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Description

Baranyi equation.

Usage

```
.baranyi.formula(N0, Nmax, mu, lambda, base = exp(1))
```

Arguments

N0 initial population.

Nmax final/maximum population.

mu growth rate. lambda latency time.

base the logarithm base used for plot y-scaling. By default, the natural logarithm is

used. Set NULL to not scale.

Details

The output result is by default in the form $ln(N_t/N0)$ (with N_t the population at time t). The base used can be modified by specifying the desired base in the base argument. For example, specifying base=10 corresponds to output in the form $log_{10}(N_t/N0)$. It is possible to specify base = NULL to retrieve the normal N_t output.

Value

a function taking as input x (the time) and outputting the value of the Baranyi equation.

```
f <- .baranyi.formula(0.1, 2, 0.2, 5)
f(4)
## [1] 0.3498583
f(20)
## [1] 2.344923</pre>
```

```
.checkMicrobialGrowthArgs
```

Check MicrobialGrowth arguments (regression function)

Description

Check the arguments passed to the regression function. Tests are generic for all models. For example, the same length for x and y, the type of the different arguments, the values inserted in start, lower and upper, etc. are tested

Usage

```
.checkMicrobialGrowthArgs(
    x,
    y,
    clip,
    start,
    lower,
    upper,
    nls.args,
    callbackError
)
```

Arguments

X	index series or time series.
у	values or list of values to regress (should not be logged).
clip	a pair of values indicating in which interval to clip the data y. When clip is missing, default values are used.
start	a named list of starting estimates. When start is missing, default values are used.
lower	a named list of lower bounds. When lower is missing, default values are used.
upper	a named list of upper bounds. When upper is missing, default values are used.
nls.args	additional parameters to use when calling nls.
callbackError	function to call on error during regression.

Details

During the check, the clip value is also updated. If the lower bound of clip is -Inf (default value), then this value is replaced by the smallest value greater than zero found in y.

Value

the modified clip value and raises an error if something is wrong.

.checkMicrobialGrowthCreateArgs

Check MicrobialGrowth arguments (create function)

Description

Check the arguments passed to the create function. Tests are generic for all models. For example, the type and value xlim, the values of N0, Nmax, etc. are tested.

Usage

```
.checkMicrobialGrowthCreateArgs(N0, Nmax, mu, lambda, xlim, n)
```

Arguments

N0 initial population.

Nmax final/maximum population.

mu growth rate. lambda latency time.

range of values to simulate x and y (and hence plotting, etc.)

n number of points to simulate in the interval xlim.

Value

raise an error if something is wrong.

Description

Function to check the integrity of a given model. Used only for development.

Usage

```
.checkModelIntegrity(model, verbose = TRUE)
```

Arguments

model the model to check.

verbose boolean indicating if the function is verbose, i.e. it indicates the different steps

that it validates. If FALSE, only warnings and errors will be reported.

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Value

No return value, called to check the integrity of a (new) model for the package (raises an error if the model is invalid).

Examples

```
# Auto-run on package build
models = listAvailableModels()
for (model in models) {
   .checkModelIntegrity(model)
}
```

 $. \verb"getDefaultNlsValues" \\ \textit{Default NLS values}$

Description

Gives default values for NLS regression from x and y values. The method of calculating default values differs depending on the amount of data available in y. Default values can be pre-set by providing them in the start, lower and upper arguments.

Usage

```
.getDefaultNlsValues(x, y, start = list(), lower = list(), upper = list())
```

Arguments

x	index series or time series.
У	values or list of values to regress (should not be logged, must be strictly greater than zero).
start	a named list of starting estimates. The coefficients specified in this list will not be calculated.
lower	a named list of lower bounds. The coefficients specified in this list will not be calculated.
upper	a named list of upper bounds. The coefficients specified in this list will not be calculated.

Details

default values are calculated as follows:

- start
 - N0: the minimum value of y
 - Nmax: the maximum value of y
 - mu:

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- * if length(y) <= THRESHOLD_FEW_DATA: the greatest slope between two contiguous points (on logged y values)
- * else: the linear regression on data positioned in the middle $\pm 25\%$ of the amplitude on logged y
- lambda: the highest value of x which is within the lowest 5% of amplitude of y
- lower
 - No: the smallest value greater than zero calculated with 1/.Machine\$double.xmax
 - Nmax: the mean value of y
 - mu: the amplitude on y divided by the amplitude on x
 - lambda:the minimum value of x
- upper
 - No: the mean value of y
 - Nmax: twice the max value of y
 - mu:
 - * if length(y) <= THRESHOLD_FEW_DATA: the amplitude on logged y divided by the smallest step between two contiguous x values
 - * else: the greatest slope between two contiguous points (on logged y values)
 - lambda: the maximum value of x

Note that it is possible, particularly when there is little data, that linear regression for start\$mu is not possible, hence the presence of condition with THRESHOLD_FEW_DATA.

Value

the default values of start, lower and upper for NLS regression.

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.gompertz.formula

Gompertz equation.

Description

Gompertz equation.

Usage

```
.gompertz.formula(N0, Nmax, mu, lambda, base = exp(1))
```

Arguments

N0 initial population.

Nmax final/maximum population.

mu growth rate.lambda latency time.

base the logarithm base used for plot y-scaling. By default, the natural logarithm is

used. Set NULL to not scale.

Details

The output result is by default in the form $ln(N_t/N0)$ (with N_t the population at time t). The base used can be modified by specifying the desired base in the base argument. For example, specifying base=10 corresponds to output in the form $log_{10}(N_t/N0)$. It is possible to specify base = NULL to retrieve the normal N_t output.

Value

a function taking as input x (the time) and outputting the value of the Gompertz equation.

```
f <- .gompertz.formula(0.1, 2, 0.2, 5)
f(4)
## [1] 0.1150952
f(20)
## [1] 2.505549</pre>
```

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.linear.formula

Linear equation.

Description

Linear equation.

Usage

```
.linear.formula(N0, Nmax, mu, lambda, base = NULL)
```

Arguments

NØ initial radius.

Nmax final/maximum radius.

mu growth rate.

lambda latency time.

base decimal base used for plot y-scaling.

Value

a function taking as input x (the time) and outputting the value of the linear equation.

