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 ${\sf detect_outliers}$

Detect outliers

Description

It detects outliers based on prediction bands for the given level of confidence provided.

Usage

```
detect_outliers(
    .data,
    test_type = c("incremental", "kinetics"),
    vo2_column = "VO2",
    cleaning_level = 0.95,
    cleaning_baseline_fit,
    protocol_n_transitions,
    protocol_baseline_length,
    protocol_transition_length,
    method_incremental = c("linear", "anomaly"),
    verbose = TRUE,
    ...
)
```

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Arguments

.data Data retrieved from read_data() for a **kinetics** test, or the data retrieved from

incremental_normalize() for a incremental test.

test_type The test to be analyzed. Either 'incremental' or 'kinetics'.

vo2_column The name (quoted) of the column containing the absolute oxygen uptake (VO2)

data. Default to VO2.

cleaning_level A numeric scalar between 0 and 1 giving the confidence level for the intervals

to be calculated. Default to 0.95.

cleaning_baseline_fit

For **kinetics** test only. A vector of the same length as the number in protocol_n_transitions, indicating what kind of fit to perform for each baseline. Vector accepts charac-

ters either 'linear' or 'exponential'.

protocol_n_transitions

For **kinetics** test only. Number of transitions performed.

protocol_baseline_length

For **kinetics** test only. The length of the baseline (in seconds).

protocol_transition_length

For **kinetics** test only. The length of the transition (in seconds).

method_incremental

The method to be used in detecting outliers from the incremental test. Either

'linear' or 'anomaly'. See Details.

verbose A boolean indicating whether messages should be printed in the console. De-

fault to TRUE.

. . . Additional arguments. Currently ignored.

Details

TODO

Value

a tibble

Examples

```
## Not run:
## get file path from example data
path_example <- system.file("example_cosmed.xlsx", package = "whippr")

## read data
df <- read_data(path = path_example, metabolic_cart = "cosmed")

## detect outliers
data_outliers <- detect_outliers(
   .data = df,
   test_type = "kinetics",
   vo2_column = "VO2",</pre>
```

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```
cleaning_level = 0.95,
 cleaning_baseline_fit = c("linear", "exponential", "exponential"),
 protocol_n_transitions = 3,
 protocol_baseline_length = 360,
 protocol_transition_length = 360,
 verbose = TRUE
## get file path from example data
path_example_ramp <- system.file("ramp_cosmed.xlsx", package = "whippr")</pre>
## read data from ramp test
df_ramp <- read_data(path = path_example_ramp, metabolic_cart = "cosmed")</pre>
## normalize incremental test data
ramp_normalized <- df_ramp %>%
incremental_normalize(
   .data = .,
  incremental_type = "ramp",
  has_baseline = TRUE,
  baseline_length = 240,
  work_rate_magic = TRUE,
  baseline_intensity = 20,
  ramp_increase = 25
)
## detect ramp outliers
data_ramp_outliers <- detect_outliers(</pre>
 .data = ramp_normalized,
 test_type = "incremental",
 vo2_column = "VO2",
 cleaning_level = 0.95,
 method_incremental = "linear",
 verbose = TRUE
## End(Not run)
```

get_residuals

Get residuals

Description

Computes residuals from the VO2 kinetics model.

Usage

```
get_residuals(.model)
```

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Arguments

.model A model of class nls.

Value

a tibble containing the data passed to augment, and additional columns:

. fitted The predicted response for that observation.

resid The residual for a particular point.

standardized_residuals

Standardized residuals.

sqrt_abs_standardized_residuals

The sqrt of absolute value of standardized residuals.

lag_residuals The lag of the .resid column for plotting auto-correlation.

incremental_normalize Normalize incremental test data

Description

Detect protocol phases (baseline, ramp, steps), normalize work rate, and time-align baseline phase (baseline time becomes negative).

Usage

```
incremental_normalize(
    .data,
    incremental_type = c("ramp", "step"),
    has_baseline = TRUE,
    baseline_length = NULL,
    work_rate_magic = FALSE,
    baseline_intensity = NULL,
    ramp_increase = NULL,
    step_start = NULL,
    step_increase = NULL,
    step_length = NULL,
    ...
)
```

Arguments

.data Data retrieved from read_data().

incremental_type

The type of the incremental test performed. Either "ramp" or "step".

has_baseline A boolean to indicate whether the data contains a baseline phase. This is used

for an incremental test only. Default to TRUE.

incremental_normalize

