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## Description

Adds nutrients constraint data, according to chosen diet, to foods dataframe.

## Usage

```
addConstraintData(filepath, df, diets, max_scale, override_min = NULL)
```

## **Arguments**

filepath	Path in which the dataset, in .xlsx format, is stored
df	Foods dataframe.
diets	Chosen diets. Constraint sheets in foods dataset must be of format 'constraints_DIETNAME_diet_foods', then the parameter passed will be DIETNAME. Can be a vector of diets in format c('DIETNAME1','DIETNAME2',,'DIETNAMEN').

max\_scale Maximum scale.

override\_min If is not null, overrides all minimum values.

#### Value

Foods dataframe with constraints columns.

addEmissionData Emission data addition

#### **Description**

Adds emission data to foods dataframe.

#### Usage

```
addEmissionData(filepath, df, emission_cols = NULL)
```

#### **Arguments**

filepath Path in which the dataset, in .xlsx format, is stored.

df Foods dataframe.

emission\_cols Optional parameter. Emission column names if standard dataset isn't used.

#### Value

Food dataframe with emission data.

addFoodGroupsConstraintData

Food group constraint data addition

#### **Description**

Adds serves constraints to food groups dataframe

#### Usage

addFoodGroupsConstraintData(filepath, df, diets)

#### **Arguments**

filepath Path in which the dataset, in .xlsx format, is stored..

df Food groups dataframe.

diets Chosen diets. Constraint sheets in foods dataset must be of format 'constraints\_DIETNAME\_diet\_food\_g

then the parameter passed will be DIETNAME. Can be a vector of diets in for-

mat c('DIETNAME1','DIETNAME2',...,'DIETNAMEN').

#### Value

Food groups dataframe with added constraint data.

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addNutrientData

Nutrients data addition

## Description

Adds nutrients data to foods dataframe.

#### Usage

```
addNutrientData(filepath, df)
```

## Arguments

filepath Path in which the dataset, in .xlsx format, is stored..

df Foods dataframe.

#### Value

Foods dataframe with nutrient columns.

addPriceData

Price data addition

## Description

Adds price data to foods dataframe.

## Usage

```
addPriceData(filepath, df)
```

#### **Arguments**

filepath Path in which the dataset, in .xlsx format, is stored..

df Foods dataframe.

## Value

Foods dataframe with added price data.

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add\_float\_range

Float range

## Description

Checks if a numeric variable is within a continuous float range.

## Usage

```
add_float_range(variable, min, max)
```

## Arguments

variable Numeric variable.

min Minimum possible value.
max Maximum possible value.

#### Value

No return value, only performs a check.

add\_range

Discrete range

## Description

Checks if a variable is within a discrete range.

## Usage

```
add_range(variable, range, message)
```

## **Arguments**

variable variable.

range Allowed range.

message Message to be printed in case of failure.

#### Value

No return value, only performs a check.

calculateGroupedResults

Calculates grouped results for a Monte Carlo Simulation

## Description

Calculates a confidence interval for price and footprints obtained through a Monte Carlo Simulation, grouped by food groups. This function should be employed only if the standard table supplied with this package is utilized. Prints a .xlsx file in the home directory.

#### Usage

```
calculateGroupedResults(path_file, report_path, confidence_interval)
```

#### Arguments

path\_file A string containing the path to the folder containing the .csv files created in the

monteCarlo function.

report\_path A string containing the path to where the report will be saved.

confidence\_interval

A float. Must be either 0.01, 0.05 or 0.1.

#### Value

No R object return, prints an Excel workbook.

calculateResults

Calculates results for a Monte Carlo Simulation

#### **Description**

Calculates a confidence interval for several parameters obtained through a Monte Carlo Simulation. This function should be employed only if the standard table supplied with this package is utilized. Prints a .xlsx file in the home directory.

#### Usage

```
calculateResults(path_file, report_path, confidence_interval)
```

#### **Arguments**

path\_file A string containing the path to the folder containing the .csv files created in the

monteCarlo function.

report\_path A string containing the path to where the report will be saved.

confidence\_interval

A float. Must be either 0.01, 0.05 or 0.1.

#### Value

No R object return, prints an Excel workbook.

checkLinkedFoods

Linked foods check

#### **Description**

Checks if lower bound linked foods serves are lower or equal to higher bound linked foods serves.

#### Usage

```
checkLinkedFoods(df, low, high)
```

## Arguments

df Random meal plan.

low Vector of lower bound food IDs.high Vector of higher bound food IDs.

#### Value

Differences dataframe.

```
checks_optional_food_groups
```

Optional food groups check

## Description

If discretionary foods, alcohol or takeaway are permitted, looks for a minimum value and sets zero if missing,

#### Usage

```
checks_optional_food_groups(check, value)
```

#### **Arguments**

check Boolean variable to permit optional food group.

value Minimum percentage of energy intake from optional food group.

