Builds an array of beats positions from an ascii file

# Description

Reads an ascii file containing RR values, i.e. distances between two successive beats.

# Usage

```
LoadBeatRR(HRVData, RecordName, RecordPath=".", scale = 1,
datetime = "1/1/1900 0:0:0", verbose = NULL)
```

# Arguments

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it

RecordName The Ascii file to be used

RecordPath The path of the file

scale 1 if beat positions in seconds or 0.001 if beat positions in milliseconds

datetime Date and time (DD/MM/YYYY HH:MM:SS)

verbose Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead

## Value

Returns HRVData, the structure that contains beat positions register

# Author(s)

I. Garcia

#### References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, L., A.J. Mendez, M.J. Lado, D.N. Olivieri, X.A. Vila, and I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103(1):39-50, july 2011.

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LoadBeatSuunto	Imports data from a record in Suunto format	

## **Description**

Reads a Suunto file with data of beat positions and stores the values in a data structure

## Usage

```
LoadBeatSuunto(HRVData, RecordName, RecordPath = ".", verbose = NULL)
```

## Arguments

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it

RecordName The Suunto file to be read

RecordPath The path of the file

verbose Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead

#### Value

Returns HRVData, the structure that contains beat positions register

# Author(s)

I. Garcia

## References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

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Loads beats positions from an R vector

# Description

Stores the beat positions from an R vector under the *HRVData* data structure.

```
LoadBeatVector(HRVData, beatPositions, scale = 1,
  datetime = "1/1/1900 0:0:0")
```

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## **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats recording and information related to it

beatPositions Numeric vector with the heartbeats occurrence's times since the beginning of

the recording. See scale parameter to specify the units

scale Numeric value identifying the temporal units in which the beat positions are

specified: 1 if beat positions is specified in seconds, 0.001 if beat positions in

milliseconds, etc.

datetime Date and time (DD/MM/YYYY HH:MM:SS) of the beginning of the recording

### Value

A HRVData structure containing the heartbeat positions from the beatPositions vector.

## **Examples**

LoadBeatWFDB

Imports data from a record in WFDB format

### **Description**

Basically, this algorithm reads the annotation file for the ECG register, and stores the information obtained in a data structure.

## Usage

```
LoadBeatWFDB(HRVData, RecordName, RecordPath = ".", annotator = "qrs",
verbose=NULL)
```

## **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it

RecordName The WFDB file to be used

RecordPath The path of the file annotator The extension of the file

verbose Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead

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### Value

Returns HRVData, the structure that contains beat positions register

### Author(s)

I. Garcia

#### References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

LoadEpisodesAscii

Loads episodes file

### **Description**

Loads the information of episodes, or annotated physiological events, and stores it into the data structure containing the beat positions

### Usage

```
LoadEpisodesAscii(HRVData, FileName, RecordPath=".", Tag="", InitTime="0:0:0", verbose=NULL, header = TRUE)
```

## **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it

FileName The episodes file to be used

RecordPath The path of the file
Tag Type of episode
InitTime Time (HH:MM:SS)

verbose Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead header Logical value. If TRUE, then the first line of the file is skipped. Default: TRUE.

#### Value

Returns HRVData, the structure that contains beat positions register and episodes information

## Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila

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#### References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

LoadHeaderWFDB

Imports header information from a record in wfdb format

## Description

Reads the header file for the ECG register, and stores the information obtained in a data structure

# Usage

LoadHeaderWFDB(HRVData, RecordName, RecordPath = ".", verbose=NULL)

### **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it

RecordName The ECG file to be used

RecordPath The path of the ECG file

verbose Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead

### Value

Returns Data, the structure that contains beat positions register and data extracted from header file

## Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila

## References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

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## **Description**

This function allow users to modify the parameters that define episodes: Tags, InitTimes, Durations and Values.

Episodes can be selected by Tags or Indexes (or both) and more than one episodes' characteristics can be modified within the same call.

When modifying more than one episode, vectors of new parameters are recycled.

After the modification has been made, duplicate episodes are removed and they are reordered by increasing InitTimes.

### Usage

```
ModifyEpisodes(HRVData, Tags=NULL, Indexes=NULL, NewInitTimes=NULL,
NewTags=NULL, NewDurations=NULL ,NewValues=NULL)
```

### **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it

Tags Vector containing types of episodes to remove

Indexes Vector containing indexes of episodes to remove (see ListEpisodes())

NewInitTimes Vector containing new init times in seconds
NewTags Vector containing new tags for episodes
NewDurations Vector containing new durations in seconds

NewValues Vector containing new numerical values for episodes

### Value

Returns HRVData, the structure that contains beat positions register and new episodes information

## Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila

### References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

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NonlinearityTests

Nonlinearity tests

## **Description**

Nonlinearity tests

#### Usage

```
NonlinearityTests(HRVData,
  indexNonLinearAnalysis = length(HRVData$NonLinearAnalysis))
```

## Arguments

HRVData Structure containing the RR time series.

indexNonLinearAnalysis

Reference to the data structure that will contain the nonlinear analysis

#### **Details**

This function runs a set of nonlinearity tests on the RR time series implemented in other R packages including:

- Teraesvirta's neural metwork test for nonlinearity (terasvirta.test).
- White neural metwork test for nonlinearity (white.test).
- Keenan's one-degree test for nonlinearity (Keenan.test).
- Perform the McLeod-Li test for conditional heteroscedascity (ARCH). (McLeod.Li.test).
- Perform the Tsay's test for quadratic nonlinearity in a time series. (Tsay.test).
- Perform the Likelihood ratio test for threshold nonlinearity. (tlrt).