```
baseline_length
```

The baseline length (in seconds) performed.

work_rate_magic

A boolean indicating whether to perform the work rate calculations. When set to TRUE, it will calculate the work rate throughout a ramp or step test. In the case of a step test, it will also perform a linear transformation of the work rate. If set to TRUE, the arguments below should be given. Default to FALSE.

baseline_intensity

A numeric atomic vector indicating the work rate of the baseline. If the baseline

was performed at rest, indicate 0.

ramp_increase A numeric atomic vector indicating the ramp increase in watts per minute (W/min).

For example, if the ramp was 30 W/min, then pass the number 30 to this argu-

ment.

step_start In case your baseline was performed at rest, you can set in this parameter at

which intensity the step test started.

step_increase A numeric atomic vector indicating the step increase, in watts. For example, if

the step increase was 25 W at each step, then pass the number 25 to this argument.

step_length A numeric atomic vector indicating the length (in seconds) of each step in the

step incremental test.

.. Additional arguments. Currently ignored.

Value

a tibble

Examples

```
## Not run:
## get file path from example data
path_example <- system.file("ramp_cosmed.xlsx", package = "whippr")</pre>
## read data from ramp test
df <- read_data(path = path_example, metabolic_cart = "cosmed")</pre>
## normalize incremental test data
ramp_normalized <- df %>%
incremental_normalize(
   .data = .,
   incremental_type = "ramp",
   has_baseline = TRUE,
   baseline_length = 240,
   work_rate_magic = TRUE,
   baseline_intensity = 20,
   ramp_increase = 25
 )
## get file path from example data
path_example_step <- system.file("step_cortex.xlsx", package = "whippr")</pre>
```

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```
## read data from step test
df_step <- read_data(path = path_example_step, metabolic_cart = "cortex")

## normalize incremental test data
step_normalized <- df_step %>%
incremental_normalize(
    .data = .,
incremental_type = "step",
has_baseline = TRUE,
baseline_length = 120,
work_rate_magic = TRUE,
baseline_intensity = 0,
step_start = 50,
step_increase = 25,
step_length = 180
)

## End(Not run)
```

interpolate

Interpolate data from breath-by-breath into second-by-second

Description

This function interpolates the data based on the time column. It takes the breath-by-breath data and transforms it into second-by-second.

Usage

```
interpolate(.data)
```

Arguments

.data

Data retrieved from read_data().

Value

a tibble

Examples

```
## Not run:
## get file path from example data
path_example <- system.file("example_cosmed.xlsx", package = "whippr")
## read data
df <- read_data(path = path_example, metabolic_cart = "cosmed")
df %>%
  interpolate()
```

```
## End(Not run)
```

 $model_diagnostics$

Model diagnostics

Description

Plots different model diagnostics for checking the model performance.

Usage

```
model_diagnostics(.residuals_tbl)
```

Arguments

```
.residuals_tbl The data retrived from get_residuals().
```

Value

a patchwork object

```
normalize_first_breath
```

Normalize first breath

Description

This is needed specially when the data gets filtered. For example, if the data file does not only contain the baseline and transitions performed, we will have to normalize the time column. This function will make sure that in case the first breath does not start at zero, it will create a zero data point, duplicating the first breath. This will make sure the data does not get shifted (misalignment).

Usage

```
normalize_first_breath(.data)
```

Arguments

.data

Breath-by-breath data.

Value

a tibble

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normalize_time

Normalize time column

Description

Normalizes the time column such that the baseline phase has negative time values. Point zero will then represent the start of the transition phase.

Usage

```
normalize_time(.data, protocol_baseline_length)
```

Arguments

Value

a tibble

```
normalize_transitions Normalize transitions
```

Description

Recognizes and normalizes the time column of each transition. It will also label the transitions into: 'baseline' or 'transition'.

Usage

```
normalize_transitions(
   .data,
  protocol_n_transitions,
  protocol_baseline_length,
  protocol_transition_length)
```

Arguments

```
.data Breath-by-breath data.

protocol_n_transitions

Number of transitions performed.

protocol_baseline_length

The length of the baseline (in seconds).

protocol_transition_length

The length of the transition (in seconds).
```

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Value

a tibble

perform_average

Perform average on second-by-second data

Description

This function performs either a bin- or a rolling-average on the interpolated data. You must specify the type of the average before continuing.

