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bisdom	*Categorize water drop penetration times*

Description

This wrapper function categorizes water drop penetration times (WDPT) in seconds according to the scale proposed by Bisdom et al. (1993).

Usage

```
bisdom(wdpt, ...)
```

Arguments

wdpt	a numeric vector containing WDPT measurement data in seconds.
...	arguments passed to findInterval().

Author(s)

Zacharias Steinmetz

References

Bisdom, E., Dekker, L., & Schoute, J. (1993). Water Repellency of Sieve Fractions from Sandy Soils and Relationships with Organic Material and Soil Structure. *Geoderma* **56**, 105-118. doi: 10.1016/ 00167061(93)90103R

See Also

[findInterval](#)() for the generic function.

Examples

```
bisdom(c(2,6,20,NA,3,385))
```

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calibration	*Analytical calibration functions*

Description

Defines a `calibration` object for the calculation of concentrations from measurement signals including estimations for the limit of detection (LOD) and limit of quantification (LOQ) in accordance with DIN 32645 (2008).

The LOD is defined as the lowest quantity of a substance that can be distinguished from the absence of that substance (blank value) within a given confidence level (`alpha`). The LOQ is defined as the lowest quantity of a substance that can be quantified/distinguished from another sample given with respect to a defined confidence level (k).

Usage

```
calibration(
  formula,
  data = NULL,
  blanks = NULL,
  weights = NULL,
  model = "lm",
  check_assumptions = TRUE,
  ...
)

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

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

## S3 method for class 'calibration'
plot(x, interval = "conf", level = 0.95, ...)

lod(object, ...)

## S3 method for class 'calibration'
lod(object, blanks = NULL, alpha = 0.01, level = 0.05, ...)
```

```
loq(object, ...)

## S3 method for class 'calibration'
loq(
  object,
  blanks = NULL,
  alpha = 0.01,
  k = 3,
  level = 0.05,
  maxiter = 10,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

formula	model formula providing the recorded signal intensities with respect to the nominal analyte concentrations in the form of signal ~ concentration or signal ~ concentraion -1; model formulas are currently restricted to those forms, however, the possibility to use log or sqrt transformed data will be implemented in the future.
data	an optional data frame containing the variables in the model.
blanks	a vector of numeric blank values overriding those automatically retrieved from calibration data.
weights	an optional character string containing one or more model variables, for example, in the form of "1/concentration^0.5" or "1/signal" which is internally converted to a numeric vector and passed to the fitting process of the selected model.
model	model class to be used for fitting; currently, [lm]() and [rlm]() are supported.
check_assumptions	
	automatically check for normality and homoscedasticity of model residuals using [shapiro.test]() and [bptest](), respectively; only executed if weights == NULL.
...	further arguments passed to the submethod, namely the respective model environment such as lm(), plot(), or print().
x, object	an object of class 'calibration' with a model formula as shown above.
interval	Type of interval calculation (can be abbreviated); see [predict]() for details.
level	tolerance/confidence level; see [predict]() and [confint]() for details.
alpha	error tolerance for the detection limit (critical value).
k	relative uncertainty for the limit of quantification (1/beta).
maxiter	a positive integer specifying the maximum number of iterations to calculate the LOQ.

Details

If the `data` supplied to `calibration` contain more than one blank value, namely measurements with a nominal concentration of or close to zero, the LOD and LOQ are calculated from the deviation of the blank samples. This method is called "blank method" according to DIN 32645 (2008) and supposed to be more accurate than the so-called "calibration method" which will be used for the estimation of LOD and LOQ when `data` does not contain zero concentration measurements.

Value

`calibration` returns an object of [class](#) 'calibration'. `print()` calls the function parameters together with the respective LOD and LOQ. `plot()` plots the respective calibration curve together with the measurement values. `summary()` may be used to retrieve the summary of the underlying model.

Author(s)

Zacharias Steinmetz

References

Almeida, A. M. D., Castel-Branco, M. M., & Falcao, A. C. (2002). Linear regression for calibration lines revisited: weighting schemes for bioanalytical methods. *Journal of Chromatography B*, **774**(2), 215-222. doi: [10.1016/S15700232(02)002441](#).

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Massart, D.L., Vandeginste, B.G., Buydens, L.M.C., Lewi, P.J., & Smeyers-Verbeke, J. (1997). *Handbook of chemometrics and qualimetrics: Part A*. Elsevier Science Inc.

See Also

Other calibration: [din32645](#), [icp](#), [matrix_effect](#)(), [neitzel2003](#), [weight_select](#)()

Examples