#### Value

Minimum percentage of energy intake from optional food group.

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checkZeroDiff

All zero difference check

## Description

Checks if differences dataframe is all zeroes.

#### Usage

```
checkZeroDiff(diff)
```

## Arguments

diff

Differences dataframe

#### Value

Boolean. TRUE if all zeroes, FALSE otherwise.

 $check\_function$ 

Missing value check

## Description

Checks if there are any missing values in a given column from the dataset.

## Usage

```
check_function(name, column)
```

## Arguments

name

Column in which missing values will be sought.

column

Column name, in string format.

#### Value

No return, only performs a check.

 $check\_id\_defined$ 

ID mismatch check

## Description

Checks if a given food has an ID assigned but is absent in another dataset.

## Usage

```
check_id_defined(df1, df2, value)
```

## Arguments

df1 First dataframe.df2 Second dataframe.value Dataset name.

#### Value

No return, only performs a check.

```
check_match_food_price
```

Food/price mismatch check

## Description

Checks if all foods have a price.

#### Usage

```
check_match_food_price(df)
```

#### **Arguments**

df

Dataframe.

#### Value

No return, only performs a check.

check\_match\_individual\_diet

Individual/diet mismatch check

## Description

Checks if all individuals have a matching diet.

#### Usage

```
check_match_individual_diet(df)
```

#### **Arguments**

df

Dataframe.

#### Value

No return, only performs a check.

check\_min\_exists

Minimum intake food groups check

## Description

Looks for a minimum value and sets zero if missing,

#### Usage

```
check_min_exists(df, check, col)
```

## **Arguments**

df Dataframe.

check Boolean variable to permit optional food group.

col Minimum percentage intake column name.

#### Value

Dataframe.

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check\_nom\_num\_df

Applies non-nummeric value check to entire dataframe

## Description

Checks if values supposed to be numeric are in fact numeric.

## Usage

```
check_nom_num_df(df)
```

## **Arguments**

df

Dataframe columns.

#### Value

No return, only performs a check.

check\_non\_num

Non-numeric check

## Description

Checks if values supposed to be numeric are in fact numeric.

## Usage

```
check_non_num(df)
```

## Arguments

df

Dataframe column.

#### Value

No return, only performs a check.

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check\_spelling

Spellcheck

## Description

Checks if two datasets have the same spelling in names column.

## Usage

```
check_spelling(df1, df2, condition)
```

## Arguments

df1 First dataframe.df2 Second dataframe.condition Column to be joined.

#### Value

No return, only performs a check.

check\_variety

Variety check

## Description

Checks if varieties are into the allowed range (1,2 or 3).

## Usage

```
check_variety(df)
```

## Arguments

df

Dataframe variety column.

#### Value

No return, only performs a check.

converts\_dataframe Weekly conversion

#### **Description**

Converts data from daily to weekly

#### Usage

```
converts_dataframe(df, exclusion_cols)
```

#### **Arguments**

df Dataframe.

exclusion\_cols Columns (non-numerical or percentage) that conversion won't be applied.

#### Value

Weekly dataframe.

convertWeeklyFoodGroups

Food group serves conversion

#### **Description**

Converts food group serves dataframe to weekly values.

#### Usage

```
convertWeeklyFoodGroups(df, diet, individual)
```

## **Arguments**

df Food group serves dataframe.

diet Chosen diet. Must be DIETNAME from 'constraints\_DIETNAME\_diet\_food\_groups'

sheet in dataset.

individual Individual whose random meal plan will be created to. Can be one of man,

woman, boy or girl.

#### Value

Converted food group serves dataframe.

#### **Examples**

```
food_groups_wk <- convertWeeklyFoodGroups(DIETCOST::food_groups, 'C', 'man');</pre>
```

convertWeeklyNutrientTargets

Nutrient targets conversion

#### **Description**

Converts nutrient targets dataframe to weekly values.

#### **Usage**

```
convertWeeklyNutrientTargets(df, diet, person, nutrient_constraints = NULL)
```

#### **Arguments**

df Nutrient targets dataframe.

diet Chosen diet. Must be DIETNAME from 'constraints\_DIETNAME\_diet\_foods'

sheet in dataset.

person Individual whose random meal plan will be created to. Can be one of man,

woman, boy or girl.

nutrient\_constraints

Optional parameter. Vector of nutrients column names to be used if not all

nutrients are to be used as constraints.

#### Value

Converted nutrient targets dataframe.

#### **Examples**

```
nutrient_targets_wk <- convertWeeklyNutrientTargets(DIETCOST::nutrient_targets, 'C', 'man')</pre>
```

createFoodData

Food data creation

#### **Description**

Creates a food data dataframe

## Usage

```
createFoodData(filepath, redmeat_ids)
```

#### **Arguments**

filepath Path in which the dataset, in .xlsx format, is stored.

redmeat\_ids Vector of redmeat IDs.

createNutrientTargets

#### Value

Food dataframe.

createFoodGroupData

Food group data creation

#### **Description**

Creates and populates a food group data dataframe

#### Usage

```
createFoodGroupData(df)
```

#### **Arguments**

df

Foods dataframe.

