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**Title** Spatiotemporal Point Patterns Simulation

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**Description** Generates artificial point patterns marked by their spatial and temporal signatures. The resulting point cloud may exhibit inherent interactions between both signatures. The simulation integrates microsimulation (Holm, E., (2017)<doi:10.1002/9781118786352.wbieg0320>) and agent-based models (Bonabeau, E., (2002)<doi:10.1073/pnas.082080899>), beginning with the configuration of movement characteristics for the specified agents (referred to as 'walkers') and their interactions within the simulation environment. These interactions (Quaglietta, L. and Porto, M., (2019)<doi:10.1186/s40462-019-0154-8>) result in specific spatiotemporal patterns that can be visualized, analyzed, and used for various analytical purposes. Given the growing scarcity of detailed spatiotemporal data across many domains, this package provides an alternative data source for applications in social and life sciences.

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# Description

Simulates spatial locations to serve as origins of walkers. If provided, spaces covered by restriction features are avoided. Final origins are assigned probability values indicating the strengths of the origins.

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## Usage

```
artif_spo(poly, n_origin=50, restriction_feat = NULL,
n_foci=5, foci_separation = 10, mfocal = NULL,
conc_type = "nucleated", p_ratio)
```

#### **Arguments**

poly (An sf or S4 object) a polygon shapefile defining the extent of the landscape

n\_origin number of locations to serve as origins for walkers. Default:50.

restriction\_feat

(An S4 object) optional shapefile containing features in which walkers cannot

walk through. Default: NULL.

n\_foci number of focal points amongst the origin locations. The origins to serve as fo-

cal points are based on random selection. n\_foci must be smaller than n\_origins.

foci\_separation

a value from 1 to 100 indicating the nearness of focal points to one another. A 0 separation indicates that focal points are in close proximity of one another, while a 100 indicates focal points being evenly distributed agrees space.

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mfocal the c(x, y) coordinates of a single point, representing a pre-defined main focal

point (origin) in the area. The default is NULL in which a random coordinate is

chosen within the polygon area.

conc\_type concentration of the rest of the origins (non-focal origins) around the focal ones.

The options are "nucleated" and "dispersed".

p\_ratio the smaller of the two terms of proportional ratios. For example, a value of 20

implies 20:80 proportional ratios.

# Details

The focal origins (n\_foci) serve as the central locations (such as, city centres). The foci\_separation indicates the nearness of focal origins from one another. The conc\_type argument allows a user to specify the type of spatial concentration exhibited by the non-focal origin around the focal ones. If restriction\_feat is provided, its features help to prevent the occurrence of any events in the areas occupied by the features.

#### Value

Returns a list detailing the properties of the generated spatial origins with associated strength (probability) values.

```
#load boundary of Camden
load(file = system.file("extdata", "camden.rda",
package="stppSim"))
boundary = camden$boundary # get boundary
landuse <- camden$landuse
spo <- artif_spo(poly = boundary, n_origin = 50,</pre>
```

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```
restriction_feat = landuse, n_foci=5, foci_separation = 0,
mfocal = NULL, conc_type = "dispersed", p_ratio=20)
```

camden\_crimes

Records of crimes of Camden Borough of London, UK, 2021 (Source: https://data.police.uk/data/)

# **Description**

Data comprising 'Theft' and 'Criminal Damage' records of Camden Borough of London, UK for the year 2021 (Source: https://data.police.uk/). Note: Police.uk data is aggregated at monthly scale (yyyy-mm). But, the data provided here has been disaggregated to daily scale by adding fake 'daily' stamps (to give yyyy-mm-dd). So, caution should be taken when interpreting the results based on full date.

#### Usage

camden\_crimes

#### **Format**

A matrix containing four variables

- x: x coordinate
- y: y coordinate
- date: date of occurence
- type: types of crime

chull\_poly

Boundary surrounding a set of points

# **Description**

Generates a boundary (polygon) around a set of points, using Convex Hull technique (Eddy, W. F, 1977).

# Usage

```
chull_poly(xycoords,
crsys = NULL)
```

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# Arguments

xycoords (matrix) A 2-column coordinate vectors of points: x - the eastings, and y - the

northing.

crsys Optional string specifying the coordinate reference system (crs) of the resulting

boundary, e.g., the crs string "+proj=longlat +datum=WGS84" transform the

resulting boundary to wgs84 system.

#### **Details**

Draws an arbitrary boundary around spatial points by joining the outer-most points by lines.

#### Value

Returns a "SpatialPolygonsDataFrame" object representing the boundary surround the spatial points

#### References

Eddy, W. F. (1977). A new convex hull algorithm for planar sets. ACM Transactions on Mathematical Software, 3, 398–403.10.1145/355759.355766.

# **Examples**

