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sms-package	<i>Spatial Microsimulation Library</i>
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Description

Generate small area population microdata from census and survey datasets. Fit the survey data to census area descriptions and export the population of small areas (microdata).

Details

Generate small area population microdata from census and panel datasets. Fit the survey data to census area descriptions and export the population of small areas.

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References

Dimitris Kavroudakis D (2015). **sms: An R Package for the Construction of Microdata for Geographical Analysis**. *Journal of Statistical Software*, **68**(2), pp. 1-23. <http://10.18637/jss.v068.i02>

addDataAssociation	<i>addDataAssociation</i>
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Description

Create a data lexicon for holding the associated column names

Usage

```
addDataAssociation(indf, data_names)
```

Arguments

indef	A data Lexicon (data.frame) created from the function: createLexicon
data_names	A vector with two elements. The first element should be the name of the census data column, and the second element should be the name of the survey data column

Value

indef The imported data lexicon with one extra column.

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Examples

```
library(sms)
data(survey)
data(census)
in.lexicon=createLexicon()
in.lexicon=addDataAssociation(in.lexicon, c("he", "he"))
in.lexicon=addDataAssociation(in.lexicon, c("females", "female"))
print(in.lexicon)
```

calculate_error	<i>Calculate error of a selection</i>
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Description

Calculate the error of a selection.

Usage

```
calculate_error(selection, area_census, lexicon)
```

Arguments

selection	A population selection, to evaluate its error
area_census	An area from census (a row)
lexicon	A data.frame with details about data connections

Details

Calculates the Total Absolute Error (TAE) of a selection for a census area.

Value

TAE Total Absolute Error of this selection against the census description of this area.

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Examples

```
library(sms)
data(survey) #load the data
data(census)
in.lexicon=createLexicon() # Create a data lexicon for holding the associated column names.
in.lexicon=addDataAssociation(in.lexicon, c("he", "he"))
in.lexicon=addDataAssociation(in.lexicon, c("females", "female"))

#Select the first area from the census table
this_area=as.data.frame(census[1,])

#make a random selection of individuals for this area.
selection=random_panel_selection( survey, this_area$population )

#evaluate the Total Absolute Error (TAE) for this selection
error=calculate_error( selection, this_area, in.lexicon )
print( error ) # print the error of the selection
```

census

A census dataset of 10 areas

Description

A sample census dataset containing descriptive information about 10 geographical areas. The variables in the dataset are as follows:

- areaid: The unique identifier of the area
- population: The number of individuals in the area.
- he: Number of individuals in the area, with at least Higher Education degree
- females: Number of female individuals in the area

Usage

```
data(census)
```

Format

A data frame with 10 rows and 4 variables

checkIfNamesInDataColumns
checkIfNamesInDataColumns

Description

Check the integrity of the data Lexicon

Usage

```
checkIfNamesInDataColumns(names, incensus, insurvey)
```

Arguments

names	A vector with names to check if they exist as column names in the data (census and survey)
incensus	The census data
insurvey	The survey data

Value

anumber If both names are valid then it return '1' else if the names are not valid data column names, it returns '0'.

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check_lexicon *check_lexicon*

Description

Check the lexicon data.frame

Usage

```
check_lexicon(inlex)
```

Arguments

inlex	A data.frame which will be used a data lexicon for listing the associated data columns.
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Examples

```
library(sms)
df=createLexicon()
df=addDataAssociation(df, c("ena", "duo"))
check_lexicon(df)
```

createLexicon

createLexicon

Description

Create a data lexicon for holding the associated column names

Usage

```
createLexicon()
```

Value

dataLexicon A data.frame holding the associated column names.

Author(s)

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Examples

```
library(sms)
data(survey)
data(census)
in.lexicon=createLexicon()
in.lexicon=addDataAssociation(in.lexicon, c("he", "he"))
in.lexicon=addDataAssociation(in.lexicon, c("females", "female"))
print(in.lexicon)
```

find_best_selection *find_best_selection*

Description

Find the best selection of individual records for a census area.

Usage

```
find_best_selection(area, insms, inseed = -1)
```

Arguments

area	A census area
insms	A microsimulation object which holds the data and details of the simulation such as iterations, lexicon.
inseed	test

Details

Calculate the best area representation, after a series of selection tries.