#### Value

Food group dataframe.

createNutrientTargets Nutrients data addition

## Description

Adds nutrients data to foods dataframe.

```
createNutrientTargets(
  filepath,
  allow_alcohol = TRUE,
  allow_discretionary = TRUE,
  allow_takeaway = TRUE,
  alcohol_perc_max = NULL,
  discretionary_perc_max = NULL,
  takeaway_perc_max = NULL)
```

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#### **Arguments**

```
filepath Path in which the dataset, in .xlsx format, is stored..

allow_alcohol Boolean variable checking if alcohol is permitted. Default TRUE.

allow_discretionary

Boolean variable checking if discretionary foods are permitted. Default TRUE.

allow_takeaway Boolean variable checking if takeaway is permitted. Default TRUE.

alcohol_perc_max

Optional parameter. Defines maximum energy intake derived from alcohol.

discretionary_perc_max

Optional parameter. Defines maximum energy intake derived from discretionary foods.

takeaway_perc_max

Optional parameter. Defines maximum energy intake derived from takeaway.
```

#### Value

Nutrient targets dataframe.

createRandomMeal

Random meal plan

#### Description

Creates a random meal plan.

```
createRandomMeal(
  foods_df,
  targets_df,
  person,
  diet,
  allowed_varieties,
  min_serve_size_difference,
  allow_discretionary = TRUE,
  allow_alcohol = TRUE,
  allow_takeaway = TRUE,
  emission_cols = NULL,
  nutrient_cols = NULL
)
```

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#### **Arguments**

foods\_df Foods dataframe. Nutrient targets dataframe. targets\_df person Individual whose random meal plan will be created to. Can be one of man, woman, boy or girl. diet Chosen diet. Must be DIETNAME from 'constraints\_DIETNAME\_diet\_foods' sheet in dataset. allowed\_varieties Permitted food varieties. Can be a vector of the following: 1,2 and/or 3. min\_serve\_size\_difference Multiplier to serve difference. A float between 0 and 1. allow\_discretionary Boolean variable checking if discretionary foods are permitted. Default TRUE. allow\_alcohol Boolean variable checking if alcohol is permitted. Default TRUE. allow\_takeaway Boolean variable checking if takeaway is permitted. Default TRUE. emission\_cols Optional parameter. Emission column names if standard dataset isn't used.

Optional parameter. Nutrients column names if standard dataset isn't used.

#### Value

Random meal plan dataframe.

nutrient\_cols

#### **Examples**

diff\_calc

Difference calculator

#### **Description**

Calculates difference between values of random meal plan created and targets logged.

```
diff_calc(val, min, max)
```

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#### **Arguments**

val	Value to be evalueted.
min	Minimum constraint.
max	Maximum constraint.

#### Value

Difference.

energy\_conversor

MJ to KJ conversion

## Description

Converts energy values in megajoules (MJ) to kilojoules (KJ),

#### Usage

```
energy_conversor(df, min, max)
```

## Arguments

df Dataframe.

min Minimum energy column name. Default 'energy\_mj\_min'.

max Maximum energy column name. Default 'energy\_mj\_max'.

#### Value

No return, only performs a check.

foodData

Single-function food dataframe creation

#### **Description**

Creates foods dataframe, with emission, nutrients, constraints and price data, in a single function.

```
foodData(
   filepath = filepath,
   redmeat_ids,
   diets,
   max_scale,
   emission_cols = NULL,
   override_min = NULL
)
```

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#### **Arguments**

filepath Path in which the dataset, in .xlsx format, is stored..

redmeat\_ids Vector of unique food IDs that are redmeat.

diets Chosen diets. Constraint sheets in foods dataset must be of format 'constraints\_DIETNAME\_diet\_foods',

then the parameter passed will be DIETNAME. Can be a vector of diets in for-

mat c('DIETNAME1','DIETNAME2',...,'DIETNAMEN').

max\_scale Maximum scale. Default is two.

emission\_cols Optional parameter. Emission column names if standard dataset isn't used.

override\_min If is not null, overrides all minimum values

#### Value

Foods dataframe.

foodGroupData Single-function food group dataframe creation

#### **Description**

Creates food groups dataframe, with constraints data, in a single function.

## Usage

foodGroupData(filepath, df\_foods, diets)

#### **Arguments**

filepath Path in which the dataset, in .xlsx format, is stored.

df\_foods Foods dataframe.

diets Chosen diets. Constraint sheets in foods dataset must be of format 'constraints\_DIETNAME\_diet\_food\_g

then the parameter passed will be DIETNAME. Can be a vector of diets in for-

mat c('DIETNAME1','DIETNAME2',...,'DIETNAMEN').

#### Value

Food groups dataframe.