#### Value

A *HRVData* structure containing a *NonlinearityTests* field storing the results of each of the tests. The *NonlinearityTests* list is stored under the *NonLinearAnalysis* structure.

NonLinearNoiseReduction

Nonlinear noise reduction

## **Description**

Function for denoising the RR time series using nonlinear analysis techniques.

#### Usage

```
NonLinearNoiseReduction(HRVData, embeddingDim = NULL, radius = NULL,
    ECGsamplingFreq = NULL)
```

## Arguments

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it

embeddingDim 
Integer denoting the dimension in which we shall embed the RR time series.

radius The radius used to looking for neighbours in the phase space (see details). If the

radius is not specified, a radius depending on the resolution of the RR time series is used. The resolution depends on the *ECGsamplingFreq* parameter. When selecting the radius it must be taken into account that the RR series is specified

in milliseconds.

ECGsamplingFreq

The sampling frequency of the ECG from which the RR time series was derived. Although it is not necessary, if it is provided it may improve the noise reduction. If the ECGsamplingFreq is not supplied, the sampling frequency is derived from the RR data.

#### **Details**

This function takes the RR time series and denoises it. The denoising is achieved by averaging each Takens' vector in an m-dimensional space with his neighbours (time lag=1). Each neighbourhood is specified with balls of a given radius (max norm is used).

#### Value

A HRVData structure containing the denoised RR time series.

## Note

This function is based on the nonLinearNoiseReduction function from the nonlinearTseries package.

#### References

H. Kantz and T. Schreiber: Nonlinear Time series Analysis (Cambridge university press)

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# See Also

 ${\tt nonLinearNoiseReduction}$ 

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# Description

Add episodic information to the current plot

# Usage

```
OverplotEpisodes(HRVData, Tags = NULL, Indexes = NULL, epColorPalette = NULL, eplim, lty = 2, markEpisodes = T, ymark, showEpLegend = T, epLegendCoords = NULL, Tag = NULL, ...)
```

# Arguments

HRVData	Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it.
Tags	List of tags to specify which episodes, as apnoea or oxygen desaturation, are included in the plot. <i>Tags</i> ="all" plots all episodes present in the data.
Indexes	List of indexes of episodes (see ListEpisodes) to specify which episodes are included in the plot. <i>Indexes</i> ="all" plots all episodes present in the data.
epColorPalette	Vector specifying the color of each of the episodes that will be plotted. The length of epColorPalette should be equal or greater than the number of different episodes to be plotted.
eplim	Two-component vector specifying the y-range (min,max) for the vertical lines limiting each episode.
lty	The line type for the vertical lines limiting each episode.
markEpisodes	Boolean specyfing if a horizontal mark should be included for each of the episodes.
ymark	Two-component vector specifying the y-range (min,max) for the horizontal marks. Only used if markEpisodes = TRUE.
showEpLegend	Boolean argument. If TRUE, a legend of the episodes is included.
epLegendCoords	Two-component vector specifiying the coordinates where the legend should be placed. By defaul, the legend is placed on top of the plot.
Tag	Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use Tags instead.
•••	Other graphical parameters for the vertical lines limiting each episode. See plot.default.

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### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
# Read file "a03" from the physionet apnea-ecg database
library(RHRV)
HRVData <- CreateHRVData()</pre>
HRVData <- LoadBeatWFDB(HRVData,RecordName="test_files/WFDB/a03")</pre>
HRVData <- LoadApneaWFDB(HRVData,RecordName="test_files/WFDB/a03")</pre>
# Add other type of episode for a more complete example (this episode does
# not have any physiological meaning)
HRVData <- AddEpisodes(HRVData,InitTimes=c(4500),Durations=c(1000),</pre>
                        Tags="Other", Values = 1)
HRVData <- BuildNIHR(HRVData)</pre>
HRVData <- FilterNIHR(HRVData)</pre>
HRVData <- InterpolateNIHR(HRVData)</pre>
PlotHR(HRVData)
OverplotEpisodes(HRVData,ymark=c(150,151),eplim=c(20,150))
# Change some default parameters
PlotHR(HRVData)
OverplotEpisodes(HRVData,ymark=c(150,151),eplim=c(20,150),
                  epLegendCoords=c(25000,150), lty=5,
                  epColorPalette=c("blue", "green"))
# Use episodic information with the spectrogram... In order to obtain a proper
# representation of the episodes we need to avoid the use of the spectrogram
# legend
sp <- PlotSpectrogram(HRVData, size=600, shift=60, freqRange=c(0,0.05),</pre>
                       showLegend=F);
OverplotEpisodes(HRVData, markEpisodes=T, ymark=c(0.04,0.0401),
                  eplim=c(0,0.04), Tags="APNEA",
                  epColorPalette = c("white"), lwd=3)
## End(Not run)
```

PlotHR

Simple plot of interpolated heart rate

### **Description**

Plots in a simple way the interpolated instantaneous heart rate signal.