Usage

```
perform_average(
   .data,
   type = c("bin", "rolling", "ensemble"),
   bins = 30,
   bin_method = c("ceiling", "round", "floor"),
   rolling_window = 30
)
```

Arguments

.data The second-by-second data retrieved from interpolate().

type The type of the average to perform. Either bin, rolling, or ensemble.

bins If bin-average is chosen, here you can specify the size of the bin-average, in

seconds. Default to 30-s bin-average.

bin_method Method for determining bin boundaries when type = "bin". One of "ceiling"

(default), "round", or "floor". "ceiling" is recommended as it ensures no data points are excluded from the analysis by always rounding up to the next bin

boundary.

rolling_window If rolling-average is chosen, here you can specify the rolling-average window,

in seconds. Default to 30-s rolling-average.

Details

Ensemble average is used in VO2 kinetics analysis, where a series of transitions from baseline to the moderate/heavy/severe intensity-domain is ensembled averaged into a single 'bout' for further data processing.

When using bin averaging, the bin_method parameter controls how time points are assigned to bins:

- "ceiling": Rounds up to the next bin boundary (recommended)
- "round": Rounds to the nearest bin boundary
- "floor": Rounds down to the previous bin boundary

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Value

a tibble

Examples

```
## Not run:
## get file path from example data
path_example <- system.file("example_cosmed.xlsx", package = "whippr")

## read data
df <- read_data(path = path_example, metabolic_cart = "cosmed")

## interpolate and perform 30-s bin-average
df %>%
  interpolate() %>%
  perform_average(type = "bin", bins = 30)

## interpolate and perform 30-s rolling-average
df %>%
  interpolate() %>%
  perform_average(type = "rolling", rolling_window = 30)

## End(Not run)
```

perform_kinetics

Perform VO2 kinetics fitting

Description

Performs the fitting process for the VO2 kinetics analysis. At this point, the data should already have been cleaned (outliers removed) and processed (interpolated, time-aligned, ensembled-averaged, and bin-averaged).

Usage

```
perform_kinetics(
   .data_processed,
   intensity_domain = c("moderate", "heavy", "severe"),
   fit_level = 0.95,
   fit_phase_1_length,
   fit_baseline_length,
   fit_transition_length,
   verbose = TRUE,
   ...
)
```

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Arguments

.data_processed

The data retrieved from process_data().

intensity_domain

The exercise-intensity domain that the test was performed. Either moderate,

heavy, or severe.

fit_level A numeric scalar between 0 and 1 giving the confidence level for the parameter

estimates in the final VO2 kinetics fit. Default to 0.95.

fit_phase_1_length

The length of the phase I that you wish to exclude from the final exponential fit, in seconds. See VO2 kinetics section in ?vo2_kinetics for more details.

fit_baseline_length

The length the baseline to perform the final linear fit, in seconds. See VO2 kinetics

section ?vo2_kinetics for more details.

fit_transition_length

The length of the transition to perform the final exponential fit, in seconds. See

VO2 kinetics section ?vo2_kinetics for more details.

verbose A boolean indicating whether messages should be printed in the console. De-

fault to TRUE.

.. Additional arguments when fitting VO2 kinetics in the heavy- or severe-intensity

domains. Arguments may be the following:

TODO

Details

See ?vo2_kinetics for details.

Value

a tibble containing one row and the nested columns:

data_fitted The data containing the time and VO2 columns, as well as the fitted data and its

residuals for each data point.

model A nls object. The model used in the VO2 kinetics fitting.

model_summary The tidied summary of the model.

model_residuals

The residuals of the model.

plot_model The final plot of the fitted model.

plot_residuals The residuals plot for the model diagnostics.

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perform_max

Perform VO2max calculation

Description

It performs the calculation of VO2max, HRmax, and maximal RER. Additionally, it detects whether a plateau can be identified from your data.

Usage

```
perform_max(
    .data,
    vo2_column = "VO2",
    vo2_relative_column = NULL,
    heart_rate_column = NULL,
    rer_column = NULL,
    average_method = c("bin", "rolling"),
    average_length = 30,
    plot = TRUE,
    verbose = TRUE
)
```

fault to TRUE.

fault to TRUE.