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Foods dataset example

#### Description

A set of data containing commonly available foods based on a Brazilian typical diet.

#### Usage

foods

#### **Format**

A dataframe with 99 rows and 45 columns:

food\_group Food group, i.e. 'Fruit' or 'Vegetable'

food\_group\_id Numerical code for dood group

food\_name Food name, i.e. LEMON

food\_id Unique numerical food id

variety Variety. Must be 1, 2 or 3

redmeat Boolean redmeat identifier

CF\_gCO2eq Carbon footprint

WF\_I Water footprint

EF\_g\_m2 Ecological footprint

serve\_size\_C Serve size for current diet, in grams

man\_min\_C Minimal current diet intake for males, in grams

woman\_min\_C Minimal current diet intake for females, in grams

**boy\_min\_C** Minimal current diet intake for boys, in grams

girl\_min\_C Minimal current diet intake for girls, in grams

man\_max\_C Maximal current diet intake for males, in grams

woman\_max\_C Maximal current diet intake for females, in grams

boy\_max\_C Maximal current diet intake for boys, in grams

girl\_max\_C Maximal current diet intake for girls, in grams

serve\_size\_PF Serve size for EAT-Lancet diet, in grams

man\_min\_PF Minimal EAT-Lancet diet intake for males, in grams

woman\_min\_PF Minimal EAT-Lancet diet intake for females, in grams

boy\_min\_PF Minimal EAT-Lancet diet intake for boys, in grams

girl\_min\_PF Minimal EAT-Lancet diet intake for girls, in grams

man\_max\_PF Maximal EAT-Lancet diet intake for males, in grams

woman\_max\_PF Maximal EAT-Lancet diet intake for females, in grams

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boy\_max\_PF Maximal EAT-Lancet diet intake for boys, in grams girl\_max\_PF Maximal EAT-Lancet diet intake for girls, in grams serve\_size\_H Serve size for healthy diet, in grams man\_min\_H Minimal healthy diet intake for males, in grams woman\_min\_H Minimal healthy diet intake for females, in grams boy\_min\_H Minimal healthy diet intake for boys, in grams **girl\_min\_H** Minimal healthy diet intake for girls, in grams man\_max\_H Maximal healthy diet intake for males, in grams woman\_max\_H Maximal healthy diet intake for females, in grams boy\_max\_H Maximal healthy diet intake for boys, in grams girl\_max\_H Maximal healthy diet intake for girls, in grams energy\_kj\_g Energy content of food, in kJ/g **fat\_g** Fat content of food per grams sat\_fat\_g Saturated fat content of food per grams CHO\_g Carbohydrates content of food per grams sugars\_g Sugars content of food per grams **fibre\_g** Fibre content of food per grams **protein\_g** Protein content of food per grams **sodium\_mg** Sodium content of food per miligrams price Price of food per 100g

#### Source

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food\_groups

Food groups dataset example

#### Description

A set of data containing commonly available food groups based on a Brazilian typical diet.

#### Usage

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#### **Format**

A dataframe with 12 rows and 74 columns:

food\_group Food group, i.e. 'Fruit' or 'Vegetable' food\_group\_id Numerical code for dood group man\_min\_g\_C Weekly minimal current diet intake for males, in grams man\_max\_g\_C Weekly maximal current diet intake for males, in grams man target\_g\_C Weekly target current diet intake for males, in grams man min serve C Weekly minimal current diet intake for males, in serves man max serve C Weekly maximal current diet intake for males, in serves man target serve C Weekly target current diet intake for males, in serves woman min g C Weekly minimal current diet intake for females, in grams woman max g C Weekly maximal current diet intake for females, in grams woman target g C Weekly target current diet intake for females, in grams woman min serve C Weekly minimal current diet intake for females, in serves woman\_max\_serve\_C Weekly maximal current diet intake for females, in serves woman\_target\_serve\_C Weekly target current diet intake for females, in serves **boy\_min\_g\_C** Weekly minimal current diet intake for boys, in grams boy\_max\_g\_C Weekly maximal current diet intake for boys, in grams **boy\_target\_g\_C** Weekly target current diet intake for boys, in grams **boy\_min\_serve\_C** Weekly minimal current diet intake for boys, in serves **boy\_max\_serve\_C** Weekly maximal current diet intake for boys, in serves boy target serve C Weekly target current diet intake for boys, in serves girl\_min\_g\_C Weekly minimal current diet intake for girls, in grams girl\_max\_g\_C Weekly maximal current diet intake for girls, in grams girl target g C Weekly target current diet intake for girls, in grams girl min serve C Weekly minimal current diet intake for girls, in serves girl max serve C Weekly maximal current diet intake for girls, in serves girl target serve C Weekly target current diet intake for girls, in serves man min g PF Weekly minimal EAT-Lancet diet intake for males, in grams man\_max\_g\_PF Weekly maximal EAT-Lancet diet intake for males, in grams man\_target\_g\_PF Weekly target EAT-Lancet diet intake for males, in grams man\_min\_serve\_PF Weekly minimal EAT-Lancet diet intake for males, in serves man\_max\_serve\_PF Weekly maximal EAT-Lancet diet intake for males, in serves man\_target\_serve\_PF Weekly target EAT-Lancet diet intake for males, in serves woman min g PF Weekly minimal EAT-Lancet diet intake for females, in grams woman max g PF Weekly maximal EAT-Lancet diet intake for females, in grams woman\_target\_g\_PF Weekly target EAT-Lancet diet intake for females, in grams

