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repra-package	<i>The Renewable Energy Probabilistic Resource Assessment tool</i>
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Description

This package is the R implementation of the Renewable Energy Probabilistic Resource Assessment (REPR) tool, developed at the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL).

Details

More information is available in the help of the package functions. Additionally, two vignettes are included with this package and can be accessed with `browseVignettes("repra")` or `browseVignettes("sliding_window")`.

References

Eduardo Ibanez, Michael Milligan (2012). Impact of Transmission on Resource Adequacy in Systems with Wind and Solar Power. IEEE Power & Energy Society General Meeting, 22-26 July 2012, San Diego, CA. <http://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy12osti/53482.pdf>.

calculate_elcc	<i>Calculate effective load carrying capability (ELCC)</i>
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Description

Given a time data object (with net load data), find the effective load carrying capability (ELCC) to achieve the desired reliability metric. The function automatically applies these calculation for each scenario, level or aggregation and area.

Usage

```
calculate_elcc(time.data, outage.table, obj.metric = "LOLE",
  obj.value = 0.1, scale.load = FALSE, max.iter = 20, ignore = NULL,
  ...)
```

Arguments

<code>time.data</code>	Time series data formatted with format_timedata
<code>outage.table</code>	Outage table used in the lookup, created with outage_table
<code>obj.metric</code>	Metric to be used as objective: LOLE, LOLH, PeakLOLP, EUE (see details)
<code>obj.value</code>	Objective value to achieve for the selected metric
<code>scale.load</code>	During the iterations is the load scaled (TRUE) or the same value added to all times (FALSE)
<code>max.iter</code>	Maximum iterations to perform before stopping
<code>ignore</code>	Column names in <code>time.data</code> to ignore in the calculation of total VG data
<code>...</code>	Additional parameters passed to sliding_window

Details

The following metrics can be selected as an objective (through `obj.metric`):

- Daily loss of load expectation (LOLE): Calculated as the sum of the maximum daily LOLP
- Loss of load hours (LOLH): Sum of all the LOLP
- Maximum daily LOLP (PeakLOLP): Maximum LOLP value observed
- Expected unserved energy (EUE): Sum of EUE for all time steps

ELCC is calculated by modifying the load profile so that the final profile yields a certain reliability level. This can be done in two ways:

- by scaling the entire profile (e.g., by multiplying the entire time series by 1.05)
- by adding a constant number to the entire profiles (e.g., adding 100 MW)

`scale.load` needs to be set to TRUE or FALSE to achieve either one, respectively.

See Also

[format_timedata](#) and [outage_table](#) to create `time.data` and `outage.table` objects, respectively

[sliding_window](#) is used internally to extend `time.data`

[calculate_metrics](#) is used internally to evaluate the metrics

Examples

```
# Create outage table with 200 5-MW units
gens <- data.frame(Capacity = rep(5, 200),
                  EFOR = rep(0.08, 200))
out.table <- outage_table(gens)

# Create random load and wind data and format
tdata <- data.frame(Time = 1:8760,
                   Load = runif(8760, 450, 850),
                   Wind = runif(8760, 0, 100),
                   Wind2 = runif(8760, 0, 200))
```

```
td <- format_timedata(tdata)

# Calculate ELCC with both Wind and Wind2
calculate_elcc(td, out.table)

# Calculate ELCC with only Wind
calculate_elcc(td, out.table, ignore = "Wind2")
```

calculate_metrics	<i>Calculate and summarize loss of load probability metrics</i>
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Description

Given a time data object, summarize probabilities into metrics. The function automatically applies these calculation for each scenario, level of aggregation and area.

Usage

```
calculate_metrics(time.data, outage.table, raw = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

time.data	Time series data formatted with format_timedata (must have a NetLoad column, see details)
outage.table	Outage table used in the lookup, created with outage_table
raw	Return summary metrics (FALSE, default) or raw hourly output (TRUE)
...	Additional parameters passed to sliding_window

Details

The time data object must have a column called NetLoad (see the examples for an easy method to generate it).

Summary metrics include daily loss-of-load expectation (LOLE), loss-of-load hours (LOLH), maximum LOLP (PeakLOLP) and expected unserved energy (EUE).

See Also

[format_timedata](#) and [outage_table](#) to create time.data and outage.table objects, respectively

[sliding_window](#) is used internally to extend time.data

[calculate_elcc](#) uses this function to calculate ELCC

Examples