Arguments

.data	The data retrieved either from $incremental_normalize()$ or $detect_outliers()$.
vo2_column	The name (quoted) of the column containing the absolute oxygen uptake (VO2)
	data. Default to "V02".
vo2_relative_c	olumn
	The name (quoted) of the column containing the relative to body weight oxygen
	uptake (VO2) data. Default to NULL.
heart_rate_col	umn
	The name (quoted) of the column containing the heart rate (HR) data. Default to NULL. If NULL, this parameter will not be calculated.
rer_column	The name (quoted) of the column containing the respiratory exchange ratio (RER) data. Default to NULL. If NULL, this parameter will not be calculated.
average_method	The average method to be used for VO2max calculation. One of bin or rolling.
average_length	The length, in seconds, of the average to be used. For example, if average_method = bin, and average_length = 30, it will perform a 30-s bin-average.

A boolean indicating whether to produce a plot with the summary results. De-

A boolean indicating whether messages should be printed in the console. De-

Value

a tibble

plot

verbose

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Examples

```
## Not run:
## get file path from example data
path_example <- system.file("ramp_cosmed.xlsx", package = "whippr")</pre>
## read data from ramp test
df <- read_data(path = path_example, metabolic_cart = "cosmed")</pre>
## normalize incremental test data
ramp_normalized <- df %>%
 incremental_normalize(
   .data = .,
   incremental_type = "ramp",
   has_baseline = TRUE,
   baseline_length = 240,
   work_rate_magic = TRUE,
   baseline_intensity = 20,
   ramp_increase = 25
 )
## detect outliers
data_ramp_outliers <- detect_outliers(</pre>
 .data = ramp_normalized,
 test_type = "incremental",
 vo2\_column = "VO2",
 cleaning_level = 0.95,
 method_incremental = "linear",
 verbose = TRUE
)
## analyze VO2max
perform_max(
 .data = data_ramp_outliers,
 vo2\_column = "VO2",
 vo2_relative_column = "VO2/Kg",
 heart_rate_column = "HR",
 rer_column = "R",
 average_method = "bin",
 average_length = 30,
 plot = TRUE,
 verbose = FALSE
## End(Not run)
```

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Description

Visualize what was done during the process of deriving the work rate from the incremental test protocol

Usage

```
plot_incremental(.data)
```

Arguments

.data

data retrieved from incremental_normalize().

Value

a ggplot object

plot_outliers

Plot outliers

Description

Plot outliers

Usage

```
plot_outliers(.data)
```

Arguments

.data

The data retrieved from detect_outliers().

Value

```
a patchwork object
```

predict_bands

and prediction bands	Extract confide	predict_bands
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Description

It extracts confidence and prediction bands from the nls model. It is used only for data cleaning.

Usage

```
predict_bands(
   .data,
   time_column = "t",
   vo2_column = "VO2",
   cleaning_level = 0.95,
   cleaning_baseline_fit = c("linear", "exponential")
)
```

Arguments

.data	The normalized data retrieved from normalize_transitions().
time_column	The name (quoted) of the column containing the time. Depending on the language of your system, this column might not be "t". Therefore, you may specify it here. Default to "t".
vo2_column	The name (quoted) of the column containing the absolute oxygen uptake (VO2) data. Default to 'VO2'.
cleaning_level	A numeric scalar between 0 and 1 giving the confidence level for the intervals to be calculated.
cleaning_baseli	ine_fit
	A character indicating what kind of fit to perform for each baseline. Either

Value

a tibble containing the following columns:

x	The provided time data.
у	The provided VO2 data.
.fitted	The predicted response for that observation.
.resid	The residual for a particular point.
lwr_conf	Lower limit of the confidence band.
upr_conf	Upper limit of the confidence band.
lwr_pred	Lower limit of the prediction band.
upr_pred	Upper limit of the prediction band.