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woman\_min\_serve\_PF Weekly minimal EAT-Lancet diet intake for females, in serves woman\_max\_serve\_PF Weekly maximal EAT-Lancet diet intake for females, in serves woman target serve PF Weekly target EAT-Lancet diet intake for females, in serves boy min g PF Weekly minimal EAT-Lancet diet intake for boys, in grams boy\_max\_g\_PF Weekly maximal EAT-Lancet diet intake for boys, in grams boy target g PF Weekly target EAT-Lancet diet intake for boys, in grams boy min serve PF Weekly minimal EAT-Lancet diet intake for boys, in serves boy max serve PF Weekly maximal EAT-Lancet diet intake for boys, in serves boy\_target\_serve\_PF Weekly target EAT-Lancet diet intake for boys, in serves girl min g PF Weekly minimal EAT-Lancet diet intake for girls, in grams girl max g PF Weekly maximal EAT-Lancet diet intake for girls, in grams girl target g PF Weekly target EAT-Lancet diet intake for girls, in grams girl\_min\_serve\_PF Weekly minimal EAT-Lancet diet intake for girls, in serves girl max serve PF Weekly maximal EAT-Lancet diet intake for girls, in serves girl target\_serve\_PF Weekly target EAT-Lancet diet intake for girls, in serves man\_min\_g\_H Weekly minimal healthy diet intake for males, in grams man\_max\_g\_H Weekly maximal healthy diet intake for males, in grams man\_target\_g\_H Weekly target healthy diet intake for males, in grams man\_min\_serve\_H Weekly minimal healthy diet intake for males, in serves man max serve H Weekly maximal healthy diet intake for males, in serves man target serve H Weekly target healthy diet intake for males, in serves woman min g H Weekly minimal healthy diet intake for females, in grams woman max g H Weekly maximal healthy diet intake for females, in grams woman\_target\_g\_H Weekly target healthy diet intake for females, in grams woman min serve H Weekly minimal healthy diet intake for females, in serves woman max serve H Weekly maximal healthy diet intake for females, in serves woman target serve H Weekly target healthy diet intake for females, in serves boy\_min\_g\_H Weekly minimal healthy diet intake for boys, in grams **boy\_max\_g\_H** Weekly maximal healthy diet intake for boys, in grams boy target g H Weekly target healthy diet intake for boys, in grams boy\_min\_serve\_H Weekly minimal healthy diet intake for boys, in serves **boy\_max\_serve\_H** Weekly maximal healthy diet intake for boys, in serves **boy\_target\_serve\_H** Weekly target healthy diet intake for boys, in serves **girl\_min\_g\_H** Weekly minimal healthy diet intake for girls, in grams girl max g H Weekly maximal healthy diet intake for girls, in grams girl\_target\_g\_H Weekly target healthy diet intake for girls, in grams girl min serve H Weekly minimal healthy diet intake for girls, in serves girl max serve H Weekly maximal healthy diet intake for girls, in serves girl\_target\_serve\_H Weekly target healthy diet intake for girls, in serves

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getDifference

General difference calculation

## Description

Applies difference calculation to entire dataset.

## Usage

```
getDifference(df_target, df_nutrients, merge_col)
```

#### **Arguments**

df\_target Constraints dataframe.

df\_nutrients Nutrients/serves from random meal plan dataframe.

merge\_col Column to join both dataframes.

#### Value

Differences dataframe.

getFoodGroupServes

Food group serves calculator

## Description

Calculates total food group serves of random meal plan.

#### Usage

```
getFoodGroupServes(df)
```

#### **Arguments**

df

Random meal plan.

#### Value

Food group serves dataframe.

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getNutrients

Nutrients values calculator

## Description

Calculates nutritional value of meal plan.

## Usage

```
getNutrients(df, nutrient_cols = NULL)
```

## Arguments

df

Random meal plan.

nutrient\_cols

Optional parameter. Vector of nutrients column names to be used if nutrients are

different from standard dataset.

#### Value

Nutrients dataframe.

getPerc

Percentage values calculator

## Description

Calculates percentage nutrient values.

#### Usage

```
getPerc(df_nutri, df_meal)
```

## Arguments

df\_nutri

Nutrient constraints dataframe.

df\_meal

Random meal plan

#### Value

Percentage dataframe.

