# Package 'ARPobservation'

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Description Tools for simulating data generated by direct observation recording. Behavior streams are simulated based on an alternating renewal process, given specified distributions of event durations and interim times. Different procedures for recording data can then be applied to the simulated behavior streams. Functions are provided for the following recording methods: continuous duration recording, event counting, momentary time sampling, partial interval recording, and whole interval recording.

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## **Description**

Tools for simulating different methods of observing alternating renewal processes

#### **Details**

**ARPobservation** provides a set of tools for simulating data based on direct observation of behavior. It works by first simulating a behavior stream based on an alternating renewal process, using specified distributions of event durations and interim times. Different procedures for recording data can then be applied to the simulated behavior stream.

The main function for simulating a behavior stream is r\_behavior\_stream. Currently, the event duration and interim time distributions must come from the class eq\_dist. (See the documentation for this class for distributions that are currently implemented.)

Several different observation recording procedures can then be applied as filters to a simulated behavior stream. The following procedures are currently implemented:

- continuous\_duration\_recording
- momentary\_time\_recording
- event\_counting
- interval\_recording

To apply multiple procedures to the same behavior stream, use reported\_observations. Data can also be simulated using the convenience functions r\_PIR, r\_WIR, r\_MTS, r\_continuous\_recording, and r\_event\_counting. These functions wrap the behavior-stream generation step and the observation recording step into a single function. They are more memory efficient, but slightly less computationally efficient, than executing each step in turn.

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augmented\_recording

Applies augmented interval recording to a behavior stream

#### **Description**

Divides the observation session into intervals. Each interval is scored using partial interval recording, whole interval recording, and momentary time sampling (at the beginning of the following interval). The sum of the three scores is then recorded.

## Usage

```
augmented_recording(BS, interval_length, rest_length = 0)
```

## **Arguments**

```
BS object of class behavior_stream

interval_length
time length of each interval.

rest_length portion of each interval to exclude from observation. Default is zero. See details.
```

#### **Details**

Each behavior stream is divided into intervals of length interval\_length. The last rest\_length of each interval is excluded from observation. For example, for a stream length of 100, interval\_length = 20, and rest\_length = 5, the first interval runs from [0,15), the second interval runs from [20,35), etc.

#### Value

A matrix with rows equal to the number of intervals per session and columns equal to the number of behavior streams in BS.

#### **Examples**

```
BS <- r_behavior_stream(n = 5, mu = 3, lambda = 10,
F_event = F_exp(), F_interim = F_exp(), stream_length = 100)
augmented_recording(BS, interval_length = 20)
```

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```
continuous_duration_recording
```

Applies continuous duration recording to a behavior stream

## **Description**

Calculates the proportion of session time during which behavior occurs.

## Usage

```
continuous_duration_recording(BS)
```

## **Arguments**

BS

object of class behavior\_stream

## Value

Vector of proportions.

#### **Examples**

Dunlap

Dunlap et al.(1994) data

## Description

Single case design data measured with partial interval recording from a study of the effect of providing Choice between academic activities on the disruptive behavior of three elementary school students with emotional and behavioral disorders. For this data "No Choice" is the baseline phase. Data were extracted from the figures in the publication.

## Usage

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#### **Format**

A data frame with 58 observations on 7 variables

- ,1 Case The participant for whom the observation took place
- ,2 Phase The level of the observation ("Choice" vs. "No Choice")
- ,3 Session The observation session # for each participant
- ,4 outcome The summary PIR measurement for the observation session
- ,5 active\_length The length of the active observation interval, in seconds
- ,6 rest\_length The length of the recording interval, in seconds
- ,7 intervals The total number of intervals in the observation session

#### References

Dunlap, G., DePerczel, M., Clarke, S., Wilson, D., Wright, S., White, R., & Gomez, A. (1994). Choice making to promote adaptive behavior for students with emotional and behavioral challenges. Journal of Applied Behavior Analysis, 27 (3), 505-518.

eq\_dist

Constructor for class eq\_dist

## **Description**

The eq\_dist class consists of a pair of component functions for generating random variates from a specified distribution and the corresponding equilibrium distribution.

#### Usage

```
eq_dist(r_gen, r_eq)
```

## Arguments

r\_gen function for generating random deviates.

r\_eq function for generating random deviates from the corresponding equilibrium distribution.

## **Details**

Both functions must take arguments n and mean. Currently, the following distributions are implemented:

- F\_exp Exponential
- F\_gam Gamma
- F\_gam\_mix Mixture of two gammas
- F\_weib Weibull
- F\_unif Uniform
- F\_const Constant

F\_const

#### Value

Object of class eq\_dist with components r\_gen and r\_eq.

event\_counting

Applies event counting to a behavior stream

## **Description**

Calculates the number of behaviors that begin during the observation session.

#### Usage

