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add\_rel\_pos\_coords      *Relative Position Coordinates*

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**Description**

This function calculates the x and y coordinates of a neighbor in the reference frame of the focal individual.

**Usage**

```
add_rel_pos_coords(data, focal_heading = c(0, 1))
```

**Arguments**

**data**                      Dataframe with the bearing angle and distance of each individual to specific neighbors. Column names must include: `bangl`, `nnd`.

**focal\_heading**          The heading of the focal individual, default = `c(0,1)` for plotting neighbor heading north.

**Value**

The input dataframe with additional `nnx` (nearest neighbor x coordinate) and `nny` (nearest neighbor y coordinate) columns.

**Author(s)**

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**Examples**

```
data <- data.frame(  
  bangl = runif(25, 0, pi),  
  nnd = runif(25)  
)  
data <- add_rel_pos_coords(data)
```

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add\_set\_vels                      *Add Velocity Timeseries*

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**Description**

This function calculates the headings and speeds of individuals based on two location points and the time taken to travel between those points.

**Usage**

```
add_set_vels(  
  data,  
  geo = FALSE,  
  verbose = FALSE,  
  parallelize = FALSE,  
  independent_call = TRUE  
)
```

**Arguments**

data	A dataframe with the time series of individuals' positions. Columns must include: t, id, x, y.
geo	Logical, whether positions are geographic coordinates, default = TRUE.
verbose	Logical, whether to post updates on progress, default = FALSE.
parallelize	Logical, whether to run the function in parallel, default = FALSE.
independent_call	Logical, whether the function is called by itself or as part of the package pipeline (through <a href="#">add_velocities</a> ). The default is set to TRUE, reflecting the direct call of the function by the user.

**Value**

The input dataframe with a new speed and heading (rotational, in rads) columns.

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

[add\\_velocities](#)

**Examples**

```
data <- data.frame(  
  x = rnorm(25, sd = 3),  
  y = rnorm(25, sd = 3),  
  t = as.POSIXct(1:25, origin = Sys.time()),  
  id = rep(1, 25)  
)  
  
data <- add_set_vels(data, geo = FALSE)
```

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add\_velocities      *Add Velocity Timeseries Across Sets*

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### Description

This function calculates and adds the speed and heading of each individual over time in the dataset, and splits it in a list of dataframes based on the defined sets.

### Usage

```
add_velocities(data, geo = FALSE, verbose = FALSE, parallelize = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

data	A data frame with time series of individual's positional data, as exported by the <code>set_data_format</code> function. Columns needed: <code>set</code> , <code>t</code> , <code>id</code> , <code>x</code> , <code>y</code> .
geo	Logical, whether positions are geographic coordinates, default = FALSE.
verbose	Logical, whether to post updates on progress, default = FALSE.
parallelize	Logical, whether to run the function in parallel over individuals, default = FALSE.

### Value

A list of dataframes, an element per set from the input dataframe with new columns: `head` and `speed`.

### Author(s)

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### See Also

[add\\_set\\_vels](#), [set\\_data\\_format](#)

### Examples

```
data <- data.frame(  
  set = rep(1, 25),  
  x = rnorm(25, sd = 3),  
  y = rnorm(25, sd = 3),  
  t = as.POSIXct(1:25, origin = Sys.time()),  
  id = rep(1, 25)  
)  
  
data_list <- add_velocities(data, geo = FALSE)
```

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calc\_dur\_per\_event      *Duration of Each Event*

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### Description

This function calculates the duration of each event of collective motion in a dataset.

### Usage

```
calc_dur_per_event(data, step2time)
```

### Arguments

data	A dataframe with an event column (added by <a href="#">get_event_ids</a> ), indicating the event ID that each timestep belongs to. Timesteps that are not part of an event should not be included in the data.
step2time	The sampling frequency of the dataframe (how many seconds are between each row of the data).

### Value

A dataframe with two columns, event ID and duration in seconds.

### Author(s)

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### See Also

[events\\_dur](#), [get\\_event\\_ids](#)

### Examples

```
data <- data.frame(  
  set = c(rep('1', 50), rep('2', 50)),  
  event = c(rep(NA, 10), rep(1, 40), rep(2, 30), rep(NA, 20))  
)  
  
time_per_row <- 1 # seconds  
  
calc_dur_per_event(data, time_per_row)
```

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col\_motion\_metrics      *Collective Motion Metrics*

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### Description

This function calculates metrics of collective motion across sets and events.

### Usage