```
data(din32645)
din <- calibration(Area ~ Conc, data = din32645)
din
plot(din)
summary(din)

lod(din)

loq(din)
```

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clayloam	*Hydrometer readings for a clay loam*

Description

Data obtained with a 152H hydrometer in accordance with ASTM D422-63 (2007).

Format

A data frame containing 7 rows and 4 columns with information on:

time:	the measurement time in minutes
temperature:	the temperature of the soil suspension
reading:	the hydrometer reading at the bottom of the meniscus
blank:	a blank value obtained in 5 g/L sodium hexametaphosphate solution (composite correction)

Author(s)

ASTM International

References

ASTM D422-63 (2007). *Standard Test Method for Particle-Size Analysis of Soils*. Technical standard. ASTM International, West Conshohocken, PA. Available from http://www.astm.org/Standards/D422.htm.

See Also

Other texture: texture()

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din32645	*Calibration data from DIN 32645*

Description

Sample data for the calibration of carbon in water.

Format

A data frame containing 20 rows and 2 columns with information on:

Conc:	nominal concentration in mg/L
Area:	measurement signal

Author(s)

Deutsches Institut für Normung

References

DIN 32645 (2008). *Chemical analysis - Decision limit, detection limit and determination limit under repeatability conditions - Terms, methods, evaluation*. Technical standard. Deutsches Institut für Normung, Berlin.

See Also

Other calibration: `calibration()`, `icp`, `matrix_effect()`, `neitzel2003`, `weight_select()`

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References

Almeida, A. M. D., Castel-Branco, M. M., & Falcao, A. C. (2002). Linear regression for calibration lines revisited: weighting schemes for bioanalytical methods. *Journal of Chromatography B*, **774**(2), 215-222. doi: 10.1016/S15700232(02)002441.

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icp   *ICP-AES calibration data*

Description

Sample data of the calibration of silver ions in four-fold replication using inductively coupled plasma atomic emission spectroscopy (ICP-AES).

Format

A data frame containing 16 rows and 6 columns with information on:

Label:	sample name
Element:	element name
Conc:	nominal concentration
Units:	concentration units
Signal:	signal intensity [cps]
Replicate:	number of the respective replicate

Author(s)

Zacharias Steinmetz

See Also

Other calibration: calibration(), din32645, matrix_effect(), neitzel2003, weight_select()

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matrix_effect   *Assess matrix effects and matrix-matched calibrations*

Description

Calculate the matrix effect by comparing the slope of a solvent-based calibration curve with one or more matrix-matched calibration. The matrix effect is expressed as signal suppression/enhancement ratio.

Usage

```
matrix_effect(object, ...)

## S3 method for class 'calibration'
matrix_effect(object, ...)
```

Arguments

`object`	an object of class '`calibration`' obtained from analyzing standard solutions of different concentration (solvent calibration data).
`...`	additional objects of the same type obtained from matrix-matched calibration data.

Details

Matrix effects or signal suppression/enhancement ratios should be evaluated during analytical method development to avoid over- or underestimation of sample concentrations. In addition, signal suppression/enhancement ratios may help to justify the validity of a regular solvent calibration as opposed to matrix-matched calibrations. This may be the case if matrix effects or signal suppression/enhancement ratios are close to measurement repeatability.

Value

The magnitude of a matrix effect is estimated by subtracting the slope of a matrix-matched calibration from that of the solvent-based calibration. The difference is divided by the slope of the solvent-based calibration.

Author(s)

Julius Albert, Zacharias Steinmetz

See Also

Other calibration: `calibration`(), `din32645`, `icp`, `neitzel2003`, `weight_select`()

Examples

