

Package ‘sleepr’

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| bout_analysis | <i>Find "bouts" in categorical time series</i> |
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Description

This function is used to find contiguous regions of unique value in a – potentially irregular/heterogeneous – univariate categorical time series.

Usage

```
bout_analysis(var, data)
```

Arguments

| | |
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| var | name of the variable to use from data |
| data | data.table containing behavioural variable from one or multiple animals. When it has a key, unique values, are assumed to represent unique individuals (e.g. in a behavr table). Otherwise, it analysis the data as coming from a single animal. data must have a column t representing time. |

Value

an object of the same type as data (i.e. [data.table::data.table](#) or [behavr::behavr](#)). Each row is a specific bout characterised by three columns.

- t – its *onset*
- duration – its length
- <var> – a column with the same name as var. The value of var for this bout.

References

- The relevant [rethomic tutorial section](#) – on sleep analysis

See Also

- [sleep_annotation](#) – to generate a binary sleep variable
- [rle](#) run length encoding function – on which this analysis is based

Examples

```
# Bout analysis on binary variable:
dt <- toy_dam_data()
dt[, moving := activity > 0]
bdt <- bout_analysis(moving,dt)
print(bdt)
# With multiple states
dt <- toy_ethoscope_data()
# we discretise x position in three states: left, middle and right (1/3 each)
```

```
dt[, location := as.character( cut(x,
                                breaks = c(0.0, .33, .67, 1.0),
                                labels = c("left", "middle", "right")))]

bdt <- bout_analysis(location, dt)
```

curate_dead_animals *Remove – irrelevant – data after individual have died*

Description

This function detects when individuals have died base on their first (very) long bout of immobility. Following data (which may include spurious artefact of movement) are removed.

Usage

```
curate_dead_animals(data, moving_var = moving, time_window = hours(24),
  prop_immobile = 0.01, resolution = 24)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------------|---|
| data | data.table containing behavioural variable from or one multiple animals. When it has a key, unique values, are assumed to represent unique individuals (e.g. in a behavr table). Otherwise, it analysis the data as coming from a single animal. data must have a column t representing time. |
| moving_var | logical variable in data used to define the moving (alive) state (default is moving) |
| time_window | window during which to define death (default is one day) |
| prop_immobile | proportion of immobility that counts as "dead" during time_window (see details) |
| resolution | how much scanning windows overlap. Expressed as a factor (see details). |

Details

This function scans the time series looking for "death" in the right (future) data, within time_window. Death is defined as `mean(moving_var) < prop_immobile` within a time window. Moving window start every time_window/resolution. resolution = 1 is fast but means no overlap. The default would score an animal as dead it does not move more than *one percent of the time* for at least *one day*. All data following "death" are removed.

Value

an object of the same type as data (i.e. [data.table::data.table](#) or [behavr::behavr](#)).

References

- The relevant [rethomic tutorial section](#) – on high-resolution survival analysis

See Also

- [sleep_annotation](#) – to score movement and sleep

Examples

```
dt1 <- toy_activity_data()
#all movement after day 3 is set at 0
dt1[t > days(3), moving := FALSE]
# one artefact of movement is detected at day 3.5
dt1[t == days(3.5), moving := TRUE]

dt2 <- curate_dead_animals(dt1)
dt3 <- curate_dead_animals(dt1, prop_immobile = 0)
## Not run:
library(ggplot2)
ggplot(data=dt1[, test:=1], aes(t, as.numeric(moving))) +
  geom_line(data=dt1[, test:=1]) +
  geom_line(data=dt2[, test:=2]) +
  geom_line(data=dt3[, test:=3]) +
  facet_grid(test ~ .) +
  scale_x_time()

## End(Not run)
```

motion_detectors

Motion detector for Ethoscope data

Description

Defines whether a *single animal* is moving according to:

Usage

```
max_velocity_detector(data, time_window_length,
  velocity_correction_coef = 0.003, masking_duration = 6)

max_velocity_detector_legacy(data, velocity_threshold = 0.006)

virtual_beam_cross_detector(data, time_window_length)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------------------|--|
| data | data.table::data.table containing behavioural variables of <i>a single animal</i> (no id). It must have the columns xy_dist_log10x1000(for computing subpixel velocity), x(beam cross), t and has_interacted (whether a stimulus was delivered). |
| time_window_length | number of seconds to be used by the motion classifier. This corresponds to the sampling period of the output data. |

velocity_correction_coef
 an empirical coefficient to correct velocity with respect to variable framerate.

masking_duration
 number of second during which any movement is ignored (velocity is set to 0) after a stimulus is delivered (aka interaction).

velocity_threshold
 uncorrected velocity above which an animal is classified as ‘moving’ (for the legacy version).