```
data(xyt_data)
#extract xy coordinates only
xy <- matrix(as.numeric(xyt_data[,1:2]),,2)
bry <- chull_poly(xy, crsys = NULL)
#visualise result
#plot(bry) #to plot
#points(xy[,1], xy[,2], add=TRUE)</pre>
```

compare\_areas

Compare two areas

#### **Description**

To compare the sizes of two areas (boundary shapefiles).

# Usage

```
compare_areas(area1, area2,
display_output = FALSE)
```

# **Arguments**

area1	(as spatialPolygons, spatialPolygonDataFrames, or simple features).
	the polygon object of the first area.
area2	$(as\ spatial Polygons,\ spatial Polygon Data Frames,\ or\ simple\ \ features).$

the polygon object of the second area.

display\_output (logical) Whether to print output in the console. Default: FALSE

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#### **Details**

Compares the sizes of two areas (polygon shapefiles). The two shapefiles can be in any crs, and any spatial object formats. If enabled, the output (a value) comparing the area of the two polygons is printed. This value can be used to scale some specific spatial parameters, including n\_origin, s\_threshold, and step\_length.

#### Value

Returns a plot and a text (string) comparing the sizes of two areas.

# **Examples**

```
#load 'area1' object - boundary of Camden, UK
load(file = system.file("extdata", "camden.rda",
package="stppSim"))
camden_boundary = camden$boundary

#load 'area2' - boundary of Birmingham, UK
load(file = system.file("extdata", "birmingham_boundary.rda",
package="stppSim"))

#run
compare_areas(area1 = camden_boundary,
area2 = birmingham_boundary, display_output = FALSE)
```

date\_checker

Date (Format) Checker

# Description

Checks if date is in a specified format (i.e. 'yyyy-mm-dd').

#### Usage

```
date_checker(x)
```

#### **Arguments**

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A date or a vector of date values

# **Details**

Returns "TRUE" if all date entries are in the specified format ("yyyy-mm-dd), and FALSE if at least one date is not in the format.

#### Value

Returns TRUE or FALSE

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#### **Examples**

```
date_list_1 <- c("2021-09-12", "2016-xx-02",
"09/08/2012")
date_checker(date_list_1)
#> FALSE (Entries 2 and 3
#are incorrect date inputs)
date_list_2 <- c("2021-09-12", "1998-03-09")
date_checker(date_list_2)
#> TRUE
```

extract\_coords

Coordinates extraction

# **Description**

Extracts the bounding (edges) coordinates of a polygon object.

# Usage

```
extract_coords(poly)
```

# Arguments

poly

(An sf or S4 object) A polygon shapefile.

#### **Details**

Given a spatial polygon object, the function extracts its bounding coordinates.

#### Value

Returns 2-column xy coordinates representing points of directional change along the boundary.

```
#load boundary of Camden
load(file = system.file("extdata", "camden.rda",
package="stppSim"))
boundary = camden$boundary # get boundary
extract_coords(poly=boundary)
```

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gtp	Global temporal pattern (GTP)	
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# Description

Models the global temporal pattern, as combining the long-term trend and seasonality.

# Usage

```
gtp(start_date, trend = "stable",
slope = NULL, shortTerm = "cyclical",
fPeak = 90, show.plot =FALSE)
```

# Arguments

start_date	the start date of the temporal pattern. The date should be in the format "yyyy-mm-dd". The GTP will normally cover a 1-year period.
trend	specifies the direction of the long-term trend. Options are: "falling", "stable", and "rising". Default value is: "stable".
slope	slope of the long-term trend when an "rising" or "falling" trend is specified. Options: "gentle" or "steep". The default value is set as NULL for the stable trend.
shortTerm	type of short- to medium-term fluctuations (patterns) of the time series. Options are: `"cyclical"` and `"acyclical"`. Default is: `"cyclical"`.
fPeak	first seasonal peak of cyclical short term. Default value is 90. Set as NULL for "acyclical" short term pattern.
show.plot	(logical) Shows 'gtp'. Default is FALSE.

# **Details**

Models the GTP for anchoring the temporal trends and patterns of the point patterns to be simulated.

# Value

Returns a time series (list) of 365 data points representing 1-year global temporal pattern.

```
gtp(start_date = "2020-01-01", trend = "stable",
slope = NULL, shortTerm = "cyclical",
fPeak = 90, show.plot = FALSE)
```

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# Description

Generates a system of square grids over an area (boundary shapefile).

## Usage

```
make_grids(poly, size = 350,
show_output = FALSE, interactive = FALSE)
```

# Arguments

poly	(as spatialPolygons, spatialPolygonDataFrames, or simple features). A polygon object over which square grids are to be created.
size	Size of square grids to be created. For example, the input size for a 350 by 350 square grids is 350.
show_output	(logical) Display the output. Default: FALSE
interactive	(logical) to show interactive map of the grids generated. Default: FALSE.

#### **Details**

Generates a square grid system in a shapefile format (in the same crs as the input poly). If interactive argument is TRUE, an interactive map is shown from which the centroid coordinates of any grid can be displayed by hovering the mouse over the grid. If internet connection is available on the PC, a basemap (OpenStreetmap) is added to help identify places.

#### Value

Returns a "SpatialPolygonsDataFrames" object representing a system of square grids covering the polygon area.