```
col_motion_metrics(  
  timeseries_data,  
  global_metrics,  
  step2time = 1,  
  verbose = TRUE,  
  speed_lim = NA,  
  pol_lim = NA,  
  noise_thresh = 0  
)
```

### Arguments

timeseries_data	A data frame with time series of individual's positional data through time with nearest neighbor analysis conducted
global_metrics	A data frame with the global metrics timeseries.
step2time	Numeric, the sampling frequency of the dataset (the relation between a time step and real time in seconds).
verbose	Logical, whether to post updates on progress.
speed_lim	Numeric, the threshold of speed for the definition of an event. For more info see: <a href="#">pick_threshold</a> .
pol_lim	Numeric, the threshold of polarization for the definition of an event. For more info see: <a href="#">pick_threshold</a> .
noise_thresh	Numeric, the limit of time difference between consecutive events to be considered the same event. Default value is 0 (no event merging).

### Value

A dataframe with metrics of collective motion per event.

### Author(s)

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### See Also

[define\\_events](#), [group\\_metrics](#), [pairwise\\_metrics](#)

## Examples

```
## A dataframe with group timeseries
g_df <- data.frame(
  t = as.POSIXct(1:25, origin = "2024-03-18 14:56:05"),
  set = rep(1, 25),
  pol = c(rnorm(25)),
  pol_av = c(rnorm(25)),
  speed = c(rnorm(25)),
  speed_av = c(rnorm(25)),
  shape = c(rnorm(25)),
  event = rep(1, 25),
  N = rep(3, 25)
)

## A dataframe with individual timeseries
p_df <- data.frame(
  t = as.POSIXct(rep(1:25, 3), origin = "2024-03-18 14:56:05"),
  set = rep(1, 75),
  nnd = c(rnorm(75)),
  bangl = runif(75, 0, pi),
  id = c(rep(1, 25), rep(2, 25), rep(3, 25)),
  nn_id = c(
    sample(c(2,3), 25, replace = TRUE),
    sample(c(1,3), 25, replace = TRUE),
    sample(c(2,1), 25, replace = TRUE)),
  event = rep(1, 75)
)
p_df$only_time <- format(p_df$t, "%H:%M:%OS2")

metrics <- col_motion_metrics(
  timeseries_data = p_df,
  global_metrics = g_df,
  step2time = 1,
  speed_lim = 0,
  pol_lim = 0,
  noise_thresh = 1
)
```

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col\_motion\_metrics\_from\_raw

*Collective Motion Metrics from Raw Data*

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## Description

This function calculates metrics of collective motion across sets and events.



**Usage**

```
col_motion_metrics_from_raw(
  data,
  mov_av_time_window,
  step2time = 1,
  geo = FALSE,
  verbose = FALSE,
  speed_lim = NA,
  pol_lim = NA,
  parallelize_all = FALSE,
  noise_thresh = 0
)
```

**Arguments**

data	A data frame with time series of individual's positional data through time. Columns must include: id, set, t, x, y.
mov_av_time_window	Numeric, a time window to average over for speed and polarization timeseries (in timesteps).
step2time	Numeric, the sampling frequency of the dataset (the relation between a time step and real time in seconds).
geo	Logical, whether positions are geographic coordinates, default = FALSE.
verbose	Logical, whether to post updates on progress, default = FALSE.
speed_lim	Numeric, the threshold of speed for the definition of an event. For more info see: <a href="#">pick_threshold</a> .
pol_lim	Numeric, the threshold of polarization for the definition of an event. For more info see: <a href="#">pick_threshold</a> .
parallelize_all	Logical, whether or not to parallelize over timesteps.
noise_thresh	Numeric, the limit of time difference between consecutive events to be considered the same event. Default value is 0 (no event merging).

**Value**

A dataframe with metrics of collective motion per event.

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**See Also**

[add\\_velocities](#), [group\\_metrics](#), [pairwise\\_metrics](#), [moving\\_average](#)

**Examples**

