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**Description** Performs parametric synthesis of sounds with harmonic and noise components such as animal vocalizations or human voice. Also offers tools for audio manipulation and acoustic analysis, including pitch tracking, spectral analysis, audio segmentation, pitch and formant shifting, etc. Includes four interactive web apps for synthesizing and annotating audio, manually correcting pitch contours, and measuring formant frequencies. Reference: Anikin (2019) <doi:10.3758/s13428-018-1095-7>.

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## Description

Adds sinusoidal or logistic amplitude modulation to a sound. This produces additional harmonics in the spectrum at ±am\_freq around each original harmonic and makes the sound rough. The optimal frequency for creating a perception of roughness is ~70 Hz (Fastl & Zwicker "Psychoacoustics"). Sinusoidal AM creates a single pair of new harmonics, while non-sinusoidal AM creates more extra harmonics (see examples).

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#### Usage

```
addAM(
    x,
    samplingRate = NULL,
    amDep = 25,
    amFreq = 30,
    amType = c("logistic", "sine")[1],
    amShape = 0,
    invalidArgAction = c("adjust", "abort", "ignore")[1],
    plot = FALSE,
    play = FALSE,
    saveAudio = NULL,
    reportEvery = NULL,
    cores = 1
)
```

## **Arguments**

Χ	path to a folder, of	one or more wav	or mp3 files c(	'file1.wav',	'file2.mp3'), Wave
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object, numeric vector, or a list of Wave objects or numeric vectors

samplingRate sampling rate of x (only needed if x is a numeric vector)

amDep amplitude modulation (AM) depth, %. 0: no change; 100: AM with amplitude

range equal to the dynamic range of the sound (anchor format)

amFreq AM frequency, Hz (anchor format)

amType "sine" = sinusoidal, "logistic" = logistic (default)

amShape ignore if amType = "sine", otherwise determines the shape of non-sinusoidal

AM:  $0 = \sim \sin \theta$ , -1 = notches, +1 = clicks (anchor format)

invalidArgAction

what to do if an argument is invalid or outside the range in permitted Values:

'adjust' = reset to default value, 'abort' = stop execution, 'ignore' = throw a

warning and continue (may crash)

plot if TRUE, plots the amplitude modulation

play if TRUE, plays the processed audio

saveAudio full (!) path to folder for saving the processed audio; NULL = don't save, " =

same as input folder (NB: overwrites the originals!)

reportEvery when processing multiple inputs, report estimated time left every ... iterations

(NULL = default, NA = don't report)

cores number of cores for parallel processing

## Examples

```
sound1 = soundgen(pitch = c(200, 300), addSilence = 0)
s1 = addAM(sound1, 16000, amDep = c(0, 50, 0), amFreq = 75, plot = TRUE)
# playme(s1)
## Not run:
```

```
# Parameters can be specified as in the soundgen() function, eg:
s2 = addAM(sound1, 16000,
        amDep = list(time = c(0, 50, 52, 200, 201, 300),
                      value = c(0, 0, 35, 25, 0, 0)),
        plot = TRUE, play = TRUE)
# Sinusoidal AM produces exactly 2 extra harmonics at ±am_freq
# around each f0 harmonic:
s3 = addAM(sound1, 16000, amDep = 30, amFreq = c(50, 80),
           amType = 'sine', plot = TRUE, play = TRUE)
spectrogram(s3, 16000, windowLength = 150, ylim = c(0, 2))
# Non-sinusoidal AM produces multiple new harmonics,
# which can resemble subharmonics...
s4 = addAM(sound1, 16000, amDep = 70, amFreq = 50, amShape = -1,
           plot = TRUE, play = TRUE)
spectrogram(s4, 16000, windowLength = 150, ylim = c(0, 2))
# ...but more often look like sidebands
sound3 = soundgen(sylLen = 600, pitch = c(800, 1300, 1100), addSilence = 0)
s5 = addAM(sound3, 16000, amDep = c(0, 30, 100, 40, 0),
           amFreq = 105, amShape = -.3,
           plot = TRUE, play = TRUE)
spectrogram(s5, 16000, ylim = c(0, 5))
# Feel free to add AM stochastically:
s6 = addAM(sound1, 16000,
           amDep = rnorm(10, 40, 20), amFreq = rnorm(20, 70, 20),
           plot = TRUE, play = TRUE)
spectrogram(s6, 16000, windowLength = 150, ylim = c(0, 2))
# If am_freq is locked to an integer ratio of f0, we can get subharmonics
# For ex., here is with pitch 400-600-400 Hz (soundgen interpolates pitch
# on a log scale and am_freq on a linear scale, so we align them by extracting
# a long contour on a log scale for both)
con = getSmoothContour(anchors = c(400, 600, 400),
                       len = 20, thisIsPitch = TRUE)
s = soundgen(sylLen = 1500, pitch = con, amFreq = con/3, amDep = 30,
             plot = TRUE, play = TRUE, ylim = c(0, 3))
# Process all files in a folder and save the modified audio
addAM('~/Downloads/temp', saveAudio = '~/Downloads/temp/AM',
      amFreq = 70, amDep = c(0, 50)
## End(Not run)
```

## **Description**

A spectral filter that either adds or removes formants from a sound - that is, amplifies or dampens certain frequency bands, as in human vowels. See soundgen and getSpectralEnvelope for more information. With action = 'remove' this function can perform inverse filtering to remove formants and obtain raw glottal output, provided that you can specify the correct formant structure. Instead of formants, any arbitrary spectral filtering function can be applied using the spectralEnvelope argument (eg for a low/high/bandpass filter).

## Usage

```
addFormants(
  Х,
  samplingRate = NULL,
  formants = NULL,
  spectralEnvelope = NULL,
  zFun = NULL,
  action = c("add", "remove")[1],
  vocalTract = NA,
  formantDep = 1,
  formantDepStoch = 1,
  formantWidth = 1,
  formantCeiling = 2,
  lipRad = 6,
  noseRad = 4,
 mouthOpenThres = 0,
 mouth = NA,
  temperature = 0.025,
  formDrift = 0.3,
  formDisp = 0.2,
  smoothing = list(),
 windowLength_points = 800,
  overlap = 75.
  normalize = c("max", "orig", "none")[1],
  play = FALSE,
  saveAudio = NULL,
  reportEvery = NULL,
  cores = 1,
)
```

#### **Arguments**

x path to a folder, one or more way or mp3 files c('file1.way', 'file2.mp3'), Wave object, numeric vector, or a list of Wave objects or numeric vectors

 ${\tt samplingRate} \qquad {\tt sampling} \ {\tt frequency}, \ {\tt Hz}$ 

formants either a character string like "aaui" referring to default presets for speaker "M1" or a list of formant times, frequencies, amplitudes, and bandwidths (see ex. below). formants = NA defaults to schwa. Time stamps for formants and mouthOpen-

ing can be specified in ms or an any other arbitrary scale. See getSpectralEnvelope for more details

spectralEnvelope

(optional): as an alternative to specifying formant frequencies, we can provide the exact filter - a vector of non-negative numbers specifying the power in each frequency bin on a linear scale (interpolated to length equal to windowLength\_points/2). A matrix specifying the filter for each STFT step is also accepted. The easiest way to create this matrix is to call soundgen:::getSpectralEnvelope

or to use the spectrum of a recorded sound

zFun (optional) an arbitrary function to apply to the spectrogram prior to iSTFT,

where "z" is the spectrogram - a matrix of complex values (see examples)

action 'add' = add formants to the sound, 'remove' = remove formants (inverse filter-

ing)

vocalTract the length of vocal tract, cm. Used for calculating formant dispersion (for adding

extra formants) and formant transitions as the mouth opens and closes. If NULL or NA, the length is estimated based on specified formant frequencies, if any

(anchor format)

formantDep scale factor of formant amplitude (1 = no change relative to amplitudes in formants)

formantDepStoch

the amplitude of additional stochastic formants added above the highest speci-

fied formant, dB (only if temperature > 0)

formantWidth scale factor of formant bandwidth (1 = no change)

formantCeiling frequency to which stochastic formants are calculated, in multiples of the Nyquist

frequency; increase up to ~10 for long vocal tracts to avoid losing energy in the

upper part of the spectrum

lipRad the effect of lip radiation on source spectrum, dB/oct (the default of +6 dB/oct

produces a high-frequency boost when the mouth is open)

noseRad the effect of radiation through the nose on source spectrum, dB/oct (the alterna-

tive to lipRad when the mouth is closed)

mouthOpenThres open the lips (switch from nose radiation to lip radiation) when the mouth is

open >mouthOpenThres, 0 to 1

mouth opening (0 to 1, 0.5 = neutral, i.e. no modification) (anchor format)

temperature hyperparameter for regulating the amount of stochasticity in sound generation

formDrift, formDisp

scaling factors for the effect of temperature on formant drift and dispersal, re-

spectively

smoothing a list of parameters passed to getSmoothContour to control the interpolation

and smoothing of contours: interpol (approx / spline / loess), loessSpan, discon-

tThres, jumpThres

windowLength\_points

length of FFT window, points

overlap FFT window overlap, %. For allowed values, see istft

normalize "orig" = same as input (default), "max" = maximum possible peak amplitude,

"none" = no normalization

play	if TRUE, plays the synthesized sound using the default player on your system. If character, passed to play as the name of player to use, eg "aplay", "play", "vlc", etc. In case of errors, try setting another default player for play
saveAudio	path + filename for saving the output, e.g. '~/Downloads/temp.wav'. If NULL = doesn't save
reportEvery	when processing multiple inputs, report estimated time left every $\dots$ iterations (NULL = default, NA = don't report)
cores	number of cores for parallel processing
	other plotting parameters passed to spectrogram

#### **Details**

Algorithm: converts input from a time series (time domain) to a spectrogram (frequency domain) through short-time Fourier transform (STFT), multiples by the spectral filter containing the specified formants, and transforms back to a time series via inverse STFT. This is a subroutine for voice synthesis in soundgen, but it can also be applied to a recording.