Examples

```
f <- .linear.formula(0.1, 2, 0.2, 5)
f(4)
## [1] 0
f(20)
## [1] 3</pre>
```

.MicrobialGrowth.baranyi

Baranyi regression function

Description

Regression function for Baranyi's model

Usage

```
.MicrobialGrowth.baranyi(
    x,
    y,
    clip = c(-Inf, Inf),
    start = list(),
    lower = list(),
    upper = list(),
    nls.args = list(),
    callbackError = NULL
)
```

Arguments

x index series or time series.

y values or list of values to regress (should not be logged).

clip a pair of values indicating in which interval to clip the data y. When clip is

missing, default values are used.

start a named list of starting estimates. When start is missing, default values are

used.

lower a named list of lower bounds. When lower is missing, default values are used.

upper a named list of upper bounds. When upper is missing, default values are used.

nls.args additional parameters to use when calling nls. callbackError function to call on error during regression.

Details

The default values for clip, start, lower and upper are calculated based on the given data. These default values can be known through the call member of the returned value.

The nls.args argument is a list that can contain any nls function argument except formula, algorithm, start, lower and upper which are already fixed (via a homonymous or hard-coded argument).

For the callbackError argument, prefer the stop function to block or warning to not be blocking.

Value

a MicrobialGrowth-object composed of

the matched call with several components.

coefficients coefficients obtained by regression.

data used for regression, once the y values are clipped

f a list of functions such as formula to retrieve the function of the model with the

coefficients obtained by regression, confint to retrieve the confidence intervals,

etc.

isValid a boolean indicating whether the regression was successful or not.

message contains the error message if the regression fails, NULL otherwise.

reg the nls object returned by the nls function.

See Also

MicrobialGrowth, .baranyi.formula

.MicrobialGrowth.gompertz

Gompertz regression function

Description

Regression function for Gompertz's model

Usage

```
.MicrobialGrowth.gompertz(
    x,
    y,
    clip = c(-Inf, Inf),
    start = list(),
    lower = list(),
    upper = list(),
    nls.args = list(),
    callbackError = NULL
)
```

Arguments

х	index series or time series.
У	values or list of values to regress (should not be logged).
clip	a pair of values indicating in which interval to clip the data y. When clip is missing, default values are used.
start	a named list of starting estimates. When start is missing, default values are used.
lower	a named list of lower bounds. When lower is missing, default values are used.
upper	a named list of upper bounds. When upper is missing, default values are used.
nls.args	additional parameters to use when calling nls.
callbackError	function to call on error during regression.

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Details

The default values for clip, start, lower and upper are calculated based on the given data. These default values can be known through the call member of the returned value.

The nls.args argument is a list that can contain any nls function argument except formula, algorithm, start, lower and upper which are already fixed (via a homonymous or hard-coded argument).

For the callbackError argument, prefer the stop function to block or warning to not be blocking.

Value

a MicrobialGrowth-object composed of

the matched call with several components.

coefficients coefficients obtained by regression.

data used for regression, once the y values are clipped

f a list of functions such as formula to retrieve the function of the model with the

coefficients obtained by regression, confint to retrieve the confidence intervals,

etc.

isValid a boolean indicating whether the regression was successful or not. message contains the error message if the regression fails, NULL otherwise.

reg the nls object returned by the nls function.

See Also

MicrobialGrowth, .gompertz.formula

```
.MicrobialGrowth.linear
```

Linear regression function

Description

Regression function for Linear's model

Usage

```
.MicrobialGrowth.linear(
    X,
    y,
    clip = c(-Inf, Inf),
    start = list(),
    lower = list(),
    upper = list(),
    nls.args = list(),
    callbackError = NULL
)
```

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Arguments

x index series or time series.

y values or list of values to regress (should not be logged).

clip a pair of values indicating in which interval to clip the data y. When clip is

missing, default values are used.

start a named list of starting estimates. When start is missing, default values are

used.

lower a named list of lower bounds. When lower is missing, default values are used.

upper a named list of upper bounds. When upper is missing, default values are used.

nls.args additional parameters to use when calling nls.

callbackError function to call on error during regression.

Details

The default values for clip, start, lower and upper are calculated based on the given data. These default values can be known through the call member of the returned value.

The nls.args argument is a list that can contain any nls function argument except formula, algorithm, start, lower and upper which are already fixed (via a homonymous or hard-coded argument).

For the callbackError argument, prefer the stop function to block or warning to not be blocking.

Value

a MicrobialGrowth-object composed of

the matched call with several components.

coefficients coefficients obtained by regression.

data used for regression, once the y values are clipped

f a list of functions such as formula to retrieve the function of the model with the

coefficients obtained by regression, confint to retrieve the confidence intervals,

etc.

is Valid a boolean indicating whether the regression was successful or not.

message contains the error message if the regression fails, NULL otherwise.

reg the nls object returned by the nls function.

See Also

MicrobialGrowth, .linear.formula

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.MicrobialGrowth.rosso

Rosso regression function

Description

Regression function for Rosso's model

Usage

```
.MicrobialGrowth.rosso(
    x,
    y,
    clip = c(-Inf, Inf),
    start = list(),
    lower = list(),
    upper = list(),
    nls.args = list(),
    callbackError = NULL
)
```

Arguments

X	index series or time series.
У	values or list of values to regress (should not be logged).
clip	a pair of values indicating in which interval to clip the data y. When clip is missing, default values are used.
start	a named list of starting estimates. When start is missing, default values are used.
lower	a named list of lower bounds. When lower is missing, default values are used.
upper	a named list of upper bounds. When upper is missing, default values are used.
nls.args	additional parameters to use when calling nls.
callbackError	function to call on error during regression.

Details

The default values for clip, start, lower and upper are calculated based on the given data. These default values can be known through the call member of the returned value.

The nls.args argument is a list that can contain any nls function argument except formula, algorithm, start, lower and upper which are already fixed (via a homonymous or hard-coded argument).

For the callbackError argument, prefer the stop function to block or warning to not be blocking.