```
event_counting(BS)
```

## **Arguments**

BS

object of class behavior\_stream

#### Value

Vector of non-negative integers.

## **Examples**

```
BS <- r_behavior_stream(n = 5, mu = 3, lambda = 10,
F_event = F_exp(), F_interim = F_exp(), stream_length = 100)
event_counting(BS)
```

F\_const

Constant (degenerate) distribution and related equilibrium distribution

## Description

Generation from a degenerate distribution and random number generation from the related equilibrium distribution, for use with  $r\_behavior\_stream$ .

## Usage

```
F_const()
```

#### Value

Object of class eq\_dist with components r\_gen and r\_eq.

The function  $r_{gen}(n, mean)$  simply returns a vector of length n with all values equal to mean.

The function  $r_{eq}(n, mean)$  generates random deviates from a uniform distribution on the interval (0, mean).

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#### **Examples**

```
hist(F_const()$r_gen(1000, 2))
hist(F_const()$r_eq(1000, 2))
```

F\_exp

Exponential distribution and related equilibrium distribution

## **Description**

Random number generation from exponential distributions, for use with r\_behavior\_stream.

## Usage

```
F_exp()
```

#### Value

Object of class eq\_dist with components r\_gen and r\_eq.

The function  $r_{gen}(n, mean)$  generates random deviates from an exponential distribution with specified mean.

The function  $r_{eq}(n, mean)$  generates random deviates from an exponential distribution with specified mean.

## **Examples**

```
hist(F_exp()$r_gen(1000, 3))
hist(F_exp()$r_eq(1000, 3))
```

F\_gam

Gamma distribution and related equilibrium distribution

## Description

Random number generation from a gamma distribution and the related equilibrium distribution, for use with r\_behavior\_stream.

#### Usage

```
F_gam(shape)
```

#### **Arguments**

shape

shape parameter

#### Value

Object of class eq\_dist with components r\_gen and r\_eq.

The function  $r_gen(n, mean)$  generates random deviates from a gamma distribution with specified mean and shape parameters.

The function  $r_{eq}(n, mean)$  generates random deviates from the equilibrium distribuion corresponding to the gamma distribution with specified mean and shape parameters.

## **Examples**

```
hist(F_gam(2)$r_gen(1000, 3))
hist(F_gam(2)$r_eq(1000, 3))
```

F\_gam\_mix

Mixture of two gamma distributions and related equilibrium distribution

#### **Description**

Random number generation from a mixture of two gamma distributions and the related equilibrium distribution, for use with r\_behavior\_stream.

## Usage

```
F_gam_mix(shape1, shape2, scale_ratio, mix)
```

#### **Arguments**

shape 1 shape parameter for first mixture component,  $k_1$  shape 2 shape parameter for second mixture component,  $k_2$ 

scale\_ratio ratio of first scale component to second scale component,  $\theta_1/\theta_2$ 

mix mixing proportion of first component, p

## Value

Object of class eq\_dist with components r\_gen and r\_eq.

The function r\_gen(n, mean) generates random deviates from a mixture of two gamma distributions with specified mean, shape1, shape2, scale\_ratio, and mix. The cumulative distribution function is given by

$$F(x) = p\Gamma(x; k_1, \theta_1) + (1 - p)\Gamma(x; k_2, \theta_2),$$

where  $\Gamma(x; k, \theta)$  is the cumulative distribution function of a Gamma random variable with shape k and scale  $\theta$ , and the scale parameters are determined by the specified mean and scale\_ratio.

The function  $r_{eq}(n, mean)$  generates random deviates from the equilibrium distribuion corresponding to the mixture of gamma distributions.

F\_unif

## **Examples**

```
hist(F_{gam_mix}(2, 2, 1 / 12, 3 / 5)$r_gen(1000, 20))
hist(F_{gam_mix}(2, 2, 1 / 12, 3 / 5)$r_eq(1000, 20))
```

F\_unif

Uniform distribution and related equilibrium distribution

#### **Description**

Random number generation from a uniform distribution and the related equilibrium distribution, for use with r\_behavior\_stream.

#### Usage

```
F_unif()
```

#### Value

Object of class eq\_dist with components r\_gen and r\_eq.

The function r\_gen(n, mean) generates random deviates from a uniform distribution with specified mean  $\mu$  on the interval  $(0, 2\mu)$ . The cumulative distribution function is given by  $F(x) = x/2\mu$ .

The function r\_eq(n, mean) generates random deviates from the equilibrium distribution corresponding to a uniform distribution on the interval  $(0, 2\mu)$ . The cumulative distribution function is given by

$$F(x) = x(4\mu - x)/(4\mu^2).$$

#### **Examples**