```
#load boundary of Camden
load(file = system.file("extdata", "camden.rda",
package="stppSim"))
boundary = camden$boundary
make_grids(poly=boundary, size = 350,
show_output = FALSE, interactive = FALSE)
```

NRepeat NRepeat

NRepeat

Near Repeat calculator using the Knox test

#### **Description**

This function uses the Knox test for space-time clustering to quantify the spatio-temporal association between events (Credit: Wouter Steenbeek).

## Usage

```
NRepeat(x, y, time, sds, tds, s_include.lowest = FALSE,
s_right = FALSE, t_include.lowest = FALSE, t_right = FALSE,
method = "manhattan", nrep = 999, saveSimulations = FALSE,
future.seed = TRUE,...)
```

#### **Arguments**

tds

x a vector of x coordinatesy a vector of y coordinates

time a vector of time. This can be of type integer, numeric, or date

sds A vector of break points of the spatial intervals. For example c(0,50,120,300) to

specify spatial intervals from 0-50, 50-120, 120-300 meters. Or c(0,50,100,Inf) to specify spatial intervals from 0-50, 50-100, and 100-Inf meters. (More accurately, on the scale of the provided x and y coordinates. For example, data may be projected in feet and thus the distances refer to feet instead of meters).

A vector of break points of the temporal intervals. For example c(0,2,4,Inf) to

or projection in the mine that the distances received the received at the contract of the cont

specify temporal intervals from 0-2, 2-4, 4-Inf days.

s\_include.lowest

the descriptions above are ambiguous on how exactly the spatial break points are handled. For example, does c(0,100,200) refer to 0-100, 101-200? Or to 0-99 and 100-199? s\_include.lowest follows the arguments of cut (see ?cut). Logical, indicating if a spatial distance equal to the lowest (or highest, for right = FALSE) 'breaks' value should be included. Default = FALSE. See vi-

gnette("NearRepeat\_breaks") for details.

s\_right logical, indicating if the spatial intervals should be closed on the right (and open

on the left) or vice versa. Default = FALSE. See vignette("NearRepeat\_breaks")

for details.

t\_include.lowest

t\_include.lowest follows the arguments of cut (see ?cut). Logical, indicating if a temporal distance equal to the lowest (or highest, for right = FALSE) 'breaks'

value should be included. Default = FALSE.

t\_right logical, indicating if the temporal intervals should be closed on the right (and open on the left) or vice versa. Default = FALSE. See vignette("NearRepeat\_breaks")

for details.

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method The method to calculate the spatial distances between crime events. Methods

possible as in the 'dist' function (see ?dist). Default is 'manhattan', which seems to be a fair approximation of the distance travelled by a road network. Alternatively, the user can specify 'euclidean' to get the 'as the crow flies' distance.

nrep The number of replications of the Monte Carlo simulation (default = 999).

saveSimulations

Should all simulated contingency tables be saved as a 3-dimensional array? De-

fault = FALSE

future.seed A logical or an integer (of length one or seven), or a list of length(X) with pre-

generated random seeds. Default = TRUE. See R package future.apply for de-

tails.

. . . (optional) Additional arguments passed to future\_lapply()

#### **Details**

Further details available at: https://github.com/wsteenbeek/NearRepeat.

#### Value

An object of type "knox", i.e. a list with four tables. For each spatial and temporal distance combination,(1) The counts of observed crime pairs, (2) The Knox ratios based on the mean of the simulations, (3) The Knox ratios based on the median of the simulations, (4) p-values.

#### References

Steenbeek W. Near Repeat. R package version 0.1.1. 2018. URL: https://github.com/wsteenbeek/NearRepeat