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join\_function Join function

#### **Description**

Safely performs a left join between two dataframes.

#### Usage

```
join_function(df1, df2, condition)
```

#### Arguments

df1 First dataframe.df2 Second dataframe.

condition Column in which the two datframes will be joined. Can be a single string or a

vector.

#### Value

Dataframe.

monteCarlo

Monte Carlo simulation

#### **Description**

Creates a Monte Carlo simulation to a given number of iterations. A hit meal consists of one that returnz zero difference between nutrient targets and random meal plan, food groups serves and respects lower linked foods serves lower or equal to higher linked foods serves, if existent.

```
monteCarlo(
   dir_path,
   iterations,
   foods_df,
   nutrient_targets_df,
   food_group_targets_df,
   person,
   diet,
   allowed_varieties,
   min_serve_size_difference,
   allow_discretionary = TRUE,
   allow_alcohol = TRUE,
```

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```
allow_takeaway = TRUE,
emission_cols = NULL,
nutrient_cols = NULL,
nutrient_constraints = NULL,
linked_low_1 = NULL,
linked_high_1 = NULL,
linked_low_2 = NULL,
linked_high_2 = NULL
```

#### **Arguments**

dir\_path A string containing the path where a directory will be created.

iterations Number of iterations. Integer.

foods\_df Foods dataframe.

nutrient\_targets\_df

Nutrient constraints dataframe.

food\_group\_targets\_df

Food group serves dataframe.

person Individual whose random meal plan will be created to. Can be one of man,

woman, boy or girl.

diet Chosen diet. Must be DIETNAME from 'constraints\_DIETNAME\_diet\_foods'

sheet in dataset.

allowed\_varieties

Permitted food varieties. Can be a vector of the following: 1,2 and/or 3.

min\_serve\_size\_difference

Multiplier to serve difference. A float between 0 and 1.

allow\_discretionary

Boolean variable checking if discretionary foods are permitted. Default TRUE.

allow\_alcohol Boolean variable checking if alcohol is permitted. Default TRUE.

allow\_takeaway Boolean variable checking if takeaway is permitted. Default TRUE.

emission\_cols Optional parameter. Emission column names if standard dataset isn't used.

nutrient\_cols Optional parameter. Nutrients column names if standard dataset isn't used.

nutrient\_constraints

Optional parameter. Vector of nutrients column names to be used if not all

nutrients are to be used as constraints.

linked\_low\_1 Optional parameter. Vector of lower bound food IDs.
linked\_high\_1 Optional parameter. Vector of higher bound food IDs.

linked\_low\_2 Optional parameter. Vector of lower bound food IDs.

linked\_high\_2 Optional parameter. Vector of higher bound food IDs.

#### Value

List of dataframes, containing results of simulation.

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monteCarloSimulation Single-function Monte Carlo simulation and results export.

#### **Description**

Runs Monte Carlo Simulation and prints results, in .xlsx format, in a single funtion.

#### Usage

```
monteCarloSimulation(
  dir_path,
  iterations,
  foods_df,
  nutrient_targets_df,
  food_group_targets_df,
  person,
  diet,
  allowed_varieties,
 min_serve_size_difference,
  allow_discretionary = TRUE,
  allow_alcohol = TRUE,
  allow_takeaway = TRUE,
  emission_cols = NULL,
  nutrient_cols = NULL,
  nutrient_constraints = NULL,
  linked_low_1 = NULL,
  linked_high_1 = NULL,
  linked_low_2 = NULL,
  linked_high_2 = NULL
)
```

#### **Arguments**

dir\_path A string containing the path where a directory will be created. This same path

will hold the reports Excel workbook.

iterations Number of iterations. Integer.

foods\_df Foods dataframe.

nutrient\_targets\_df

Nutrient constraints dataframe.

food\_group\_targets\_df

Food group serves dataframe.

person Individual whose random meal plan will be created to. Can be one of man,

woman, boy or girl.

diet Chosen diet. Must be DIETNAME from 'constraints\_DIETNAME\_diet\_foods'

sheet in dataset.

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allowed\_varieties

Permitted food varieties. Can be a vector of the following: 1,2 and/or 3.

min\_serve\_size\_difference

Multiplier to serve difference. A float between 0 and 1.

allow\_discretionary

Boolean variable checking if discretionary foods are permitted. Default TRUE.

allow\_alcohol Boolean variable checking if alcohol is permitted. Default TRUE.

allow\_takeaway Boolean variable checking if takeaway is permitted. Default TRUE.

emission\_cols Optional parameter. Emission column names if standard dataset isn't used.

nutrient\_cols Optional parameter. Nutrients column names if standard dataset isn't used.

nutrient\_constraints

Optional parameter. Vector of nutrients column names to be used if not all

nutrients are to be used as constraints.

linked\_low\_1 Optional parameter. Vector of lower bound food IDs.

linked\_high\_1 Optional parameter. Vector of higher bound food IDs.

linked\_low\_2 Optional parameter. Vector of lower bound food IDs.

linked\_high\_2 Optional parameter. Vector of higher bound food IDs.

#### Value

No R object return. Prints an Excel workbook.

nutrientDataCalculation

Nutrient data application to random meal plan created

#### **Description**

Applies nutrient data calculation to random meal plan generated.

#### Usage