'linear' or 'exponential'.

predict_bands_baseline

Extract confidence and prediction bands for the baseline phase

Description

Extract confidence and prediction bands for the baseline phase

Usage

```
predict_bands_baseline(
   .data,
   time_column,
   vo2_column,
   cleaning_level,
   cleaning_baseline_fit
)
```

Arguments

.data The normalized data retrieved from normalize_transitions(). The data should

be filtered to only the 'baseline' phase before passing to the function.

time_column The name (quoted) of the column containing the time. Depending on the lan-

guage of your system, this column might not be "t". Therefore, you may specify

it here. Default to "t".

vo2_column The name (quoted) of the column containing the absolute oxygen uptake (VO2)

data. Default to 'VO2'.

cleaning_level A numeric scalar between 0 and 1 giving the confidence level for the intervals

to be calculated.

cleaning_baseline_fit

A character indicating what kind of fit to perform for each baseline. Either

'linear' or 'exponential'.

Value

a tibble containing the following columns:

x The provided time data. y The provided VO2 data.

. fitted The predicted response for that observation.

.resid The residual for a particular point.

lwr_conf Lower limit of the confidence band.

upr_conf Upper limit of the confidence band.

lwr_pred Lower limit of the prediction band.

upr_pred Upper limit of the prediction band.

```
predict_bands_transition
```

Extract confidence and prediction bands for the transition phase

Description

Extract confidence and prediction bands for the transition phase

Usage

```
predict_bands_transition(
   .data,
   time_column,
   vo2_column,
   cleaning_level,
   cleaning_model
)
```

Arguments

.data	The nornalized data retrieved from nor	rmalize_transitions(). The data should
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be filtered to only the 'transition' phase before passing to the function.

time_column The name (quoted) of the column containing the time. Depending on the lan-

guage of your system, this column might not be "t". Therefore, you may specify

it here. Default to "t".

vo2_column The name (quoted) of the column containing the absolute oxygen uptake (VO2)

data. Default to 'VO2'.

cleaning_level A numeric scalar between 0 and 1 giving the confidence level for the intervals

to be calculated.

cleaning_model The nls model to retrieve the bands from.

Value

a tibble containing the following columns:

x The provided time data. y The provided VO2 data.

. fitted The predicted response for that observation.

. resid The residual for a particular point.

lwr_conf Lower limit of the confidence band.

upr_conf Upper limit of the confidence band.

lwr_pred Lower limit of the prediction band.

upr_pred Upper limit of the prediction band.

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print.whippr

Whippr print method

Description

Whippr print method

Usage

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

Arguments

x A tibble with class 'whippr'
... Extra arguments, not used.

process_data

Process data for VO2 kinetics fitting

Description

It removes the outliers detected through detect_outliers(), interpolates each transition, ensemble-averages all the transitions into one, performs a bin-average, and normalizes the time column (time zero will indicate the end of baseline and the start of the transition phase).

Usage

```
process_data(.data_outliers, protocol_baseline_length, fit_bin_average)
```

Arguments

Details

TODO

Value

a tibble with the time-aligned, ensembled-averaged, and bin-averaged data.

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read_data

Read data from metabolic cart

Description

It reads the raw data exported from the metabolic cart.

Usage

```
read_data(
 path,
 metabolic_cart = c("cosmed", "cortex", "nspire", "parvo", "geratherm", "cardiocoach",
    "custom"),
  time_column = "t",
 work_rate_column = NULL
)
```

Arguments

path

Path to read the file from.

metabolic_cart Metabolic cart that was used for data collection. Currently, 'cosmed', 'cortex', 'nspire', 'parvo', 'geratherm', and 'cardiocoach' are supported. Additionaly, there is an option called 'custom' that supports files that do not have a metabolic cart-specific format.

time_column

The name (quoted) of the column containing the time. Depending on the language of your system, this column might not be "t". Therefore, you may specify it here. Default to "t".

work_rate_column

Default is NULL. In case your work rate column is coerced as a character column you can define here the name of this column in your data file. This happens because at the very beginning of the test the system may input a character like "-" to indicate no work rate. Therefore this is not going to get recognized as a numeric column. If your work rate column is called WR, for example, just pass "WR" to this argument.

Value

a tibble

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run_manual_cleaner	Manual data cleaner
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Description

Usually manual data cleaning should be avoided. However, sometimes in gas exchange data there is the need to delete a few clear "bad breaths" (noise). In these situations you may use this function. Although it is encouraged that you use the detect_outliers() function, you may use this function at your own risk. This function can also be used to clean other kind of data, like heart rate data.