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Value

a MicrobialGrowth-object composed of

the matched call with several components.

coefficients coefficients obtained by regression.

data used for regression, once the y values are clipped

f a list of functions such as formula to retrieve the function of the model with the

coefficients obtained by regression, confint to retrieve the confidence intervals,

etc.

isValid a boolean indicating whether the regression was successful or not.

message contains the error message if the regression fails, NULL otherwise.

reg the nls object returned by the nls function.

See Also

MicrobialGrowth, .rosso.formula

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Baranyi object

Description

A MicrobialGrowth object specialized for the baranyi model. Most of the methods are pre-implemented (some of these can be overwritten for a specific regression/create function). Must be completed for data, isValid (regression successful), etc.

Usage

```
.new.baranyi.core(...)
```

Arguments

... further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Details

the three dots ... are passed to the .new.MicrobialGrowth.core function.

Value

a Baranyi object skeleton.

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Examples

```
# First, create the skeleton.
model.object = .new.baranyi.core()
# Then complete with data, functions, etc.
model.object$data$x = c(1,2,3)
model.object$data$y = c(1,2,3)
model.object$coefficients = list(N0 = 0, Nmax=0, mu=0, lambda=0)
# You can print, plot, etc., with the generic functions of MicrobialGrowth.
print(model.object)
##MicrobialGrowth, model specialized.model:
     N0 Nmax
                   mu lambda
                    0
      0 0
plot(model.object)
# Don't forget to change `isValid` to TRUE to confirm the success of the regression.
model.object$isValid = TRUE # Not a good idea here, since we have no `reg` value.
```

.new.gompertz.core

Gompertz object

Description

A MicrobialGrowth object specialized for the gompertz model. Most of the methods are preimplemented (some of these can be overwritten for a specific regression/create function). Must be completed for data, isValid (regression successful), etc.

Usage

```
.new.gompertz.core(...)
```

Arguments

... further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Details

the three dots . . . are passed to the .new.MicrobialGrowth.core function.

Value

a Gompertz object skeleton.

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Examples

```
# First, create the skeleton.
model.object = .new.gompertz.core()
# Then complete with data, functions, etc.
model.object$data$x = c(1,2,3)
model.object$data$y = c(1,2,3)
model.object$coefficients = list(N0 = 0, Nmax=0, mu=0, lambda=0)
# You can print, plot, etc., with the generic functions of MicrobialGrowth.
print(model.object)
##MicrobialGrowth, model specialized.model:
     N0 Nmax
                   mu lambda
                    0
      0
          0
plot(model.object)
# Don't forget to change `isValid` to TRUE to confirm the success of the regression.
model.object$isValid = TRUE # Not a good idea here, since we have no `reg` value.
```

.new.linear.core

Linear object

Description

A MicrobialGrowth object specialized for the linear model. Most of the methods are pre-implemented (some of these can be overwritten for a specific regression/create function). Must be completed for data, isValid (regression successful), etc.

Usage

```
.new.linear.core(...)
```

Arguments

. . . further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Details

the three dots . . . are passed to the .new.MicrobialGrowth.core function.

Value

a linear object skeleton.

Examples

```
# First, create the skeleton.
 model.object = .new.linear.core()
 # Then complete with data, functions, etc.
 model.object$data$x = c(1,2,3)
 model.object$data$y = c(1,2,3)
 model.object$coefficients = list(N0 = 0, Nmax=0, mu=0, lambda=0)
 # You can print, plot, etc., with the generic functions of MicrobialGrowth.
 print(model.object)
 ##MicrobialGrowth, model specialized.model:
      N0 Nmax
                    mu lambda
 ##
       0
           0
                     0
 plot(model.object)
 # Don't forget to change `isValid` to TRUE to confirm the success of the regression.
 model.object$isValid = TRUE # Not a good idea here, since we have no `reg` value.
.new.MicrobialGrowth.core
```

Description

Provide the skeleton of the MicrobialGrowth object. Must be completed for each model.

MicrobialGrowth object

Usage

```
.new.MicrobialGrowth.core(...)
```

Arguments

... further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Details

the three dots . . . are passed to new.env function.

Value

a MicrobialGrowth object skeleton.

.new.rosso.core

Examples

```
# First, create the skeleton.
model.object = .new.MicrobialGrowth.core()
# Then complete with data, functions, etc.
model.object$data$x = c(1,2,3)
model.object$data$y = c(1,2,3)
model.object$coefficients = list(N0 = 0, Nmax=0, mu=0, lambda=0)
model.object$f$formula = function(x){ return(x) }
model.object fsconfint.lower = function(x) \{ return(x - 1) \}
model.object fsconfint.upper = function(x) \{ return(x + 1) \}
# Specialize the object by adding a class name at first position.
class(model.object) = c("specialized.model", class(model.object))
# You can print, plot, etc., with the generic functions of MicrobialGrowth.
print(model.object)
##MicrobialGrowth, model specialized.model:
     N0 Nmax
                    mu lambda
                     0
##
      0
           0
plot(model.object)
# Don't forget to change `isValid` to TRUE to confirm the success of the regression.
model.object$isValid = TRUE # Not a good idea here, since we have no `reg` value.
```

.new.rosso.core

Rosso object

Description

A MicrobialGrowth object specialized for the rosso model. Most of the methods are pre-implemented (some of these can be overwritten for a specific regression/create function). Must be completed for data, isValid (regression successful), etc.

Usage

```
.new.rosso.core(...)
```

Arguments

... further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Details

the three dots . . . are passed to the .new.MicrobialGrowth.core function.

Value

a Rosso object skeleton.

Examples

```
# First, create the skeleton.
 model.object = .new.rosso.core()
 # Then complete with data, functions, etc.
 model.object$data$x = c(1,2,3)
 model.object$data$y = c(1,2,3)
 model.object$coefficients = list(N0 = 0, Nmax=0, mu=0, lambda=0)
 # You can print, plot, etc., with the generic functions of MicrobialGrowth.
 print(model.object)
 ##MicrobialGrowth, model specialized.model:
       N0 Nmax
                   mu lambda
 ##
        0
                      0
               0
 plot(model.object)
 # Don't forget to change `isValid` to TRUE to confirm the success of the regression.
 model.object$isValid = TRUE # Not a good idea here, since we have no `reg` value.
.parseMicrobialGrowthCreateArgs
                         Coefficient argument parser (create function)
```

Description

Parses the coefficients passed to the create function to obtain 3 values: one for the main curve and two for the confint curves. These values are sorted.