```
data(din32645)
din <- calibration(Area ~ Conc, data = din32645)

m32645 <- din32645
m32645$Area <- din32645$Area * 1.5
matrix <- calibration(Area ~ Conc, data = m32645)

matrix_effect(din, matrix)
```

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mselect	*envalysis reimplementation of mselect*

Description

This function should behave just like `mselect`(), with the main difference that model objects are passed through the function instead of requiring the data to be present in `.GlobalEnv`. If you have trouble with this function, you can use `mselect`() instead.

Usage

```
mselect(object, fctList = NULL, nested = FALSE,
sorted = c("IC", "Res var", "Lack of fit", "no"), linreg = FALSE, icfct = AIC)
```

Arguments

object	an object of class `drc`.
fctList	a list of dose-response functions to be compared.
nested	logical; TRUE results in F tests between adjacent models (in `fctList`; only sensible for nested models.
sorted	character string determining according to which criterion the model fits are ranked.
linreg	logical indicating whether or not additionally polynomial regression models (linear, quadratic, and cubic models) should be fitted (they could be useful for a kind of informal lack-of-test consideration for the models specified, capturing unexpected departures).
icfct	function for supplying the information criterion to be used. AIC and BIC are two options.

Details

For Akaike's information criterion and the residual standard error: the smaller the better and for lack-of-fit test (against a one-way ANOVA model): the larger (the p-value) the better. Note that the residual standard error is only available for continuous dose-response data.

Log likelihood values cannot be used for comparison unless the models are nested.

Value

A matrix with one row for each model and one column for each criterion.

Author(s)

Christian Ritz, Zacharias Steinmetz

Examples

```
library(drc)

ryegrass.m1 <- drm(rootl ~ conc, data = ryegrass, fct = LL.4())
mselect(ryegrass.m1, list(LL.3(), LL.5(), W1.3(), W1.4(), W2.4(), baro5()))
```

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neitzel2003 *Calibration data from Neitzel, 2003*

Description

Artificial sample data for the verification of quantification limits.

Format

A data frame containing 20 rows and 2 columns with information on:

Conc:	nominal concentration
Meas:	measurement signal

Author(s)

Volkmar Neitzel

References

Neitzel, V. (2003). Kalibrierung bei Analysenverfahren - Bestimmungsgrenze ist nicht gleich Bestimmungsgrenze. *CLB Chemie in Labor und Biotechnik*, **54**(7), 242-246

See Also

Other calibration: [calibration](), [din32645](), [icp](), [matrix_effect](), [weight_select]()

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rmse *Root mean square error*

Description

This function computes the root mean square error (RMSE) of the two vectors obs and sim. rel = FALSE returns the absolute RMSE, rel = TRUE the relative one. If na.rm is TRUE, missing values are omitted before the computation proceeds.

Usage

```
rmse(obs, sim, rel = F, na.rm = T)
```

Arguments

`obs`	a numeric vector containing observed values.
`sim`	a numeric vector containing simulated values.
`rel`	logical. If `TRUE`, the relative RMSE is calculated, if `FALSE` the absolute RMSE is returned.
`na.rm`	logical. Should missing values be removed?

Author(s)

Zacharias Steinmetz

Examples

```
rmse(c(0.12,0.59,NA), c(0.15,0.63,1.2))
```

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se	*Standard error and confidence interval*

Description

These wrapper functions compute the standard error (SE) or the confidence interval (CI) of the values in `x`. If `na.rm` is `TRUE`, missing values are removed before the computation proceeds.

Usage

```
se(x, na.rm = FALSE)