Usage

```
run_manual_cleaner(.data, width = 1200, height = 900)
```

Arguments

x-axis.

width The width, in pixels, of the window. height the height, in pixels, of the window.

Value

The code to reproduce the manual data cleaning.

	Whippr ggplot2 theme	theme_whippr
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Description

This theme was inspired by the plots from the Acta Physiologica Journal

Usage

```
theme_whippr(base_size = 14, base_family = "sans")
```

Arguments

```
base_size base font size, given in pts. Default is 14. base_family base font family. Default is sans.
```

Value

```
a ggplot2 object
```

vo2_kinetics

VO2 kinetics

Description

It performs the whole process of the VO2 kinetics data analysis, which includes: data cleaning (detect_outliers()); outliers removal, interpolation, ensemble-averaging transitions and binavering final dataset (process_data()), and modelling VO2 kinetics (perform_kinetics()). This function is a general function that will call these separate functions. You can also call each one of them separately if you want.

Usage

```
vo2_kinetics(
  .data,
  intensity_domain = c("moderate", "heavy", "severe"),
  vo2\_column = "VO2",
  protocol_n_transitions,
 protocol_baseline_length,
 protocol_transition_length,
  cleaning_level = 0.95,
  cleaning_baseline_fit,
  fit_level = 0.95,
  fit_bin_average,
  fit_phase_1_length,
  fit_baseline_length,
  fit_transition_length,
  verbose = TRUE,
)
```

Arguments

cleaning_level A numeric scalar between 0 and 1 giving the confidence level for the intervals to be calculated during the data cleaning process. Breaths lying outside the prediction bands will be excluded. Default to 0.95.

cleaning_baseline_fit

A vector of the same length as the number in protocol_n_transitions, indicating what kind of fit to perform for each baseline. Either *linear* or *exponential*.

A numeric scalar between 0 and 1 giving the confidence level for the parameter estimates in the final VO2 kinetics fit. Default to 0.95.

fit_bin_average

The bin average to be performed for the final fit.

fit_phase_1_length

The length of the phase I that you wish to exclude from the final exponential fit, in seconds. See VO2 kinetics section for more details.

fit_baseline_length

The length the baseline to perform the final linear fit, in seconds. See VO2 kinetics section for more details.

fit_transition_length

The length of the transition to perform the final exponential fit, in seconds. See V02 kinetics section for more details.

verbose A boolean indicating whether messages should be printed in the console. Default to TRUE.

.. Additional arguments passed to perform_kinetics() when fitting VO2 kinetics in the heavy- or severe-intensity domains. See ?perform_kinetics for more details.

Details

The function is a wrapper of smaller functions and has important arguments:

- **protocol**_ = sets arguments related to the protocol used.
- **cleaning**_ = sets arguments related to data cleaning.
- fit_ = sets arguments related to VO2 kinetics fitting.

The function works like the following sequence:

vo2_kinetics():

- detect_outliers() = separates the data into the number of transitions indicated, and fits each baseline and transition phase individually, retrieving the predictions bands for the level indicated. Then it recognizes breaths lying outside the prediction bands and flag them as outliers
- plot_outliers() = plots each transition identifying outliers.
- process_data() = It removes the outliers detected through detect_outliers(), interpolates each transition, ensemble-averages all the transitions into one, performs a bin-average, and normalizes the time column (time zero will indicate the end of baseline and the start of the transition phase).
- perform_kinetics() = performs the VO2 kinetics fitting based on the **fit_** parameters given. It also calculates the residuals, and plots the final fit as well as residuals for model diagnostics.

Value

a tibble containing one row and the nested columns:

data_outliers The raw data containing additional columns that identify breaths as outliers.

plot_outliers A patchwork object to display outliers from every transition.

data_processed The processed data (time-aligned, ensembled-averaged, and bin-averaged).

data_fitted The data containing the time and VO2 columns, as well as the fitted data and its

residuals for each data point.

model A nls object. The model used in the VO2 kinetics fitting.

model_summary The tidied summary of the model.

model_residuals

The residuals of the model.

plot_model The final plot of the fitted model.

plot_residuals The residuals plot for the model diagnostics.

VO2 kinetics

VO2 kinetics, described as the rate of adjustment of the oxidative energy system to an instantaneous increase in the energy demand, is exponential in nature, and it is described by the oxygen uptake (VO2) time-constant (τ VO2) (Murias, Spencer and Paterson (2014); Poole and Jones (2011)).