```

data <- data.frame(
  set = rep(1, 75),
  x = rnorm(75, sd = 3),
  y = rnorm(75, sd = 3),
  t = as.POSIXct(rep(1:25, 3), origin = Sys.time()),
  id = c(rep(1, 25), rep(2, 25), rep(3, 25))
)

metrics <- col_motion_metrics_from_raw(data,
  mov_av_time_window = 5,
  step2time = 1,
  geo = FALSE,
  speed_lim = 0,
  pol_lim = 0,
  noise_thresh = 1
)

```

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define\_events

*Define Events of Collective Motion*


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**Description**

This function adds a keep TRUE/FALSE column in the input dataframe based on whether the average speed and polarization of the group is larger than the input thresholds, reflecting whether a timestep is considered part of a collective event or not.

**Usage**

```
define_events(df, sp_lim, pol_lim, step2time, noise_thresh = 0)
```

**Arguments**

df	A dataframe with a pol_av and speed_av columns for polarization and speed, respectively (as calculated by the <a href="#">group_metrics_per_set</a> function).
sp_lim	The (lower) threshold of speed to use for defining which timesteps are part of an events of collective motion. In other words, during an event the group should have an average speed of at least sp_lim.
pol_lim	The (lower) threshold of polarization to use for defining which timesteps are part of an events of collective motion. In other words, during an event the group's polarization should be at least pol_lim.
step2time	Sampling frequency, i.e. the relation between time steps (rows) in the input dataframe and real time (in seconds).
noise_thresh	The limit of time difference between consecutive events to be considered the same event. The default value is 0 (no event merging).

**Value**

the dataframe that was given as input with an extra keep column. The function also prints the number and duration of the defined events.

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

[pick\\_threshold](#), [group\\_metrics\\_per\\_set](#)

**Examples**

```
data <- data.frame(  
  set = rep('1', 50),  
  pol_av = rnorm(50, mean = 0.5, sd = 0.2),  
  speed_av = rnorm(50, mean = 5)  
)  
data <- define_events(data, sp_lim = 5, pol_lim = 0.4, step2time = 1)
```

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events_dur	<i>Total Duration of All Events</i>
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**Description**

This function calculates the total duration (in seconds) of events of collective motion in a dataset.

**Usage**

```
events_dur(data, step2time)
```

**Arguments**

data	A dataframe with a keep column, representing which rows are defined as events of collective motion (added by the <a href="#">define_events</a> function).
step2time	The sampling frequency of the dataframe (how many seconds are between each row of the data).

**Value**

A numeric corresponding to the total duration of events in the dataset in seconds.

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

[define\\_events](#), [events\\_n](#)

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events_n	<i>Number of Events</i>
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**Description**

This function calculates the number of events of collective motion in a dataset.

**Usage**

```
events_n(data)
```

**Arguments**

`data` A dataframe with a `keep` column (representing which rows are defined as events of collective motion) and a `set` column.

**Value**

an integer with the number of events of collective motion (sequences of `keep == TRUE`).

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

[define\\_events](#)

**Examples**

```
data <- data.frame(  
  set = c(rep('1', 50), rep('2', 50)),  
  keep = c(rep(FALSE, 10), rep(TRUE, 70), rep(FALSE, 20))  
)  
  
events_n(data) ## 2 events
```

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events_summary	<i>Events Summary</i>
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**Description**

This function summarizes the number of events and their total duration in the dataset.

**Usage**

```
events_summary(data, step2time)
```

**Arguments**

data	A dataframe with a keep column (representing which rows are defined as events of collective motion) and a set column.
step2time	The sampling frequency of the dataframe (how many seconds are between each row of the data).

**Value**

A dataframe with 3 columns: set, ev\_count (number of events), and dur (duration of events in seconds).

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

[events\\_dur](#), [events\\_n](#)

**Examples**

```
data <- data.frame(  
  set = c(rep('1', 50), rep('2', 50)),  
  keep = c(rep(FALSE, 10), rep(TRUE, 70), rep(FALSE, 20))  
)  
  
time_per_row <- 1 # seconds  
  
events_summary(data, time_per_row)
```

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event\_metrics

*Metrics of Collective Motion*

---

### Description

This function calculates metrics of collective motion across sets and events.

### Usage

```
event_metrics(global_df, pairwise_df)
```

### Arguments

`global_df` A data frame with time series of global group measurements. Columns must include: set, t, event, pol, shape, speed.

`pairwise_df` A data frame with time series of pairwise measurements. Columns must include: set, t, id, nnd, bangl.

### Value

A dataframe with 10 metrics per event.

### Author(s)

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### See Also

[group\\_metrics](#), [nn\\_metrics](#)

### Examples