```
## Not run:
# Generate example data. Suppose x and y refer to meters distance.
(mydata <- data.frame(x = sample(x = 20, size = 20, replace = TRUE) * 20,
                     y = sample(x = 20, size = 20, replace = TRUE) * 20,
                     date = as.Date(sort(sample(20, size = 20, replace = TRUE)),
                     origin = "2018-01-01")
                     ))
# Near Repeat calculation using 0-100 meters and 100-Inf meters, and three
# temporal intervals of 2 days
set.seed(38673)
NRepeat(x = mydata$x, y = mydata$y, time = mydata$date,
           sds = c(0,100,Inf), tds = c(0,2,4))
# Add a 'same repeat' spatial interval of 0.001 meters, and use Euclidean
# distance
set.seed(38673)
NRepeat(x = mydata$x, y = mydata$y, time = mydata$date,
           sds = c(0,0.001,100,Inf), tds = c(0,2,4),
          method = "euclidean")
```

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```
# Only do 99 replications
set.seed(38673)
NRepeat(x = mydata$x, y = mydata$y, time = mydata$date,
           sds = c(0,0.001,100,Inf), tds = c(0,2,4),
           method = "euclidean", nrep = 99)
# The plot() function can be used to plot a Heat Map of Near Repeat results
# based on p-values
set.seed(4622)
myoutput <- NRepeat(x = mydata$x, y = mydata$y, time = mydata$date,</pre>
                       sds = c(0,100,200,300,400), td = c(0,1,2,3,4,5))
# The default range of p-values that will be highlighted (0-.05) can be
# adjusted using the 'pvalue_range' parameter. By default the Knox ratios
# are printed in the cells, but this can be adjusted using the 'text'
# parameter. The default is "knox_ratio". Possible values are "observed",
# "knox_ratio", "knox_ratio_median", "pvalues", or NA.
## End(Not run)
```

poly

Boundary coordinates

# **Description**

Boundary coordinates of Camden Borough of London

# Usage

poly

#### **Format**

A dataframe containing one variable:

- x: x coordinate
- y: y coordinate

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poly\_tester

Geometry and Coordinate Reference System test of a polygon

# Description

Tests whether a polygon has the correct geometry, namely; S4 or sf. Also, tests that there is a valid projection attached to the polygon.

# Usage

```
poly_tester(poly)
```

# **Arguments**

poly

(as spatialPolygons, spatialPolygonDataFrames, or simple features). A spatial polygon object.

# **Details**

Returns an error message if the polygon is not in the correct geometry or CRS.

#### Value

Returns error messages, or mute

# **Examples**

```
#load boundary of Camden
load(file = system.file("extdata", "camden.rda",
package="stppSim"))
boundary = camden$boundary # get boundary
poly_tester(poly=boundary)
```

psim\_artif

Stpp from synthetic origins

# Description

Generates spatiotemporal point patterns based on a set of synthesized origins.

psim\_artif

#### Usage

```
psim_artif(n_events=1000, start_date = "2021-01-01",
poly, netw = NULL, n_origin, restriction_feat=NULL, field,
n_foci, foci_separation, mfocal = NULL, conc_type = "dispersed",
p_ratio=20, s_threshold = 50, step_length = 20,
trend = "stable", shortTerm = "cyclical", fPeak=90,
s_band = c(0, 200),
t_band = c(1, 5, 10),
slope = NULL, interactive = FALSE, show.plot=FALSE, show.data=FALSE, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

n\_events number of points (events) to simulate. Default: 1000. A vector of integer values

can be supplied, such as, c(a1, a2, ....), where a1, a'2, ... represent different

integer values.

start\_date the start date of the temporal pattern. The date should be in the format "yyyy-mm-dd".

The 'gtp' will normally cover a 1-year period.

poly (An sf or S4 object) a polygon shapefile defining the extent of the landscape.

netw (An sf or S4 object) The network path of the landscape (e.g. road and/or street).

Default: NULL. If provided each event is snapped to the closest network path/segment.

n\_origin number of locations to serve as origins for walkers. Default:50.

restriction\_feat

(An S4 object) optional shapefile containing features in which walkers cannot

walk through. Default: NULL.

field a number in the range of [0-1] (i.e. restriction values) assigned to all features;

or the name of a numeric field to extract such restriction values for different classes of feature. Restriction value  $\theta$  and 1 indicate the lowest and the highest

obstructions, respectively. Default: NULL.

n\_foci number of focal points amongst the origin locations. The origins to serve as fo-

cal points are based on random selection. n\_foci must be smaller than n\_origins.

foci\_separation

a value from 1 to 100 indicating the nearness of focal points to one another. A 0 separation indicates that focal points are in close proximity of one another,

while a 100 indicates focal points being evenly distributed across space.

mfocal the c(x, y) coordinates of a single point, representing a pre-defined main focal

point (origin) in the area. The default is NULL in which a random coordinate is

chosen within the polygon area.

conc\_type concentration of the rest of the origins (non-focal origins) around the focal ones.

The options are "nucleated" and "dispersed".

p\_ratio the smaller of the two terms of proportional ratios. For example, a value of 20

implies 20:80 proportional ratios.

s\_threshold defines the spatial perception range of a walker at a given location. Default: 250

(in the same linear unit as the poly - polygon shapefile).

step\_length the maximum step taken by a walker from one point to the next.

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trend	specifies the direction of the long-term trend. Options are: "falling", "stable", and "rising". Default value is: "stable".
shortTerm	type of short- to medium-term fluctuations (patterns) of the time series. Options are: `"cyclical"` and `"acyclical"`. Default is: `"cyclical"`.
fPeak	first seasonal peak of cyclical short term. Default value is 90. Only used for "cyclical" short term pattern.
s_band	distance bandwidth within which the event re-occurences are maximized (i.e., interactions are maximum). Specified as a vector of two distance values. Default: $c(0, 200)$ .
t_band	temporal bandwidth within which event re-occurences are maximized (i.e., interactions are maximum). Specified as a vector of values (in days) c(1, 5, 7, 14).
slope	slope of the long-term trend when an "rising" or "falling" trend is specified. Options: "gentle" or "steep". The default value is set as NULL for the stable trend.
interactive	Whether to run the process in interactive mode. Default is FALSE. If TRUE, a user is able to preview the spatial and temporal models of the expected distribution of the final simulated events (points).
show.plot	(logical) Shows GTP. Default is FALSE.
show.data	(TRUE or FALSE) To show the output data. Default is FALSE.
	additional arguments to pass from gtp, walker and artif_spo functions.

## **Details**

Simulate artificial spatiotemporal patterns and interactions based user specifications.

#### Value

Returns a list of artificial spatiotemporal point patterns based on user-defined parameters.