CI(x, level = 0.95, na.rm = FALSE)
```

Arguments

`x`	a numeric vector or an R object which is coercible to one by `as.vector(x,"numeric")`.
`na.rm`	logical. Should missing values be removed?
`level`	the confidence level required.

Author(s)

Zacharias Steinmetz

See Also

[sd](#)() for the standard deviation.

Examples

```
se(1:5)
CI(1:5)
```

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signifig   *Print significant figures*

Description

This function reports the significant figures of a given `mean` together with its respective `error` term (for instance confidence interval or standard deviation).

Usage

```
signifig(mean, error, data, signif.na = 2, style = "pm")
```

Arguments

mean	a numeric vector or data frame object containing the averaged values.
error	a numeric vector or data frame object containing the respective error terms.
data	a data frame containing the specified columns. If empty, `mean` and `error` need to be given as numeric vectors.
signif.na	an integer controlling to which significant digit the mean value should be rounded when no error data was given.
style	a string specifying the output style to be used. The default style "pm" reports the results as "3 ± 6", while "par" results in outputs like "0.26 (0.02)". "siunitx" returns "0.26 (2)" which might be used together with xtable for automated LaTeX table outputs.

Author(s)

Zacharias Steinmetz

References

Taylor, J.R. (1997). *Error analysis: the study of uncertainties in physical measurements*. University Science Books, Sausalito, CA.

Examples

```
signifig(mean = c(0.28,5), error = c(0.688, 8))
```

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sorption   *Sorption isotherms*

Description

This function returns the concentration of a substance sorbed to a surface boundary after an equilibrium has established at constant temperature given the concentration(s) conc of the dissolved substance.

Usage

```
sorption(conc, par, type = "freundlich")
```

Arguments

conc   a numeric vector containing the concentration(s) of the dissolved substance.

par   a numeric vector specifying the function parameters, see examples for details and correct order.

type   a character string indicating the type of sorption isotherm to be used: "linear" for the linear type, "freundlich" for the Freundlich isotherm, "langmuir" for the Langmuir isotherm, "BET" for the BET model according to Brunauer, Emmet, and Teller "redlich" for the Redlich-Peterson isotherm.

Author(s)

Zacharias Steinmetz

References

Atkins, P.W. (2001). *Physical chemistry*, Oxford University Press, Oxford.

Examples

```
sorption(conc = 1:5, c(Kd = 2.5), type = "linear")
sorption(conc = 1:5, c(K = 4, n = 0.6), type = "freundlich")
sorption(conc = 1:5, c(KL = 2, qmax = 10), type = "langmuir")
sorption(conc = 1:5, c(K = 50, qmax = 10, Csat = 10), type = "BET")
sorption(conc = 1:5, c(A = 30, B = 0.8), type = "redlich")
```

Description

Calculates the particle size distribution and both DIN and USDA texture classes from a series of hydrometer readings according to ASTM D422-63 (2007).

Usage

```
texture(reading, ...)

## S3 method for class 'formula'
texture(formula, data = NULL, ...)

## Default S3 method:
texture(
  reading,
  blank,
  time,
  temp,
  conc = 50,
  Gs = 2.65,
  hydrometer = "auto",
  model = "auto",
  plot = F,
  ...
)

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

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

Arguments

reading	a numeric vector of data values providing the hydrometer readings at the bottom of the meniscus.
...	further arguments to be passed to texture() (currently not used), print(), or plot().
formula	an object of class '[formula](#)' of the form reading ~ blank + time + temp.
data	a data frame containing the variables in formula.
blank	a numeric vector containing the blank readings taken in 5 g/L sodium hexametaphosphate solution (composite correction).

time	a numeric vector containing the time passed since the beginning of the measurement in minutes.
temp	an integer vector containing the measured temperature.
conc	the concentration of the soil solution, default is 50 g/L as proposed in the ASTM guideline.
Gs	specific gravity of the suspension.
hydrometer	a character string specifying the hydrometer used; accepted values are "auto" for auto-detection (default), "151H", and "152H".
model	string is passed to [drm](), "auto" chooses the best fitting model automatically.
plot	logical; if TRUE the particle size distribution is plotted.
x	an object of class 'texture'.