```
## A dataframe with group timeseries
g_df <- data.frame(
  t = 1:25,
  set = rep(1, 25),
  pol = c(rnorm(25)),
  speed = c(rnorm(25)),
  shape = c(rnorm(25)),
  event = rep(1, 25),
  N = rep(2, 25)
)

## A dataframe with individual timeseries
p_df <- data.frame(
  t = rep(1:25, 2),
  set = rep(1, 50),
  nnd = c(rnorm(50)),
  bangl = runif(25, 0, pi),
```

```
id = c(rep(1, 25), rep(2, 25)),
event = rep(1, 50)
)

events_dataframe <- event_metrics(g_df, p_df)
```

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expand\_pca\_swarm\_space

*Expand Existing Swarm Space (PCA)*

---

### Description

This function predicts the positions of new event data in an existing PCA space using the `stats::predict` function.

### Usage

```
expand_pca_swarm_space(metrics_data, pca_space, event_dur_limit = NA)
```

### Arguments

`metrics_data` A dataframe with the new metrics data to add in swarm space.

`pca_space` The PCA object to predict from, the output of the `stats::prcomp` function or the `pca` element of the list output of the `swarm_space` function.

`event_dur_limit` Numeric, capturing an event duration value in seconds. Used to filter out events that are shorter than this value. Default = NA, no filtering is applied.

### Value

A dataframe with the x and y coordinates in the input swarm space per event of the new species.

### Author(s)

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### See Also

[swarm\\_space](#)

### Examples

```
data(multi_species_metrics)
data(multi_species_pca)
ss <- expand_pca_swarm_space(multi_species_metrics,
multi_species_pca)
```

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frontness

*Frontness*

---

### Description

Given the bearing angle of an object to another, this function calculates the frontness, a value that ranges from 0 to 1 and represents how in front the focal object is from its neighbor.

### Usage

```
frontness(bs)
```

### Arguments

bs                    A vector of bearing angles (in rad) between objects.

### Value

A vector of the same length as bs representing the frontness of a focal object to its neighbor.

### Author(s)

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### See Also

[nnba](#)

### Examples

```
bs <- runif(25, max = pi)
frontness(bs)
```

---

get\_event\_ids

*Event Indexes*

---

### Description

This function returns a vector with the timeseries of event IDs according to the input keep column of the dataframe.

### Usage

```
get_event_ids(df)
```



**Arguments**

`df` A dataframe with a `set` and a `keep` column to get the timeseries of event IDs. The `keep` column is added by the [define\\_events](#) function and represents whether each timestep is part of an event or not (whether it should be kept in for the rest of the analysis). Each set of the dataframe should be ordered in time.

**Value**

a vector of the same length as the rows of the input dataframe with the timeseries of event IDs.

**Author(s)**

Marina Papadopoulou <m.papadopoulou.rug@gmail.com>

**See Also**

[define\\_events](#)

**Examples**

```
data <- data.frame(
  set = c(rep('1', 50), rep('2', 50)),
  keep = c(rep(FALSE, 10), rep(TRUE, 70), rep(FALSE, 20))
)
data$event <- get_event_ids(data)
```

---

group\_metrics

*Group Metrics of Collective Motion*

---

**Description**

This function calculates the average speed, polarization and shape of a group through time.

**Usage**

```
group_metrics(data, geo, step2time = 1, parallelize = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

`data` A dataframe of (ordered) time series of headings, positions, and speeds per individual. The dataframe may contain several individuals. Should include the columns: `id`, `t`, `speed`, `x`, `y`, `head`, `set`.

`geo` Logical, whether positions are geographic coordinates, default = FALSE.

`step2time` Numeric, the sampling frequency of the data (the relation between a row in the data and real time in seconds).

`parallelize` Logical, whether to parallelize over time. Suggested only for very large datasets.

**Value**

A dataframe with the group average timeseries, with columns: set, t, pol, speed, shape, N (number of individuals), missing\_ind (whether some individuals are missing).