```
# Create outage table with 200 5-MW units
gens <- data.frame(Capacity = rep(5, 200),
                  EFOR = rep(0.08, 200))
out.table <- outage_table(gens)

# Create random load and wind data and format
tdata <- data.frame(Time = 1:8760,
                   Load = runif(8760, 450, 850),
                   Wind = runif(8760, 0, 100))
td <- format_timedata(tdata)

# Get metrics for net load (load - wind)
td2 <- td
td2$NetLoad <- td2$Load - td2$Wind
calculate_metrics(td2, out.table)

# Get metrics for just load
td3 <- td
td3$NetLoad <- td3$Load - td3$Wind
calculate_metrics(td3, out.table)

# Get raw data (i.e., not summarized)
calculate_metrics(td2, out.table, raw = TRUE)
```

capacity_value

Calculate capacity value for variable generation

Description

Given time data series and an outage table, calculate the capacity value of variable generation (VG) time series. Capacity value is calculated by iteratively removing one type of VG at a time and recalculating effective load carrying capability (ELCC).

Usage

```
capacity_value(time.data, outage.table, VG.cols = NULL, marginal = FALSE,
              scale.first = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

time.data	Time series data (or subset) formatted with format_timedata
outage.table	Outage table used in the lookup, created with outage_table
VG.cols	Order in which VG capacity value is calculated (see details for more info)
marginal	Should the VG capacity value be calculated as the last resource (TRUE) or added progressively to the load (FALSE)?
scale.first	This triggers a special case to calculate capacity value. See details for more information.
...	Additional parameters passed to calculate_elcc and sliding_window

Details

This function calculates ELCC for the system with different combinations of VG. The metric and desired reliability metric can be set; see [calculate_elcc](#) for details and a list of parameters. Additionally, a sliding window can be used in the calculation (see [calculate_elcc](#)).

When calculating the capacity value of VG, the results depends on the order in which the different technologies are added into the system. The variable `VG.cols` is used to determine this order manually. If not determined the order will default to the order in which the VG columns appear in `time.data`.

This marginal parameter determines if the capacity value is calculated by taking each VG profile out of the total mix (when is set to `TRUE`) or by progressively stacking the VG profiles on top the conventional generators (when is set to `FALSE`). The latter option is the default and the order is determined by the `VG.cols` parameter or, if not set, by the order in which the columns appear in the `time.data` object.

If `scale.first` is set to `TRUE` the capacity value a special calculation is triggered. Before performing the calculations, the load is scaled so that the total mix (conventional generators and VG) provide the desired adequacy level, which is specified with the parameters passed to [calculate_elcc](#). Once the load is scaled, the capacity value calculations are performed using the flat block method.

See Also

[format_timedata](#) and [outage_table](#) to create `time.data` and `outage.table` objects, respectively

[sliding_window](#) is used internally to extend `time.data`

[calculate_elcc](#) is used internally to evaluate ELCC

Examples

```
## Not run:
# Create outage table with 200 5-MW units
gens <- data.frame(Capacity = rep(5, 200),
                  EFOR = rep(0.08, 200))
out.table <- outage_table(gens)

# Create random load and wind data and format
tdata <- data.frame(Time = 1:8760,
                   Load = runif(8760, 450, 850),
                   Wind = runif(8760, 0, 100),
                   Wind2 = runif(8760, 0, 200))
td <- format_timedata(tdata)

# Calculate capacity value (both are equivalent)
capacity_value(td, out.table)
capacity_value(td, out.table, c("Wind", "Wind2"))

# Calculate capacity value of Wind2 first and Wind second
capacity_value(td, out.table, c("Wind", "Wind2"))

# Calculate capacity value with a sliding window that uses adjacent hours
capacity_value(td, out.table, win.h.size = c(-1, 1))
```

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

format_timedata	<i>Format time data</i>
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Description

Create valid data container that has aggregated load and variable generation (VG) time series for different areas and levels of aggregation.

Usage

```
format_timedata(data, levels = NULL, scenario = NULL, day.steps = 24)
```

Arguments

data	Data frame with the load and VG time series (see details for requirements)
levels	Optional data frame that contains levels of aggregation, e.g., BAA, transmission area or interconnection (see details for requirements)
scenario	Name of columns in data used to denote different scenarios
day.steps	Number of data points in a day (defaults to 24)

Details

The columns identified by `scenario` are used to perform calculations separately. This way one can run different sensitivities in the same calculation (e.g., to estimate the capacity value of wind with different penetration levels).