```
hist(F_unif()$r_gen(1000, 2))
hist(F_unif()$r_eq(1000, 2))
```

F\_weib

Weibull distribution and related equilibrium distribution

#### **Description**

Random number generation from a Weibull distribution and the related equilibrium distribution, for use with r\_behavior\_stream.

## Usage

```
F_weib(shape)
```

#### **Arguments**

shape

shape parameter

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#### Value

Object of class eq\_dist with components r\_gen and r\_eq.

The function  $r_{gen}(n, mean)$  generates random deviates from a Weibull distribution with specified mean and shape parameters.

The function  $r_{eq}(n, mean)$  generates random deviates from the equilibrium distribuion corresponding to the Weibull distribution with specified mean and shape parameters.

## **Examples**

```
hist(F_gam(2)$r_gen(1000, 3))
hist(F_gam(2)$r_eq(1000, 3))
```

incidence\_bounds

Incidence bounds and confidence interval

#### **Description**

Calculates a bound for the log of the incidence ratio of two samples (referred to as baseline and treatment) based on partial interval recording (PIR) data, assuming that the behavior follows an Alternating Renewal Process.

## Usage

```
incidence_bounds(PIR, phase, base_level, mu_U, p, active_length,
  intervals = NA, conf_level = 0.95, exponentiate = FALSE)
```

# **Arguments**PIR

phase	factor or vector indicating levels of the PIR measurements.
base_level	a character string or value indicating the name of the baseline
mu_U	the upper limit on the mean event duration

p upper limit on the probability that the interim time between behavioral events is

level.

less than the active interval

vector of PIR measurements

intervals the number of intervals in the sample of observations. Default is NA

conf\_level Coverage rate of the confidence interval. Default is .95.

exponentiate Logical value indicating if the log of the bounds and the confidence interval

should be exponentiated. Default is FALSE.

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#### **Details**

The incidence ratio estimate is based on the assumptions that 1) the underlying behavior stream follows an Alternating Renewal Process, 2) the average event duration is less than mu\_U, and 3) the probability of observing an interim time less than the active interval length is less than p.

The PIR vector can be in any order corresponding to the factor or vector phase. The levels of phase can be any two levels, such as "A" and "B", "base" and "treat", or "0" and "1". If there are more than two levels in phase this function will not work. A value for base\_level must be specified - if it is a chaaracter string it is case sensitive.

For all of the following variables, the function assumes that if a vector of values is provided they are constant across all observations and simply uses the first value in that vector.

mu\_U is the upper limit on the mean event durations. This is a single value assumed to hold for both samples of behavior

active\_length This is the total active observation length. If the intervals are 15 seconds long but 5 seconds of each interval is reserved for recording purposes, active\_length= 10. Times are often in seconds, but can be in any time unit.

intervals is the number of intervals in the observations. This is a single value and is assumed to be constant across both samples and all observations. This value is only relevant if the mean of one of the samples is at the floor or ceiling of 0 or 1. In that case it will be used to truncate the sample mean. If the sample mean is at the floor or ceiling and no value for intervals is provided, the function will stop.

## Value

A list containing two named vectors and a single named number. The first entry, estimate\_bounds, contains the lower and upper bound for the estimate of the incidence ratio. The second entry, estimate\_SE, contains the standard error of the estimate. The third entry, estimate\_CI, contains the lower and upper bounds for the confidence interval of the incidence ratio.

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## **Examples**

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interim_bounds	Interim bounds and confidence interval

#### **Description**

Calculates a bound for the log of the ratio of interim time of two samples (referred to as baseline and treatment) based on partial interval recording (PIR) data, assuming that the average event durations are equal across samples and that interim times are exponentially distributed.

## Usage