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

[group\\_shape](#), [add\\_velocities](#)

**Examples**

```
data <- data.frame(
  set = rep("1", 50),
  t = as.POSIXct(rep(1:25, 2), origin = Sys.time()),
  id = c(rep(1, 25), rep(2, 25)),
  x = rnorm(50),
  y = rnorm(50),
  head = runif(50, 0, 2 * pi),
  speed = rnorm(50)
)

gm <- group_metrics(data,
  geo = FALSE,
  step2time = 1)
```

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group\_metrics\_per\_set *Group Metrics of Collective Motion in a Dataset*

---

**Description**

This function calculates the timeseries of average speed, polarization and shape of all set in a dataset

**Usage**

```
group_metrics_per_set(
  data_list,
  mov_av_time_window,
  geo,
  step2time,
  parallelize = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

data_list	A list of dataframes with groups timeseries per set. Columns must include: id, t, set, head, x, y, speed.
mov_av_time_window	Integer, timesteps to use as a sliding window for average speed and polarization.
geo	Logical, whether positions are geographic coordinates, default = FALSE.
step2time	Double, the sampling frequency of the data (the relation between a time step and real time in seconds).
parallelize	Logical, whether or not to parallelize over the timesteps of each set.

**Value**

A dataframe with the group average timeseries for each set, with columns: set, t, pol, speed, shape, N (number of individuals), missing\_ind (whether some individuals are missing), pol\_av (moving average of polarization based on input time window) and speed\_av (moving average of speed based on input time window).

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

[group\\_metrics](#), [moving\\_average](#)

**Examples**

```
data <- data.frame(
  set = rep("1", 50),
  t = as.POSIXct(rep(1:25, 2), origin = Sys.time()),
  id = c(rep(1, 25), rep(2, 25)),
  x = rnorm(50),
  y = rnorm(50),
  head = runif(50, 0, 2 * pi),
  speed = rnorm(50)
)

gm <- group_metrics_per_set(list(data),
  mov_av_time_window = 5,
  geo = FALSE,
  step2time = 1
)
```

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group_shape	<i>Group Shape Based on a OOB</i>
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### Description

Calculates how oblong the shape of a group is, relative to its average moving direction, along with the properties of the minimum object oriented bounding box (OOBB) around all objects.

### Usage

```
group_shape(x, y, hs, geo = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

x	A vector of x (or longitude) coordinates.
y	A vector of y (or latitude) coordinates.
hs	A vector of headings of the objects (in degrees).
geo	A logical value indicating whether the locations are defined by geographic coordinates (pairs of longitude/latitude values). Default: FALSE.

### Value

A list with the estimate of how oblong the group is, and the details of the bounding box, i.e. its coordinates, height, width, and orientation of its longest side in degrees.

### Author(s)

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### Examples

```
x <- rnorm(25)
y <- rnorm(25, sd = 3)
h <- runif(25, 0, 2 * pi)
group_shape(x, y, h, geo = FALSE)
```

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moving_average	<i>Moving Average</i>
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**Description**

This function calculates the moving average of a time series.

**Usage**

```
moving_average(timeseries, window)
```

**Arguments**

timeseries	Vector of doubles representing a timeseries.
window	Double, the time-window to average over (in timesteps).

**Value**

A vector of doubles (average over the window).

**Author(s)**

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**Examples**

```
bs <- rnorm(20, mean = 10, sd = 1)
moving_average(bs, 5)
```

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multi_species_metrics	<i>Multi-Species Collective Motion Metrics</i>
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**Description**

A dataset containing the metrics of collective motion for 4 species: stickleback fish, homing pigeons, goats, and chacma baboons. They were used for the construction of the initial swarm space in:

Papadopoulou Marina, Fürtbauer Ines, O'Bryan Lisa R., Garnier Simon, Georgopoulou Dimitra G., Bracken Anna M., Christensen Charlotte and King Andrew J. 2023. Dynamics of collective motion across time and species. *Phil. Trans. R. Soc. B* 378: 20220068. <http://doi.org/10.1098/rstb.2022.0068>

**Usage**

```
data('multi_species_metrics')
```

**Format**

A dataframe with 118 rows and 12 columns:

**mean\_mean\_nnd** Average nearest neighbor distance  
**mean\_sd\_nnd** Average within-group variation in nearest neighbor distance  
**sd\_mean\_nnd** Temporal variation in average nearest neighbor distance  
**mean\_pol** Average polarization  
**sd\_pol** Temporal variation in polarization  
**stdv\_speed** Temporal variation in speed  
**mean\_sd\_front** Average within-group variation in frontness  
**mean\_mean\_bangl** Average bearing angle  
**mean\_shape** Average group shape (rads)  
**sd\_shape** Temporal variation in group shape (rads)  
**species** Species id  
**event** Event id