```
nutrientDataCalculation(df, nutrient_cols = NULL)
```

#### **Arguments**

df Random meal plan.

nutrient\_cols Optional parameter. Nutrient column names if standard dataset isn't used.

#### Value

Random meal plan with nutrients calculated.

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nutrient\_targets

Nutrients dataset example

#### **Description**

A set of data containing nutrient weekly targets based on a Brazilian typical diet.

#### Usage

nutrient\_targets

#### **Format**

A dataframe with 12 rows and 48 columns:

individual Person whose nutrient targets will be provided: man, woman, boy or girl diet Diet whose nutrient targets will be provided: current (C), EAT-Lancet (PF) or healthy (H) energy kj min Minimal weekly intake of energy, in kJ/g energy\_kj\_max Maximal weekly intake of energy, in kJ/g fat\_grams\_min Minimal weekly intake of fat in grams fat\_grams\_max Maximal weekly intake of fat in grams sat\_fat\_grams\_min Minimal weekly intake of saturated fat in grams sat\_fat\_grams\_max Maximal weekly intake of saturated fat in grams CHO\_gram\_mins Minimal weekly intake of carbohydrates in grams CHO\_gram\_max Maximal weekly intake of carbohydrates in grams sugars\_grams\_min Minimal weekly intake of sugars in grams sugars\_grams\_max Maximal weekly intake of sugars in grams **fibre\_grams\_min** Minimal weekly intake of fibre in grams **fibre\_grams\_max** Maximal weekly intake of fibre in grams protein\_grams\_min Minimal weekly intake of protein in grams protein\_grams\_max Maximal weekly intake of protein in grams **sodium mgrams min** Minimal weekly intake of sodium in grams sodium\_mgrams\_max Maximal weekly intake of sodium in grams protein\_perc\_min Minimal weekly intake of protein in percentage protein\_perc\_max Maximal weekly intake of protein in percentage sat\_fat\_perc\_min Minimal weekly intake of saturated fat in percentage sat\_fat\_perc\_max Maximal weekly intake of saturated fat in percentage **fat perc min** Minimal weekly intake of fat in percentage **fat perc max** Maximal weekly intake of fat in percentage CHO\_perc\_mins Minimal weekly intake of carbohydrates in percentage

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CHO\_perc\_max Maximal weekly intake of carbohydrates in percentage redmeat\_grams\_min Minimal weekly intake of red meat in grams redmeat\_grams\_max Maximal weekly intake of red meat in grams fruit\_serves\_min Minimal weekly intake of Fruit in serves fruit\_serves\_max Maximal weekly intake of Fruit in serves starchy\_veg\_serves\_min Minimal weekly intake of Starchy vegetables in serves starchy\_veg\_serves\_max Maximal weekly intake of Starchy vegetables in serves veg\_serves\_min Minimal weekly intake of Vegetables in serves veg\_serves\_max Maximal weekly intake of Vegetables in serves dairy\_serves\_min Minimal weekly intake of Dairy in serves dairy\_serves\_max Maximal weekly intake of Dairy in serves grain\_serves\_min Minimal weekly intake of Grains in serves grain\_serves\_max Maximal weekly intake of Grains in serves protein\_serves\_min Minimal weekly intake of Protein in serves protein\_serves\_max Maximal weekly intake of Protein in serves sugars\_perc\_mins Minimal weekly intake of sugars in percentage sugars\_perc\_max Maximal weekly intake of sugars in percentage alcohol\_perc\_mins Minimal weekly intake of Alcohol in percentage alcohol\_perc\_max Maximal weekly intake of Alcohol in percentage discretionary\_perc\_mins Minimal weekly intake of Discretionary foods in percentage discretionary\_perc\_max Maximal weekly intake of Discretionary foods in percentage takeaway\_perc\_mins Minimal weekly intake of Takeaway in percentage takeaway\_perc\_max Maximal weekly intake of Takeaway foods in percentage

#### Source

Elaborated by authors.

permitted\_individuals Permitted individuals check

## Description

Checks if logged individuals are one or all of the following: man, woman, boy or girl.

#### Usage

permitted\_individuals(df)

priceEmissionData 33

#### **Arguments**

df Variable.

#### Value

No R object return, performs only a check.

priceEmissionData

Price/emission data application to random meal plan created

## Description

Applies price and emission data calculation to random meal plan generated.

#### Usage

```
priceEmissionData(df, emission_cols = NULL)
```

#### Arguments

df Random meal plan.

emission\_cols Optional parameter. Emission column names if standard dataset isn't used.

#### Value

Random meal plan with price and emissions calculated.

printResults

Exportation of Monte Carlo results

#### **Description**

Exports, in .xlsx format, the results of Monte Carlo simulation.