Usage

```
.parseMicrobialGrowthCreateArgs(x)
```

Arguments

x value(s) for a given coefficient.

Value

the 3 ordered values for the given coefficient.

```
.parseMicrobialGrowthCreateArgs(1)
## [1] 1 1 1
.parseMicrobialGrowthCreateArgs(c(1,2))
## [1] 1.0 1.5 2.0
.parseMicrobialGrowthCreateArgs(c(1,2,3))
```

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```
## [1] 1 2 3
.parseMicrobialGrowthCreateArgs(c(3,1,2))
## [1] 1 2 3
```

.rosso.formula

Rosso equation.

Description

Rosso equation.

Usage

```
.rosso.formula(N0, Nmax, mu, lambda, base = exp(1))
```

Arguments

N0 initial population.

Nmax final/maximum population.

mu growth rate.

lambda latency time.

base the logarithm base used for plot y-scaling. By default, the natural logarithm is

used. Set NULL to not scale.

Details

The output result is by default in the form $ln(N_t/N0)$ (with N_t the population at time t). The base used can be modified by specifying the desired base in the base argument. For example, specifying base=10 corresponds to output in the form $log_{10}(N_t/N0)$. It is possible to specify base = NULL to retrieve the normal N_t output.

Value

a function taking as input x (the time) and outputting the value of the Rosso equation.

```
f <- .rosso.formula(0.1, 2, 0.2, 5)
f(4)
## [1] 0
f(20)
## [1] 2.32998</pre>
```

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Description

Modeling of an acid with alpha its sensitivity and MIC its minimum inhibition concentration. The default concentration is 1g/L.

Usage

```
Acid(alpha, MIC, concentration = 1)
```

Arguments

alpha sensitivity.

MIC concentration minimale d'inhibition.

concentration acid concentration (in g/L).

Details

The arguments alpha and MIC can be given as one to three values.

A single value means that getCoefMin, getCoefMid and getCoefMax will return the same coefficient.

Two values symbolize some sort of uncertainty about alpha and/or MIC. The functions getCoefMin and getCoefMax will use the pair (alpha, MIC) which respectively minimizes and maximizes the coefficients. The getCoefMid function will return a coefficient based on the average of the values entered.

Three values act as for two values except that for the function getCoefMid will use this third value (middle value) for the calculation of the coefficient.

Please note, entering several values acts as a pool of available values, and not as pairs (alpha, MIC). For example, the getCoefMin function will use the minimum value alpha and the minimum value MIC. If you wish to specify pairs (alpha, MIC), see Acid.SpecificPair which will determine, for example for getCoefMin, the pair (alpha, MIC) minimizing the coefficient.

Value

the acid modeled with the following accessible attributes:

alpha the alpha value or list of values.

MIC the MIC value or list of values.

concentration the acid concentration (in g/L).

getCoefMin function returning the minimum coefficient to apply to a MicrobialGrowth-object

(see details section).

getCoefMid function returning the "middle" coefficient to apply to a MicrobialGrowth-object

(see details section).

getCoefMax function returning the maximum coefficient to apply to a MicrobialGrowth-

object (see details section).

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See Also

Acid.SpecificPair

Examples

```
# Classic instantiation
aceticAcid <- Acid(1.245, 5.47)
print(aceticAcid)
## acid {alpha=1.245, MIC=5.47g/L, concentration=1g/L}
# Classic instantiation by specifying a concentration
print( Acid(1.245, 5.47, 3) )
## acid {alpha=1.245, MIC=5.47g/L, concentration=3g/L}
# Instantiation with multiple `alpha` and `MIC` values (see details section)
print( Acid(c(0.98, 1.1, 1.51), c(5.26, 5.68)) )
## acid {alpha=[0.98, 1.1, 1.51], MIC=[5.26, 5.68]g/L, concentration=1g/L}
# Generic operators (`+`, `*`, etc.) can change the `concentration` of the acid.
print(aceticAcid / 2)
## acid {alpha=1.245, MIC=5.47g/L, concentration=0.5g/L}
print(aceticAcid + 2)
## acid {alpha=1.245, MIC=5.47g/L, concentration=3g/L}
# Without having to pre-define specific concentrations, and with the default `concentration` (1g/L),
# you can dynamically change the acid concentration as follows:
for (concentration in c(0.5, 1, 5, 10)) {
 print(concentration * aceticAcid)
}
## acid {alpha=1.245, MIC=5.47g/L, concentration=0.5g/L}
## acid {alpha=1.245, MIC=5.47g/L, concentration=1g/L}
## acid {alpha=1.245, MIC=5.47g/L, concentration=5g/L}
## acid {alpha=1.245, MIC=5.47g/L, concentration=10g/L}
try({
 # Acid can be applied to a MicrobilogicalGrowth-object with the `+` addition operator.
 # Note that the acid should be on the right side, otherwise an error is raised.
 MyMicrobialGrowthObject + aceticAcid
 ## returns the MicrobialGrowth-object affected by the acid (several acids can be applied)
})
```

Acid. SpecificPair Acid - specific pair (alpha, MIC)

Description

Modeling of an acid with alpha its sensitivity and MIC its minimum inhibition concentration. The default concentration is 1g/L.

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Usage

```
Acid.SpecificPair(pairs, concentration = 1)
```

Arguments

pairs list of pairs (alpha, MIC). concentration acid concentration (in g/L).

Details

The pairs argument can be given as one to three pairs.

A single pair means that getCoefMin, getCoefMid and getCoefMax will return the same coefficient.

Two pairs means that one of them will be used for getCoefMin and the other for getCoefMax. The getCoefMid function will use an average value of the two pairs.

Three pairs acts like two pairs except that the getCoefMid function will use this third pair (middle value) to calculate the coefficient. Note that the pair (alpha, MIC) used by getCoefMid neither minimizes nor maximizes the coefficient (in other words, it is the pair which is neither used in getCoefMin nor in getCoefMax).

Please note that if you do not want to use specific pairs but ranges of values for alpha and/or MIC, use the parent function Acid.

Value

the acid modeled with the following accessible attributes:

pairs list of pairs (alpha, MIC).

concentration the acid concentration (in g/L).

getCoefMin function returning the minimum coefficient to apply to a MicrobialGrowth-object

(see details section).

getCoefMid function returning the "middle" coefficient to apply to a MicrobialGrowth-object

(see details section).

getCoefMax function returning the maximum coefficient to apply to a MicrobialGrowth-

object (see details section).

See Also

Acid