**References**

Papadopoulou Marina, Fürtbauer Ines, O’Bryan Lisa R., Garnier Simon, Georgopoulou Dimitra G., Bracken Anna M., Christensen Charlotte and King Andrew J. 2023. Dynamics of collective motion across time and species. *Phil. Trans. R. Soc. B* 378: 20220068. <http://doi.org/10.1098/rstb.2022.0068>

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multi_species_pca	<i>Multi-Species PCA</i>
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**Description**

The swarm space PCA of 4 species: stickleback fish, homing pigeons, goats and chacma baboons. First published as part of:

Papadopoulou Marina, Fürtbauer Ines, O’Bryan Lisa R., Garnier Simon, Georgopoulou Dimitra G., Bracken Anna M., Christensen Charlotte and King Andrew J. 2023. Dynamics of collective motion across time and species. *Phil. Trans. R. Soc. B* 378: 20220068. <http://doi.org/10.1098/rstb.2022.0068>

**Usage**

```
data('multi_species_pca')
```

**Format**

A list of 5 elements, exported by the `stats::prcomp` function.

**References**

Papadopoulou Marina, Fürtbauer Ines, O'Bryan Lisa R., Garnier Simon, Georgopoulou Dimitra G., Bracken Anna M., Christensen Charlotte and King Andrew J. 2023. Dynamics of collective motion across time and species. Phil. Trans. R. Soc. B 378: 20220068. <http://doi.org/10.1098/rstb.2022.0068>

**See Also**

[multi\\_species\\_pca\\_data](#)

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multi\_species\_pca\_data

*Multi-Species PCA Data*

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**Description**

The positions of events from 4 species: stickleback fish, homing pigeons, goats and chacma baboons, in the PCA swarm space (see [multi\\_species\\_pca](#). First published as part of:

Papadopoulou Marina, Fürtbauer Ines, O'Bryan Lisa R., Garnier Simon, Georgopoulou Dimitra G., Bracken Anna M., Christensen Charlotte and King Andrew J. 2023. Dynamics of collective motion across time and species. Phil. Trans. R. Soc. B 378: 20220068. <http://doi.org/10.1098/rstb.2022.0068>

**Usage**

```
data('multi_species_pca_data')
```

**Format**

A dataframe of 3 columns: species, PC1, PC2, PC3.

**References**

Papadopoulou Marina, Fürtbauer Ines, O'Bryan Lisa R., Garnier Simon, Georgopoulou Dimitra G., Bracken Anna M., Christensen Charlotte and King Andrew J. 2023. Dynamics of collective motion across time and species. Phil. Trans. R. Soc. B 378: 20220068. <http://doi.org/10.1098/rstb.2022.0068>

**See Also**

[multi\\_species\\_pca](#)

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new\_species\_metrics     *The Collective Motion Metrics of a New Species*

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**Description**

The output dataset of vignette 2, containing the metrics of collective motion for a new species.

**Usage**

```
data('new_species_metrics')
```

**Format**

An object of class `data.frame` with 60 rows and 16 columns.

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nnba     *Bearing Angle to Nearest Neighbor*

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**Description**

Given the locations and headings of different objects, this function determines the angle between the heading of each object and the position to the nearest neighboring object.

**Usage**

```
nnba(x, y, hs, geo = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

x	A vector of x (or longitude) coordinates.
y	A vector of y (or latitude) coordinates.
hs	A vector of headings (angle in rads).
geo	A logical value indicating whether the locations are defined by geographic coordinates (pairs of longitude/latitude values). Default: FALSE.

**Value**

A vector of the same length as x and y representing the distance to the nearest neighboring object for each object.

**Author(s)**

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**Examples**

```
x <- rnorm(25)
y <- rnorm(25, sd = 3)
hs <- rnorm(25, sd = 1)
nnba(x, y, hs)
```

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nn\_metrics

*Nearest Neighbour Metrics*


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**Description**

This function calculates the bearing angle and distance from all focal individuals in a group to their nearest neighbor over time.

**Usage**

```
nn_metrics(
  data,
  add_coords = FALSE,
  geo = FALSE,
  verbose = FALSE,
  parallelize = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

data	A dataframe with the group's positional timeseries for one set. Column names must include: id, t, head, x, y. The calculations are based on the <code>swaRm</code> package.
add_coords	Logical, whether the data on relative positions of nearest neighbours should be converted into coordinates in the reference frame of the focal individual (nnx, nny). This can be useful for visualization purposes but it is not used in the package pipeling. Default = 'FALSE'.
geo	Logical, whether positions are geographic coordinates, default = FALSE.
verbose	Logical, whether to post updates on progress.
parallelize	Logical, whether to parallelize the function over time.