```
PlotHR(HRVData, Tags = NULL, Indexes = NULL, main = "Interpolated instantaneous heart rate", xlab = "time (sec.)", ylab = "HR (beats/min.)", type = "l", ylim = NULL, Tag = NULL, verbose = NULL, ...)
```

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## **Arguments**

HRVData	Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it.
Tags	List of tags to specify which episodes, as apnoea or oxygen desaturation, are included in the plot. <i>Tags</i> ="all" plots all episodes present in the data.
Indexes	List of indexes of episodes (see ListEpisodes) to specify which episodes are included in the plot. <i>Indexes</i> ="all" plots all episodes present in the data.
main	A main title for the plot.
xlab	A label for the x axis.
ylab	a label for the y axis
type	1-character string giving the type of plot desired. See plot.default.
ylim	The y limits of the plot.
Tag	Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use Tags instead.
verbose	Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead
	Other graphical parameters. See plot.default.

## **Details**

**PlotHR** 

### Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila, C.A. Garcia

## References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, L., A.J. Mendez, M.J. Lado, D.N. Olivieri, X.A. Vila, and I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103(1):39-50, july 2011.

PlotNIHR	Simple plot of non-interpolated heart rate
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# Description

Plots in a simple way the non-interpolated instantaneous heart rate signal

```
PlotNIHR(HRVData, Tags = NULL, Indexes = NULL,
  main = "Non-interpolated instantaneous heart rate", xlab = "time (sec.)",
  ylab = "HR (beats/min.)", type = "l", ylim = NULL, Tag = NULL,
  verbose = NULL, ...)
```

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## **Arguments**

HRVData	Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it
Tags	List of tags to specify which episodes, as apnoea or oxygen desaturation, are included in the plot. <i>Tags</i> ="all" plots all episodes present in the data.
Indexes	List of indexes to specify which episodes (see ListEpisodes), are included in the plot. Indexes="all" plots all episodes present in the data.
main	A main title for the plot.
xlab	A label for the x axis.
ylab	a label for the y axis
type	1-character string giving the type of plot desired. See plot.default.
ylim	The y limits of the plot.
Tag	Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use Tags instead.
verbose	Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead
	Other graphical parameters. See plot.default.

## **Details**

**PlotNIHR** 

### Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila, C.A. Garcia

## References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, L., A.J. Mendez, M.J. Lado, D.N. Olivieri, X.A. Vila, and I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103(1):39-50, july 2011.

PlotPowerBand	Plots power determined by C	CalculatePowerBand function
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# Description

Plots the power of the heart rate signal at different bands of physiological interest.

```
PlotPowerBand(HRVData, indexFreqAnalysis = length(HRVData$FreqAnalysis),
  normalized = FALSE, hr = FALSE, ymax = NULL, ymaxratio = NULL,
  ymaxnorm = 1, Tags = NULL, Indexes = NULL, Tag = NULL,
  verbose = NULL)
```

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## **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it

indexFreqAnalysis

Numeric parameter used to reference a particular frequency analysis

normalized Plots normalized powers if TRUE hr Plots heart rate signal if TRUE

ymax Maximum value for y axis (unnormalized plots)

ymaxratio Maximum value for y axis in LF/HF band (normalized and unnormalized plots)

ymaxnorm Maximum value for y axis (normalized plots)

Tags List of tags to specify which episodes, as apnoea or oxygen desaturation, are

included in the plot. Tags = "all" plots all episodes present in the data.

Indexes List of indexes to specify which episodes (see ListEpisodes), are included in the

plot. Indexes = "all" plots all episodes present in the data.

Tag Deprecated argument, use Tags instead

verbose Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use setVerbose() instead

#### **Details**

PlotPowerBand

#### Note

See PlotSinglePowerBand for a more flexible function for plotting power bands.

### Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila

### References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, L., A.J. Mendez, M.J. Lado, D.N. Olivieri, X.A. Vila, and I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103(1):39-50, july 2011.

#### See Also

CalculatePowerBand for power calculation and PlotSinglePowerBand

## **Examples**

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Plot Spectral Density Estimation

## **Description**

Plot the PSD estimate of the RR time series distinguishing the different frequency bands with different colurs.

#### Usage