VO2 kinetics analysis provides understanding of the mechanisms that regulate the rate at which oxidative phosphorylation adapts to step changes in exercise intensities and ATP requirement. This is usually accomplished by performing step transitions from a baseline intensity to a higher work rate in either the **moderate-**, **heavy-**, or **severe-intensity domain** (Murias et al., 2011).

Three distinct phases may be observed in the VO2 response during on-transient exercise:

Phase I: also termed as the cardiodynamic phase, it represents the circulatory transit delay on the VO2 response as a result of the increase in the pulmonary blood flow that does not reflect the increase in oxygen extraction in the active muscles. The time-window of the Phase I is determined in the fit_phase_1_length argument, which will be internally passed into the perform_kinetics() function.

Phase II: also termed as the primary component, represents the exponential increase in VO2 related to the continued increase in pulmonary and muscle blood flow. The Phase II is described by the time-constant parameter (τ) in the mono-exponential model (see below), and it is defined as the duration of time (in seconds) for the VO2 response to increase to 63% of the required steady-state.

Phase III: represents the steady-state phase of the VO2 response during moderate-intensity exercise.

Moderate-intensity domain:

The on-transient response from baseline to a transition within the **moderate-intensity domain** is analyzed using a **mono-exponential model**:

$$VO_{2(t)} = baseline + amplitude \cdot \left(1 - e^{-\frac{(t-TD)}{tau}}\right)$$

where:

- V02(t) = the oxygen uptake at any given time.
- baseline = the oxygen uptake associated with the baseline phase.
- amplitude = the steady-state increase increase in oxygen uptake above baseline.
- TD = the time delay.
- τ = the time constant defined as the duration of time for the oxygen uptake to increase to 63% of the steady-state increase.

The baseline value in the mono-exponential model is a **fixed** value and pre-determined as the mean of the VO2 response (i.e., linear model with the slope set as zero) during the baseline phase. The time window of the baseline period is determined in the fit_baseline_length argument, which will be internally passed into the perform_kinetics() function.

Diverse exercise protocols exist to determine VO2 kinetics in the moderate-intensity domain. Usually, the protocol consists of multiple transitions (typically 3 or 4) from a baseline exercise-intensity to an exercise-intensity below the gas exchange threshold (typically the power output associated with 90% of the gas exchange threshold). Bbaseline and transition phases are usually performed for 6 minutes each. The reason that 6 minutes is done for each phase is to give enough time for both to reach a steady-state response:

For example, for each multiple of the time-constant (τ) , VO2 increases by 63% of the difference between the previous τ and the required steady-state. This means:

```
• 1 \tau = 63% \Delta.

• 2 \tau = 86% \Delta [100% - 63% = 37%; (37% x 63%) + 63% = 86%].

• 3 \tau = 95% \Delta [100% - 86% = 14%; (14% x 63%) + 86% = 95%].

• 4 \tau = 98% \Delta [100% - 95% = 5%; (5% x 63%) + 95% = 98%].
```

In practical terms, let's imagine that a given participant has a $\tau = 60$ seconds. This means that this person would need **240 seconds** (4 x 60) to reach **steady-state** (98% of the response) in the **moderate-intensity domain**. This would leave other 120 seconds (2 minutes) of transition, so the protocol of performing 6-min transitions makes sure enough time is given.

Now let's imagine that another person has a $\tau = 20$ seconds. This means that this person would need 80 seconds (4 x 20) to reach steady-state (98% of the response) in the moderate-intensity domain.

Given that there is enough time to reach a VO2 steady-state response with 6 minutes of transition, that means that for the final fit (when the transitions were cleaned, ensembled-averaged, and binaveraged) there is no need to include the whole 6 minutes of the transition. This strategy avoids superfluous sections of the steady-state data, thus maximizing the quality of the fit during the exercise on-transient (Bell et al., 2001). This may be specified through the fit_transition_length argument, which will be internally passed into the perform_kinetics() function.

As for bin-averages in the final fit, usually the data are averaged into 5-s or 10-s bins, 5-s being the most common (Keir et al., 2014). This may be specified through the fit_bin_average argument, which will be internally passed into the process_data() function.