```
## Not run:

#load boundary and land use of Camden
#load(file = system.file("extdata", "camden.rda",
#package="stppSim"))
#boundary = camden$boundary # get boundary
#landuse = camden$landuse # get landuse
boundary <- stppSim:::boundary
landuse <- stppSim:::landuse
#In this example, we will use a minimal number of
#'n_origin' (i.e. `20`) for faster computation:

#simulate data
simulated_stpp <- psim_artif(n_events=200, start_date = "2021-01-01",
poly=boundary, netw = NULL, n_origin=20, restriction_feat = NULL,
field = NULL,</pre>
```

psim\_real

```
n_foci=1, foci_separation = 10, mfocal = NULL,
conc_type = "dispersed",
p_ratio = 20, s_threshold = 50,
step_length = 20,
trend = "stable", shortTerm = "cyclical",
fPeak=90, s_band = c(0, 200),
t_band = c(1, 5, 10),
slope = NULL, interactive = FALSE, show.plot=FALSE, show.data=FALSE)
#If `n_events` is a vector of values,
#retrieve the simulated data for the
#corresponding vector element by using
#`simulated_stpp[[enter-element-index-here]]`, e.g.,
#to retrieve the first dataframe, use
#simulated_stpp[[1]].
#The above example simulates point patterns on
#an unrestricted landscape. If set ,
#`restriction_feat = landuse` and
#`field = "restrVal"`, then the simulation
#is performed on a restricted landscape.
## End(Not run)
```

psim\_real

Stpp from real (sample) origins

#### Description

Generates spatiotemporal point pattern from origins sampled based on real sample dataset.

#### Usage

```
psim_real(n_events, ppt, start_date = NULL, poly = NULL,
netw = NULL, s_threshold = NULL, step_length = 20, n_origin=50,
restriction_feat=NULL, field=NA,
p_ratio=20, interactive = FALSE, s_range = 150,
s_interaction = "medium", tolerance = 0.07,
crsys = NULL)
```

#### **Arguments**

n\_events number of points (events) to simulate. Default: 1000. A vector of integer values

can be supplied, such as, c(a1, a2, ....), where a1, a'2, ... represent different

integer values.

ppt A 3-column matrix or list containing x - eastings, y - northing, and t - time of

occurrence (in the format: 'yyyy-mm-dd')

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the start date of the temporal pattern. The date should be in the format "yyyy-mm-dd". start\_date The temporal pattern will normally cover 1-year period. (An sf or S4 object) a polygon shapefile defining the extent of the landscape poly netw (An sf or S4 object) The network path of the landscape (e.g. road and/or street). Default: NULL. If provided each event is snapped to the closest network path/segment. s\_threshold defines the spatial perception range of a walker at a given location. Default: 250 (in the same linear unit as the poly - polygon shapefile). step\_length the maximum step taken by a walker from one point to the next. n\_origin number of locations to serve as origins for walkers. Default:50. restriction\_feat (An S4 object) optional shapefile containing features in which walkers cannot walk through. Default: NULL. field a number in the range of [0-1] (i.e. restriction values) assigned to all features; or the name of a numeric field to extract such restriction values for different classes of feature. Restriction value 0 and 1 indicate the lowest and the highest obstructions, respectively. Default: NULL. p\_ratio the smaller of the two terms of proportional ratios. For example, a value of 20 implies 20:80 proportional ratios. Whether to run the process in interactive mode. Default is FALSE. If TRUE, a user interactive is able to preview the spatial and temporal models of the expected distribution of the final simulated events (points). A value (in metres), not less than 150, specifying the maximum range of spatial s\_range interaction across the space. For example, for 150m, the intervals of spatial interactions are created as (0, 50], (50 - 100], and (100-150], representing the "small", "medium", and "large", spatial interaction ranges, respectively. If s\_range is set as NULL, simulation focusses only on generating point pattern with similar spatiotemporal patterns as the sample dataset. (string) indicating the type of spatial interaction to detect. Default: "medium" s\_interaction (See parameter 's\_range') tolerance Pvalue to use for the extraction of space-time interaction in the sample data. Default value: 0.05. (string) the EPSG code of the projection system of the ppt coordinates. This crsys is only used if poly argument is NULL. See "http://spatialreference.org/" for the list of EPSG codes for different regions of the world. As an example, the EPSG code for the British National Grid projection system is: "EPSG: 27700".

## **Details**

The spatial and temporal patterns and interactions detected in sample datasets are extrapolated to synthetise larger data size. Details of the spatiotemporal interactions detected in the sample dataset are provided. If the street network of the area is provided, each point is snapped to its nearest street segment.

## Value

A list of artificial spatiotemporal point patterns and interaction generated based on a sample (real) data.

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#### References

Davies, T.M. and Hazelton, M.L. (2010), Adaptive kernel estimation of spatial relative risk, Statistics in Medicine, 29(23) 2423-2437. Terrell, G.R. (1990), The maximal smoothing principle in density estimation, Journal of the American Statistical Association, 85, 470-477.