```
interim_bounds(PIR, phase, base_level, conf_level = 0.95, intervals = NA,
  exponentiate = FALSE)
```

## **Arguments**

PIR vector of PIR measurements

phase factor or vector indicating levels of the PIR measurements.

base\_level a character string or value indicating the name of the baseline level.

conf\_level Desired coverage rate of the calculated confidence interval. Default is .95.

intervals the number of intervals in the sample of observations. Default is NA

exponentiate Logical value indicating if the log of the bounds and the confidence interval

should be exponentiated. Default is FALSE.

#### **Details**

The interim ratio estimate is based on the assumptions that 1) the underlying behavior stream follows an Alternating Renewal Process, 2) the average event durations in each sample are equal, and 3) interim times follow exponential distributions.

The PIR vector can be in any order corresponding to the factor or vector phase. The levels of phase can be any two levels, such as "A" and "B", "base" and "treat", or "0" and "1". If there are more than two levels in phase this function will not work. A value for base\_level must be specified; if it is a chaaracter string it is case sensitive.

intervals is the number of intervals in the observations. This is a single value and is assumed to be constant across both samples and all observations. If intervals is sent as a vector instead of a single value, the first value in the vector will be used. This value is only relevant if the mean of one of the samples is at the floor or ceiling of 0 or 1. In that case it will be used to truncate the sample mean. If the sample mean is at the floor or ceiling and no value for intervals is provided, the function will stop.

#### Value

A list with three named entries The first entry, estimate\_bounds, contains the lower and upper bound for the estimate of the prevalence ratio. The second entry, estimate\_SE, contains the standard errors for the upper and lower bounds. The third entry, estimate\_CI, contains the lower and upper bounds for the confidence interval of the prevalence ratio.

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#### **Examples**

```
# Estimate bounds on the interim time ratio for Carl from the Moes dataset
data(Moes)
with(subset(Moes, Case == "Carl"),
interim_bounds(PIR = outcome, phase = Phase, base_level = "No Choice"))
```

interval\_recording

Applies interval recording to a behavior stream

#### **Description**

Divides the observation session into a specified number of intervals. For partial interval recording, each interval is scored according to whether the behavior is present at any point during the interval. For whole interval recording, each interval is scored according to whether the behavior is present for the duration.

## Usage

```
interval_recording(BS, interval_length, rest_length = 0, partial = TRUE,
  summarize = TRUE)
```

#### **Arguments**

BS object of class behavior\_stream

interval\_length

time length of each interval.

rest\_length portion of each interval to exclude from observation. Default is zero. See details. logical value indicating whether to use partial interval recording (TRUE) or whole

interval recording (FALSE).

summarize logical value indicating whether vector of moments should be summarized by

taking their mean.

#### **Details**

Each behavior stream is divided into intervals of length interval\_length. The last rest\_length of each interval is excluded from observation. For example, for a stream length of 100, interval\_length = 20, and rest\_length = 5, the first interval runs from [0,15), the second interval runs from [20,35), etc.

#### Value

If summarize = FALSE, a matrix with rows equal to the number of intervals per session and columns equal to the number of behavior streams in BS. If summarize = TRUE, a vector of proportions of length equal to the number of behavior streams in BS.

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#### **Examples**

logRespRatio

Calculate log-response ratio, variance, and confidence interval

## Description

Estimates the log-response ratio (with or without bias correction), the variance of the log-response ratio, and the confidence interval for a given confidence level.

#### Usage

```
logRespRatio(observations, phase, base_level, conf_level = 0.95,
bias_correct = TRUE, exponentiate = FALSE)
```

## **Arguments**

observations Vector of observations

phase Factor or vector indicating levels of the PIR measurements.

base\_level a character string or value indicating the name of the baseline level.

conf\_level Desired coverage rate of the calculated confidence interval. Default is .95.

Logical value indicating if the bias-corrected log-response ratio should be used.

Default is TRUE

exponentiate Logical value indicating if the log-response ratio should be exponentiated.

#### **Details**

The observations vector can be in any order corresponding to the factor or vector phase. The levels of phase can be any two levels, such as "A" and "B", "base" and "treat", or "0" and "1". If there are more than two levels in phase this function will not work. A value for base\_level must be specified - if it is a chaaracter string it is case sensitive. If exponentiate = TRUE, the log-ratio and the confidence interval will be exponentiated, but the variance will be excluded from the output.

#### Value

If exponentiate = FALSE, a list with three named entries. The first entry, 1RR, is the estimated log-response ratio. The second entry, V\_1RR, is the estimated variance of the log-response ratio. The third entry, CI, is a vector containing the endpoints of a confidence interval of conf\_level coverage rate.

If exponentiate = TRUE, a list with two named entries. The first entry, RR, is the estimated response ratio. The second entry, CI, is a vector containing the endpoints of a confidence interval of conf\_level coverage rate.

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#### **Examples**