#### See Also

getSpectralEnvelope transplantFormants soundgen

## **Examples**

```
sound = c(rep(0, 1000), runif(8000) * 2 - 1, rep(0, 1000)) # white noise
# NB: pad with silence to avoid artefacts if removing formants
# playme(sound)
# spectrogram(sound, samplingRate = 16000)
\# add F1 = 900, F2 = 1300 Hz
sound_filtered = addFormants(sound, samplingRate = 16000,
                             formants = c(900, 1300))
# playme(sound_filtered)
# spectrogram(sound_filtered, samplingRate = 16000)
# ...and remove them again (assuming we know what the formants are)
sound_inverse_filt = addFormants(sound_filtered,
                                 samplingRate = 16000,
                                 formants = c(900, 1300),
                                 action = 'remove')
# playme(sound_inverse_filt)
# spectrogram(sound_inverse_filt, samplingRate = 16000)
## Not run:
## Perform some user-defined manipulation of the spectrogram with zFun
# Ex.: noise removal - silence all bins under threshold,
# say -0 dB below the max value
s_noisy = soundgen(sylLen = 200, addSilence = 0,
                  noise = list(time = c(-100, 300), value = -20))
spectrogram(s_noisy, 16000)
# playme(s_noisy)
```

```
zFun = function(z, cutoff = -50) {
 az = abs(z)
 thres = max(az) * 10 ^ (cutoff / 20)
 z[which(az < thres)] = 0
 return(z)
}
s_denoised = addFormants(s_noisy, samplingRate = 16000,
                         formants = NA, zFun = zFun, cutoff = -40)
spectrogram(s_denoised, 16000)
# playme(s_denoised)
# If neither formants nor spectralEnvelope are defined, only lipRad has an effect
# For ex., we can boost low frequencies by 6 dB/oct
noise = runif(8000)
noise1 = addFormants(noise, 16000, lipRad = -6)
seewave::meanspec(noise1, f = 16000, dB = 'max0')
# Arbitrary spectra can be defined with spectralEnvelope. For ex., we can
# have a flat spectrum up to 2 kHz (Nyquist / 4) and -3 dB/kHz above:
freqs = seq(0, 16000 / 2, length.out = 100)
n = length(freqs)
idx = (n / 4):n
sp_dB = c(rep(0, n / 4 - 1), (freqs[idx] - freqs[idx[1]]) / 1000 * (-3))
plot(freqs, sp_dB, type = 'b')
noise2 = addFormants(noise, 16000, lipRad = 0, spectralEnvelope = 10 ^ (sp_dB / 20))
seewave::meanspec(noise2, f = 16000, dB = 'max0')
## Use the spectral envelope of an existing recording (bleating of a sheep)
# (see also the same example with noise as source in ?generateNoise)
# (NB: this can also be achieved with a single call to transplantFormants)
data(sheep, package = 'seewave') # import a recording from seewave
sound_orig = as.numeric(scale(sheep@left))
samplingRate = sheep@samp.rate
sound_orig = sound_orig / max(abs(sound_orig)) # range -1 to +1
# playme(sound_orig, samplingRate)
# get a few pitch anchors to reproduce the original intonation
pitch = analyze(sound_orig, samplingRate = samplingRate,
 pitchMethod = c('autocor', 'dom'))$detailed$pitch
pitch = pitch[!is.na(pitch)]
# extract a frequency-smoothed version of the original spectrogram
# to use as filter
specEnv_bleating = spectrogram(sound_orig, windowLength = 5,
samplingRate = samplingRate, output = 'original', plot = FALSE)
# image(t(log(specEnv_bleating)))
# Synthesize source only, with flat spectrum
sound_unfilt = soundgen(sylLen = 2500, pitch = pitch,
 rolloff = 0, rolloffOct = 0, rolloffKHz = 0,
 temperature = 0, jitterDep = 0, subDep = 0,
 formants = NULL, lipRad = 0, samplingRate = samplingRate,
  invalidArgAction = 'ignore') # prevent soundgen from increasing samplingRate
```

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```
# playme(sound_unfilt, samplingRate)
# seewave::meanspec(sound_unfilt, f = samplingRate, dB = 'max0') # ~flat

# Force spectral envelope to the shape of target
sound_filt = addFormants(sound_unfilt, formants = NULL,
    spectralEnvelope = specEnv_bleating, samplingRate = samplingRate)
# playme(sound_filt, samplingRate) # playme(sound_orig, samplingRate)
# spectrogram(sound_filt, samplingRate) # spectrogram(sound_orig, samplingRate)

# The spectral envelope is now similar to the original recording. Compare:
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
seewave::meanspec(sound_orig, f = samplingRate, dB = 'max0', alim = c(-50, 20))
seewave::meanspec(sound_filt, f = samplingRate, dB = 'max0', alim = c(-50, 20))
par(mfrow = c(1, 1))
# NB: but the source of excitation in the original is actually a mix of
# harmonics and noise, while the new sound is purely tonal

## End(Not run)
```

addVectors

Add overlapping vectors

## **Description**

Adds two partly overlapping vectors, such as two waveforms, to produce a longer vector. The location at which vector 2 is pasted is defined by insertionPoint. Algorithm: both vectors are padded with zeros to match in length and then added. All NA's are converted to 0.

## Usage

```
addVectors(v1, v2, insertionPoint = 1, normalize = TRUE)
```

## **Arguments**

```
v1, v2 numeric vectors

insertionPoint the index of element in vector 1 at which vector 2 will be inserted (any integer, can also be negative)

normalize if TRUE, the output is normalized to range from -1 to +1
```

## See Also

soundgen

## **Examples**

```
v1 = 1:6
v2 = rep(100, 3)
addVectors(v1, v2, insertionPoint = 5, normalize = FALSE)
addVectors(v1, v2, insertionPoint = -4, normalize = FALSE)
# note the asymmetry: insertionPoint refers to the first arg
addVectors(v2, v1, insertionPoint = -4, normalize = FALSE)
v3 = rep(100, 15)
addVectors(v1, v3, insertionPoint = -4, normalize = FALSE)
addVectors(v2, v3, insertionPoint = 7, normalize = FALSE)
```

analyze

Acoustic analysis

## **Description**

Acoustic analysis of one or more sounds: pitch tracking, basic spectral characteristics, formants, estimated loudness (see getLoudness), roughness (see modulationSpectrum), novelty (see ssm), etc. The default values of arguments are optimized for human non-linguistic vocalizations. See vignette('acoustic\_analysis', package = 'soundgen') for details. The defaults and reasonable ranges of all arguments can be found in defaults\_analyze. For high-precision work, first extract and manually correct pitch contours with pitch\_app, PRAAT, or whatever, and then run analyze(pitchManual = ...) with these manual contours.

#### Usage

```
analyze(
  samplingRate = NULL,
  scale = NULL,
  from = NULL,
  to = NULL,
  dynamicRange = 80,
  silence = 0.04,
 windowLength = 50,
  step = 25,
  overlap = 50,
 wn = "gaussian",
  zp = 0,
  cutFreq = NULL,
  nFormants = 3,
  formants = list(),
  loudness = list(SPL_measured = 70),
  roughness = list(windowLength = 15, step = 3, amRes = 10),
  novelty = list(input = "melspec", kernelLen = 100),
  pitchMethods = c("dom", "autocor"),
```

```
pitchManual = NULL,
entropyThres = 0.6,
pitchFloor = 75,
pitchCeiling = 3500,
priorMean = 300,
priorSD = 6,
priorAdapt = TRUE,
nCands = 1,
minVoicedCands = NULL,
pitchDom = list(),
pitchAutocor = list(),
pitchCep = list(),
pitchSpec = list(),
pitchHps = list(),
pitchZc = list(),
harmHeight = list(),
subh = list(method = "cep", nSubh = 5),
flux = list(thres = 0.15, smoothWin = 100),
amRange = c(10, 200),
fmRange = c(5, 1000/step/2),
shortestSyl = 20,
shortestPause = 60,
interpol = list(win = 75, tol = 0.3, cert = 0.3),
pathfinding = c("none", "fast", "slow")[2],
annealPars = list(maxit = 5000, temp = 1000),
certWeight = 0.5,
snakeStep = 0.05,
snakePlot = FALSE,
smooth = 1,
smoothVars = c("pitch", "dom"),
summaryFun = c("mean", "median", "sd"),
invalidArgAction = c("adjust", "abort", "ignore")[1],
reportEvery = NULL,
cores = 1,
plot = FALSE,
osc = "linear",
showLegend = TRUE,
savePlots = NULL,
pitchPlot = list(col = rgb(0, 0, 1, 0.75), lwd = 3, showPrior = TRUE),
extraContour = NULL,
ylim = NULL,
xlab = "Time",
ylab = NULL,
main = NULL,
width = 900,
height = 500,
units = "px",
res = NA,
```

)

#### **Arguments**

x path to a folder, one or more way or mp3 files c('file1.way', 'file2.mp3'), Wave

object, numeric vector, or a list of Wave objects or numeric vectors

samplingRate sampling rate of x (only needed if x is a numeric vector)

scale maximum possible amplitude of input used for normalization of input vector

(only needed if x is a numeric vector)

from, to if NULL (default), analyzes the whole sound, otherwise from...to (s)

dynamicRange dynamic range, dB. All values more than one dynamicRange under maximum

are treated as zero

silence (0 to 1 as proportion of max amplitude) frames with RMS amplitude below

silence \* max\_ampl adjusted by scale are not analyzed at all.

windowLength length of FFT window, ms

step you can override overlap by specifying FFT step, ms (NB: because digital au-

dio is sampled at discrete time intervals of 1/samplingRate, the actual step and thus the time stamps of STFT frames may be slightly different, eg 24.98866

instead of 25.0 ms)

overlap overlap between successive FFT frames, %

wn window type accepted by ftwindow, currently gaussian, hanning, hamming,

bartlett, rectangular, blackman, flattop

zp window length after zero padding, points

cutFreq if specified, spectral descriptives (peakFreq, specCentroid, specSlope, and quar-

tiles) are calculated only between cutFreq[1] and cutFreq[2], Hz. If a single number is given, analyzes frequencies from 0 to cutFreq. For ex., when analyzing recordings with varying sampling rates, set to half the lowest sampling rate to make the spectra more comparable. Note that "entropyThres" applies only to this frequency range, which also affects which frames will not be analyzed with

pitchAutocor.

nFormants the number of formants to extract per STFT frame (0 = no formant analysis,

NULL = as many as possible)

formants a list of arguments passed to findformants - an external function called to

perform LPC analysis

loudness a list of parameters passed to getLoudness for measuring subjective loudness,

namely SPL\_measured, Pref, spreadSpectrum. NULL = skip loudness analy-

sis

roughness a list of parameters passed to modulationSpectrum for measuring roughness.

NULL = skip roughness analysis

novelty a list of parameters passed to ssm for measuring spectral novelty. NULL = skip

novelty analysis

pitchMethods methods of pitch estimation to consider for determining pitch contour: 'autocor' = autocorrelation (~PRAAT), 'cep' = cepstral, 'spec' = spectral (~BaNa), 'dom' = lowest dominant frequency band, 'hps' = harmonic product spectrum, NULL = no pitch analysis pitchManual manually corrected pitch contour. For a single sound, provide a numeric vector of any length. For multiple sounds, provide a dataframe with columns "file" and "pitch" (or path to a csv file) as returned by pitch\_app, ideally with the same windowLength and step as in current call to analyze. A named list with pitch vectors per file is also OK entropyThres pitch tracking is only performed for frames with Weiner entropy below entropyThres, but other spectral descriptives are still calculated (NULL = analyze everything) pitchFloor, pitchCeiling absolute bounds for pitch candidates (Hz) priorMean, priorSD specifies the mean (Hz) and standard deviation (semitones) of gamma distribution describing our prior knowledge about the most likely pitch values for this file. For ex., priorMean = 300, priorSD = 6 gives a prior with mean = 300 Hz and SD = 6 semitones (half an octave) priorAdapt adaptive second-pass prior: if TRUE, optimal pitch contours are estimated first with a prior determined by priorMean, priorSD, and then with a new prior adjusted according to this first-pass pitch contour nCands maximum number of pitch candidates per method, normally 1...4 (except for dom, which returns at most one candidate per frame) minVoicedCands minimum number of pitch candidates that have to be defined to consider a frame voiced (if NULL, defaults to 2 if dom is among other candidates and 1 otherwise) pitchDom a list of control parameters for pitch tracking using the lowest dominant frequency band or "dom" method; see details and ?soundgen:::getDom a list of control parameters for pitch tracking using the autocorrelation or "autopitchAutocor cor" method; see details and ?soundgen:::getPitchAutocor pitchCep a list of control parameters for pitch tracking using the cepstrum or "cep" method; see details and ?soundgen:::getPitchCep pitchSpec a list of control parameters for pitch tracking using the BaNa or "spec" method; see details and ?soundgen:::getPitchSpec pitchHps a list of control parameters for pitch tracking using the harmonic product spectrum or "hps" method; see details and ?soundgen:::getPitchHps pitchZc a list of control parameters for pitch tracking based on zero crossings in bandpassfiltered audio or "zc" method; see getPitchZc harmHeight a list of control parameters for estimating how high harmonics reach in the spectrum; see details and ?soundgen:::harmHeight subh a list of control parameters for estimating the strength of subharmonics per frame - that is, spectral energy at integer ratios of f0: see ?soundgen:::subhToHarm flux a list of control parameters for calculating feature-based flux (not spectral flux) passed to getFeatureFlux

amRange target range of frequencies for amplitude modulation, Hz: a vector of length 2 (affects both amMsFreq and amEnvFreq) target range of frequencies for analyzing frequency modulation, Hz (fmFreq): a fmRange vector of length 2 shortestSyl the smallest length of a voiced segment (ms) that constitutes a voiced syllable (shorter segments will be replaced by NA, as if unvoiced) shortestPause the smallest gap between voiced syllables (ms): large value = interpolate and merge, small value = treat as separate syllables separated by an unvoiced gap interpol a list of parameters (currently win, tol, cert) passed to soundgen:::pathfinder for interpolating missing pitch candidates (NULL = no interpolation) pathfinding method of finding the optimal path through pitch candidates: 'none' = best candidate per frame, 'fast' = simple heuristic, 'slow' = annealing. See soundgen:::pathfinder annealPars a list of control parameters for postprocessing of pitch contour with SANN algorithm of optim. This is only relevant if pathfinding = 'slow' certWeight (0 to 1) in pitch postprocessing, specifies how much we prioritize the certainty of pitch candidates vs. pitch jumps / the internal tension of the resulting pitch curve snakeStep optimized path through pitch candidates is further processed to minimize the elastic force acting on pitch contour. To disable, set snakeStep = 0 snakePlot if TRUE, plots the snake smooth, smoothVars if smooth is a positive number, outliers of the variables in smoothVars are adjusted with median smoothing. smooth of 1 corresponds to a window of ~100 ms and tolerated deviation of  $\sim$ 4 semitones. To disable, set smooth = 0 functions used to summarize each acoustic characteristic, eg "c('mean', 'sd')"; summaryFun user-defined functions are fine (see examples); NAs are omitted automatically for mean/median/sd/min/max/range/sum, otherwise take care of NAs yourself invalidArgAction what to do if an argument is invalid or outside the range in defaults\_analyze: 'adjust' = reset to default value, 'abort' = stop execution, 'ignore' = throw a warning and continue (may crash) when processing multiple inputs, report estimated time left every ... iterations reportEvery (NULL = default, NA = don't report) number of cores for parallel processing cores plot if TRUE, produces a spectrogram with pitch contour overlaid "none" = no oscillogram; "linear" = on the original scale; "dB" = in decibels osc showLegend if TRUE, adds a legend with pitch tracking methods savePlots full path to the folder in which to save the plots (NULL = don't save, " = same folder as audio) pitchPlot a list of graphical parameters for displaying the final pitch contour. Set to list(type = 'n') to suppress name of an output variable to overlap on the pitch contour plot, eg 'peakFreq' or extraContour

'loudness'; can also be a list with extra graphical parameters, eg extraContour

= list(x = 'harmHeight', col = 'red')