```
## Not run:
data(camden_crimes)
#subset 'theft' crime
theft <- camden_crimes[which(camden_crimes$type == "Theft"),]</pre>
#specify the proportion of full data to use
sample_size <- 0.3</pre>
set.seed(1000)
dat_sample <- theft[sample(1:nrow(theft),</pre>
round((sample_size * nrow(theft)), digits=0),
replace=FALSE),1:3]
#plot(dat_sample$x, dat_sample$y) #preview
#load boundary and land use of Camden
#load(file = system.file("extdata", "camden.rda",
#package="stppSim"))
#landuse = camden$landuse # get landuse
landuse <- stppSim:::landuse</pre>
#simulate data
simulated_stpp <- psim_real(n_events=2000, ppt=dat_sample,</pre>
start_date = NULL, poly = NULL, netw = NULL, s_threshold = NULL,
step_length = 20, n_origin=20,
restriction_feat = NULL, field=NULL,
p_ratio=20, interactive = FALSE, s_range = 150,
s_interaction = "medium", tolerance = 0.07,
crsys = "EPSG:27700")
#If `n_events` is a vector of values,
#retrieve the simulated data for the
#corresponding vector element by using
#`simulated_stpp[[enter-element-index-here]]`, e.g.,
#to retrieve the first dataframe, use
#simulated_stpp[[1]].
#The above example simulates point patterns on
#an unrestricted landscape. If \code{restriction_feat = landuse} and \code{field = "restrVal"},
then the simulation
#is run with the landuse features as restrictions
#on the landscape.
## End(Not run)
```

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# **Description**

Generates an n probability values in accordance with a specified proportional ratios.

# Usage

```
p_prob(n, p_ratio = 20)
```

#### **Arguments**

n a number of data points.

p\_ratio the smaller of the terms of specified proportional ratios. For instance, for a

30:70 ratio, p\_ratio is equal to 30. Default value is set as 20. Valid p\_ratio

values are: (5, 10, 20, 30, 40).

#### **Details**

Proportional ratios are used to divide the area under curve (auc) of an exponential function such that for any given percentage ratios a:b, the auc is divided into b:a.

#### Value

Returns a dataframe with a probability field.

## **Examples**

```
p_prob(n = 15, p_ratio = 20)
```

## **Description**

Snaps points to the nearest segment of a network data.

#### Usage

```
snap_points_to_lines(points, lines,
verbose = FALSE)
```

# **Arguments**

points point data (sf object)

lines line/street/road network (sf object)
verbose Whether to output processing messages.

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#### **Details**

Function snaps points (within 300m) to the nearest segment on a network. The remaining points outside 300m buffer are returned in their original locations (Credit: Michal Kvasnicka)

#### Value

Point (sf object) with adjusted coordinates to fit on the network data

## **Examples**

```
#get line and point data
#load(file = system.file("extdata", "camden.rda",
#package="stppSim"))
lines <- stppSim:::lines
pts <- stppSim:::pts
my_points <- snap_points_to_lines(points=pts,
lines=lines,
verbose = FALSE)

#preview result
#ggplot()+
#geom_sf(data = lines, col = 'red')+
#geom_sf(data = pts, shape = 1)</pre>
```

space\_restriction

Space restriction raster map

# **Description**

Builds a space restriction map from one or more shapefiles. A space restriction raster map showing the restriction levels of various features across the landscape. The function builds on raster- and SimRIv-packages.

#### Usage