Heavy- and severe-intensity domains:

TODO

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Examples

```
## Not run:
## get file path from example data
path_example <- system.file("example_cosmed.xlsx", package = "whippr")</pre>
df <- read_data(path = path_example, metabolic_cart = "cosmed", time_column = "t")</pre>
## VO2 kinetics analysis
results_kinetics <- vo2_kinetics(
  .data = df,
 intensity_domain = "moderate",
 vo2\_column = "VO2",
 protocol_n_transitions = 3,
 protocol_baseline_length = 360,
 protocol_transition_length = 360,
 cleaning_level = 0.95,
 cleaning_baseline_fit = c("linear", "exponential", "exponential"),
 fit_level = 0.95,
 fit_bin_average = 5,
 fit_phase_1_length = 20,
 fit_baseline_length = 120,
 fit_transition_length = 240,
 verbose = TRUE
## End(Not run)
```

vo2_max

VO2max

Description

It performs the whole process of the VO2max data analysis, which includes: data standardization and normalization according to incremental protocol (incremental_normalize()), 'bad breaths' detection (detect_outliers()), mean response time calculation (incremental_mrt()) (currently ignored), and maximal values calculation (VO2, PO, HR, RER) (perform_max()).

Usage

```
vo2_max(
   .data,
  vo2_column = "V02",
  vo2_relative_column = NULL,
  heart_rate_column = NULL,
  rer_column = NULL,
  detect_outliers = TRUE,
  average_method = c("bin", "rolling"),
  average_length = 30,
  mrt,
  plot = TRUE,
  verbose = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

.data Data retrieved from read_data().

vo2_column The name (quoted) of the column containing the absolute oxygen uptake (VO2)

data. Default to "V02".

vo2_relative_column

The name (quoted) of the column containing the relative to body weight oxygen

uptake (VO2) data. Default to NULL.

heart_rate_column

The name (quoted) of the column containing the heart rate (HR) data. Default

to NULL. If NULL, this parameter will not be calculated.

rer_column The name (quoted) of the column containing the respiratory exchange ratio

(RER) data. Default to NULL. If NULL, this parameter will not be calculated.

detect_outliers

A boolean indicating whether to detect outliers. Default to TRUE.

average_method The average method to be used for VO2max calculation. One of bin or rolling.

average_length The length, in seconds, of the average to be used. For example, if average_method

= bin, and average_length = 30, it will perform a 30-s bin-average.

mrt A boolean indicating whether to calculate the mean response time. To be imple-

mented soon <- currently ignored.

plot A boolean indicating whether to produce a plot with the summary results. De-

fault to TRUE.

verbose A boolean indicating whether messages should be printed in the console. De-

fault to TRUE.

.. Additional arguments passed onto incremental_normalize(), detect_outliers()

if detect_outliers = TRUE, and incremental_mrt() if mrt = TRUE.

Details

TODO

Value

```
a tibble containing one row and the following columns:

V02max_absolute

The absolute VO2max.
```

VO2max_relative

The relative VO2max.

POpeak The peak power output.

HRmax The maximal heart rate.

RERmax The maximal RER.

plot The plot, if plot = TRUE.

Examples

```
## Not run:
## get file path from example data
path_example <- system.file("ramp_cosmed.xlsx", package = "whippr")</pre>
## read data from ramp test
df <- read_data(path = path_example, metabolic_cart = "cosmed")</pre>
## normalize incremental test data
ramp_normalized <- df %>%
incremental_normalize(
   .data = .,
  incremental_type = "ramp",
  has_baseline = TRUE,
  baseline_length = 240,
  work_rate_magic = TRUE,
  baseline_intensity = 20,
  ramp_increase = 25
## detect outliers
data_ramp_outliers <- detect_outliers(</pre>
 .data = ramp_normalized,
test_type = "incremental",
vo2_column = "VO2",
cleaning_level = 0.95,
method_incremental = "linear",
verbose = TRUE
)
## analyze VO2max
perform_max(
 .data = data_ramp_outliers,
vo2_column = "VO2",
vo2_relative_column = "VO2/Kg",
heart_rate_column = "HR",
rer_column = "R",
```

```
average_method = "bin",
average_length = 30,
plot = TRUE,
verbose = FALSE
)

## End(Not run)
```

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