```
ylim frequency range to plot, kHz (defaults to 0 to Nyquist frequency). NB: still in kHz, even if yScale = bark, mel, or ERB

xlab, ylab, main plotting parameters

width, height, units, res parameters passed to png if the plot is saved

... other graphical parameters passed to spectrogram
```

#### **Details**

Each pitch tracker is controlled by its own list of settings, as follows:

• domThres (0 to 1) to find the lowest dominant frequency band, we do short-term FFT and take the lowest frequency with amplitude at least domThres

• domSmooth the width of smoothing interval (Hz) for finding dom

pitchAutocor (autocorrelation) • autocorThres voicing threshold (unitless, ~0 to 1)

- autocorSmooth the width of smoothing interval (in bins) for finding peaks in the autocorrelation function. Defaults to 7 for sampling rate 44100 and smaller odd numbers for lower values of sampling rate
- autocorUpsample upsamples acf to this resolution (Hz) to improve accuracy in high frequencies
- autocorBestPeak amplitude of the lowest best candidate relative to the absolute max of the acf

• cepThres voicing threshold (unitless, ~0 to 1)

• cepZp zero-padding of the spectrum used for cepstral pitch detection (final length of spectrum after zero-padding in points, e.g. 2 ^ 13)

- specPeak, specHNRslope when looking for putative harmonics in the spectrum, the threshold for peak detection is calculated as specPeak \* (1 HNR \* specHNRslope)
- specSmooth the width of window for detecting peaks in the spectrum, Hz
- specMerge pitch candidates within specMerge semitones are merged with boosted certainty
- specSinglePeakCert (0 to 1) if F0 is calculated based on a single harmonic ratio (as opposed to several ratios converging on the same candidate), its certainty is taken to be specSinglePeakCert

pitchHps (harmonic product spectrum)
 hpsNum the number of times to downsample the spectrum

- hpsThres voicing threshold (unitless, ~0 to 1)
- hpsNorm the amount of inflation of hps pitch certainty (0 = none)
- hpsPenalty the amount of penalizing hps candidates in low frequencies (0 = none)

Each of these lists also accepts graphical parameters that affect how pitch candidates are plotted, eg pitchDom = list(domThres = .5, col = 'yellow'). Other arguments that are lists of subroutine-specific settings include:

harmonicHeight (**finding how high harmonics reach in the spectrum**) • harmThres minimum height of spectral peak, dB

- · harmPerSel the number of harmonics per sliding selection
- harmTol maximum tolerated deviation of peak frequency from multiples of f0, proportion of f0

#### Value

Returns a list with \$detailed frame-by-frame descriptives and a \$summary with one row per file, as determined by summaryFun (e.g., mean / median / SD of each acoustic variable across all STFT frames). Output measures include:

duration total duration, s

duration\_noSilence duration from the beginning of the first non-silent STFT frame to the end of the last non-silent STFT frame, s (NB: depends strongly on windowLength and silence settings)

time time of the middle of each frame (ms)

**amEnvFreq,amEnvPurity,amEnvDep** frequency (Hz), purity (dB), and depth (0 to 1) of amplitude modulation estimated from a smoothed amplitude envelope

**amMsFreq,amMsPurity** the same as amEnvFreq and amEnvPurity, but estimated via modulationSpectrum **ampl** root mean square of amplitude per frame, calculated as sqrt(mean(frame ^ 2))

ampl\_noSilence same as ampl, but ignoring silent frames

CPP Cepstral Peak Prominence, dB (see "Pitch tracking methods / Cepstrum" in the vignette)

**dom** lowest dominant frequency band (Hz) (see "Pitch tracking methods / Dominant frequency" in the vignette)

**entropy** Weiner entropy of the spectrum of the current frame. Close to 0: pure tone or tonal sound with nearly all energy in harmonics; close to 1: white noise

**f1\_freq, f1\_width, ...** the frequency and bandwidth of the first nFormants formants per STFT frame, as calculated by phonTools::findformants

**flux** feature-based flux, the rate of change in acoustic features such as pitch, HNR, etc. (0 = none, 1 = max); "epoch" is an audio segment between two peaks of flux that exceed a threshold of flux = list(thres = ...) (listed in output\$detailed only)

fmFreq frequency of frequency modulation (FM) such as vibrato or jitter, Hz

fmDep depth of FM, semitones

fmPurity purity or dominance of the main FM frequency (fmFreq), 0 to 1

**harmEnergy** the amount of energy in upper harmonics, namely the ratio of total spectral mass above 1.25 x F0 to the total spectral mass below 1.25 x F0 (dB)

**harmHeight** how high harmonics reach in the spectrum, based on the best guess at pitch (or the manually provided pitch values)

**HNR** harmonics-to-noise ratio (dB), a measure of harmonicity returned by soundgen:::getPitchAutocor (see "Pitch tracking methods / Autocorrelation"). If HNR = 0 dB, there is as much energy in harmonics as in noise

loudness subjective loudness, in sone, corresponding to the chosen SPL\_measured - see getLoudness

**novelty** spectral novelty - a measure of how variable the spectrum is on a particular time scale, as estimated by ssm

peakFreq the frequency with maximum spectral power (Hz)

pitch post-processed pitch contour based on all F0 estimates

**quartile25, quartile50, quartile75** the 25th, 50th, and 75th quantiles of the spectrum of voiced frames (Hz)

roughness the amount of amplitude modulation, see modulationSpectrum

**specCentroid** the center of gravity of the frame's spectrum, first spectral moment (Hz)

**specSlope** the slope of linear regression fit to the spectrum below cutFreq (dB/kHz)

**subDep** estimated depth of subharmonics per frame: 0 = none, 1 = as strong as f0. NB: this depends critically on accurate pitch tracking

**subRatio** the ratio of f0 to subharmonics frequency with strength subDep: 2 = period doubling, 3 = f0 / 3, etc.

voiced is the current STFT frame voiced? TRUE / FALSE

#### See Also