**Value**

The input dataframe with new columns for nearest neighbor id (nn\_id), bearing angle (bangl), and distance (nnd). If add\_coords is TRUE, the columns nnx and nny are added.

**Author(s)**

Marina Papadopoulou <m.papadopoulou.rug@gmail.com>

**See Also**

[add\\_rel\\_pos\\_coords](#), [group\\_metrics](#)

**Examples**

```
data <- data.frame(
  set = rep("1", 50),
  t = as.POSIXct(rep(1:25, 2), origin = Sys.time()),
  id = c(rep(1, 25), rep(2, 25)),
  x = rnorm(50),
  y = rnorm(50),
  head = runif(50, 0, 2 * pi)
)

nnm <- nn_metrics(data, geo = FALSE)
```

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normalize\_data

*Normalize Data*

---

**Description**

This function rescales a vector to values between 0 and 1.

**Usage**

```
normalize_data(vec)
```

**Arguments**

vec                    A numerical vector to normalize.

**Value**

A vector of doubles, the normalized values of the input vector.

**Author(s)**

Marina Papadopoulou <m.papadopoulou.rug@gmail.com>

**Examples**

```
d <- rnorm(20, mean = 10, sd = 1)
normalize_data(d)
```

## Description

This function calculates the bearing angle and distance from each focal individual of a group to its nearest neighbor over time, across the sets of a dataset.

## Usage

```
pairwise_metrics(  
  data_list,  
  geo = FALSE,  
  verbose = FALSE,  
  parallelize = FALSE,  
  add_coords = FALSE  
)
```

## Arguments

<code>data_list</code>	A list of dataframes with groups timeseries per set. Columns must include: id, t, set, head, x, y.
<code>geo</code>	Logical, whether positions are geographic coordinates, default = FALSE.
<code>verbose</code>	Logical, whether to post updates on progress, default = FALSE.
<code>parallelize</code>	Logical, whether to run the function in parallel over timesteps, default = FALSE.
<code>add_coords</code>	Logical, whether data on relative positions are converted into geographic coordinates, default = 'FALSE'.

## Value

A dataframe format of the input list, with new columns for nearest neighbor id (`nn_id`), bearing angles (`bangl`), and distances (`nnd`). If `add_coords` is TRUE, the columns `nnx` and `nny` are also added.

## Author(s)

Marina Papadopoulou <m.papadopoulou.rug@gmail.com>

## See Also

[nn\\_metrics](#), [group\\_metrics\\_per\\_set](#)

## Examples

```
data <- data.frame(
  set = rep("1", 50),
  t = as.POSIXct(rep(1:25, 2), origin = Sys.time()),
  id = c(rep(1, 25), rep(2, 25)),
  x = rnorm(50),
  y = rnorm(50),
  head = runif(50, 0, 2 * pi)
)

pm <- pairwise_metrics(list(data), geo = FALSE)
```

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pick\_threshold

*Pick a Threshold for the Events' Definition*

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## Description

An interactive function that calculates and prints the quantiles of the input distribution and asks the user to input the threshold value they want to keep. If a threshold is given as input, then the function checks that the threshold type is correct and returns it. In the swaRmverse framework, the timesteps with lower values than the threshold will be labelled as not part of an event.

## Usage

```
pick_threshold(data_distr, var, threshold = NA)
```

## Arguments

data_distr	A numeric vector to pick a threshold for. In the package's pipeline it is the timeseries of polarization and average speed of a group.
var	A string, the of the distribution to use at the interactive step to ask the user for input.
threshold	If NA (the default), the function runs in interactive mode and the user inputs a given value to return. If numeric, the function just returns this input (interactive case is off).

## Value

the selected or input value of the user for the lower threshold, of the variable to be used for the definition of an event.

## Author(s)

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**See Also**[define\\_events](#)**Examples**

```
d <- rnorm(25, sd = 1)
d_variable_name <- "a variable"
the_threshold <- 0
pick_threshold(d, d_variable_name, threshold = the_threshold)

## If the threshold is not known, run the interactive version
## without giving a threshold as input.
```

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set_data_format	<i>Data Formatting</i>
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**Description**

This function is a wrapper for the track function of the trackdf package.