```
# Estimate the log response ratio and its variance for Carl from Moes dataset
data(Moes)
with(subset(Moes, Case == "Carl"),
logRespRatio(observations = outcome, phase = Phase, base_level = "No Choice"))
```

Moes

Moes(1998) data

#### **Description**

Single-case design data from a study that using partial interval recording (PIR) examining the impact of choice-making in a homework tutoring context on disruptive behavior. In this data "No Choice" is the baseline phase. Data were extracted from the figure in the publication.

#### Usage

Moes

#### Format

A data frame with 80 observations on 7 variables

- ,1 Case The participant for whom the observation took place
- ,2 Phase The level of the observation ("Choice" vs. "No Choice")
- ,3 Session The observation session # for each participant
- ,4 outcome The summary PIR measurement for the observation session
- ,5 active\_length The length of the active observation interval, in seconds
- ,6 rest\_length The length of the recording interval, in seconds
- ,7 intervals The total number of intervals in the observation session

#### References

Moes, D. R. (1998). Integrating choice-making opportunities within teacher-assigned academic tasks to facilitate the performance of children with autism. Research and Practice for Persons with Severe Disabilities, 23 (4), 319-328.

PIR\_loglik

```
momentary_time_recording
```

Applies momentary time recording to a behavior stream

#### **Description**

Evaluates the presence or absence of the behavior at fixed moments in time.

## Usage

```
momentary_time_recording(BS, interval_length, summarize = TRUE)
```

#### **Arguments**

BS object of class behavior\_stream

interval\_length

length of interval between moments.

summarize logical value indicating whe

logical value indicating whether vector of moments should be summarized by taking their mean.

#### Value

If summarize = FALSE, a matrix with length n\_intervals + 1 and width equal to the number of behavior streams in BS. If summarize = TRUE, a vector of proportions of length equal to the number of behavior streams in BS. Note that if summarize = TRUE, the initial state of the behavior stream is excluded when calculating the mean, so the proportion is based on n\_intervals values.

#### **Examples**

PIR\_loglik

Calculate log-likelihood

## Description

Calculates the log-likelihood of within-session PIR data

#### Usage

```
PIR_loglik(phi, zeta, U, c, d)
```

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#### **Arguments**

phi	value for prevalence
zeta	value for incidence
U	a vector containing interval-level PIR data
С	the length of the active interval
d	the length of the recording interval

#### **Details**

phi must be a value between 0 and 1, inclusive of 0 and 1. \ codezeta must be a value greater than 0.

The vector U should only contain values of 1 or 0.

c must be some positive value in whatever time units the observation took place in (typically seconds). d must be some non-negative value - a d of zero represents a PIR observation where no time was set aside for recording.

#### Value

The value of the log-likelihood

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PIR_MOM	Moment estimator for prevalence and incidence, with bootstrap confi-
	dence intervals

## **Description**

Estimates prevalance and incidence for two samples, along with the ratios of each parameter, assuming that the behavior follows an '. Also provides boostrap confidence intervals.

#### Usage

```
PIR_MOM(PIR, phase, base_level, intervals, interval_length, rest_length = 0,
Bootstraps = 2000, conf_level = 0.95, exponentiate = FALSE,
seed = NULL)
```

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## **Arguments**

PIR vector of PIR measurements

phase factor or vector indicating levels of the PIR measurements.

base\_level a character string or value indicating the name of the baseline level.

intervals the number of intervals in the sample of observations

interval\_length

the total length of each interval

rest\_length length of the portion of the interval devoted to recording. Default is 0

Bootstraps desired number of bootstrap replicates. Default is 2000

conf\_level Desired coverage rate of the calculated confidence interval. Default is .95.

exponentiate a logical indicating whether the row corresponding to the ratio of treatment to

baseline should be exponentiated, with the default as FALSE.

seed seed value set in order to make bootstrap results reproducible. Default is null

#### **Details**

The moment estimators are based on the assumption that the underlying behavior stream follows an Alternating Poisson Process, in which both the event durations and interim times are exponentially distributed.

#### Value

A dataframe with six columns and three rows corresponding to baseline, treatment, and the log ratio or ratio (depending upon the value of exponentiate) of treatment to baseline

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#### **Examples**

```
# Estimate prevalence and incidence ratios for Carl from the Moes dataset
data(Moes)
with(subset(Moes, Case == "Carl"),
PIR_MOM(PIR = outcome, phase = Phase, intervals = intervals,
interval_length = (active_length + rest_length), rest_length = rest_length,
base_level = "No Choice", seed = 149568373))
```

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prevalence_bounds	Prevalence bounds and confidence interval
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## **Description**

Calculates a bound for the log of the prevalence ratio of two samples (referred to as baseline and treatment) based on partial interval recording (PIR) data, assuming that the behavior follows an Alternating Renewal Process.

## Usage