```
pitch_app getLoudness segment getRMS
```

## **Examples**

```
sound = soundgen(sylLen = 300, pitch = c(500, 400, 600),
 noise = list(time = c(0, 300), value = c(-40, 0)),
 temperature = 0.001,
 addSilence = 50) # NB: always have some silence before and after!!!
# playme(sound, 16000)
a = analyze(sound, samplingRate = 16000, plot = TRUE)
str(a$detailed) # frame-by-frame
a$summary
                # summary per sound
## Not run:
# For maximum processing speed (just basic spectral descriptives):
a = analyze(sound, samplingRate = 16000,
 plot = FALSE,
                     # no plotting
 pitchMethods = NULL, # no pitch tracking
 loudness = NULL,  # no loudness analysis
 novelty = NULL,
                    # no novelty analysis
 )
# Take a sound hard to analyze b/c of subharmonics and jitter
sound2 = soundgen(sylLen = 900, pitch = list(
 time = c(0, .3, .8, 1), value = c(300, 900, 400, 2300)),
 noise = list(time = c(0, 900), value = c(-40, -20)),
 subDep = 10, jitterDep = 0.5,
 temperature = 0.001, samplingRate = 44100, pitchSamplingRate = 44100)
# playme(sound2, 44100)
a2 = analyze(sound2, samplingRate = 44100, priorSD = 24,
```

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plot = TRUE, ylim = c(0, 5))
# Compare the available pitch trackers
analyze(sound2, 44100,
 pitchMethods = c('dom', 'autocor', 'spec', 'cep', 'hps', 'zc'),
 # don't use priors to see weird pitch candidates better
 priorMean = NA, priorAdapt = FALSE,
 plot = TRUE, yScale = 'bark')
# Fancy plotting options:
a = analyze(sound2, samplingRate = 44100, plot = TRUE,
 xlab = 'Time, ms', colorTheme = 'seewave',
 contrast = .5, ylim = c(0, 4), main = 'My plot',
 pitchMethods = c('dom', 'autocor', 'spec', 'hps', 'cep'),
 priorMean = NA, # no prior info at all
 pitchDom = list(col = 'red', domThres = .25),
 pitchPlot = list(col = 'black', pch = 9, lty = 3, lwd = 3),
 extraContour = list(x = 'peakFreq', type = 'b', pch = 4, col = 'brown'),
 osc = 'dB', heights = c(2, 1))
# Analyze an entire folder in one go, saving spectrograms with pitch contours
# plus an html file for easy access
s2 = analyze('~/Downloads/temp',
 savePlots = '', # save in the same folder as audio
 showLegend = TRUE, yScale = 'bark',
 width = 20, height = 12,
 units = 'cm', res = 300, ylim = c(0, 5))
s2$summary[, 1:5]
# Different options for summarizing the output
a = analyze(sound1, 44100,
            summaryFun = c('mean', 'range'))
a$summary # one row per sound
# ...with custom summaryFun, eg time of peak relative to duration (0 to 1)
timePeak = function(x) which.max(x) / length(x) # without omitting NAs
timeTrough = function(x) which.min(x) / length(x)
a = analyze(sound2, samplingRate = 16000,
            summaryFun = c('mean', 'timePeak', 'timeTrough'))
colnames(a$summary)
# Analyze a selection rather than the whole sound
a = analyze(sound, samplingRate = 16000, from = .1, to = .3, plot = TRUE)
# Use only a range of frequencies when calculating spectral descriptives
# (ignore everything below 100 Hz and above 8000 Hz as irrelevant noise)
a = analyze(sound, samplingRate = 16000, cutFreq = c(100, 8000))
## Amplitude and loudness: analyze() should give the same results as
# dedicated functions getRMS() / getLoudness()
# Create 1 kHz tone
samplingRate = 16000; dur_ms = 50
sound3 = sin(2*pi*1000/samplingRate*(1:(dur_ms/1000*samplingRate)))
a1 = analyze(sound3, samplingRate = samplingRate, scale = 1,
```

```
windowLength = 25, overlap = 50,
            loudness = list(SPL_measured = 40),
            pitchMethods = NULL, plot = FALSE)
a1$detailed$loudness # loudness per STFT frame (1 sone by definition)
getLoudness(sound3, samplingRate = samplingRate, windowLength = 25,
           overlap = 50, SPL_measured = 40, scale = 1)$loudness
a1$detailed$ampl # RMS amplitude per STFT frame
getRMS(sound3, samplingRate = samplingRate, windowLength = 25,
      overlap = 50, scale = 1)$detailed
# or even simply: sqrt(mean(sound3 ^ 2))
# The same sound as above, but with half the amplitude
a_half = analyze(sound3 / 2, samplingRate = samplingRate, scale = 1,
                 windowLength = 25, overlap = 50,
                 loudness = list(SPL_measured = 40),
                 pitchMethods = NULL, plot = FALSE)
a1$detailed$ampl / a_half$detailed$ampl # rms amplitude halved
a1$detailed$loudness/ a_half$detailed$loudness
# loudness is not a linear function of amplitude
# Analyzing ultrasounds (slow but possible, just adjust pitchCeiling)
s = soundgen(sylLen = 100, addSilence = 10,
 pitch = c(25000, 35000, 30000),
 formants = NA, rolloff = -12, rolloffKHz = 0,
 pitchSamplingRate = 350000, samplingRate = 350000, windowLength = 5,
 pitchCeiling = 45000, invalidArgAction = 'ignore')
# s is a bat-like ultrasound inaudible to humans
a = analyze(s, 350000, plot = TRUE,
           pitchCeiling = 45000, priorMean = NA,
           windowLength = 2, overlap = 0,
           nFormants = 0, loudness = NULL)
# NB: ignore formants and loudness estimates for such non-human sounds
# download 260 sounds from Anikin & Persson (2017)
# http://cogsci.se/publications/anikin-persson_2017_nonlinguistic-vocs/260sounds_wav.zip
# unzip them into a folder, say '~/Downloads/temp'
myfolder = '~/Downloads/temp' # 260 .wav files live here
s = analyze(myfolder) # ~ 10-20 minutes!
# s = write.csv(s, paste0(myfolder, '/temp.csv')) # save a backup
# Check accuracy: import manually verified pitch values (our "key")
# pitchManual # "ground truth" of mean pitch per sound
# pitchContour # "ground truth" of complete pitch contours per sound
files_manual = paste0(names(pitchManual), '.wav')
idx = match(s$file, files_manual) # in case the order is wrong
s$key = pitchManual[idx]
# Compare manually verified mean pitch with the output of analyze:
cor(s$key, s$summary$pitch_median, use = 'pairwise.complete.obs')
plot(s$key, s$summary$pitch_median, log = 'xy')
abline(a=0, b=1, col='red')
# Re-running analyze with manually corrected contours gives correct
```

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```
pitch-related descriptives like amplVoiced and harmonics (NB: you get it "for
free" when running pitch_app)
s1 = analyze(myfolder, pitchManual = pitchContour)
plot(s$summary$harmonics_median, s1$summary$harmonics_median)
abline(a=0, b=1, col='red')
## End(Not run)
```

annotation\_app

Annotation app

#### **Description**

Starts a shiny app for annotating audio. This is a simplified and faster version of formant\_app intended only for making annotations.

#### **Usage**

```
annotation_app()
```

## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
annotation_app() # runs in default browser such as Firefox or Chrome

# To change system default browser, run something like:
options('browser' = '/usr/bin/firefox') # path to the executable on Linux
## End(Not run)
```

audSpectrogram

Auditory spectrogram

## **Description**

Produces an auditory spectrogram by extracting a bank of bandpass filters (work in progress). While tuneR::audspec is based on FFT, here we convolve the sound with a bank of filters. The main difference is that we don't window the signal and de facto get variable temporal resolution in different frequency channels, as with a wavelet transform. The filters are currently third-order Butterworth bandpass filters implemented in butter.

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## Usage

```
audSpectrogram(
  Х,
  samplingRate = NULL,
  scale = NULL,
  from = NULL,
  to = NULL,
  step = 1,
  dynamicRange = 80,
  nFilters = 128,
 minFreq = 20,
 maxFreq = samplingRate/2,
 minBandwidth = 10,
  reportEvery = NULL,
  cores = 1,
  plot = TRUE,
  savePlots = NULL,
  osc = c("none", "linear", "dB")[2],
 heights = c(3, 1),
 ylim = NULL,
 yScale = c("bark", "mel", "ERB", "log")[1],
  contrast = 0.2,
 brightness = 0,
 maxPoints = c(1e+05, 5e+05),
 padWithSilence = TRUE,
  colorTheme = c("bw", "seewave", "heat.colors", "...")[1],
  extraContour = NULL,
 xlab = NULL,
 ylab = NULL,
 xaxp = NULL,
 mar = c(5.1, 4.1, 4.1, 2),
 main = NULL,
 grid = NULL,
 width = 900,
 height = 500,
 units = "px",
  res = NA,
)
```

## **Arguments**

x path to a folder, one or more wav or mp3 files c('file1.wav', 'file2.mp3'), Wave object, numeric vector, or a list of Wave objects or numeric vectors

samplingRate sampling rate of x (only needed if x is a numeric vector)

scale maximum possible amplitude of input used for normalization of input vector (only needed if x is a numeric vector)

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from, to if NULL (default), analyzes the whole sound, otherwise from...to (s) step, ms (determines time resolution). step = NULL means no downsampling at step all (ncol of output = length of input audio) dynamicRange dynamic range, dB. All values more than one dynamicRange under maximum are treated as zero nFilters the number of filters (determines frequency resolution) minFreq, maxFreq the range of frequencies to analyze minBandwidth minimum filter bandwidth, Hz (otherwise filters may become too narrow when nFilters is high) reportEvery when processing multiple inputs, report estimated time left every ... iterations (NULL = default, NA = don't report) number of cores for parallel processing cores should a spectrogram be plotted? TRUE / FALSE plot full path to the folder in which to save the plots (NULL = don't save, " = same savePlots folder as audio) osc "none" = no oscillogram; "linear" = on the original scale; "dB" = in decibels a vector of length two specifying the relative height of the spectrogram and the heights oscillogram (including time axes labels) ylim frequency range to plot, kHz (defaults to 0 to Nyquist frequency). NB: still in kHz, even if yScale = bark, mel, or ERB scale of the frequency axis: 'linear' = linear, 'log' = logarithmic (musical), yScale 'bark' = bark with hz2bark, 'mel' = mel with hz2mel, 'ERB' = Equivalent Rectangular Bandwidths with HzToERB spectrum is exponentiated by contrast (any real number, recommended -1 to +1). contrast Contrast >0 increases sharpness, <0 decreases sharpness how much to "lighten" the image (>0 = lighter, <0 = darker) brightness the maximum number of "pixels" in the oscillogram (if any) and spectrogram; maxPoints good for quickly plotting long audio files; defaults to c(1e5, 5e5) padWithSilence if TRUE, pads the sound with just enough silence to resolve the edges properly (only the original region is plotted, so the apparent duration doesn't change) colorTheme black and white ('bw'), as in seewave package ('seewave'), or any palette from palette such as 'heat.colors', 'cm.colors', etc a vector of arbitrary length scaled in Hz (regardless of yScale!) that will be extraContour plotted over the spectrogram (eg pitch contour); can also be a list with extra graphical parameters such as lwd, col, etc. (see examples) xlab, ylab, main, mar, xaxp graphical parameters for plotting if numeric, adds n = grid dotted lines per kHz grid width, height, units, res graphical parameters for saving plots passed to png

other graphical parameters

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## **Examples**

```
# synthesize a sound with gradually increasing hissing noise
sound = soundgen(sylLen = 200, temperature = 0.001,
 noise = list(time = c(0, 350), value = c(-40, 0)),
 formantsNoise = list(f1 = list(freq = 5000, width = 10000)),
 addSilence = 25)
# playme(sound, samplingRate = 16000)
# auditory spectrogram
as = audSpectrogram(sound, samplingRate = 16000, nFilters = 48)
dim(as$audSpec)
# compare to FFT-based spectrogram with similar time and frequency resolution
fs = spectrogram(sound, samplingRate = 16000, yScale = 'bark',
                 windowLength = 5, step = 1)
dim(fs)
## Not run:
# add bells and whistles
audSpectrogram(sound, samplingRate = 16000,
 yScale = 'ERB',
 osc = 'dB', # plot oscillogram in dB
 heights = c(2, 1), # spectro/osc height ratio
 brightness = -.1, # reduce brightness
 colorTheme = 'heat.colors', # pick color theme
 cex.lab = .75, cex.axis = .75, # text size and other base graphics pars
 grid = 5, # to customize, add manually with graphics::grid()
 ylim = c(0.1, 5), # always in kHz
 main = 'My auditory spectrogram' # title
 # + axis labels, etc
)
# change dynamic range
audSpectrogram(sound, samplingRate = 16000, dynamicRange = 40)
audSpectrogram(sound, samplingRate = 16000, dynamicRange = 120)
# remove the oscillogram
audSpectrogram(sound, samplingRate = 16000, osc = 'none')
# save auditory spectrograms of all audio files in a folder
audSpectrogram('~/Downloads/temp',
 savePlots = '~/Downloads/temp/audSpec', cores = 4)
## End(Not run)
```

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## **Description**

Filtering in the frequency domain with FFT-iFFT: low-pass, high-pass, bandpass, and bandstop filters. Similar to ffilter, but here we use FFT instead of STFT - that is, the entire sound is processed at once. This works best for relatively short sounds (seconds), but gives us maximum precision (e.g., for precise notch filtering) and doesn't affect the attack and decay. NAs are accepted and can be interpolated or preserved in the output. Because we don't do STFT, arbitrarily short vectors are also fine as input - for example, we can apply a low-pass filter prior to decimation when changing the sampling rate without aliasing. Note that, unlike pitchSmoothPraat, bandpass applies an abrupt cutoff instead of a smooth gaussian filter.