Value

list A list with results (#areaid, #selection, #tae, #tries, #error_states).

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Examples

```
library(sms)
data(survey) #load the data
data(census)
in.lexicon=createLexicon() # Create a data lexicon for holding the associated column names.
in.lexicon=addDataAssociation(in.lexicon, c("he", "he"))
in.lexicon=addDataAssociation(in.lexicon, c("females", "female"))

this_area=as.data.frame(census[1,]) #Select the first area from the census table
insms= new("microsimulation", census=census, panel=survey, lexicon=in.lexicon, iterations=10)
best=find_best_selection(this_area, insms)
print(best)
```

`find_best_selection_SA`*find_best_selection_SA*

Description

Run a simulation in parallel mode with Simulated Annealing

Usage

```
find_best_selection_SA(area_census, insms, inseed = -1)
```

Arguments

<code>area_census</code>	A census dataset consisting of various areas rows.
<code>insms</code>	A microsimulation object which holds the data and details of the simulation such as iterations, lexicon.
<code>inseed</code>	A number to be used for random seed.

Value

`msm_results` An object with the results of the simulation, of this area.

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Examples

```
library(sms)
data(survey)
data(census)
in.lexicon=createLexicon()
in.lexicon=addDataAssociation(in.lexicon, c("he", "he"))
in.lexicon=addDataAssociation(in.lexicon, c("females", "female"))

this_area=as.data.frame(census[1,]) #Select the first area from the census table
insms= new("microsimulation", census=census, panel=survey, lexicon=in.lexicon, iterations=5)
myselection= find_best_selection_SA( this_area, insms, inseed=1900)
print(myselection)
```

getInfo *getInfo Generic*

Description

getInfo Generic

Usage

getInfo(object)

Arguments

object A microsimulation object to get its information.

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getInfo,microsimulation-method
getInfo Method

Description

Get information from a microsimulation object

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'microsimulation'  
getInfo(object)
```

Arguments

object A microsimulation object to get its information.

Author(s)

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`getTAEs`*getTAEs Generic*

Description

Get the TAE from a microsimulation object.

Usage

```
getTAEs(object)
```

Arguments

`object` A microsimulation object to get its information.

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`getTAEs,microsimulation-method`*getTAEs Method*

Description

`getTAEs Method`

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'microsimulation'  
getTAEs(object)
```

Arguments

`object` A microsimulation object to get its information.

Value

`taes` A list of numbers indicating the Total Absolute Error of the fitting process for each of the census areas.

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microsimulation-class *A microsimulation object*

Description

It holds all microsimulation details and objects such as data, results etc.

Arguments

census: A census data.frame where each row contains census information about a geographical area

panel: A data.frame containing the individual based records from a panel survey. Those data will be fitted to small area contrains and will populate each vrtual area.

lexicon: A data.frame containing the association of columns between census data and panel data. Each row contain a conection between census and panel data.frame.

results: A list of results from the fitting process.

iterations: The number of itertions until th end of the fitting process.

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mysetSeed *mysetSeed*

Description

mysetSeed

Usage

```
mysetSeed(inseed)
```

Arguments

inseed A number to set as a random seed.

Details

mysetSeed

Examples

```
library(sms)
sms::mysetSeed(1900)
```

`plotTries`*Plot selection results*

Description

Plot the selection process of an area from a microsimulation object.

Usage

```
plotTries(insms, number)
```

Arguments

<code>insms</code>	The input results
<code>number</code>	the number of the area to plot

Details

Plot errors during selection process for an area.

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Examples

```
library(sms)
data(survey) #load the data
data(census)
in.lexicon=createLexicon() # Create a data lexicon for holding the associated column names.
in.lexicon=addDataAssociation(in.lexicon, c("he", "he"))
in.lexicon=addDataAssociation(in.lexicon, c("females", "female"))

ansms = new("microsimulation", census=census, panel=survey, lexicon=in.lexicon, iterations=5)
sa = run_parallel_SA(ansms, inseed=1900)
plotTries( sa, 1 )
```

`random_panel_selection`*random_panel_selection*

Description

Select n random rows from a dataframe

Usage

```
random_panel_selection(indf, n)
```

Arguments

indf	The initial dataframe from which a selection will be made.
n	The number of random rows

Details

Select n random rows from a dataframe

Value

a selection of rows as a dataframe

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Examples

```
library(sms)
data(survey) #load the data
data(census)

some.individuals=random_panel_selection(survey,4)
print(some.individuals) # Print the selection of individuals
```

run_parallel_HC	<i>run_parallel_HC</i>
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Description

Run a simulation in serial mode with Hill Climbing

Usage

```
run_parallel_HC(insms, inseed = -1)
```

Arguments

insms	A microsimulation object which holds the data and details of the simulation such as iterations, lexicon.
inseed	A number to be used for random seed.