**Usage**

```
set_data_format(
  raw_x,
  raw_y,
  raw_t,
  raw_id,
  origin,
  period,
  tz,
  proj,
  format,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

raw_x	A numeric vector representing the x coordinates of individual(s).
raw_y	A numeric vector representing the y coordinates of individual(s).
raw_t	A numeric vector that can be coerced to date-time objects by as_datetime representing the times (or frames) at which each location was recorded.
raw_id	A vector representing the identity of each coordinate recording.
origin	Something that can be coerced to a date-time object by as_datetime representing the start date and time of the observations when t is a numeric vector.
period	A character vector in a shorthand format (e.g. "1 second") or ISO 8601 specification. This is used when t is a numeric vector to represent time unit of the observations.

tz	A time zone name. See OlsonNames.
proj	A character string or a sp: :CRS object representing the projection of the coordinates. Leave empty if the coordinates are not projected (e.g., output of video tracking). "+proj=longlat" is suitable for the output of most GPS trackers.
format	A character string indicating the formatting of 't'. See strptime for how to specify this parameter.
...	Additional vectors representing categories that the data should be split by. If none, only the date will be used as a unit of data separation.

**Value**

A track dataframe table, which is a colloquial term for an object of class track.

**Author(s)**

Marina Papadopoulou <m.papadopoulou.rug@gmail.com>

**Examples**

```
raw_data <- data.frame(
  frame = rep(1:25, 3),
  x = rnorm(75),
  y = rnorm(75),
  id = c(rep(1, 25), rep(2, 25), rep(3, 25))
)

data <- set_data_format(
  raw_x = raw_data$x,
  raw_y = raw_data$y,
  raw_t = raw_data$frame,
  raw_id = raw_data$id,
  period = 1,
  origin = Sys.time(),
  tz = "Africa/Windhoek"
)
```

**Description**

The swaRmverse package provides a pipeline for the comparative analysis of collective movement data (e.g. fish schools, bird flocks, baboon troops) by processing 2-dimensional positional data (x,y,t) from GPS trackers or computer vision tracking systems, discretizing events of collective motion, calculating a set of established metrics that characterize each event, and placing the events in a multi-dimensional 'swarm space' constructed from these metrics.

## Details

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Type: Package  
Version: 0.1.0  
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## References

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## See Also

Useful links:

- <https://marinapapa.github.io/swaRmverse/>
- <https://github.com/marinapapa/swaRmverse>
- Report bugs at <https://github.com/marinapapa/swaRmverse/issues>

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swarm\_space

*Create a Swarm Space*

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## Description

This function runs a PCA (Principal component analysis) or a t-SNE (t-distributed Stochastic Neighbor Embedding) over the global and pairwise metrics of collective motion per each event to produce a swarm space. The PCA is computed with the `stats::prcomp` function and the t-SNE with the `Rtsne::Rtsne` function.

**Usage**

```
swarm_space(  
  metrics_data,  
  space_type = "pca",  
  event_dur_limit = NA,  
  tsne_rand_seed = NA,  
  tsne_perplexity = 25  
)
```

**Arguments**

**metrics\_data** A dataframe with metrics of collective motion per event.

**space\_type** A string, stating the choice between PCA ("pca") and t-SNE ("tsne"), default = "pca".

**event\_dur\_limit** Numeric, capturing an event duration value in seconds. Used to filter out events that are shorter than this value. Default = NA, no filtering is applied.

**tsne\_rand\_seed** Numeric, the random seed for the t-SNE analysis, to ensure reproducibility. Default = NA, but a value should be given if the t-SNE analysis is selected.

**tsne\_perplexity** Numeric, the perplexity parameter for the t-SNE analysis. Usually between 10-50, default = 25.

**Value**

A list with 3 elements: a dataframe representing the swarm space (x and y coordinates per event of each species), a reference dataframe (ref) including all the additional event information from the input metric data dataframe, a dataframe for the t-SNE analysis (tsne\_setup) that includes the input parameters used, and a list for the PCA analysis (pca) with the output of the stats::prcomp command.

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

[group\\_metrics](#), [pairwise\\_metrics](#), [nn\\_metrics](#), [col\\_motion\\_metrics](#)

**Examples**

```
data(multi_species_metrics)  
ss <- swarm_space(multi_species_metrics)
```



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