```
PlotPSD(HRVData, indexFreqAnalysis = length(HRVData$FreqAnalysis),
    ULFmin = 0, ULFmax = 0.03, VLFmin = 0.03, VLFmax = 0.05,
    LFmin = 0.05, LFmax = 0.15, HFmin = 0.15, HFmax = 0.4, log = "y",
    type = "l", xlab = "Frequency (Hz) ", ylab = "Spectrum", main = NULL,
    xlim = c(min(ULFmin, ULFmax, VLFmin, VLFmax, LFmin, LFmax, HFmin, HFmax),
    max(ULFmin, ULFmax, VLFmin, VLFmax, LFmin, LFmax, HFmin, HFmax)),
    ylim = NULL, addLegend = TRUE, addSigLevel = TRUE,
    usePalette = c("#000000", "#E69F00", "#56B4E9", "#009E73", "#F0E442"), ...)
```

### **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it. indexFreqAnalysis

An integer referencing the data structure that contains the PSD analysis.

ULFmin Lower limit ULF band used for distinguish the ULF band.
ULFmax Upper limit ULF band used for distinguish the ULF band.

VLFmin Lower limit VLF band.

VLFmax Upper limit VLF band.

LFmin Lower limit LF band.

LFmax Upper limit LF band.

HFmin Lower limit HF band.

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HFmax	Upper limit HF band.
log	a character string which contains "x" if the x axis is to be logarithmic, "y" if the y axis is to be logarithmic and "xy" or "yx" if both axes are to be logarithmic. Default: "y".
type	1-character string giving the type of plot desired. See plot.default.
xlab	a label for the x axis. See plot.default.
ylab	a label for the y axis. See plot.default.
main	a main title for the plot. See plot.default.
xlim	the x limits $(x1, x2)$ of the plot. See plot. default.
ylim	the y limits of the plot.
addLegend	add a simple legend? Default: True.
addSigLevel	Logical value (only used with the lomb method). If true an horizontal line limiting the significance level is included (Powers > sig.level can be considered significant peaks). See 1sp.
usePalette	A new palette of colors for plotting the frequency bands.
	graphical parameters. See plot.default.

### See Also

```
spectrum, lsp, CalculatePSD.
```

## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
data(HRVData)
HRVData=BuildNIHR(HRVData)
HRVData=FilterNIHR(HRVData)
# Frequency analysis requires interpolated data (except Lomb)
HRVData=InterpolateNIHR(HRVData)
# Create a different freqAnalysis for each method
HRVData=CreateFreqAnalysis(HRVData)
HRVData=CalculatePSD(HRVData,1,"pgram",doPlot = F)
HRVData=CalculatePSD(HRVData,2,"pgram",spans=9,doPlot = F)
HRVData=CreateFreqAnalysis(HRVData)
HRVData=CalculatePSD(HRVData,3,"ar",doPlot = F)
HRVData=CreateFreqAnalysis(HRVData)
HRVData=CalculatePSD(HRVData,4,"lomb",doPlot = F)
# Plot the results
layout(matrix(c(1,2,3,4), 2, 2, byrow = TRUE))
PlotPSD(HRVData,1)
PlotPSD(HRVData,2)
PlotPSD(HRVData, 3)
PlotPSD(HRVData,4)
## End(Not run)
```

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PlotSinglePowerBand	PlotSinglePowerBand
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## **Description**

Plots a concrete power band computed by the CalculatePowerBand function

## Usage

```
PlotSinglePowerBand(HRVData, indexFreqAnalysis = length(HRVData$FreqAnalysis),
 band = c("LF", "HF", "ULF", "VLF", "LF/HF"), normalized = FALSE,
 main = paste(band, "Power Band"), xlab = "Time",
 ylab = paste("Power in", band), type = "1", Tags = NULL,
  Indexes = NULL, eplim = NULL, epColorPalette = NULL,
 markEpisodes = TRUE, ymark = NULL, showEpLegend = TRUE,
  epLegendCoords = NULL, Tag = NULL, ...)
```

#### Arg

guments			
	HRVData	Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it	
	indexFreqAnalys	ndexFreqAnalysis	
		Numeric parameter used to reference a particular frequency analysis	
	band	The frequency band to be plotted. Allowd bands are "ULF", "VLF", "LF" (default), "HF" and "LF/HF") $$	
	normalized	Plots normalized powers if TRUE	
	main	A main title for the plot.	
	xlab	A label for the x axis.	
	ylab	A label for the y axis	
	type	1-character string giving the type of plot desired. See plot.default.	
	Tags	List of tags to specify which episodes, as apnoea or oxygen desaturation, are included in the plot. <i>Tags</i> ="all" plots all episodes present in the data.	
	Indexes	List of indexes of episodes (see ListEpisodes) to specify which episodes are included in the plot. <i>Indexes</i> ="all" plots all episodes present in the data.	