```
prevalence_bounds(PIR, phase, base_level, mu_L, active_length, intervals = NA,
  conf_level = 0.95, exponentiate = FALSE)
```

#### **Arguments**

PIR vector of PIR measurements

phase factor or vector indicating levels of the PIR measurements.

base\_level a character string or value indicating the name of the baseline level.

mu\_L the lower limit on the mean event duration active\_length length of the active observation interval

intervals the number of intervals in the sample of observations. Default is NA.

conf\_level Coverage rate of the confidence interval. Default is .95.

exponentiate Logical value indicating if the log of the bounds and the confidence interval

should be exponentiated. Default is FALSE.

#### **Details**

The prevalence ratio estimate is based on the assumptions that 1) the underlying behavior stream follows an Alternating Renewal Process and 2) the average event duration is greater than mu\_L.

The PIR vector can be in any order corresponding to the factor or vector phase. The levels of phase can be any two levels, such as "A" and "B", "base" and "treat", or "0" and "1". If there are more than two levels in phase this function will not work. A value for base\_level must be specified - if it is a chaaracter string it is case sensitive.

For all of the following variables, the function assumes that if a vector of values is provided they are constant across all observations and simply uses the first value in that vector.

mu\_L is the lower limit on the mean event durations. This is a single value assumed to hold for both samples of behavior

active\_length This is the total active observation length. If the intervals are 15 seconds long but 5 seconds of each interval is reserved for recording purposes, active\_length= 10. Times are often in seconds, but can be in any time unit.

intervals is the number of intervals in the observations. This is a single value and is assumed to be constant across both samples and all observations. This value is only relevant if the mean of one

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of the samples is at the floor or ceiling of 0 or 1. In that case it will be used to truncate the sample mean. If the sample mean is at the floor or ceiling and no value for intervals is provided, the function will stop.

#### Value

A list with three named entries. The first entry, estimate\_bounds, contains the lower and upper bound for the estimate of the prevalence ratio. The second entry, estimate\_SE, contains the standard error of the estimate. The third entry, estimate\_CI, contains the lower and upper bounds for the confidence interval of the prevalence ratio.

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#### **Examples**

```
# Estimate bounds on the prevalence ratio for Carl from Moes dataset
data(Moes)
with(subset(Moes, Case == "Carl"),
   prevalence_bounds(PIR = outcome, phase = Phase, base_level = "No Choice",
   mu_L = 10, active_length = active_length, intervals = intervals))
```

reported\_observations Applies multiple recording procedures to a behavior stream

## **Description**

This is a convenience function that allows multiple recording procedures to be applied to a single behavior stream. Results are reported either per behavior stream or as summary statistics, averaged over multiple behavior streams.

#### Usage

```
reported_observations(BS, data_types = c("C", "M", "E", "P", "W"),
  interval_length = 1, rest_length = 0, n_aggregate = 1)
```

## **Arguments**

BS	object of class behavior_stream
data_types	list of recording procedures to apply to the behavior stream. See details.
interval_length	
	time length of each interval used to score momentary time recording and interval recording procedures.
rest_length	portion of each interval to exclude from observation for interval recording. See documentation for interval_recording.
n_aggregate	number of observations over which to calculate summary statistics.

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#### **Details**

The following recording procedures are currently implemented

- C continuous duration recording
- M momentary time recording
- E event counting
- P partial interval recording
- W whole interval recording

#### Value

If n\_aggregate = 1, a data frame with one column per procedure listed in data\_types and length equal to the number of behavior streams in BS. If n\_aggregate > 1, a list containing two data frames: one with sample means and one with sample variances, both taken across n\_aggregate behavior streams.

## **Examples**

r\_behavior\_stream

Generates random behavior streams

#### **Description**

Random generation of behavior streams (based on an alternating renewal process) of a specified length and with specified mean event durations, mean interim times, event distribution, and interim distribution.

## Usage

```
r_behavior_stream(n, mu, lambda, F_event, F_interim, stream_length,
   equilibrium = TRUE, p0 = 0, tuning = 2)
```

#### **Arguments**

n number of behavior streams to generate

mu vector of mean event durations
lambda vector of mean interim time

F\_event distribution of event durations. Must be of class eq\_dist.

F\_interim distribution of interim times. Must be of class eq\_dist.

stream\_length length of behavior stream

equilibrium logical; if TRUE, then equilibrium initial conditions are used; if FALSE, then p0 is

used to determine initial state and normal generating distributions are used for

event durations and interim times.

p0 vector of initial state probabilities. Only used if equilibrium = FALSE, in

which case default is zero (i.e., behavior stream always starts with an interim

time).

tuning controls the size of the chunk of random event durations and interim times. Ad-

justing this may be useful in order to speed computation time.

#### **Details**

Generates behavior streams by repeatedly drawing random event durations and random interim times from the distributions as specified, until the sum of the durations and interim times exceeds the requested stream length. The vectors mu, lambda, and p0 are recycled to length n.

#### Value

An object of class behavior\_stream containing two elements.

#### **Examples**

r\_continuous\_recording

Generates random samples of continuously recorded behavior streams

## **Description**

Random generation of behavior streams (based on an alternating renewal process) of a specified length and with specified mean event durations, mean interim times, event distribution, and interim distribution, summarized as the total proportion of time the behavior of interest occurred.

#### Usage