Requirements for data:

- The number of entries needs to be a multiple of `day.steps`
- A `Time` column that can be ordered (integer or time stamps)
- A `Load` column with load time series
- No column named `Level`, `NetLoad` or `VG` (they are reserved name)
- Optionally, if a column called `Area` exists, it will be used to separate areas
- All columns must contain numbers except for `Time`, `Area` and those in `scenario`

Requirements for levels:

- This parameter is optional
- If `levels` is provided, data must contain a column called `Area`
- The first column must contain the most granular level of data
- The column names in `levels` will become the names of the different levels of aggregation

Value

A data frame with load and VG data aggregated by scenario and different areas and levels of aggregation

See Also

[outage_table](#) is the function that creates outage tables

[sliding_window](#) is used internally by several functions to extend time data objects

Examples

```
# Create data for two days
tdata <- data.frame(Area = c(rep("A", 48), rep("B", 48)),
                   Time = 1:48,
                   Load = c(runif(48, 200, 250), runif(48, 400, 450)),
                   Wind = c(runif(48, 20, 25), runif(48, 40, 45)))
levs <- data.frame(BAA = c("A", "B"), Region = c("All", "All"))

# Format time data without and with different levels of aggregation
td1 <- format_timedata(tdata)
head(td1)
td2 <- format_timedata(tdata, levs)
head(td2)

# Format time data with a scenario column
tdata2 <- tdata
tdata2$Scenario <- "Scenario 1"
td3 <- format_timedata(tdata2, scenario = "Scenario")
head(td3)

# Format time data without Area column (minimum example)
tdata3 <- tdata
tdata3$Area <- NULL
td4 <- format_timedata(tdata3)
head(td4)
```

outage_table

Convolve generators to create outage tables

Description

Allows to create outage tables for different areas and levels of aggregation for a list of capacities and equivalent forced outage rates (EFOR) for generators. The assumption is that the generator outages are independent from each other. The table can be used to quickly compute loss-of-load probability (LOLP) and expected unserved energy (EUE).

Usage

```
outage_table(generators, levels = NULL, threshold = 1e-06, round = 1)
```

Arguments

generators	Data frame with the list of generators (see details for requirements)
levels	Optional data frame that contains levels of aggregation, e.g., BAA, transmission area or interconnection (see details for requirements)
threshold	Table entries with LOLP below this value are ignored
round	Used to round capacities (default is 1 MW)

Details

Requirements for generators:

- The data frame must contain two columns: Capacity and EFOR (Other columns will be ignored)
- Optionally if a column called Area exists, it will be used to create separate tables within each area

Requirements for levels:

- This parameter is optional
- If levels is provided, generators must contain a column called Area
- The first column must contain the most granular level of data and compatible with columns Area in generators
- The column names in levels will become the names of the different levels of aggregation

Value

The result is a [data.table](#) object that is used to calculate LOLP metrics. For each area, the output presents the following columns: Capacity, Prob, LOLP and BaseEUE. The column Capacity is duplicated as (Capacity2) and is used internally by the LOLP calculation functions.

Given a load level L , the probability parameters are calculated as follows:

- Choose the first row with $L \leq \text{Capacity}$
- The loss-of-load probability is the value in the LOLP for that row
- Expected unserved energy can be quickly calculated as $\text{EUE} = \text{BaseEUE} + (L - \text{Capacity}) * \text{LOLP}$. This is equivalent to calculating the sum of $(L - \text{Capacity}) * \text{Prob}$ for all rows with $L < \text{Capacity}$

References

R. Billinton, and R. N. Allan, Reliability evaluation of power systems, New York: Plenum Press 1996.

See Also

[format_timedata](#) is the function that creates compatible time data objects

Examples

```
# Outage table with one 10-MW generator with 2% EFOR
outage_table(data.frame(Capacity = 10, EFOR = 0.02))

# Outage table with two generators (10 MW with 2% EFOR and 20 MW with 1% EFOR)
outage_table(data.frame(Capacity = c(10, 20), EFOR = c(0.02, 0.01)))

# List of generators and areas
gens <- data.frame(Area = c(rep("A", 10), rep("B", 5)),
                  Capacity = rep(60, 15),
                  EFOR = rep(0.08, 15))
levs <- data.frame(BAA = c("A", "B"), Region = c("All", "All"))

# Create a single outage table (without specifying area)
outage_table(gens[, c("Capacity", "EFOR")])

# Create an outage table for each 'Area'
outage_table(gens)

# Create table for each 'Area' and different and levels of aggregation in 'levs'
outage_table(gens, levs)
```