```
space_restriction(shp, baseMap, res, binary = is.na(field),
field = NA, background = 1)
```

## Arguments

shp shapefile object containing features to serve as obstructions to the movement of

walkers.

baseMap if provided, a raster onto which to stack the restriction features (shp).

res the desired pixel resolution of the raster to be created, when baseMap is not

provided.

binary if TRUE, the shapefile will be rasterized so that all features are assigned a value

of 0 (minimum restriction level), and the background is assigned 1 (maximum

restriction level).

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field a number in the range of [0-1] (i.e. restriction values) assigned to all features;

or the name of a numeric field to extract such restriction values ( $[0 \le value \le 1]$ ) for different classes of feature. Restriction value 0 and 1 indicate the lowest

and the highest obstructions, respectively. Default: NULL.

background the value in the range 0 and 1 to assign to all pixels that are not covered by any

shapefile object.

#### **Details**

Helps to create a complete space restriction map with cell values ranging from 0 (minimum restriction level) and 1(maximum restriction level). All other areas not covered by any features are assigned the value of background. When stacking additional features to existing baseMap, only the areas covered by features are updated, while the remaining areas retain the original values of baseMap.

#### Value

Returns a raster map showing the restriction levels across the landscape.

#### References

- 1. Paul Murrell (2019). rasterize: Rasterize Graphical Output. R package version 0.1. https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=rasterize
- Quaglietta L, Porto M (2019). SiMRiv: Individual-Based, Spatially-Explicit Simulation and Analysis of Multi-State Movements in River Networks and Heterogeneous Landscapes. R package version 1.0.4, <URL: https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=SiMRiv>.

```
#load boundary of Camden and land use data
load(file = system.file("extdata", "camden.rda",
package="stppSim"))
boundary = camden$boundary # get boundary
restrct_map <- space_restriction(shp = boundary,
res = 20, binary = TRUE)
#plot the result
#plot(restrct_space)
#Setting 'restrct_space' raster as basemap, the landuse
#map can now be stacked onto the basemap as follows:
landuse = camden$landuse # get landuse
restrct_Landuse <- space_restriction(shp = landuse,
baseMap = restrct_map,
res = 20, field = "restrVal", background = 1)
#plot(restrct_Landuse)</pre>
```

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stm	Spatial and temporal model	

# **Description**

To generate graphics depicting the spatial and temporal models of the final simulation

# Usage

```
stm(pt, poly, df, crsys = NULL,
display_output = FALSE)
```

# **Arguments**

pt	a data frame with the first three fields being 'x', 'y', and 'z' information.
poly	(An sf or S4 object) a polygon shapefile defining the extent of a landscape. Default: NULL, in which the spatial extent of pt is utilized.
df	a vector or 1-column data frame containing values for the time series.
crsys	(string) the EPSG code of the projection system of the ppt coordinates. This only used if poly argument is NULL. See "http://spatialreference.org/" for the list of EPSG codes for different regions of the world. As an example, the EPSG code for the British National Grid projection system is: "EPSG: 27700".
display_output	(logical) display the output. Default: FALSE

# **Details**

Incorporated into psim\_artif and psim\_real functions to allow the preview of the spatial and the temporal model of the simulation. The spatial model is the strength distribution of origin which is the likeness of the spatial patterns to be simulated. The temporal model is the preview of the trend and seasonal patterns to be expected from the simulation.

#### Value

A graphics showing the spatial and temporal model of the simulation.

```
## Not run:
#load polygon shapefile
load(file = system.file("extdata", "camden.rda",
package="stppSim"))
camden_boundary = camden$boundary
#read xyz data
data(xyz)
#create a time series
t <- seq(0,5,0.5)
df <- data.frame(data = abs(min(sin(t))) + sin(t))</pre>
```

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```
#run function
stm(pt = xyz, poly=camden_boundary, df=df,
crsys = NULL, display_output = FALSE)
## End(Not run)
```

stp\_learner

Learning the spatiotemporal properties of a sample data

# Description

Learns both the spatial and the temporal properties of a real sample dataset.

#### Usage

```
stp_learner(ppt, start_date = NULL, poly = NULL,
n_origin=50, p_ratio, gridSize = 150, s_range = 150,
tolerance = 0.07,
crsys = NULL, show.plot = FALSE)
```

## **Arguments**

ppt	A 3-column matrix or list containing x - eastings, y - northing, and t - time of occurrence (in the format: 'yyyy-mm-dd').
start_date	the start date of the temporal pattern. The date should be in the format "yyyy-mm-dd". The temporal pattern will normally cover 1-year period.
poly	(An sf or S4 object) a polygon shapefile defining the extent of the landscape
n_origin	number of locations to serve as origins for walkers. Default:50.
p_ratio	(an integer) The smaller of the two terms of a Pareto ratio. For example, a value of 20 implies a 20:80 Pareto ratio.
gridSize	the size of square grid to use for discretizing the space. Default is: 150.
s_range	A value (in metres), not less than 150, specifying the maximum range of spatial interaction across the space. For example, for 150m, the intervals of spatial interactions are created as (0, 50], (50 - 100], and (100-150], representing the "small", "medium", and "large", spatial interaction ranges, respectively. If s_range is set as NULL, simulation focusses only on generating point pattern with similar spatiotemporal patterns as the sample dataset.
tolerance	Pvalue to use for the extraction of space-time interaction in the sample data. Default value: 0.07.
crsys	(string) the EPSG code of the projection system of the ppt coordinates. This only used if poly argument is NULL. See "http://spatialreference.org/" for the list of EPSG codes for different regions of the world. As an example, the EPSG code for the British National Grid projection system is: "EPSG: 27700".
show.plot	(TRUE or FALSE) Whether to show some displays.