Two-component vector specifying the y-range (min,max) for the vertical lines eplim limiting each episode.

epColorPalette Vector specifying the color of each of the episodes that will be plotted. The

length of colorPalette should be equal or greater than the number of different

episodes to be plotted.

markEpisodes Boolean specyfing if a horizontal mark should be included for each of the episodes.

Two-component vector specifying the y-range (min,max) for the horizontal marks. ymark

Only used if markEpisodes = TRUE.

Boolean argument. If TRUE, a legend of the episodes is included. showEpLegend

epLegendCoords Two-component vector specifiying the coordinates where the legend should be placed. By defaul, the legend is placed on top of the plot. Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use Tags instead Tag Other graphical parameters for plotting the power band. See plot.default.

#### See Also

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CalculatePowerBand for power calculation

## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
# Read file "a03" from the physionet apnea-ecg database
library(RHRV)
HRVData <- CreateHRVData()</pre>
HRVData <- LoadBeatWFDB(HRVData,RecordName="test_files/WFDB/a03")</pre>
HRVData <- LoadApneaWFDB(HRVData,RecordName="test_files/WFDB/a03")</pre>
# Calculating heart rate signal:
HRVData <- BuildNIHR(HRVData)</pre>
# Filtering heart rate signal:
HRVData <- FilterNIHR(HRVData)</pre>
# Interpolating heart rate signal:
HRVData = InterpolateNIHR(HRVData)
HRVData = CreateFregAnalysis(HRVData)
HRVData = CalculatePowerBand(HRVData, indexFreqAnalysis = 1,
          size = 300, shift = 60, sizesp = 1024)
layout(matrix(1:4, nrow = 2))
PlotSinglePowerBand(HRVData, 1, "VLF", Tags = "APNEA", epColorPalette = "red",
                     epLegendCoords = c(2000,7500))
PlotSinglePowerBand(HRVData, 1, "LF", Tags = "APNEA", epColorPalette = "red",
                     eplim = c(0,6000),
                    markEpisodes = F, showEpLegend = FALSE)
PlotSinglePowerBand(HRVData, 1, "HF", Tags = "APNEA", epColorPalette = "red",
                     epLegendCoords = c(2000, 1700))
PlotSinglePowerBand(HRVData, 1, "LF/HF", Tags = "APNEA", epColorPalette = "red",
                     eplim = c(0,20),
                    markEpisodes = F, showEpLegend = FALSE)
# Reset layout
par(mfrow = c(1,1))
## End(Not run)
```

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PlotSpectrogram	Calculates and Plots spectrogram	
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# Description

Plots spectrogram of the heart rate signal as calculated by CalculateSpectrogram() function

## Usage

```
PlotSpectrogram(HRVData, size, shift, sizesp = NULL, freqRange = NULL,
    scale = "linear", verbose = NULL, showLegend = TRUE, Tags = NULL,
    Indexes = NULL, eplim = NULL, epColorPalette = NULL,
    markEpisodes = TRUE, ymark = NULL, showEpLegend = TRUE,
    epLegendCoords = NULL, main = "Spectrogram of the HR series",
    xlab = "Time (sec.)", ylab = "Frequency (Hz.)", ylim = freqRange,
    Tag = NULL, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

HRVData

TIINVData	Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it
size	Size of window for calculating spectrogram (seconds)
shift	Displacement of window for calculating spectrogram (seconds)
sizesp	Points for calculation (zero padding). If the user does not specify it, the function estimates a propper value.
freqRange	Vector with two components specifying the frequency range that the program should plot. If the user does not specify it, the function uses the whole frequency range. It is possible to specify the frequency range using the ylim parameter.
scale	Scale used to plot spectrogram, linear or logarithmic
verbose	Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead
showLegend	Logical argument. If true, a legend of the color map is shown (default is TRUE)
Tags	List of tags to specify which episodes, as apnoea or oxygen desaturation, are included in the plot. <i>Tags</i> ="all" plots all episodes present in the data.
Indexes	List of indexes of episodes (see ListEpisodes()) to specify which episodes are included in the plot. <i>Indexes</i> ="all" plots all episodes present in the data.
eplim	Two-component vector specifying the y-range (min,max) for the vertical lines limiting each episode.
epColorPalette	Vector specifying the color of each of the episodes that will be plotted. The length of colorPalette should be equal or greater than the number of different episodes to be plotted.
markEpisodes	Boolean specyfing if a horizontal mark should be included for each of the episodes.
ymark	Two-component vector specifying the y-range (min,max) for the horizontal marks. Only used if markEpisodes = TRUE.
showEpLegend	Boolean argument. If TRUE, a legend of the episodes is included.

Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it

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epLegendCoords	Two-component vector specifiying the coordinates where the legend should be placed. By defaul, the legend is placed on top of the plot.
main	A main title for the plot.
xlab	A label for the x axis.
ylab	A label for the y axis
ylim	Numeric vectors of length 2, giving the x and y coordinates range. If freqRange is specified, ylim is overwriten by it because of backward compatibility.
Tag	Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use Tags instead.
	Other graphical parameters. See filled.contour.