```
# Classic instantiation
print(Acid.SpecificPair(list(c(1.245, 5.47))))
## acid {{alpha=1.245, MIC=5.47g/L}, concentration=1g/L}
# Classic instantiation by specifying a concentration
print(Acid.SpecificPair(list(c(1.245, 5.47)), 3))
```

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```
## acid {{alpha=1.245, MIC=5.47g/L}, concentration=3g/L}
# Instantiation with multiple couples (`alpha`, `MIC`) (see details section)
aceticAcid <- Acid.SpecificPair(list(c(0.98,5.68),c(1.51,5.26)))</pre>
print(aceticAcid)
## acid {{alpha=0.98, MIC=5.68g/L},
         {alpha=1.51, MIC=5.26g/L}, concentration=1g/L}
# Generic operators (`+`, `*`, etc.) can change the `concentration` of the acid.
print(aceticAcid / 2)
## acid {{alpha=0.98, MIC=5.68g/L},
         {alpha=1.51, MIC=5.26g/L}, concentration=0.5g/L}
print(aceticAcid + 2)
## acid {{alpha=0.98, MIC=5.68g/L},
         {alpha=1.51, MIC=5.26g/L}, concentration=3g/L}
# Without having to pre-define specific concentrations, and with the default `concentration` (1g/L),
# you can dynamically change the acid concentration as follows:
for (concentration in c(0.5, 1, 5, 10)) {
 print(concentration * aceticAcid)
}
## acid {{alpha=0.98, MIC=5.68g/L},
         {alpha=1.51, MIC=5.26g/L}, concentration=0.5g/L}
##
## acid {{alpha=0.98, MIC=5.68g/L},
         {alpha=1.51, MIC=5.26g/L}, concentration=1g/L}
##
## acid {{alpha=0.98, MIC=5.68g/L},
         {alpha=1.51, MIC=5.26g/L}, concentration=5g/L}
## acid {{alpha=0.98, MIC=5.68g/L},
##
         {alpha=1.51, MIC=5.26g/L}, concentration=10g/L}
try({
 # Acid can be applied to a MicrobilogicalGrowth-object with the `+` addition operator.
 # Note that the acid should be on the right side, otherwise an error is raised.
 MyMicrobialGrowthObject + aceticAcid
 ## returns the MicrobialGrowth-object affected by the acid (several acids can be applied)
})
```

baranyi.create

Baranyi create function

Description

Baranyi-object creator from the 4 biological meaning parameters.

Usage

```
baranyi.create(N0, Nmax, mu, lambda, xlim, n = 101)
```

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Arguments

N0 initial population.

Nmax final/maximum population.

mu growth rate.

lambda latency time.

xlim range of values to simulate x and y (and hence plotting, etc.)

n number of points to simulate in the interval xlim.

Value

a Baranyi-object composed of

the matched call with several components.

coefficients coefficients obtained by regression.

data used for regression, once the y values are clipped

f a list of functions such as formula to retrieve the function of the model with the

coefficients obtained by regression, confint to retrieve the confidence intervals,

etc.

is Valid a boolean indicating whether the regression was successful or not.

message always with this method.
reg always with this method.

See Also

MicrobialGrowth.create

Description

TODO: Describe them (origine, type, etc.)

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getCreateFunctionName

getCreateFunctionName Create function name getter

Description

Returns the name of the creation function associated with the model.

Usage

```
getCreateFunctionName(model)
```

Arguments

mode1

the model name.

Value

the string corresponding to the creation function of the model. Warning, this function does not check the existence of the corresponding function.

Examples

```
getCreateFunctionName("gompertz")
## [1] "gompertz.create"

# Note that this does not verify the existence
getCreateFunctionName("NonExistentFunction")
## [1] "NonExistentFunction.create"
```

getFormula

Formula getter

Description

Returns the formula associated with the specified model.

Usage

```
getFormula(model)
```

Arguments

model

the model name.

Value

the function corresponding to the formula of the model.

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Examples

```
f <- getFormula("gompertz")
# We need to set the parameters (N0, ..., lambda)
f2 <- f(0.1, 2, 0.2, 5)
# And we can then use the function "f(x)" with x the time
f2(4)
## [1] 0.1150952
# The same, more direct
F <- getFormula("gompertz")(0.1, 2, 0.2, 5)
F(4)
## [1] 0.1150952</pre>
```

getFunctionName

Regression function name getter

Description

Returns the name of the regression function associated with the model.

Usage

```
getFunctionName(model)
```

Arguments

model

the model name.

Value

the string corresponding to the regression function of the model. Warning, this function does not check the existence of the corresponding function.

```
getFunctionName("gompertz")
## [1] ".MicrobialGrowth.gompertz"

# Note that this does not verify the existence
getFunctionName("NonExistentFunction")
## [1] ".MicrobialGrowth.NonExistentFunction"
```

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getModelName

Model name getter

Description

Returns the name of the model used.

Usage

```
getModelName(x)
```

Arguments

Х

a MicrobialGrowth-object

Details

scans the classes of the object which must correspond on the one hand to the generic class "MicrobialGrowth" and on the other hand to the class-model. It is this second that is returned.

Value

the name of the model used.

Examples

```
g <- MicrobialGrowth(example_data$time, example_data$y1, model="gompertz")
getModelName(g)
## [1] "gompertz"</pre>
```

gompertz.create

Gompertz create function

Description

Gompertz-object creator from the 4 biological meaning parameters.

Usage

```
gompertz.create(N0, Nmax, mu, lambda, xlim, n = 101)
```

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Arguments

N0 initial population.

Nmax final/maximum population.

mu growth rate. lambda latency time.

xlim range of values to simulate x and y (and hence plotting, etc.)

n number of points to simulate in the interval xlim.