Details

Run a simulation in serial mode with Hill Climbing

Value

msm_results An object with the results of the simulation, for each area.

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Examples

```
library(sms)
data(survey) #load the data
data(census)
in.lexicon=createLexicon() # Create a data lexicon for holding the associated column names.
in.lexicon=addDataAssociation(in.lexicon, c("he", "he"))
in.lexicon=addDataAssociation(in.lexicon, c("females", "female"))

insms= new("microsimulation", census=census, panel=survey, lexicon=in.lexicon, iterations=10)
re=run_parallel_HC(insms, inseed=1900)
print(re)
```

run_parallel_SA

run_parallel_SA

Description

Run a simulation in parallel mode with Simulated Annealing

Usage

```
run_parallel_SA(insms, inseed = -1)
```

Arguments

insms	A microsimulation object which holds the data and details of the simulation such as iterations, lexicon.
inseed	A random number to be used for random seed.

Value

msm_results An object with the results of the simulation, for each area.

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Examples

```
library(sms)
data(survey)
data(census)
in.lexicon=createLexicon()
in.lexicon=addDataAssociation(in.lexicon, c("he", "he"))
in.lexicon=addDataAssociation(in.lexicon, c("females", "female"))

insms= new("microsimulation", census=census, panel=survey, lexicon=in.lexicon, iterations=5)
results= run_parallel_SA(insms, inseed=1900)
print(results)
```

run_serial

Run_serial

Description

Run a simulation in serial mode

Usage

```
run_serial(insms)
```

Arguments

insms A microsimulation object which holds the data and details of the simulation such as iterations, lexicon.

Details

Run a simulation in serial mode.

Value

msm_results An object with the results of the simulation, for each area.

Author(s)

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Examples

```
library(sms)
data(survey)
data(census)
in.lexicon=createLexicon()
in.lexicon=addDataAssociation(in.lexicon, c("he", "he"))
in.lexicon=addDataAssociation(in.lexicon, c("females", "female"))
```

```

insms= new("microsimulation", census=census, panel=survey, lexicon=in.lexicon, iterations=5)
results= run_serial( insms)
print(results)

```

```

selection_for_area      selection_for_area

```

Description

Make a single selection of individual records for a census area.

Usage

```
selection_for_area(inpanel, area_census, inlexicon)
```

Arguments

inpanel	The panel dataset
area_census	A census area
inlexicon	A data lexicon showing the variable associations.

Details

Select a number of individual records from panel dataset, to represent a census description of an area.

Value

list A list of results (#areaid, #selection, #error)

Author(s)

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Examples

```

library(sms)
data(survey) #load the data
data(census)
in.lexicon=createLexicon() # Create a data lexicon for holding the associated column names.
in.lexicon=addDataAssociation(in.lexicon, c("he", "he"))
in.lexicon=addDataAssociation(in.lexicon, c("females", "female"))

# Select the first area from the census table
this_area=as.data.frame(census[1,])

#make a representation for this area.
sel=selection_for_area(survey, this_area, in.lexicon)

print(sel) #print the representation

```

survey

A survey dataset of 200 individuals

Description

A sample survey dataset containing binary (0 or 1) information about 200 individuals. Those individuals will be used to populate the simulated areas. The variables in the dataset are as follows:

- pid: The unique identifier of the individual
- female: Binary value of the sex of the individual. 1-Female, 0-Male
- agemature: Binary value indicating if the individual belongs to the mature age group. 0-No, 1-Yes
- car_owner: Binary value indicating if the individual owns a car. 0-No, 1-Yes
- house_owner: Binary value indicating if the individual owns a house. 0-No, 1-Yes
- working: Binary value indicating if the individual is working. 0-No, 1-Yes

Usage

```
data(survey)
```

Format

A data frame with 200 rows and 7 variables

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