## **Details**

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#### Note

PlotSpectrogram with showLegend = TRUE uses the layout function and so is restricted to a full page display. Select showLegend = FALSE in order to use the layout function.

### Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila. C.A. Garcia

# References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

## See Also

CalculateSpectrogram for spectrogram calculation

## **Examples**

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```
# Filtering heart rate signal:
HRVData <- FilterNIHR(HRVData)</pre>
# Interpolating heart rate signal:
HRVData = InterpolateNIHR(HRVData)
# Calculating and Plotting Spectrogram
spctr <- PlotSpectrogram(HRVData, size = 120, shift = 10, sizesp = 1024,</pre>
         freqRange=c(0,0.14), color.palette = topo.colors)
spctr <- PlotSpectrogram(HRVData,size=120, shift=60, Tags="all",</pre>
                          ylim=c(0,0.1),
                          showLegend=T,
                          eplim = c(0, 0.06),
                          epColorPalette=c("skyblue", "white"),
                          showEpLegend = T,
                          epLegendCoords = c(15000, 0.08),
                          ymark=c(0.001,0.002))
## End(Not run)
```

PoincarePlot

Poincare Plot

#### **Description**

The Poincare plot is a graphical representation of the dependance between successive RR intervals obtained by plotting the  $RR_{j+\tau}$  as a function of  $RR_j$ . This dependance is often quantified by fitting an ellipse to the plot. In this way, two parameters are obtained:  $SD_1$  and  $SD_2$ .  $SD_1$  characterizes short-term variability whereas that  $SD_2$  characterizes long-term variability.

# Usage

```
PoincarePlot(HRVData,
  indexNonLinearAnalysis = length(HRVData$NonLinearAnalysis), timeLag = 1,
  confidenceEstimation = FALSE, confidence = 0.95, doPlot = FALSE,
  main = "Poincare plot", xlab = "RR[n]", ylab = paste0("RR[n+", timeLag,
  "]"), pch = 1, cex = 0.3, type = "p", xlim = NULL, ylim = NULL, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it indexNonLinearAnalysis

Reference to the data structure that will contain the nonlinear analysis

timeLag Integer denoting the number of time steps that will be use to construct the dependance relation:  $RR_{j+timeLag}$  as a function of  $RR_{j}$ .

confidenceEstimation

Logical value. If TRUE, the covariance matrix is used for fitting the ellipse and computing the  $SD_1$  and  $SD_2$  parameters (see details). Default: FALSE.

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confidence	The confidence used for plotting the confidence ellipse.
doPlot	Logical value. If TRUE (default), the PoincarePlot is shown.
main	An overall title for the Poincare plot.
xlab	A title for the x axis.
ylab	A title for the y axis.
pch	Plotting character (symbol to use).
cex	Character (or symbol) expansion.
type	What type of plot should be drawn. See plot.default.
xlim	x coordinates range. If not specified, a proper x range is selected.
ylim	y coordinates range. If not specified, a proper y range is selected.
	Additional parameters for the Poincare plot figure.

# **Details**

In the HRV literature, when timeLag = 1, the  $SD_1$  and  $SD_2$  parameters are computed using time domain measures. This is the default approach in this function if timeLag = 1. This function also allows the user to fit a ellipse by computing the covariance matrix of  $(RR_j, RR_{j+\tau})$  (by setting confidenceEstimation = TRUE). In most cases, both approaches yield similar results.

#### Value

A HRVData structure containing a PoincarePlot field storing the  $SD_1$  and  $SD_2$  parameters. The PoincarePlot field is stored under the NonLinearAnalysis list.

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
  data(HRVProcessedData)
  # rename for convenience
  hd = HRVProcessedData
  hd = CreateNonLinearAnalysis(hd)
  hd = PoincarePlot(hd, doPlot = T)
## End(Not run)
```

ReadFromFile

Reads data structure from file

# **Description**

Reads the data structure containing beat positions and all derived calculations from file

## Usage

```
ReadFromFile(name, verbose=FALSE)
```

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# **Arguments**

name The name of the file to be used (without the .hrv extension)

verbose Logical value that sets the verbose mode on or off

## Value

Returns the HRVData structure previously stored in the given file.

## Author(s)

```
M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila
```

#### References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

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# **Description**

Plot the recurrence matrix of the RR time series.

# Usage

```
RecurrencePlot(HRVData, numberPoints = 1000, embeddingDim = NULL,
  timeLag = NULL, radius = 1, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

numberPoints Number of points from the RR time series to be used in the RQA cor Default: 1000 heartbeats.	притатоп.
${\tt embeddingDim} \qquad {\tt Integer} \ {\tt denoting} \ {\tt the} \ {\tt dimension} \ {\tt in} \ {\tt which} \ {\tt we} \ {\tt shall} \ {\tt embed} \ {\tt time}$	series.
Integer denoting the number of time steps that will be use to construct ens' vectors.	et the Tak-
radius Maximum distance between two phase-space points to be considere rence.	d a recur-
Additional plotting parameters.	