Value

a Gompertz-object composed of

the matched call with several components.

coefficients coefficients obtained by regression.

data used for regression, once the y values are clipped

f a list of functions such as formula to retrieve the function of the model with the

coefficients obtained by regression, confint to retrieve the confidence intervals,

etc.

is Valid a boolean indicating whether the regression was successful or not.

message always with this method.
reg always with this method.

See Also

MicrobialGrowth.create

gompertz.explain Graphical Example of Modified Gompertz Equation.

Description

Graphical Example of Modified Gompertz Equation.

Usage

```
gompertz.explain(
  N0 = 0.14,
  Nmax = 1.43,
  mu = 0.07,
  lambda = 40,
  xlim = c(0, 100)
)
```

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Arguments

N0 initial population.

Nmax final/maximum population.

mu growth rate. lambda latency time.

xlim range of values to simulate x and y.

Value

No return value, called to plot a MicrobialGrowth object with the Gompertz model to illustrate the different coefficients.

Examples

```
gompertz.explain()
gompertz.explain(0.15, 2, 0.1, 40, c(0,100))
```

is.acid

Acid class

Description

Test if a variable is an Acid-object.

Usage

```
is.acid(x)
```

Arguments

Χ

variable to test.

Value

TRUE if the object is of class acid.

```
# TRUE return
is.acid( Acid(1.245, 5.47, 3) )
is.acid( Acid(c(0.98, 1.1, 1.51), c(5.26, 5.68)) )
# Acid.SpecificPair-objects are also Acid-objects
is.acid( Acid.SpecificPair(list(c(0.98, 5.68), c(1.51, 5.26))) )
# FALSE return
is.acid(1)
is.acid( list(Acid(1.245, 5.47, 3), Acid(1.245, 5.47, 3)) )
```

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```
is.acid.specific.pair Acid.SpecificPair class
```

Description

Test if a variable is an Acid.SpecificPair-object.

Usage

```
is.acid.specific.pair(x)
```

Arguments

Х

variable to test.

Value

TRUE if the object is of class acid. specific.pair.

Examples

```
# TRUE return
is.acid.specific.pair( Acid.SpecificPair(list(c(0.98, 5.68), c(1.51, 5.26))) )
# FALSE return
is.acid.specific.pair(1)
is.acid.specific.pair( Acid(1.245, 5.47, 3) )
is.acid.specific.pair( list(Acid(1.245, 5.47, 3), Acid(1.245, 5.47, 3)) )
```

is.baranyi

Baranyi class

Description

Test if a variable or variable list is/are baranyi-object(s).

Usage

```
is.baranyi(x)
```

Arguments

Х

variable or list.

Value

TRUE if the object or all objects are of class baranyi.

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Examples

is.gompertz

Gompertz class

Description

Test if a variable or variable list is/are gompertz-object(s).

Usage

```
is.gompertz(x)
```

Arguments

Х

variable or list.

Value

TRUE if the object or all objects are of class gompertz.

is.linear

```
is.gompertz(c(g1, g2, 1))
is.gompertz(list(g1, g2, 1))
```

is.linear

Linear class

Description

Test if a variable or variable list is/are linear-object(s).

Usage

```
is.linear(x)
```

Arguments

Х

variable or list.

Value

TRUE if the object or all objects are of class linear.

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is.MicrobialGrowth

MicrobialGrowth class

Description

Test if a variable or variable list is/are MicrobialGrowth-object(s).

Usage

```
is.MicrobialGrowth(x)
```

Arguments

Х

variable or list.

Value

TRUE if the object or all objects are of class MicrobialGrowth.

Examples

is.rosso

Rosso class

Description

Test if a variable or variable list is/are rosso-object(s).

Usage

```
is.rosso(x)
```

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Arguments

x variable or list.

Value

TRUE if the object or all objects are of class rosso.

Examples

linear.create

Linear create function

Description

Linear-object creator from the 4 biological meaning parameters.

Usage

```
linear.create(N0, Nmax, mu, lambda, xlim, n = 101)
```

Arguments

N0 initial radius.

Nmax final/maximum radius.

mu growth rate.lambda latency time.

xlim range of values to simulate x and y (and hence plotting, etc.)

n number of points to simulate in the interval xlim.

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Value

a Linear-object composed of

the matched call with several components.

coefficients coefficients obtained by regression.

data used for regression, once the y values are clipped

f a list of functions such as formula to retrieve the function of the model with the

coefficients obtained by regression, confint to retrieve the confidence intervals,

etc.

is Valid a boolean indicating whether the regression was successful or not.

message always with this method.
reg always with this method.

See Also

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listAvailableModels List available models.

Description

List available models.

Usage

listAvailableModels()

Details

lists the models by scanning the available ".MicrobialGrowth.m" regression functions, with "m" the name of the model.

Value

the list of available models.

```
listAvailableModels()
## [1] "baranyi" "gompertz" "rosso"
```

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MicrobialGrowth

MicrobialGrowth regression function

Description

Regression function to different microbial growth models.

Usage

```
MicrobialGrowth(
    x,
    y,
    model = "gompertz",
    clip = c(-Inf, Inf),
    start = list(),
    lower = list(),
    upper = list(),
    nls.args = list(),
    callbackError = NULL,
    ...
)
```

Arguments

X	index series or time series.
У	values or list of values to regress (should not be logged).
model	wanted growth model: "baranyi", "gompertz" or "rosso".
clip	a pair of values indicating in which interval to clip the data y. When clip is missing, default values are used.
start	a named list of starting estimates. When start is missing, default values are used.
lower	a named list of lower bounds. When lower is missing, default values are used.
upper	a named list of upper bounds. When upper is missing, default values are used.
nls.args	additional parameters to use when calling nls.
callbackError	function to call on error during regression.
• • •	further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Details

Use listAvailableModels() function to see all values accepted by model parameter.

The default values for clip, start, lower and upper are calculated based on the given data. These default values can be known through the call member of the returned value.

The nls.args argument is a list that can contain any nls function argument except formula, algorithm, start, lower and upper which are already fixed (via a homonymous or hard-coded argument).

For the callbackError argument, prefer the stop function to block or warning to not be blocking.

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Value

a MicrobialGrowth-object composed of

the matched call with several components.

coefficients coefficients obtained by regression.

data used for regression, once the y values are clipped

f a list of functions such as formula to retrieve the function of the model with the

coefficients obtained by regression, confint to retrieve the confidence intervals,

etc.

isValid a boolean indicating whether the regression was successful or not.

message contains the error message if the regression fails, NULL otherwise.

reg the nls object returned by the nls function.

Examples