## Usage

```
bandpass(
  х,
  samplingRate = NULL,
  lwr = NULL,
  upr = NULL,
  action = c("pass", "stop")[1],
 dB = Inf,
 na.rm = TRUE,
  from = NULL,
  to = NULL,
  normalize = FALSE,
  reportEvery = NULL,
  cores = 1,
  saveAudio = NULL,
  plot = FALSE,
  savePlots = NULL,
 width = 900,
 height = 500,
 units = "px",
  res = NA,
)
```

## Arguments

Х	path to a folder, one or more way or mp3 files c('file1.way', 'file2.mp3'), Wave object, numeric vector, or a list of Wave objects or numeric vectors
samplingRate	sampling rate of x (only needed if x is a numeric vector)
lwr, upr	cutoff frequencies, Hz. Specifying just lwr gives a high-pass filter, just upr low-pass filter with action = 'pass' (or vice versa with action = 'stop'). Specifying both lwr and upr a bandpass/bandstop filter, depending on 'action'
action	"pass" = preserve the selected frequency range (bandpass), "stop" = remove the selected frequency range (bandstop)
dB	a positive number giving the strength of effect in dB (defaults to Inf - complete removal of selected frequencies)

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if TRUE, NAs are interpolated, otherwise they are preserved in the output na.rm if NULL (default), analyzes the whole sound, otherwise from...to (s) from, to if TRUE, resets the output to the original scale (otherwise filtering often reduces normalize the amplitude) reportEvery when processing multiple inputs, report estimated time left every ... iterations (NULL = default, NA = don't report) number of cores for parallel processing cores full path to the folder in which to save the processed audio saveAudio plot should a spectrogram be plotted? TRUE / FALSE savePlots full path to the folder in which to save the plots (NULL = don't save, " = same folder as audio) width, height, units, res graphical parameters for saving plots passed to png other graphical parameters

#### Details

Algorithm: fill in NAs with constant interpolation at the edges and linear interpolation in the middle; perform FFT; set the frequency ranges to be filtered out to 0; perform inverse FFT; set to the original scale; put the NAs back in.

## **Examples**

```
# Filter white noise
s1 = fade(c(runif(2000, -1, 1)), samplingRate = 16000)
bandpass(s1, 16000, upr = 2000, plot = TRUE)
                                                # low-pass
bandpass(s1, 16000, lwr = 2000, dB = 40, plot = TRUE) # high-pass by 40 dB
bandpass(s1, 16000, lwr = 1000, upr = 1100, action = 'stop', plot = TRUE) # bandstop
s2 = bandpass(s1, 16000, lwr = 2000, upr = 2100, plot = TRUE) # bandpass
# playme(rep(s2, 5))
spectrogram(s2, 16000) # more accurate than plotting the spectrum with plot = TRUE
# a short vector with some NAs
x = rnorm(150, 10) + 3 * sin((1:50) / 5)
x[sample(1:length(x), 50)] = NA
plot(x, type = 'l')
points(bandpass(x, samplingRate = 100, upr = 10), type = 'l', col = 'blue')
## Not run:
# precise notch filtering is possible, even in low frequencies
whiteNoise = runif(8000, -1, 1)
s3 = bandpass(whiteNoise, 16000, lwr = 30, upr = 40,
             plot = TRUE, x \lim = c(0, 500)
playme(rep(s3, 5))
spectrogram(s3, 16000, windowLength = 150, yScale = 'log')
# compare the same with STFT
s4 = seewave::ffilter(whiteNoise, f = 16000, from = 30, to = 40)
```

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Generate beat

## **Description**

Generates percussive sounds from clicks through drum-like beats to sliding tones. The principle is to create a sine wave with rapid frequency modulation and to add a fade-out. No extra harmonics or formants are added. For this specific purpose, this is vastly faster and easier than to tinker with soundgen settings, especially since percussive syllables tend to be very short.

## Usage

```
beat(
   nSyl = 10,
   sylLen = 200,
   pauseLen = 50,
   pitch = c(200, 10),
   samplingRate = 16000,
   fadeOut = TRUE,
   play = FALSE
)
```

## **Arguments**

nSy1 the number of syllables to generate average duration of each syllable, ms sylLen pauseLen average duration of pauses between syllables, ms pitch fundamental frequency, Hz - a vector or data.frame(time = ..., value = ...) samplingRate sampling frequency, Hz fadeOut if TRUE, a linear fade-out is applied to the entire syllable if TRUE, plays the synthesized sound using the default player on your system. play If character, passed to play as the name of player to use, eg "aplay", "play", "vlc", etc. In case of errors, try setting another default player for play

## Value

Returns a non-normalized waveform centered at zero.

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## See Also

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#### **Examples**

compareSounds

Compare two sounds

## **Description**

Computes similarity between two sounds based on comparing their spectrogram-like representations. If the input is audio, two methods of producing spectrograms are available: specType = 'linear' calls powspec for an power spectrogram with frequencies in Hz, and specType = 'mel' calls melfcc for an auditory spectrogram with frequencies in Mel. For more customized options, just produce your spectrograms or feature matrices (time in column, features like pitch, peak frequency etc in rows) with your favorite function before calling compareSounds because it also accepts matrices as input. To be directly comparable, the two matrices are made into matrices of the same size. In case of differences in sampling rates, only frequencies below the lower Nyquist frequency or below maxFreq are kept. In case of differences in duration, the shorter sound is padded with 0 (silence) or NA, as controlled by arguments padWith, padDir. Then the matrices are compared using methods like cross-correlation or Dynamic Time Warp.

## Usage

```
compareSounds(
   x,
   y,
   samplingRate = NULL,
   windowLength = 40,
   overlap = 50,
```

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```
step = NULL,
dynamicRange = 80,
method = c("cor", "cosine", "diff", "dtw"),
specType = c("linear", "mel")[2],
specPars = list(),
dtwPars = list(),
padWith = NA,
padDir = c("central", "left", "right")[1],
maxFreq = NULL
)
```

#### **Arguments**

x, y either two matrices (spectrograms or feature matrices) or two sounds to be com-

pared (numeric vectors, Wave objects, or paths to wav/mp3 files)

samplingRate if one or both inputs are numeric vectors, specify sampling rate, Hz. A vector

of length 2 means the two inputs have different sampling rates, in which case

spectrograms are compared only up to the lower Nyquist frequency

windowLength length of FFT window, ms

overlap overlap between successive FFT frames, %

step you can override overlap by specifying FFT step, ms (NB: because digital au-

dio is sampled at discrete time intervals of 1/samplingRate, the actual step and thus the time stamps of STFT frames may be slightly different, eg 24.98866

instead of 25.0 ms)

dynamicRange parts of the spectra quieter than -dynamicRange dB are not compared

method method of comparing mel-transformed spectra of two sounds: "cor" = Pearson's

correlation; "cosine" = cosine similarity; "diff" = absolute difference between each bin in the two spectrograms; "dtw" = multivariate Dynamic Time Warp

with dtw

specType "linear" = power spectrogram with powspec, "mel" = mel-frequency spectro-

gram with melfcc

specPars a list of parameters passed to melfcc

dtwPars a list of parameters passed to dtw

padWith if the duration of x and y is not identical, the compared spectrograms are padded

with either silence (padWith = 0) or with NA's (padWith = NA) to have the same number of columns. Padding with NA implies that only the overlapping part is of relevance, whereas padding with 0 means that the added silent part is also compared with the longer sound, usually resulting in lower similarity (see ex-

amples)

padDir if padding, specify where to add zeros or NAs: before the sound ('left'), after

the sound ('right'), or on both sides ('central')

maxFreq parts of the spectra above maxFreq Hz are not compared

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#### Value

Returns a dataframe with two columns: "method" for the method(s) used, and "sim" for the similarity between the two sounds calculated with that method. The range of similarity measures is [-1, 1] for "cor", [0, 1] for "cosine" and "diff", and (-Inf, Inf) for "dtw".

## **Examples**

```
data(orni, peewit, package = 'seewave')
compareSounds(orni, peewit)
# spectrogram(orni); playme(orni)
# spectrogram(peewit); playme(peewit)
## Not run:
s1 = soundgen(formants = 'a', play = TRUE)
s2 = soundgen(formants = 'ae', play = TRUE)
s3 = soundgen(formants = 'eae', sylLen = 700, play = TRUE)
s4 = runif(8000, -1, 1) # white noise
compareSounds(s1, s2, samplingRate = 16000)
compareSounds(s1, s4, samplingRate = 16000)
# the central section of s3 is more similar to s1 than is the beg/eng of s3
compareSounds(s1, s3, samplingRate = 16000, padDir = 'left')
compareSounds(s1, s3, samplingRate = 16000, padDir = 'central')
# padding with 0 penalizes differences in duration, whereas padding with NA
# is like saying we only care about the overlapping part
compareSounds(s1, s3, samplingRate = 16000, padWith = 0)
compareSounds(s1, s3, samplingRate = 16000, padWith = NA)
# comparing linear (Hz) vs mel-spectrograms produces quite different results
compareSounds(s1, s3, samplingRate = 16000, specType = 'linear')
compareSounds(s1, s3, samplingRate = 16000, specType = 'mel')
# pass additional control parameters to dtw and melfcc
compareSounds(s1, s3, samplingRate = 16000,
              specPars = list(nbands = 128),
              dtwPars = list(dist.method = "Manhattan"))
# use feature matrices instead of spectrograms (time in columns, features in rows)
a1 = t(as.matrix(analyze(s1, samplingRate = 16000)$detailed))
a1 = a1[4:nrow(a1), ]; a1[is.na(a1)] = 0
a2 = t(as.matrix(analyze(s2, samplingRate = 16000)$detailed))
a2 = a2[4:nrow(a2), ]; a2[is.na(a2)] = 0
a4 = t(as.matrix(analyze(s4, samplingRate = 16000)$detailed))
a4 = a4[4:nrow(a4), ]; a4[is.na(a4)] = 0
compareSounds(a1, a2, method = c('cosine', 'dtw'))
compareSounds(a1, a4, method = c('cosine', 'dtw'))
# a demo for comparing different similarity metrics
target = soundgen(sylLen = 500, formants = 'a',
                  pitch = data.frame(time = c(0, 0.1, 0.9, 1),
                                     value = c(100, 150, 135, 100)),
```

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```
temperature = 0.001)
spec1 = soundgen:::getMelSpec(target, samplingRate = 16000)
parsToTry = list(
  list(formants = 'i',
                                                                  # wrong
       pitch = data.frame(time = c(0, 1),
                                                                  # wrong
                          value = c(200, 300)),
  list(formants = 'i',
                                                                  # wrong
       pitch = data.frame(time = c(0, 0.1, 0.9, 1),
                                                                  # right
                                 value = c(100, 150, 135, 100)),
  list(formants = 'a',
                                                                  # right
       pitch = data.frame(time = c(0,1),
                                                                  # wrong
                                 value = c(200, 300)),
  list(formants = 'a',
       pitch = data.frame(time = c(0, 0.1, 0.9, 1),
                                                                  # right
                                 value = c(100, 150, 135, 100)) # right
)
sounds = list()
for (s in 1:length(parsToTry)) {
  sounds[[length(sounds) + 1]] = do.call(soundgen,
    c(parsToTry[[s]], list(temperature = 0.001, sylLen = 500)))
lapply(sounds, playme)
method = c('cor', 'cosine', 'diff', 'dtw')
df = matrix(NA, nrow = length(parsToTry), ncol = length(method))
colnames(df) = method
df = as.data.frame(df)
for (i in 1:nrow(df)) {
  df[i, ] = compareSounds(
   x = spec1, # faster to calculate spec1 once
   y = sounds[[i]],
    samplingRate = 16000,
   method = method
  )[, 2]
df$av = rowMeans(df, na.rm = TRUE)
# row 1 = wrong pitch & formants, ..., row 4 = right pitch & formants
df$formants = c('wrong', 'wrong', 'right', 'right')
df$pitch = c('wrong', 'right', 'wrong', 'right')
df
## End(Not run)
```

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## **Description**

crossFade joins two input vectors (waveforms) by cross-fading. First it truncates both input vectors, so that ampl1 ends with a zero crossing and ampl2 starts with a zero crossing, both on an upward portion of the soundwave. Then it cross-fades both vectors linearly with an overlap of crossLen or crossLenPoints. If the input vectors are too short for the specified length of cross-faded region, the two vectors are concatenated at zero crossings instead of cross-fading. Soundgen uses crossFade for gluing together epochs with different regimes of pitch effects (see the vignette on sound generation), but it can also be useful for joining two separately generated sounds without audible artifacts.