```
printResults(file_path, results, person, diet, allowed_varieties, iterations)
```

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#### Arguments

file\_path A string containing the path where the file will be saved.

results List of results

person Individual whose random meal plan will be created to. Can be one of man,

woman, boy or girl.

diet Chosen diet. Must be DIETNAME from 'constraints\_DIETNAME\_diet\_foods'

sheet in dataset.

allowed\_varieties

Permitted food varieties. Can be a vector of the following: 1,2 and/or 3.

iterations Number of iterations. Integer.

#### Value

No R object return, prints a Excel workbook.

random\_plan Random deletion

#### **Description**

Randomly deletes a food.

## Usage

random\_plan(df, column, condition)

#### **Arguments**

df Dataframe.

column from which decision about removal of values will be made.

condition Condition that, if is true, will enable radom removal.

#### Value

Random meal plan

redmeat\_check 35

redmeat_check	Redmeat flag
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## Description

Sets a boolean redmeat flag column in dataset.

## Usage

```
redmeat_check(id, redmeat_ids)
```

#### **Arguments**

id Food group id column in dataframe.

redmeat\_ids Vector of unique food IDs that are redmeat.

#### Value

No R object return, performs only a check.

remove_suffix	Suffix removal	
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## Description

Removes one of two suffixes from column names

## Usage

```
remove_suffix(vector, suffix_1, suffix_2)
```

## Arguments

vector	Vector of column names
suffix_1	First suffix to be removed.
suffix_2	Second suffix to be removed.

#### Value

Vector of column names without suffixes.

 $sample\_safe$ 

Safe sampling

## Description

Safely extracts a random unitary sample from a vector.

#### Usage

```
sample_safe(x)
```

## Arguments

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Vector.

#### Value

Random sample.

#### **Examples**

```
intake <- DIETCOST::sample_safe(c(10,25,37,52,100));</pre>
```

sauces\_protein\_discretionary\_change

Sauces, protein and discretionary food groups treatment

## Description

Treats above said food name groups to the format used in the package.

## Usage

```
sauces_protein_discretionary_change(group)
```

#### **Arguments**

group

Food group column in dataframe.

#### Value

Treated dataframe.

standard\_name\_check 37

#### **Description**

Checks if variable names are the standard defined into DIETCOST R standard table.

#### Usage

```
standard_name_check(df, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

df Dataframe.

... Any number of strings.

#### Value

No R object return, performs only a check.

#### **Examples**

```
standard_name_check(DIETCOST::foods, 'food_id', 'food_name')
```

starchy\_fill

Starchy vegetables serves addition

#### **Description**

Adds minimum and maximum serves of starchy vegetables.

#### Usage

```
starchy_fill(df, starchy_name, serve_identifier, max_identifier)
```

#### **Arguments**

```
df Dataframe.
```

starchy\_name Starchy vegetables food group name. Default 'Starchy vegetables'.

serve\_identifier

Serve column identifier. Default 'serve'.

max\_identifier Max column identifier. Default 'max'.

#### Value

Food group dataframe with starchy vegetable minimum and maximum serves columns added.

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Pre-treatment of constraint data

#### **Description**

Pre-treatment of constraints dataframe.

#### Usage

```
treat_df(df, min_identifier, max_identifier, suffix, max_scale, override_min)
```

#### **Arguments**

df Dataframe to be treated.

min\_identifier Minimum value column identifier. 'Min' in standard dataset.

max\_identifier Maximum value column identifier. 'Max' in standard dataset.

suffix Suffix to be added to column name.

max\_scale Maximum scale. Default is two.

override\_min If is not null, overrides all minimum values.

#### Value

Treated dataframe.

treat\_groups\_df

Treatment of food group constraints dataframe

#### Description

Converts weekly food group serves to daily and adds diet suffix to column names.

## Usage

```
treat_groups_df(df, suffix)
```

#### **Arguments**

df Dataframe.

suffix Suffix to be added to column.

#### Value

Treated food group dataframe.

unique\_values 39

unique_values	Unique value check
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## Description

Checks if there are non-unique values in dataset.

#### Usage

```
unique_values(value, df, value_col, value_name)
```

#### Arguments

value Column from which an unique vector will be formed.

df Dataframe in which lies the column to be checked.

value\_col Name of the column to be checked, in string format.

value\_name Name of the variable tested.

#### Value

No R object return, performs only a check.

upload_data	Data upload	

## Description

Safely uploads data to be processed in DIETCOST software.

#### Usage

```
upload_data(filepath, sheet)
```

#### **Arguments**

filepath The filepath in which the dataset, in .xlsx format, is saved.

sheet The sheet of the .xlsx to be read.

## Value

The dataframe generated by the file which was read.

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