# **Details**

WARNING: This function is computationally very expensive. Use with caution.

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# Note

This function is based on the recurrencePlot function from the nonlinearTseries package.

#### References

Zbilut, J. P. and C. L. Webber. Recurrence quantification analysis. Wiley Encyclopedia of Biomedical Engineering (2006).

#### See Also

recurrencePlot, RQA

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Remove episodes by indexes or tags

## **Description**

Removes episodes from the data. Episodes can be specified using indexes or tags

## Usage

```
RemoveEpisodes(HRVData, Tags = NULL, Indexes = NULL)
```

# Arguments

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it

Tags Vector containing types of episodes to remove

Indexes Vector containing indexes of episodes to remove (see ListEpisodes())

## Value

Returns HRVData, without the removed episodes

## Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila

## References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

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Recurrence Quantification Analysis (RQA)

# Description

The Recurrence Quantification Analysis (RQA) is an advanced technique for the nonlinear analysis that allows to quantify the number and duration of the recurrences in the phase space. This function computes the RQA of the RR time series.

# Usage

```
RQA(HRVData, indexNonLinearAnalysis = length(HRVData$NonLinearAnalysis),
numberPoints = NULL, embeddingDim = NULL, timeLag = NULL, radius = 1,
lmin = 2, vmin = 2, distanceToBorder = 2, doPlot = FALSE)
```

# **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it indexNonLinearAnalysis			
	Reference to the data structure that will contain the nonlinear analysis		
numberPoints	Number of points from the RR time series to be used in the RQA computation. If the number of points is not specified, the whole RR time series is used.		
embeddingDim	Integer denoting the dimension in which we shall embed the RR time series.		
timeLag	Integer denoting the number of time steps that will be use to construct the Takens' vectors.		
radius	Maximum distance between two phase-space points to be considered a recurrence.		
lmin	Minimal length of a diagonal line to be considered in the RQA. Default $lmin = 2$ .		
vmin	Minimal length of a vertical line to be considered in the RQA. Default $vmin = 2$ .		
distanceToBorder			
	In order to avoid border effects, the $distanceToBorder$ points near the border of the recurrence matrix are ignored when computing the RQA parameters. Default, $distanceToBorder = 2$ .		
doPlot	Logical. If TRUE, the recurrence plot is shown. However, plotting the recurrence matrix is computationally expensive. Use with caution.		

## Value

A HRVData structure that stores an *rqa* field under the NonLinearAnalysis list. The *rqa* field consist of a list with the most important RQA parameters:

- REC: Recurrence. Percentage of recurrence points in a Recurrence Plot.
- DET: Determinism. Percentage of recurrence points that form diagonal lines.

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- LAM: Percentage of recurrent points that form vertical lines.
- RATIO: Ratio between DET and RR.
- Lmax: Length of the longest diagonal line.
- Lmean: Mean length of the diagonal lines. The main diagonal is not taken into account.
- DIV: Inverse of Lmax.
- Vmax: Longest vertical line.
- *Vmean*: Average length of the vertical lines. This parameter is also referred to as the Trapping time.
- ENTR: Shannon entropy of the diagonal line lengths distribution
- TREND: Trend of the number of recurrent points depending on the distance to the main diagonal
- diagonalHistogram: Histogram of the length of the diagonals.
- recurrenceRate: Number of recurrent points depending on the distance to the main diagonal.

#### Note

This function is based on the rqa function from the nonlinearTseries package.

#### References

Zbilut, J. P. and C. L. Webber. Recurrence quantification analysis. Wiley Encyclopedia of Biomedical Engineering (2006).

## See Also

rqa, RecurrencePlot

SetVerbose	Sets verbose mode on or off	

# Description

Sets verbose mode on or off, verbose is a boolean component of the data structure HRVData that allows to specify if all the functions return additional information

## **Usage**

SetVerbose(HRVData, Verbose)

## **Arguments**

HRVData	Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it
Verbose	Boolean argument that allows to specify if the function returns additional infor-
	mation

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#### Value

Returns HRVData, the structure that will contain beat positions register, associated heart rate instantaneous values, filtered heart rate signal equally spaced, and one or more analysis structures

#### Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila

#### References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

SplitHRbyEpisodes

Splits Heart Rate Data using Episodes information

## **Description**

Splits Heart Rate Data in two parts using an specific episode type: data inside episodes and data outside episodes

## Usage

```
SplitHRbyEpisodes(HRVData, Tag = "", verbose=NULL)
```

## **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it

Tag Type of episode

verbose Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead

## Value

Returns a list with two vectors that is, the values of Heart Rate Data inside and outside episodes

#### Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila

#### References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

#### See Also

AnalyzeHRbyEpisodes for processing Heart Rate Data using an specific episode type

SplitPowerBandByEpisodes

Splits Power Per Band using Episodes information

# Description

Splits Power per Band in two lists using an specific episode type: data inside episodes and data outside episodes

# Usage

```
SplitPowerBandByEpisodes(HRVData, indexFreqAnalysis =
length(HRVData$FreqAnalysis), Tag = "",
verbose=NULL)
```

# **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it indexFreqAnalysis

Reference to the data structure that will contain the variability analysis

Tag Type of episode

verbose Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead

#### Value

Returns a list with two lists: InEpisodes and OutEpisodes, both lists include ULF, VLF, LF and HF bands

# Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila

## References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open sourcetool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

#### See Also

CalculatePowerBand for power calculation

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Surrogate data testing
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## **Description**

Surrogate data testing

# Usage

```
SurrogateTest(HRVData,
  indexNonLinearAnalysis = length(HRVData$NonLinearAnalysis),
  significance = 0.05, oneSided = FALSE, alternative = c("smaller",
  "larger"), K = 1, useFunction, xlab = "Values of the statistic",
  ylab = "", main = "Surrogate data testing on the RR intervals",
  doPlot = TRUE, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

HRVData Structure containing the RR time series.

indexNonLinearAnalysis

Reference to the data structure that will contain the nonlinear analysis

significance Significance of the test.

oneSided Logical value. If TRUE, the routine runs a one-side test. If FALSE, a two-side

test is applied (default).

alternative Specifies the concrete type of one-side test that should be performed: If the

the user wants to test if the statistic from the original data is smaller (*alternative="smaller"*) or larger (*alternative="larger"*) than the expected value under

the null hypothesis.

K Integer controlling the number of surrogates to be generated (see details).

useFunction The function that computes the discriminating statistic that shall be used for

testing.

xlab a title for the x axis. ylab a title for the y axis.

main an overall title for the plot.

doPlot Logical value. If TRUE, a graphical representation of the statistic value for both

surrogates and original data is shown.

... Additional arguments for the *useFunction* function.

## **Details**

This function tests the null hypothesis (H0) stating that the series is a gaussian linear process. The test is performed by generating several surrogate data according to H0 and comparing the values of a discriminating statistic between both original data and the surrogate data. If the value of the

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statistic is significantly different for the original series than for the surrogate set, the null hypothesis is rejected and nonlinearity assumed.

To test with a significance level of  $\alpha$  if the statistic from the original data is smaller than the expected value under the null hypothesis (a one-side test),  $K/\alpha-1$  surrogates are generated. The null hypothesis is then rejected if the statistic from the data has one of the K smallest values. For a two-sided test,  $2K/\alpha-1$  surrogates are generated. The null hypothesis is rejected if the statistic from the data gives one of the K smallest or largest values.

The surrogate data is generated by using a phase randomization procedure.

#### Value

A HRVData structure containing a SurrogateTest field storing the statistics computed for the set (surrogates.statistics field) and the RR time series (data.statistic field). The SurrogateTest list is stored under the NonLinearAnalysis structure.

## References

SCHREIBER, Thomas; SCHMITZ, Andreas. Surrogate time series. Physica D: Nonlinear Phenomena, 2000, vol. 142, no 3, p. 346-382.

# **Examples**

Window

Time windows of RR intervals

# Description

Extracts a temporal subset between the times start and end.

# Usage

```
Window(HRVData, start, end)
```

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# Arguments

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it.

start The start time of the period of interest.
end The end time of the period of interest.

#### **Details**

If the *HRVData* episodes, beats or RR time series, these will be also extracted into the new HRV structure. On the other hand, all the analysis stored in the original structure will be lost.

## Value

A new *HRVData* structure containing the subset of RR intervals within the specified range.

## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
data(HRVProcessedData)
# Rename for convenience
HRVData <- HRVProcessedData
PlotNIHR(HRVData)
newHRVData <- Window(HRVData,2000,4000)
PlotNIHR(newHRVData)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

WriteToFile

Writes data structure to a file

# Description

Writes the data structure containing beat positions and all derived calculations to a file

# Usage

```
WriteToFile(HRVData, name, overwrite = TRUE, verbose=NULL)
```

# **Arguments**

HRVData Data structure that stores the beats register and information related to it

name The name of the file to be used

overwrite Boolean argument for indicating what to do if the file already exists

verbose Deprecated argument maintained for compatibility, use SetVerbose() instead

# Author(s)

M. Lado, A. Mendez, D. Olivieri, L. Rodriguez, X. Vila

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# References

L. Rodriguez-Linares, A. Mendez, M. Lado, D. Olivieri, X. Vila, I. Gomez-Conde, "An open source tool for heart rate variability spectral analysis", Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine 103, 39-50, doi:10.1016/j.cmpb.2010.05.012 (2011)

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