```
r_continuous_recording(n, mu, lambda, stream_length, F_event, F_interim,
   equilibrium = TRUE, p0 = 0, tuning = 2)
```

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## Arguments

n number of behavior streams to generate

mu mean event duration lambda mean interim time

stream\_length length of behavior stream

F\_event distribution of event durations. Must be of class eq\_dist.

F\_interim distribution of interim times. Must be of class eq\_dist.

equilibrium logical; if TRUE, then equilibrium initial conditions are used; if FALSE, then p0 is

used to determine initial state and normal generating distributions are used for

event durations and interim times.

p0 Initial state probability. Only used if equilibrium = FALSE, in which case

default is zero (i.e., behavior stream always starts with an interim time).

tuning controls the size of the chunk of random event durations and interim times. Ad-

justing this may be useful in order to speed computation time.

#### **Details**

Generates behavior streams by repeatedly drawing random event durations and random interim times from the distributions as specified, until the sum of the durations and interim times exceeds the requested stream length. Then applies a continuous recording filter to the generated behavior streams.

#### Value

A vector of proportions of length n.

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#### **Examples**

r\_event\_counting

Generates random samples of event counts

#### **Description**

Random generation of behavior streams (based on an alternating renewal process) of a specified length and with specified mean event durations, mean interim times, event distribution, and interim distribution, summarized as the total number of behaviors that began during the recording session

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#### Usage

```
r_event_counting(n, mu, lambda, stream_length, F_event, F_interim,
   equilibrium = TRUE, p0 = 0, tuning = 2)
```

#### **Arguments**

n number of behavior streams to generate

mu mean event duration
lambda mean interim time

stream\_length length of behavior stream

F\_event distribution of event durations. Must be of class eq\_dist.

F\_interim distribution of interim times. Must be of class eq\_dist.

equilibrium logical; if TRUE, then equilibrium initial conditions are used; if FALSE, then p0 is

used to determine initial state and normal generating distributions are used for

event durations and interim times.

p0 Initial state probability. Only used if equilibrium = FALSE, in which case

default is zero (i.e., behavior stream always starts with an interim time).

tuning controls the size of the chunk of random event durations and interim times. Ad-

justing this may be useful in order to speed computation time.

## Details

Generates behavior streams by repeatedly drawing random event durations and random interim times from the distributions as specified, until the sum of the durations and interim times exceeds the requested stream length. Then applies an event counting filter to the generated behavior streams.

#### Value

A vector of behavior counts of length n.

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#### **Examples**

```
r_event_counting(n = 5, mu = 2, lambda = 4, stream_length = 20,

F_event = F_exp(), F_interim = F_exp())
```

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r\_MTS

Generates random momentary time sampling behavior streams

#### **Description**

Random generation of behavior streams (based on an alternating renewal process) of a specified length and with specified mean event durations, mean interim times, event distribution, and interim distribution, which are then coded as momentary time sampling data with given interval length between moments.

## Usage

```
r_MTS(n, mu, lambda, stream_length, F_event, F_interim, interval_length,
  summarize = FALSE, equilibrium = TRUE, p0 = 0, tuning = 2)
```

#### **Arguments**

n number of behavior streams to generate

mu mean event duration
lambda mean interim time
stream\_length length of behavior stream

F\_event distribution of event durations. Must be of class eq\_dist.

F\_interim distribution of interim times. Must be of class eq\_dist.

interval\_length

length of time between moments

summarize logical value indicating whether the vector of moments should be summarized

by taking their mean, excluding the first moment in each row.

equilibrium logical; if TRUE, then equilibrium initial conditions are used; if FALSE, then p0 is

used to determine initial state and normal generating distributions are used for

event durations and interim times.

p0 Initial state probability. Only used if equilibrium = FALSE, in which case

default is zero (i.e., behavior stream always starts with an interim time).

tuning controls the size of the chunk of random event durations and interim times. Ad-

justing this may be useful in order to speed computation time.

#### **Details**

Generates behavior streams by repeatedly drawing random event durations and random interim times from the distributions as specified, until the sum of the durations and interim times exceeds the requested stream length. Then applies a momentary time sampling filter to the generated behavior streams.

#### Value

If summarize = FALSE, a matrix of logicals with rows equal to n and length equal to (stream\_length/interval\_length) + If summarize = TRUE, a vector of means of length n.

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#### Author(s)

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#### **Examples**

r\_PIR

Generates random partial interval recording behavior streams

### **Description**

Random generation of behavior streams (based on an alternating renewal process) of a specified length and with specified mean event durations, mean interim times, event distribution, and interim distribution, which are then coded as partial interval recording data with given interval length and rest length.

## Usage