```
# Using the embedded data example_data
# Simple example
g <- MicrobialGrowth(example_data$time, example_data$y1, model="gompertz")</pre>
# Multiple regression example
G <- MicrobialGrowth(example_data$time, example_data[2:ncol(example_data)], model="gompertz")
# Example of multiple parameter changes
g <- MicrobialGrowth(example_data$time, example_data$y1, model="gompertz",</pre>
                            clip = c(0.15, Inf), start = list(N0=0.1, Nmax=2,
                            mu=0.05, lambda=40), lower = list(lambda = 40))
# Example of using `nls.args` to apply weight to some data
g <- MicrobialGrowth(example_data$time, example_data$y1, model="gompertz",</pre>
nls.args = list(weights = (function(x)\{(x \ge 50 \& x \le 70)*9 + 1\})(example_data$time)))
# Example of callbackError (remaining non-blocking)
g <- MicrobialGrowth(example_data$time, example_data$y15, model="gompertz",
                            callbackError = warning)
# Example of callbackError (becoming blocking)
 g \leftarrow MicrobialGrowth(c(1,2,3,4,5),c(1,1,1,1,1), model="gompertz", callbackError = stop)
```

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MicrobialGrowth create function

Description

MicrobialGrowth-object creator from the 4 biological meaning parameters.

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Usage

```
MicrobialGrowth.create(
   N0,
   Nmax,
   mu,
   lambda,
   xlim,
   model = "gompertz",
   n = 101,
   ...
)
```

Arguments

N0 initial population.

Nmax final/maximum population.

mu growth rate. lambda latency time.

xlim range of values to simulate x and y (and hence plotting, etc.)
model wanted growth model: "baranyi", "gompertz" or "rosso"
n number of points to simulate in the interval xlim.
... further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Details

The N0, Nmax, mu and lambda parameter-coefficients can be given as one to three values.

A single value means that the coefficient and the confidence interval values will be identical.

Two values means that they will correspond to the confidence interval, and the coefficient will be calculated as the average of these two values.

Three values means that each of these values will be associated with the coefficient or the confidence interval.

Values are always sorted automatically, which means that c(2,1,3) is equivalent to c(1,2,3).

Value

a MicrobialGrowth-object composed of

the matched call with several components.

coefficients coefficients obtained by regression.

data used for regression, once the y values are clipped

f a list of functions such as formula to retrieve the function of the model with the

coefficients obtained by regression, confint to retrieve the confidence intervals,

etc.

is Valid a boolean indicating whether the regression was successful or not.

message always with this method.
reg always with this method.

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Examples

Ops.acid

Operators on the Acid Class

Description

Operators for the "Acid" class.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'acid'
Ops(e1, e2)
```

Arguments

- e1 acid-object, numeric or MicrobialGrowth-object.
- e2 acid-object or numeric.

Details

Operations between an acid and a numeric are the most common case. In this case, the operation is carried out on the concentration member of the acid. A new acid-object is returned with the new concentration.

Operations between acids are tolerated (but not recommended). To do this, the two acids must have the same alpha sensitivity and the same MIC, and the operation is carried out between the concentrations of the two acids. A new acid-object is returned with the new concentration.

The addition operator + can be used between MicrobialGrowth-object (left side) and an acid-object (right side). This operation symbolizes the application of the acid to the MicrobialGrowth-object. A new MicrobialGrowth-object is returned with its coefficients (and confidence intervals) modified by the acid.

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Value

a new acid or MicrobialGrowth-object.

```
# Acids and numerics
print(Acid(1.245, 5.47) * 5)
## acid {alpha=1.245, MIC=5.47g/L, concentration=5g/L}
print( Acid(1.245, 5.47) / 3 )
## acid {alpha=1.245, MIC=5.47g/L, concentration=0.333333333333333333}
print( 3 / Acid(1.245, 5.47) )
## acid {alpha=1.245, MIC=5.47g/L, concentration=3g/L}
print( 3 / Acid(1.245, 5.47, 0.5) )
## acid {alpha=1.245, MIC=5.47g/L, concentration=6g/L}
# Acids and acids
print( Acid(1.245, 5.47, 0.5) + Acid(1.245, 5.47, 2) )
## acid {alpha=1.245, MIC=5.47g/L, concentration=2.5g/L}
try({
  print( Acid(1.245, 5.47, 0.5) + Acid(1, 5.47, 2) )
  ## throws an error since `alpha` and/or `MIC` are not equal
})
# Acids and MicrobialGrowth-object
g \leftarrow MicrobialGrowth.create(N0 = c(0.13, 0.15), Nmax = 1.43, mu = c(0.05, 0.07, 0.09),
lambda = c(45, 49, 43), xlim = c(0, 100), model="gompertz")
aceticAcid <- Acid(1.245, 5.47)
  cat("Before :\n")
  print(g)
  cat("After:\n")
  print(g + aceticAcid)
## Before :
## MicrobialGrowth, model gompertz:
                    mu lambda
       NØ
           Nmax
    0.14
           1.43 0.07 45.00
## MicrobialGrowth, model gompertz:
##
            NØ
                                            lambda
                      Nmax
                                    mu
   0.14000000 1.43000000 0.06156075 51.16896670
##
# Also works with the `acid.specific.pair` subclass
print( Acid.SpecificPair(list(c(0.98, 5.68), c(1.51, 5.26))) )
## acid {{alpha=0.98, MIC=5.68g/L},
        {alpha=1.51, MIC=5.26g/L}, concentration=6g/L}
```

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plot.gompertz

Gompertz plot function

Description

Default plot.MicrobialGrowth function can be overwritten with the following function

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'gompertz' plot(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x gompertz-object.

... further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Value

No return value, called to plot a MicrobialGrowth-object based on the Gompertz model.

See Also

plot.MicrobialGrowth

plot.linear

Linear plot function

Description

Default plot.MicrobialGrowth function can be overwritten with the following function

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'linear'
plot(x, base = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

x linear-object.

base used for plot y-scaling.