repra.data

Generator and time series data sets

Description

repra includes sample data to showcase typical calculations. This data is contained in four data frames called repratime, repragen, repraareas, repra_capacity. The data was adapted from the Western Electricity Coordinating Council's (WECC) Transmission Expansion Planning Policy Committee (TEPPC) 2024 Common Case (version 1.0). The data should be considered only for illustrative purposes and no conclusions should be made based on it.

Details

The data is presented for 8 regions in the Western Interconnection: Alberta, AZ-NM-NV (Arizona-New Mexico-Nevada), Basin, British Columbia, California North and South, NWPP (Northwest Power Pool), and RMPA (Rocky Mountain Power Authority). It is presented through four data frames, which are described in the following paragraphs.

repratime includes the load, wind, PV and CSP time series for the eight regions.

repragen includes the name, nameplate capacity, expected forced outage rate (EFOR) and area for all the generators (that are not wind, PV or CSP).

repraareas includes a little example of how the eight areas can be aggregated up to the interconnection level.

Finally, repracapacities summarize the installed capacities for wind, PV and CSP (which are useful to normalize capacity value, for example).

`win.h.size` determines how many adjacent time steps are included in the sliding window. By default, the window only includes the current hour. If specified, `win.h.size` must be a numeric vector with 2 values.

Similarly, `win.d.size` determines how many adjacent days are used in the window and defaults to the current day. If defined, it must be a vector with 2 integers.

For example, to reproduce the window in Table 1 set:

- `win.h.size = c(-3, 3)`
- `win.d.size = c(-2, 2)`

By default, all the data points in the sliding window are given the same probability in the calculations. It is possible to provide different weights to adjacent hours and adjacent days. This is achieved by using the `wind.h.weight` and `wind.d.weight` parameters, respectively. The lengths of these needs to be consistent with the corresponding sizes parameters. Table 2 shows an example of how the final weights are calculated, by setting:

- `wind.h.weight = c(0.1, 0.1, 0.2, 0.2, 0.2, 0.1, 0.1)`
- `wind.d.weight = c(0.1, 0.2, 0.4, 0.2, 0.1)`

Figure 2: Example of sliding window with different weights

	H1	H2	H3	H4	H5	H6	H7	H8	H9	H10	Day weight
Day 1											
Day 2											
Day 3			0.01	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01		0.1
Day 4			0.02	0.02	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.02	0.02		0.2
Day 5			0.04	0.04	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.04	0.04		0.4
Day 6			0.02	0.02	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.02	0.02		0.2
Day 7			0.01	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01		0.1
Day 8											
Day 9											
Hour weight			0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1		

Use of a sliding window is currently an open area of research. The authors suggest to use it as a sensitivity tool, especially when only a few years of data is available. Special care should be taken with solar data. Because of its daily pattern, a window with too many adjacent hours could return erroneous results.

A vignette in the package presents some additional examples and graphs for the use of this function. It can be accessed with `browseVignettes("sliding_window")`.

Value

An expanded data frame with the same format as `data.time`, but with a sliding window applied to the variable generation columns

See Also

[format_timedata](#) to create the time.data object

This function is called from [calculate_metrics](#) and [calculate_elcc](#)

Examples

```
# Create time data object
tdata <- data.frame(Area = c(rep("A", 48), rep("B", 48)),
                  Time = 1:48,
                  Load = c(runif(48, 200, 250), runif(48, 400, 450)),
                  Wind = c(runif(48, 20, 25), runif(48, 40, 45)))
td <- format_timedata(tdata)
head(td)

# If no data is provided, results remain intact
td2 <- sliding_window(td)

# Expand data for adjacent time steps (with equal and different weights)
td3 <- sliding_window(td, win.h.size = c(-1, 1))
td4 <- sliding_window(td, win.h.size = c(-1, 1), win.h.weight = c(1, 2, 1))

# Expand data for adjacent days
td5 <- sliding_window(td, win.d.size = c(0, 1))

# Expand data for both adjacent times and days
td6 <- sliding_window(td, win.h.size = c(-1, 1), win.d.size = c(0, 1))
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