Value

texture returns an object of [class]() 'texture. The functions print() and plot() are available to retrieve the soil texture classes and the particle size distribution, respectively.

An object of class 'texture' is a list containing the following components:

meta	Measurement meta data
distribution	data frame providing the particle size distribution
model	information on the fitted [drm]() model
din	Main DIN texture classes
usda	Main USDA texture classes

Author(s)

Zacharias Steinmetz

References

ASTM D422-63 (2007). *Standard Test Method for Particle-Size Analysis of Soils*. Technical standard. ASTM International, West Conshohocken, PA. Available from http://www.astm.org/Standards/D422.htm

See Also

Other texture: [clayloam]()

Examples

```
data(clayloam)

## Default method
attach(clayloam)
texture(reading, blank, time, temperature)
detach(clayloam)
```

```
## Formula interface
texture(reading ~ blank + time + temperature, clayloam)
```

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theme_publish   *ggplot2 theme for scientific publications*

Description

Themes set the general aspect of the plot such as the color of the background, grid lines, the size and color of fonts. This particular theme is based on the classic dark-on-light ggplot2 theme_bw and has been used for scientific publications.

Usage

```
theme_publish(base_size = 12, base_family = "", line_size = 0.25, ...)
```

Arguments

base_size	base font size
base_family	base font family
line_size	base line size for, e.g. for ticks and axes
...	further arguments to be passed to theme_bw

Author(s)

Zacharias Steinmetz

See Also

ggtheme theme_bw

Examples

```
require(ggplot2)
p <- ggplot(mtcars) + geom_point(aes(x = wt, y = mpg,
     colour=factor(gear))) + facet_wrap( ~ am)
p
p + theme_publish()
```

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weight_select   *Tools for weighted calibrations*

Description

Selecting optimum model weights by comparing sum relative errors (relerr()) of weighted calibration models as suggested by Almeida et al. (2002).

Usage

```
weight_select(object, add_weights, ...)

## S3 method for class 'calibration'
weight_select(object, add_weights = NULL, ...)

relerr(object)

## S3 method for class 'calibration'
relerr(object)
```

Arguments

object	an object of class 'calibration'.
add_weights	a list of weights to be added to the default weights to be checked. These are 1/concentration^0.5, 1/concentration^1, 1/concentration^2, 1/signal^0.5, 1/signal^1, and 1/signal^2.
...	further arguments passed to calibration().

Details

If calibration data is not homoscedastic, a weighted least squares linear calibration model may be applied to counteract the influence of high concentrations on the regression model. This, in turn, typically improves the accuracy at the lower end of the calibration curve (Almeida et al., 2002). weight_select uses sum relative errors (relerr) to find the best weight as suggested by Almeida et al. (2002). Predefined weights include 1/concentration^0.5, 1/concentration^1, 1/concentration^2, 1/signal^0.5, 1/signal^1, and 1/signal^2 (see calibration for details).

Value

weight_select produces a matrix with differently weighted calibration models ordered by sum relative errors. relerr compares the nominal concentrations with those predicted by the calibration model.

Author(s)

Julius Albert, Kilian Kenngott, Zacharias Steinmetz

References

Almeida, A. M. D., Castel-Branco, M. M., & Falcao, A. C. (2002). Linear regression for calibration lines revisited: weighting schemes for bioanalytical methods. *Journal of Chromatography B*, **774**(2), 215-222. doi: 10.1016/S15700232(02)002441.

See Also

Other calibration: calibration(), din32645, icp, matrix_effect(), neitzel2003

Examples

```
data(din32645)
din <- calibration(Area ~ Conc, data = din32645)

weight_select(din)

relerr(din)
```

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