#### Usage

```
crossFade(
  amp11,
  amp12,
  crossLenPoints = 240,
  crossLen = NULL,
  samplingRate = NULL,
  shape = c("lin", "exp", "log", "cos", "logistic", "gaussian")[1],
  steepness = 1
)
```

## **Arguments**

ampl1, ampl2 two numeric vectors (waveforms) to be joined crossLenPoints (optional) the length of overlap in points

crossLen the length of overlap in ms (overrides crossLenPoints)

samplingRate the sampling rate of input vectors, Hz (needed only if crossLen is given in ms

rather than points)

shape controls the type of fade function: 'lin' = linear, 'exp' = exponential, 'log' =

logarithmic, 'cos' = cosine, 'logistic' = logistic S-curve

steepness scaling factor regulating the steepness of fading curves (except for shapes 'lin'

and 'cos'): 0 = linear, >1 = steeper than default

#### Value

Returns a numeric vector.

#### See Also

fade

## **Examples**

```
sound1 = sin(1:100 / 9)
sound2 = sin(7:107 / 3)
plot(c(sound1, sound2), type = 'b')
# an ugly discontinuity at 100 that will make an audible click
```

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```
sound = crossFade(sound1, sound2, crossLenPoints = 5)
plot(sound, type = 'b') # a nice, smooth transition
length(sound) # but note that cross-fading costs us ~60 points
# because of trimming to zero crossings and then overlapping
## Not run:
# Actual sounds, alternative shapes of fade-in/out
sound3 = soundgen(formants = 'a', pitch = 200,
                  addSilence = 0, attackLen = c(50, 0))
sound4 = soundgen(formants = 'u', pitch = 200,
                  addSilence = 0, attackLen = c(0, 50))
# simple concatenation (with a click)
playme(c(sound3, sound4), 16000)
# concatentation from zc to zc (no click, but a rough transition)
playme(crossFade(sound3, sound4, crossLen = 0), 16000)
# linear crossFade over 35 ms - brief, but smooth
playme(crossFade(sound3, sound4, crossLen = 35, samplingRate = 16000), 16000)
\# s-shaped cross-fade over 300 ms (shortens the sound by ~300 ms)
playme(crossFade(sound3, sound4, samplingRate = 16000,
                 crossLen = 300, shape = 'cos'), 16000)
## End(Not run)
```

defaults

Shiny app defaults

## **Description**

A list of default values for Shiny app soundgen\_app() - mostly the same as the defaults for soundgen(). NB: if defaults change, this has to be updated!!!

## Usage

defaults

#### **Format**

An object of class list of length 69.

defaults\_analyze

Defaults and ranges for analyze()

## Description

A dataset containing defaults and ranges of key variables for analyze() and pitch\_app(). Adjust as needed.

## Usage

```
defaults_analyze
```

## **Format**

A matrix with 58 rows and 4 columns:

default default value

low lowest permitted value

high highest permitted value

step increment for adjustment ...

defaults\_analyze\_pitchCand

Defaults for plotting with analyze()

# Description

Default plotting settings for each pitch tracker in analyze() and pitch\_app(). Adjust as needed.

## Usage

```
defaults_analyze_pitchCand
```

## **Format**

A dataframe with 8 rows and 5 columns:

method pitch tracking method

col color

pch point character

lwd line width

lty line type ...

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**ERBToHz** 

Convert Hz to ERB rate

## **Description**

Converts from Hz to the number of Equivalent Rectangular Bandwidths (ERBs) below input frequency. See https://www2.ling.su.se/staff/hartmut/bark.htm and https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Equivalent\_rectangular\_bandwidths

## Usage

```
ERBToHz(e, method = c("linear", "quadratic")[1])
```

## **Arguments**

e vector or matrix of frequencies in ERB rate method approximation to use

#### See Also

HzToERB HzToSemitones HzToNotes

## **Examples**

```
freqs_Hz = c(-20, 20, 100, 440, 1000, 20000, NA)
e_lin = HzToERB(freqs_Hz, 'linear')
ERBToHz(e_lin, 'linear')
e_quad = HzToERB(freqs_Hz, 'quadratic')
ERBToHz(e_quad, 'quadratic')
```

estimateVTL

Estimate vocal tract length

# Description

Estimates the length of vocal tract based on formant frequencies. If method = 'meanFormant', vocal tract length (VTL) is calculated separately for each formant, and then the resulting VTLs are averaged. The equation used is  $(2*formant_number-1)*speedSound/(4*formant_frequency)$  for a closed-open tube (mouth open) and  $formant_number*speedSound/(2*formant_frequency)$  for an open-open or closed-closed tube (eg closed mouth in mmm or open mouth and open glottis in whispering). If method = 'meanDispersion', formant dispersion is calculated as the mean distance between formants, and then VTL is calculated as speedofsound/2/formantdispersion. If method = 'regression', formant dispersion is estimated using the regression method described in Reby et al. (2005) "Red deer stags use formants as assessment cues during intrasexual agonistic interactions". For a review of these and other VTL-related summary measures of formant frequencies, refer to Pisanski et al. (2014) "Vocal indicators of body size in men and women: a meta-analysis". See also schwa for VTL estimation with additional information on formant frequencies.

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## Usage

```
estimateVTL(
  formants,
  method = c("regression", "meanDispersion", "meanFormant")[1],
  interceptZero = TRUE,
  tube = c("closed-open", "open-open")[1],
  speedSound = 35400,
  checkFormat = TRUE,
  output = c("simple", "detailed")[1],
  plot = FALSE
)
```

## **Arguments**

formants formant frequencies in any format recognized by soundgen: a vector of formant

frequencies like c(550,1600,3200); a list with multiple values per formant like list(f1 = c(500,550), f2 = 1200)); or a character string like aaui referring

to default presets for speaker "M1" in soundgen presets

method the method of estimating vocal tract length (see details)

interceptZero if TRUE, forces the regression curve to pass through the origin. This reduces the

influence of highly variable lower formants, but we have to commit to a particular model of the vocal tract: closed-open or open-open/closed-closed (method

= "regression" only)

tube the vocal tract is assumed to be a cylindrical tube that is either "closed-open" or

"open-open" (same as closed-closed)

speedSound speed of sound in warm air, by default 35400 cm/s. Stevens (2000) "Acoustic

phonetics", p. 138

checkFormat if FALSE, only a list of properly formatted formant frequencies is accepted

output "simple" (default) = just the VTL; "detailed" = a list of additional stats (see

Value below)

plot if TRUE, plots the regression line whose slope gives formant dispersion (method

= "regression" only). Label sizes show the influence of each formant, and the blue line corresponds to each formant being an integer multiple of F1 (as when harmonics are misidentified as formants); the second plot shows how VTL varies

depending on the number of formants used

## Value

If output = 'simple' (default), returns the estimated vocal tract length in cm. If output = 'detailed' and method = 'regression', returns a list with extra stats used for plotting. Namely, \$regressionInfo\$infl gives the influence of each observation calculated as the absolute change in VTL with vs without the observation \* 10 + 1 (the size of labels on the first plot). \$vtlPerFormant\$vtl gives the VTL as it would be estimated if only the first nFormants were used.

## See Also

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```
estimateVTL(NA)
estimateVTL(500)
estimateVTL(c(600, 1850, 2800, 3600, 5000), plot = TRUE)
estimateVTL(c(600, 1850, 2800, 3600, 5000), plot = TRUE, output = 'detailed')
estimateVTL(c(1200, 2000, 2800, 3800, 5400, 6400),
  tube = 'open-open', interceptZero = FALSE, plot = TRUE)
estimateVTL(c(1200, 2000, 2800, 3800, 5400, 6400),
  tube = 'open-open', interceptZero = TRUE, plot = TRUE)
# Multiple measurements are OK
estimateVTL(
  formants = list(f1 = c(540, 600, 550),
  f2 = 1650, f3 = c(2400, 2550),
  plot = TRUE, output = 'detailed')
# NB: this is better than averaging formant values. Cf.:
estimateVTL(
  formants = list(f1 = mean(c(540, 600, 550)),
  f2 = 1650, f3 = mean(c(2400, 2550)),
  plot = TRUE)
# Missing values are OK
estimateVTL(c(600, 1850, 3100, NA, 5000), plot = TRUE)
estimateVTL(list(f1 = 500, f2 = c(1650, NA, 1400), f3 = 2700), plot = TRUE)
# Note that VTL estimates based on the commonly reported 'meanDispersion'
# depend only on the first and last formants
estimateVTL(c(500, 1400, 2800, 4100), method = 'meanDispersion')
estimateVTL(c(500, 1100, 2300, 4100), method = 'meanDispersion') # identical
# ...but this is not the case for 'meanFormant' and 'regression' methods
estimateVTL(c(500, 1400, 2800, 4100), method = 'meanFormant')
estimateVTL(c(500, 1100, 2300, 4100), method = 'meanFormant') # much longer
## Not run:
# Compare the results produced by the three methods
nIter = 1000
out = data.frame(meanFormant = rep(NA, nIter), meanDispersion = NA, regression = NA)
for (i in 1:nIter) {
  # generate a random formant configuration
  f = runif(1, 300, 900) + (1:6) * rnorm(6, 1000, 200)
  out$meanFormant[i] = estimateVTL(f, method = 'meanFormant')
  out$meanDispersion[i] = estimateVTL(f, method = 'meanDispersion')
                     = estimateVTL(f, method = 'regression')
  out$regression[i]
pairs(out)
# 'meanDispersion' is pretty different, while 'meanFormant' and 'regression'
# give broadly comparable results
## End(Not run)
```

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fade Fade

## **Description**

Applies fade-in and/or fade-out of variable length, shape, and steepness. The resulting effect softens the attack and release of a waveform.

## Usage

```
fade(
  х,
  fadeIn = 50,
  fadeOut = 50,
  fadeIn_points = NULL,
  fadeOut_points = NULL,
  samplingRate = NULL,
  scale = NULL,
  shape = c("lin", "exp", "log", "cos", "logistic", "gaussian")[1],
  steepness = 1,
  reportEvery = NULL,
  cores = 1,
  saveAudio = NULL,
  plot = FALSE,
  savePlots = NULL,
 width = 900,
 height = 500,
 units = "px",
  res = NA,
)
```

# Arguments

```
path to a folder, one or more way or mp3 files c('file1.way', 'file2.mp3'), Wave object, numeric vector, or a list of Wave objects or numeric vectors

fadeIn, fadeOut

length of segments for fading in and out, ms (0 = no fade)

fadeIn_points, fadeOut_points

length of segments for fading in and out, points (if specified, override fadeIn/fadeOut)

samplingRate sampling rate of x (only needed if x is a numeric vector)

scale maximum possible amplitude of input used for normalization of input vector (only needed if x is a numeric vector)

shape controls the type of fade function: 'lin' = linear, 'exp' = exponential, 'log' = logarithmic, 'cos' = cosine, 'logistic' = logistic S-curve
```

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steepness scaling factor regulating the steepness of fading curves (except for shapes 'lin' and 'cos'): 0 = linear, >1 = steeper than defaultwhen processing multiple inputs, report estimated time left every ... iterations reportEvery (NULL = default, NA = don't report) number of cores for parallel processing cores full path to the folder in which to save audio files (one per detected syllable) saveAudio plot if TRUE, produces an oscillogram of the waveform after fading savePlots full path to the folder in which to save the plots (NULL = don't save, " = same folder as audio) width, height, units, res graphical parameters for saving plots passed to png other graphical parameters