```
r_PIR(n, mu, lambda, stream_length, F_event, F_interim, interval_length,
  rest_length = 0, summarize = FALSE, equilibrium = TRUE, p0 = 0,
  tuning = 2)
```

## **Arguments**

n number of behavior streams to generate

mu mean event duration
lambda mean interim time
stream\_length length of behavior stream

F\_event distribution of event durations. Must be of class eq\_dist.

F\_interim distribution of interim times. Must be of class eq\_dist.

interval\_length

total interval length

rest\_length length of any recording time in each interval

summarize logical value indicating whether the behavior streams should by summarized by

taking their mean

equilibrium logical; if TRUE, then equilibrium initial conditions are used; if FALSE, then p0 is

used to determine initial state and normal generating distributions are used for

event durations and interim times.

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p0	Initial state probability. Only used if equilibrium = FALSE, in which case default is zero (i.e., behavior stream always starts with an interim time).
tuning	controls the size of the chunk of random event durations and interim times. Adjusting this may be useful in order to speed computation time.

#### **Details**

Generates behavior streams by repeatedly drawing random event durations and random interim times from the distributions as specified, until the sum of the durations and interim times exceeds the requested stream length. Then applies a partial interval recording filter to the generated behavior streams.

#### Value

If summarize = FALSE, a matrix with rows equal to n and a number of columns equal to the number intervals per session. If summarize = TRUE a vector of means of length n.

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#### **Examples**

```
# An unsummarized set of PIR observations
r_PIR(n = 5, mu = 2, lambda = 4, stream_length = 20,
    F_event = F_exp(), F_interim = F_exp(),
    interval_length = 1, rest_length = 0)

# A summarized set of of PIR observations
r_PIR(n = 5, mu = 2, lambda = 4, stream_length = 20,
    F_event = F_exp(), F_interim = F_exp(),
    interval_length = 1, rest_length = 0,
    summarize = TRUE)
```

r\_WIR

Generates random whole interval recording behavior streams

## Description

Random generation of behavior streams (based on an alternating renewal process) of a specified length and with specified mean event durations, mean interim times, event distribution, and interim distribution, which are then coded as whole interval recording data with given interval length and rest length.

## Usage

```
r_WIR(n, mu, lambda, stream_length, F_event, F_interim, interval_length,
  rest_length = 0, summarize = FALSE, equilibrium = TRUE, p0 = 0,
  tuning = 2)
```

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#### **Arguments**

n number of behavior streams to generate

mu mean event duration
lambda mean interim time
stream\_length length of behavior stream

F\_event distribution of event durations. Must be of class eq\_dist.

F\_interim distribution of interim times. Must be of class eq\_dist.

interval\_length

total interval length

rest\_length length of any recording time in each interval

summarize logical value indicating whether the behavior streams should by summarized by

taking their mean

equilibrium logical; if TRUE, then equilibrium initial conditions are used; if FALSE, then p0 is

used to determine initial state and normal generating distributions are used for

event durations and interim times.

p0 Initial state probability. Only used if equilibrium = FALSE, in which case

default is zero (i.e., behavior stream always starts with an interim time).

tuning controls the size of the chunk of random event durations and interim times. Ad-

justing this may be useful in order to speed computation time.

#### **Details**

Generates behavior streams by repeatedly drawing random event durations and random interim times from the distributions as specified, until the sum of the durations and interim times exceeds the requested stream length. Then applies a whole interval recording filter to the generated behavior streams.

#### Value

If summarize = FALSE, a matrix with rows equal to n and a number of columns equal to the number intervals per session. If summarize = TRUE a vector of means of length n.

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#### **Examples**

```
# An unsummarized set of WIR observations
r_WIR(n = 5, mu = 2, lambda = 4, stream_length = 20,
    F_event = F_exp(), F_interim = F_exp(),
    interval_length = 1, rest_length = 0)

# A summarized set of of WIR observations
r_WIR(n = 5, mu = 2, lambda = 4, stream_length = 20,
    F_event = F_exp(), F_interim = F_exp(),
    interval_length = 1, rest_length = 0,
    summarize = TRUE)
```

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