... further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Value

No return value, called to plot a MicrobialGrowth-object based on the linear model.

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See Also

plot.MicrobialGrowth

```
plot.MicrobialGrowth \ \mathit{MicrobialGrowth plot function}
```

Description

Plot function of MicrobialGrowth-objects.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'MicrobialGrowth'
plot(
 х,
 main = NULL,
 xlab = NULL,
 ylab = NULL,
 n = 101,
 base = exp(1),
 display.coefficients = TRUE,
  display.model = TRUE,
  display.confint = FALSE,
  reg.args = list(col = "red"),
  title.args = list(line = 2),
 model.args = list(side = 4, line = 0),
  coefficients.args = list(cex = 0.9, line = 0.2, side = 3),
  confint.args = list(),
)
```

Arguments

X	MicrobialGrowth-object.		
main	main title for the plot.		
xlab	title for the x axis.		
ylab	title for the y axis.		
n	the number of x values at which to evaluate. See details section.		
base	the logarithm base used for plot y-scaling. By default, the natural logarithm is used. Set NULL to not scale.		
display.coeffic	display.coefficients		
	boolean indicating the display or not of the values of coefficients (under the main title).		
display.model	boolean indicating the model used for regression (on right side).		

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display.confint		
		boolean indicating the display or not of confidence intervals (in the form of curves and area).
	reg.args	customization parameters of the curve obtained by regression (see curve for possible parameters).
	title.args	title customization parameters main, xlab and ylab (see title for possible parameters).
	model.args	model display customization parameters (see mtext for possible parameters).
coefficients.args		
		coefficient display customization parameters (see ${\it mtext}$ for possible parameters).
	confint.args	parameters for customizing the plotting of curves and area, corresponding to the confidence interval (see details section).
		other graphical parameters (see plot).

Details

Similar to the curve function, the n argument corresponds to the number of points evaluated to draw the curves of regression, confidence bounds and the associated area. Increase its value for a more accurate representation.

When base is not NULL, the plot produced is $log_n(N/N0)$, where n is the value specified in the base argument.

Value

No return value, called to plot a MicrobialGrowth-object.

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```
plot(g, xlim = c(80, 100), ylim = c(1.8, 2.4), # Zoom in to see the example better
display.confint = TRUE,
confint.args = list(
    lines = list(col = "purple", lty = 2, lwd = 2),
    area = list(col = "green", opacity = 0.1)
))

# Example of a plot customizing the display of coefficients and titles
plot(g, main = "Gompertz",
coefficients.args = list(cex = 1.5, side = 4, line = 1),
title.args = list(col.main = "blue", col.lab = "red"))
```

print.acid

Acid print function

Description

Print function of Acid-object.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'acid'
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x Acid-object.

. . . further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Value

No return value, called to print information about a Acid-object.

See Also

Acid

```
print( Acid(1.245, 5.47, 3) )
## acid {alpha=1.245, MIC=5.47g/L, concentration=3g/L}
print( Acid(c(0.98, 1.1, 1.51), c(5.26, 5.68)) )
## acid {alpha=[0.98, 1.1, 1.51], MIC=[5.26, 5.68]g/L, concentration=1g/L}
```

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Description

Print function of Acid.SpecificPair-object.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'acid.specific.pair'
print(x, sep = ",\n ", ...)
```

Arguments

```
    x Acid.SpecificPair-object.
    sep a character string to separate the different pairs.
    further arguments passed to or from other methods.
```

Value

No return value, called to print information about a Acid.SpecificPair-object.

See Also

Acid.SpecificPair

Examples

print.gompertz

Gompertz print function

Description

Default print.MicrobialGrowth function can be overwritten with the following function

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'gompertz'
print(x, ...)
```

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Arguments

- x gompertz-object.
- ... further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Value

No return value, called to print information about a MicrobialGrowth-object based on the Gompertz model.

See Also

print.MicrobialGrowth

```
print.MicrobialGrowth MicrobialGrowth print function
```

Description

Print function of MicrobialGrowth-objects.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'MicrobialGrowth'
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

- x MicrobialGrowth-object.
- ... further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Value

No return value, called to print information about a MicrobialGrowth-object.

See Also

MicrobialGrowth, MicrobialGrowth.create

rosso.create 49

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Description

Rosso-object creator from the 4 biological meaning parameters.

Usage

```
rosso.create(N0, Nmax, mu, lambda, xlim, n = 101)
```

Arguments

N0 initial population.

Nmax final/maximum population.

mu growth rate.

lambda latency time.

range of values to simulate x and y (and hence plotting, etc.)

n number of points to simulate in the interval xlim.

Value

a Rosso-object composed of

the matched call with several components.

coefficients coefficients obtained by regression.

data used for regression, once the y values are clipped

f a list of functions such as formula to retrieve the function of the model with the

coefficients obtained by regression, confint to retrieve the confidence intervals,

etc.

isValid a boolean indicating whether the regression was successful or not.

message always with this method.
reg always with this method.

See Also

MicrobialGrowth.create

```
summary.MicrobialGrowth
```

MicrobialGrowth summary function

Description

Summarizes the regression of an MicrobialGrowth-object.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'MicrobialGrowth'
summary(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object MicrobialGrowth-object.... additional arguments affecting the summary produced.

Details

Equivalent to summary(MicrobialGrowthObject\$reg, ...) to which we add the corresponding model member and the summary.MicrobialGrowth class.

Value

The summary of the successful regression, NULL otherwise.

```
# Simple example
g <- MicrobialGrowth(example_data$time, example_data$y1)
summary(g)

# Example without summary available
g <- MicrobialGrowth(example_data$time, example_data$y15)
summary(g)

g <- MicrobialGrowth.create(0.14, 1.5, 0.07, 45, c(0,100), model="gompertz")
summary(g)</pre>
```

THRESHOLD_FEW_DATA

Threshold when little data is used in a regression

Description

Number of data below which the usual methods for choosing starting values (start) and limits (lower and upper) will not be used in favor of a secondary method more suited to the low number of data.

Usage

THRESHOLD_FEW_DATA

Format

An object of class numeric of length 1.

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