Details

- Validated and corrected subpixel velocity ([max_velocity_detector](#)), the most rigorous
- Uncorrected subpixel velocity ([max_velocity_detector_legacy](#))
- Crossing a virtual beam in the middle of the region of interest ([virtual_beam_cross_detector](#))

[max_velocity_detector](#) is the default movement classification for real-time ethoscope experiments. It is benchmarked against human-generated ground truth.

These functions are *rarely called directly*, but typically used is in the context of [sleep_annotation](#).

Value

an object of the same type as data (i.e. [data.table::data.table](#) or [behavr::behavr](#)) with additional columns:

- moving Logical, TRUE iff. motion was detected.
- beam_crosses The number of beam crosses (when the animal crosses $x = 0.5$ – that is the midpoint of the region of interest) within the time window
- max_velocity The maximal velocity within the time window. The resulting data is sampled at a period equals to time_window_length.

See Also

- [sleep_annotation](#) – which requires a motion detector

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| sleep_annotation | <i>Score sleep behaviour from immobility</i> |
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Description

This function first uses a motion classifier to decide whether an animal is moving during a given time window. Then, it defines sleep as contiguous immobility for a minimal duration.

Usage

```
sleep_annotation(data, time_window_length = 10, min_time_immobile = 300,
  motion_detector_FUN = max_velocity_detector, ...)
```

```
sleep_dam_annotation(data, min_time_immobile = 300)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------------------|---|
| data | data.table containing behavioural variable from or one multiple animals. When it has a key, unique values, are assumed to represent unique individuals (e.g. in a behavr table). Otherwise, it analysis the data as coming from a single animal. data must have a column t representing time. |
| time_window_length | number of seconds to be used by the motion classifier. This corresponds to the sampling period of the output data. |
| min_time_immobile | Minimal duration (in s) of a sleep bout. Immobility bouts longer or equal to this value are considered as sleep. |
| motion_detector_FUN | function used to classify movement |
| ... | extra arguments to be passed to motion_classifier_FUN. |

Details

The default `time_window_length` is 300 seconds – it is also known as the "5 minute rule". `sleep_annotation` is typically used for ethoscope data, whilst `sleep_dam_annotation` only works on DAM2 data. These functions are *rarely used directly*, but rather passed as an argument to a data loading function, so that analysis can be performed on the go.

Value

a [behavr](#) table similar to data with additional variables/annotations (i.e. moving and asleep). The resulting data will only have one data point every `time_window_length` seconds.

References

- The relevant [rethomic tutorial section](#) – on sleep analysis

See Also

- [motion_detectors](#) – options for the `motion_detector_FUN` argument
- [bout_analysis](#) – to further analyse sleep bouts in terms of onset and length

Examples

```
dt_one_animal <- toy_ethoscope_data(seed=2)
##### Ethoscope, corrected velocity classification #####
sleep_dt <- sleep_annotation(dt_one_animal, masking_duration=0)
print(sleep_dt)
# We could make a sleep `barcode`
## Not run:
library(ggplot2)
ggplot(sleep_dt, aes(t,y="Animal 1",fill=asleep)) +
  geom_tile() + scale_x_time()

## End(Not run)
```

```
##### Ethoscope, virtual beam cross classification #####
sleep_dt2 <- sleep_annotation(dt_one_animal,
                             motion_detector_FUN=virtual_beam_cross_detector)

## Not run:
library(ggplot2)
ggplot(sleep_dt2, aes(t,y="Animal 1",fill=asleep)) +
  geom_tile() + scale_x_time()

## End(Not run)

##### DAM data, de facto beam cross classification #####
dt_one_animal <- toy_dam_data(seed=7)
sleep_dt <- sleep_dam_annotation(dt_one_animal)

## Not run:
library(ggplot2)
ggplot(sleep_dt, aes(t,y="Animal 1",fill=asleep)) +
  geom_tile() + scale_x_time()

## End(Not run)
```

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