### Value

Returns a numeric vector of the same length as input

#### See Also

crossFade

```
#' # Fading a real sound: say we want fast attack and slow release
s = soundgen(attack = 0, windowLength = 10,
             sylLen = 500, addSilence = 0)
# playme(s)
s1 = fade(s, fadeIn = 40, fadeOut = 350,
          samplingRate = 16000, shape = 'cos', plot = TRUE)
# playme(s1)
# Illustration of fade shapes
x = runif(5000, min = -1, max = 1) # make sure to zero-center input!!!
# plot(x, type = 'l')
y = fade(x, fadeIn_points = 1000, fadeOut_points = 0, plot = TRUE)
y = fade(x, fadeIn_points = 1000, fadeOut_points = 1500,
         shape = 'exp', steepness = 1, plot = TRUE)
y = fade(x, fadeIn_points = 1500, fadeOut_points = 500,
         shape = 'log', steepness = 1, plot = TRUE)
y = fade(x, fadeIn_points = 1500, fadeOut_points = 500,
         shape = 'log', steepness = 3, plot = TRUE)
y = fade(x, fadeIn_points = 1500, fadeOut_points = 1500,
         shape = 'cos', plot = TRUE)
y = fade(x, fadeIn_points = 1500, fadeOut_points = 1500,
         shape = 'logistic', steepness = 1, plot = TRUE)
y = fade(x, fadeIn_points = 1500, fadeOut_points = 1500,
         shape = 'logistic', steepness = 3, plot = TRUE)
y = fade(x, fadeIn_points = 1500, fadeOut_points = 1500,
         shape = 'gaussian', steepness = 1.5, plot = TRUE)
```

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```
## Not run:
   fade('~/Downloads/temp', fadeIn = 500, fadeOut = 500, savePlots = '')
## End(Not run)
```

fart

Fart

## **Description**

While the same sounds can be created with soundgen(), this facetious function produces the same effect more efficiently and with very few control parameters. With default settings, execution time is ~ 10 ms per second of audio sampled at 16000 Hz. Principle: creates separate glottal cycles with harmonics, but no formants. See soundgen for more details.

# Usage

```
fart(
  glottis = c(50, 200),
  pitch = 65,
  temperature = 0.25,
  sylLen = 600,
  rolloff = -10,
  samplingRate = 16000,
  play = FALSE,
  plot = FALSE
)
```

## **Arguments**

glottis	anchors for specifying the proportion of a glottal cycle with closed glottis, $\%$ (0 = no modification, $100$ = closed phase as long as open phase); numeric vector or dataframe specifying time and value (anchor format)
pitch	a numeric vector of f0 values in Hz or a dataframe specifying the time (ms or 0 to 1) and value (Hz) of each anchor, hereafter "anchor format". These anchors are used to create a smooth contour of fundamental frequency f0 (pitch) within one syllable
temperature	hyperparameter for regulating the amount of stochasticity in sound generation
sylLen	syllable length, ms (not vectorized)
rolloff	rolloff of harmonics in source spectrum, dB/octave (not vectorized)
samplingRate	sampling frequency, Hz
play	if TRUE, plays the synthesized sound using the default player on your system. If character, passed to play as the name of player to use, eg "aplay", "play", "vlc", etc. In case of errors, try setting another default player for play
plot	if TRUE, plots the waveform

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## Value

Returns a normalized waveform.

### See Also

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## **Examples**

```
f = fart()
# playme(f)

## Not run:
while (TRUE) {
  fart(sylLen = 300, temperature = .5, play = TRUE)
  Sys.sleep(rexp(1, rate = 1))
}

## End(Not run)
```

filterMS

Filter modulation spectrum

## **Description**

Filters a modulation spectrum by removing a certain range of amplitude modulation (AM) and frequency modulation (FM) frequencies. Conditions can be specified either separately for AM and FM with amCond = ..., fmCond = ..., implying an OR combination of conditions, or jointly on AM and FM with jointCond. jointCond is more general, but using amCond/fmCond is ~100 times faster.

# Usage

```
filterMS(
  ms,
  amCond = NULL,
  fmCond = NULL,
  jointCond = NULL,
  action = c("remove", "preserve")[1],
  plot = TRUE
)
```

## **Arguments**

ms a modulation spectrum as returned by modulationSpectrum - a matrix of real or complex values, AM in columns, FM in rows

amCond, fmCond character strings with valid conditions on amplitude and frequency modulation (see examples)

jointCond	character string with a valid joint condition amplitude and frequency modulation
action	should the defined AM-FM region be removed ('remove') or preserved, while everything else is removed ('preserve')?
plot	if TRUE, plots the filtered modulation spectrum

### Value

Returns the filtered modulation spectrum - a matrix of the original dimensions, real or complex.

## **Examples**

filterSoundByMS

Filter sound by modulation spectrum

## **Description**

Manipulates the modulation spectrum (MS) of a sound so as to remove certain frequencies of amplitude modulation (AM) and frequency modulation (FM). Algorithm: produces a modulation spectrum with modulationSpectrum, modifies it with filterMS, converts the modified MS to a spectrogram with msToSpec, and finally inverts the spectrogram with invertSpectrogram, thus producing a sound with (approximately) the desired characteristics of the MS. Note that the last step of inverting the spectrogram introduces some noise, so the resulting MS is not precisely the same as the intermediate filtered version. In practice this means that some residual energy will still be present in the filtered-out frequency range (see examples).

# Usage

```
filterSoundByMS(
  samplingRate = NULL,
  from = NULL,
  to = NULL,
 logSpec = FALSE,
 windowLength = 25,
 step = NULL,
 overlap = 80,
 wn = "hamming",
  zp = 0,
  amCond = NULL,
  fmCond = NULL,
  jointCond = NULL,
  action = c("remove", "preserve")[1],
  initialPhase = c("zero", "random", "spsi")[3],
 nIter = 50,
  reportEvery = NULL,
  cores = 1,
 play = FALSE,
  saveAudio = NULL,
 plot = TRUE,
 savePlots = NULL,
 width = 900,
 height = 500,
 units = "px",
 res = NA
)
```

# Arguments

zp

X	path to a folder, one or more way or mp3 files c('file1.way', 'file2.mp3'), Wave object, numeric vector, or a list of Wave objects or numeric vectors
samplingRate	sampling rate of x (only needed if x is a numeric vector)
from, to	if NULL (default), analyzes the whole sound, otherwise fromto (s)
logSpec	if TRUE, the spectrogram is log-transformed prior to taking 2D FFT
windowLength	length of FFT window, ms
step	you can override overlap by specifying FFT step, ms (NB: because digital audio is sampled at discrete time intervals of 1/samplingRate, the actual step and thus the time stamps of STFT frames may be slightly different, eg 24.98866 instead of 25.0 ms)
overlap	overlap between successive FFT frames, %
wn	window type accepted by ftwindow, currently gaussian, hanning, hamming, bartlett, rectangular, blackman, flattop

window length after zero padding, points

amCond, fmCond	character strings with valid conditions on amplitude and frequency modulation (see examples)
jointCond	character string with a valid joint condition amplitude and frequency modulation
action	should the defined AM-FM region be removed ('remove') or preserved, while everything else is removed ('preserve')?
initialPhase	initial phase estimate: "zero" = set all phases to zero; "random" = Gaussian noise; "spsi" (default) = single-pass spectrogram inversion (Beauregard et al., 2015)
nIter	the number of iterations of the GL algorithm (Griffin & Lim, 1984), $0 = \text{don't}$ run
reportEvery	when processing multiple inputs, report estimated time left every $\dots$ iterations (NULL = default, NA = don't report)
cores	number of cores for parallel processing
play	if TRUE, plays back the reconstructed audio
saveAudio	full (!) path to folder for saving the processed audio; NULL = don't save, " = same as input folder (NB: overwrites the originals!)
plot	if TRUE, produces a triple plot: original MS, filtered MS, and the MS of the output sound
savePlots	if a valid path is specified, a plot is saved in this folder (defaults to NA)
width, height, units, res	
	parameters passed to png if the plot is saved

## Value

Returns the filtered audio as a numeric vector normalized to [-1, 1] with the same sampling rate as input.

## See Also

 ${\tt invertSpectrogram\ filter MS}$ 

```
# Create a sound to be filtered
s = soundgen(pitch = rnorm(n = 20, mean = 200, sd = 25),
    amFreq = 25, amDep = 50, samplingRate = 16000,
    addSilence = 50, plot = TRUE, osc = TRUE)
# playme(s, 16000)

# Filter
s_filt = filterSoundByMS(s, samplingRate = 16000,
    amCond = 'abs(am) > 15', fmCond = 'abs(fm) > 5',
    action = 'remove', nIter = 10, plot = TRUE)
# playme(s_filt, samplingRate = 16000)

## Not run:
# Process all files in a folder, save filtered audio and plots
```

```
s_filt = filterSoundByMS('~/Downloads/temp2',
  saveAudio = '~/Downloads/temp2/ms', savePlots = '',
 amCond = 'abs(am) > 15', fmCond = 'abs(fm) > 5',
 action = 'remove', nIter = 10)
# Download an example - a bit of speech (sampled at 16000 Hz)
download.file('http://cogsci.se/soundgen/audio/speechEx.wav',
              destfile = '~/Downloads/speechEx.wav') # modify as needed
target = '~/Downloads/speechEx.wav'
samplingRate = tuneR::readWave(target)@samp.rate
playme(target)
spectrogram(target, osc = TRUE)
# Remove AM above 3 Hz from a bit of speech (remove most temporal details)
s_filt1 = filterSoundByMS(target, amCond = 'abs(am) > 3',
                          action = 'remove', nIter = 15)
playme(s_filt1, samplingRate)
spectrogram(s_filt1, samplingRate = samplingRate, osc = TRUE)
# Intelligigble when AM in 5-25 Hz is preserved:
s_filt2 = filterSoundByMS(target, amCond = 'abs(am) > 5 & abs(am) < 25',</pre>
                          action = 'preserve', nIter = 15)
playme(s_filt2, samplingRate)
spectrogram(s_filt2, samplingRate = samplingRate, osc = TRUE)
# Remove slow AM/FM (prosody) to achieve a "robotic" voice
s_filt3 = filterSoundByMS(target, jointCond = 'am^2 + (fm*3)^2 < 300',</pre>
                          nIter = 15)
playme(s_filt3, samplingRate)
spectrogram(s_filt3, samplingRate = samplingRate, osc = TRUE)
## An alternative manual workflow w/o calling filterSoundByMS()
# This way you can modify the MS directly and more flexibly
# than with the filterMS() function called by filterSoundByMS()
# (optional) Check that the target spectrogram can be successfully inverted
spec = spectrogram(s, 16000, windowLength = 25, overlap = 80,
 wn = 'hanning', osc = TRUE, padWithSilence = FALSE)
s_rev = invertSpectrogram(spec, samplingRate = 16000,
 windowLength = 25, overlap = 80, wn = 'hamming', play = FALSE)
# playme(s_rev, 16000) # should be close to the original
spectrogram(s_rev, 16000, osc = TRUE)
# Get modulation spectrum starting from the sound...
ms = modulationSpectrum(s, samplingRate = 16000, windowLength = 25,
 overlap = 80, wn = 'hanning', amRes = NULL, maxDur = Inf, logSpec = FALSE,
 power = NA, returnComplex = TRUE, plot = FALSE)$complex
# ... or starting from the spectrogram:
# ms = specToMS(spec)
image(x = as.numeric(colnames(ms)), y = as.numeric(rownames(ms)),
 z = t(log(abs(ms)))) # this is the original MS
```

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```
# Filter as needed - for ex., remove AM > 10 Hz and FM > 3 cycles/kHz
# (removes f0, preserves formants)
am = as.numeric(colnames(ms))
fm = as.numeric(rownames(ms))
idx_row = which(abs(fm) > 3)
idx\_col = which(abs(am) > 10)
ms_filt = ms
ms_filt[idx_row, ] = 0
ms_filt[, idx_col] = 0
image(x = as.numeric(colnames(ms_filt)), y = as.numeric(rownames(ms_filt)),
 t(log(abs(ms_filt)))) # this is the filtered MS
# Convert back to a spectrogram
spec_filt = msToSpec(ms_filt)
image(t(log(abs(spec_filt))))
# Invert the spectrogram
s_filt = invertSpectrogram(abs(spec_filt), samplingRate = 16000,
 windowLength = 25, overlap = 80, wn = 'hanning')
# NB: use the same settings as in "spec = spectrogram(s, ...)" above
# Compare with the original
playme(s, 16000)
spectrogram(s, 16000, osc = TRUE)
playme(s_filt, 16000)
spectrogram(s_filt, 16000, osc = TRUE)
ms_new = modulationSpectrum(s_filt, samplingRate = 16000,
 windowLength = 25, overlap = 80, wn = 'hanning', maxDur = Inf,
 plot = TRUE, returnComplex = TRUE)$complex
image(x = as.numeric(colnames(ms_new)), y = as.numeric(rownames(ms_new)),
 z = t(log(abs(ms_new))))
plot(as.numeric(colnames(ms)), log(abs(ms[nrow(ms) / 2, ])), type = '1')
points(as.numeric(colnames(ms_new)), log(ms_new[nrow(ms_new) / 2, ]), type = 'l',
 col = 'red', lty = 3)
# AM peaks at 25 Hz are removed, but inverting the spectrogram adds a lot of noise
## End(Not run)
```