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#### **Details**

Returns an object of the class real\_spo, storing details of the spatiotemporal properties of the sample data learnt.

#### Value

an object (list) containing specific spatial and temporal properties of a sample dataset.

#### References

Silverman, B.W., 2018. Density estimation for statistics and data analysis. Routledge.

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
#Goal: To learn the ST properties
#of a sample data, for the purpose of
#simulating the full dataset (see `psim_real`).
data(camden_crimes)
#subset 'theft' crime
theft <- camden_crimes[which(camden_crimes$type ==</pre>
"Theft"),1:3]
#specify the proportion of full data to use
sample_size <- 0.3</pre>
set.seed(1000)
dat_sample <- theft[sample(1:nrow(theft),</pre>
round((sample_size * nrow(theft)), digits=0),
replace=FALSE),]
#plot(dat_sample$x, dat_sample$y) #preview
stp_learner(dat_sample,
start_date = NULL, poly = NULL, n_origin=50,
p_ratio=20, gridSize = 150,
s_range = 150, tolerance = 0.07,
crsys = "EPSG:27700",
show.plot = FALSE)
## End(Not run)
```

walker

A landscape walker

#### **Description**

A dynamic object capable of moving and avoiding obstacles on a landscape.

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#### Usage

```
walker(n = 5, s_threshold = 250, step_length = 20,
poly = NULL, restriction_feat=NULL, field = NA, coords=c(0,0),
pt_itx = TRUE, show.plot = FALSE)
```

# **Arguments**

n	number of events to be generated by a walker within a temporal bin.
s_threshold	defines the spatial perception range of a walker at a given location. Default: 250 (in the same linear unit as the poly - polygon shapefile).
step_length	the maximum step taken by a walker from one point to the next.
poly	(An sf or S4 object) a polygon shapefile defining the extent of the landscape
restriction_fe	at
	(An S4 object) optional shapefile containing features in which walkers cannot walk through. Default: $NULL$ .
field	a number in the range of <code>[0-1]</code> (i.e. restriction values) assigned to all features; or the name of a numeric field to extract such restriction values for different classes of feature. Restriction value 0 and 1 indicate the lowest and the highest obstructions, respectively. Default: <code>NULL</code> .
coords	a vector of the form $c(x, y)$ giving the initial coordinates of a walker (i.e., coordinates of origins). Default value is $c(\emptyset, \emptyset)$ for an arbitrary square space.
pt_itx	To check whether any of the specified initial origin coordinates falls outside the boundary. Default: TRUE.
show.plot	(TRUE or False) To show the time series plot. Default is FALSE.

#### **Details**

A walker is propelled by an in-built stochastic transition matrix and a specified set of spatial and temporal parameters. The transition matrix defines two states, namely; the exploratory and a performative states. A walker is capable of avoiding obstructions (i.e., restriction\_feat) if included. The resulting number of events may be slightly different from the value n because of the stochastic process involved.

#### Value

Returns a trace of walker's path, and the resulting events.

# References

Quaglietta L, Porto M (2019). SiMRiv: Individual-Based, Spatially-Explicit Simulation and Analysis of Multi-State Movements in River Networks and Heterogeneous Landscapes\_. R package version 1.0.4, <URL: https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=SiMRiv>.

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## **Examples**

```
#load boundary of Camden
load(file = system.file("extdata", "camden.rda",
package="stppSim"))
boundary = camden$boundary # get boundary
walkerpath <- walker(n = 5, s_threshold = 250, step_length = 20,
poly = boundary, restriction_feat=NULL, field = NULL,
coords = c(0,0), pt_itx = TRUE, show.plot = FALSE)
#plot(walkerpath)</pre>
```

xyt\_data

Spatiotemporal point data

# Description

Example spatiotemporal point data of a part of San Francisco City, California, US

# Usage

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#### **Format**

A matrix containing three variables

- x: x coordinate
- y: y coordinate
- t: t time

xyz

xyz data

# Description

Example data with 'x', 'y', and a 'z' information

# Usage

xyz

# **Format**

A matrix containing three variables

- x: x coordinate
- y: y coordinate
- z: z height/probability/etc

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