findInflections

Find inflections

## Description

Finds inflections in discrete time series such as pitch contours. When there are no missing values and no thresholds, this can be accomplished with a fast one-liner like which(diff(diff(x) > 0) !=0) + 1. Missing values are interpolated by repeating the first and last non-missing values at the head and tail, respectively, and by linear interpolation in the middle. Setting a threshold means that small "wiggling" no longer counts. To use an analogy with ocean waves, smoothing (low-pass filtering) removes the ripples and only leaves the slow roll, while thresholding preserves only waves that are sufficiently high, whatever their period.

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## Usage

```
findInflections(x, thres = NULL, step = NULL, plot = FALSE, main = "")
```

# Arguments

X	numeric vector with or without NAs
	minimum vertical distance between two extrema for them to count as two independent inflections
step	distance between values in s (only needed for plotting)
plot	if TRUE, produces a simple plot
main	plot title

### Value

Returns a vector of indices giving the location of inflections.

# **Examples**

flatEnv

Flat envelope / compressor

# Description

Applies a compressor - that is, flattens the amplitude envelope of a waveform, reducing the difference in amplitude between loud and quiet sections. This is achieved by dividing the waveform by some function of its smoothed amplitude envelope (Hilbert, peak or root mean square).

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# Usage

```
flatEnv(
  х,
  samplingRate = NULL,
  scale = NULL,
  compression = 1,
 method = c("hil", "rms", "peak")[1],
 windowLength = 50,
 windowLength_points = NULL,
 killDC = FALSE,
  dynamicRange = 40,
  reportEvery = NULL,
  cores = 1,
  saveAudio = NULL,
  plot = FALSE,
  savePlots = NULL,
  col = "blue",
 width = 900,
 height = 500,
 units = "px",
 res = NA,
)
compressor(
  Х,
  samplingRate = NULL,
  scale = NULL,
  compression = 1,
 method = c("hil", "rms", "peak")[1],
 windowLength = 50,
 windowLength_points = NULL,
 killDC = FALSE,
  dynamicRange = 40,
  reportEvery = NULL,
  cores = 1,
  saveAudio = NULL,
  plot = FALSE,
  savePlots = NULL,
  col = "blue",
 width = 900,
 height = 500,
 units = "px",
 res = NA,
)
```

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## **Arguments**

X	path to a folder, one or more way or mp3 files c('file1.way', 'file2.mp3'), Wave object, numeric vector, or a list of Wave objects or numeric vectors
samplingRate	sampling rate of x (only needed if x is a numeric vector)
scale	maximum possible amplitude of input used for normalization of input vector (only needed if x is a numeric vector)
compression	the amount of compression to apply: $0 = \text{none}$ , $1 = \text{maximum}$
method	hil = Hilbert envelope, rms = root mean square amplitude, peak = peak amplitude per window
windowLength	the length of smoothing window, ms
windowLength_pd	pints
	the length of smoothing window, points. If specified, overrides windowLength
killDC	if TRUE, dynamically removes DC offset or similar deviations of average waveform from zero (see examples)
dynamicRange	parts of sound quieter than -dynamicRange dB will not be amplified
reportEvery	when processing multiple inputs, report estimated time left every $\dots$ iterations (NULL = default, NA = don't report)
cores	number of cores for parallel processing
saveAudio	full path to the folder in which to save the compressed sound(s)
plot	if TRUE, plots the original sound, the smoothed envelope, and the compressed sound
savePlots	full path to the folder in which to save the plots (NULL = don't save, " = same folder as audio)
col	the color of amplitude contours
width, height, units, res	
	graphical parameters for saving plots passed to png
• • •	other graphical parameters passed to points() that control the appearance of amplitude contours, eg lwd, lty, etc.

## Value

If the input is a single audio (file, Wave, or numeric vector), returns the compressed waveform as a numeric vector with the original sampling rate and scale. If the input is a folder with several audio files, returns a list of compressed waveforms, one for each file.

```
a = rnorm(500) * seq(1, 0, length.out = 500)
b = flatEnv(a, 1000, plot = TRUE, windowLength_points = 5)  # too short
c = flatEnv(a, 1000, plot = TRUE, windowLength_points = 450)  # too long
d = flatEnv(a, 1000, plot = TRUE, windowLength_points = 100)  # about right
## Not run:
s = soundgen(sylLen = 1000, ampl = c(0, -40, 0), plot = TRUE)
```

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```
# playme(s)
s_flat1 = flatEnv(s, 16000, dynamicRange = 60, plot = TRUE,
                  windowLength = 50, method = 'hil')
s_flat2 = flatEnv(s, 16000, dynamicRange = 60, plot = TRUE,
                  windowLength = 10, method = 'rms')
s_flat3 = flatEnv(s, 16000, dynamicRange = 60, plot = TRUE,
                  windowLength = 10, method = 'peak')
# playme(s_flat2)
# Remove DC offset
s1 = c(rep(0, 50), runif(1000, -1, 1), rep(0, 50)) +
     seq(.3, 1, length.out = 1100)
s2 = flatEnv(s1, 16000, plot = TRUE, windowLength_points = 50, killDC = FALSE)
s3 = flatEnv(s1, 16000, plot = TRUE, windowLength_points = 50, killDC = TRUE)
# Compress and save all audio files in a folder
s4 = flatEnv('~/Downloads/temp2',
             method = 'peak', compression = .5,
             saveAudio = '~/Downloads/temp2/compressed',
             savePlots = '~/Downloads/temp2/compressed',
             col = 'green', lwd = 5)
osc(s4[[1]])
## End(Not run)
```

flatSpectrum

Flat spectrum

## **Description**

Flattens the spectrum of a sound by smoothing in the frequency domain. Can be used for removing formants without modifying pitch contour or voice quality (the balance of harmonic and noise components), followed by the addition of a new spectral envelope (cf. transplantFormants). Algorithm: makes a spectrogram, flattens the real part of the smoothed spectrum of each STFT frame, and transforms back into time domain with inverse STFT (see also addFormants).

## Usage

```
flatSpectrum(
    x,
    samplingRate = NULL,
    freqWindow = NULL,
    dynamicRange = 80,
    windowLength = 50,
    step = NULL,
    overlap = 90,
    wn = "gaussian",
    zp = 0,
    play = FALSE,
```

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```
saveAudio = NULL,
reportEvery = NULL,
cores = 1
)
```

### **Arguments**

x path to a folder, one or more way or mp3 files c('file1.way', 'file2.mp3'), Waye

object, numeric vector, or a list of Wave objects or numeric vectors

samplingRate sampling rate of x (only needed if x is a numeric vector)

freqWindow the width of smoothing window, Hz. Defaults to median pitch estimated by

analyze

dynamicRange dynamic range, dB. All values more than one dynamicRange under maximum

are treated as zero

windowLength length of FFT window, ms

step you can override overlap by specifying FFT step, ms (NB: because digital au-

dio is sampled at discrete time intervals of 1/samplingRate, the actual step and thus the time stamps of STFT frames may be slightly different, eg 24.98866

instead of 25.0 ms)

overlap overlap between successive FFT frames, %

wn window type accepted by ftwindow, currently gaussian, hanning, hamming,

bartlett, rectangular, blackman, flattop

zp window length after zero padding, points

play if TRUE, plays the processed audio

saveAudio full (!) path to folder for saving the processed audio; NULL = don't save, " =

same as input folder (NB: overwrites the originals!)

reportEvery when processing multiple inputs, report estimated time left every ... iterations

(NULL = default, NA = don't report)

cores number of cores for parallel processing

## Value

Returns a numeric vector with the same sampling rate as the input.

## See Also

```
addFormants transplantFormants
```

```
sound_aii = soundgen(formants = 'aii')
# playme(sound_aii, 16000)
seewave::meanspec(sound_aii, f = 16000, dB = 'max0')
sound_flat = flatSpectrum(sound_aii, freqWindow = 150, samplingRate = 16000)
# playme(sound_flat, 16000)
```

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```
seewave::meanspec(sound_flat, f = 16000, dB = 'max0')
# harmonics are still there, but formants are gone and can be replaced
## Not run:
# Now let's make a sheep say "aii"
data(sheep, package = 'seewave') # import a recording from seewave
playme(sheep)
sheep_flat = flatSpectrum(sheep)
playme(sheep_flat, sheep@samp.rate)
seewave::spec(sheep_flat, f = sheep@samp.rate, dB = 'max0')
# So far we have a sheep bleating with a flat spectrum;
# now let's add new formants
sheep_aii = addFormants(sheep_flat,
 samplingRate = sheep@samp.rate,
 formants = 'aii',
 lipRad = -3) # negative lipRad to counter unnatural flat source
playme(sheep_aii, sheep@samp.rate)
spectrogram(sheep_aii, sheep@samp.rate)
seewave::spec(sheep_aii, f = sheep@samp.rate, dB = 'max0')
## End(Not run)
```

formant\_app

Interactive formant tracker

## **Description**

Starts a shiny app for manually correcting formant measurements. For more tips, see pitch\_app and http://cogsci.se/soundgen.html.

## Usage

formant\_app()

### **Details**

Suggested workflow: load one or several audio files (wav/mp3), preferably not longer than a minute or so. Select a region of interest in the spectrogram - for example, a sustained vowel with clear and relatively steady formants. Double-click within the selection to create a new annotation (you may add a text label if needed). If you are satisfied with the automatically calculated formant frequencies, proceed to the next region of interest. If not, there are 4 ways to adjust them: (1) type in the correct number in one of the formant boxes in the top right corner; (2) click a spectrogram within selection (pick the formant number to adjust by clicking the formant boxes); (3) single-click the spectrum to use the cursor's position, or (4) double-click the spectrum to use the nearest spectral peak. When done with a file, move on to the next one in the queue. Use the orange button to download the results. To continue work, upload the output file from the previous session together with the audio files (you can rename it, but keep the .csv extension). Use hotkeys (eg spacebar to play/stop) and avoid working with very large files.

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## See Also

```
pitch_app
```

## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
formant_app() # runs in default browser such as Firefox or Chrome

# To change system default browser, run something like:
options('browser' = '/usr/bin/firefox') # path to the executable on Linux
## End(Not run)
```

gaussianSmooth2D

Gaussian smoothing in 2D

## **Description**

Takes a matrix of numeric values and smoothes it by convolution with a symmetric Gaussian window function.

### Usage

```
gaussianSmooth2D(m, kernelSize = 5, kernelSD = 0.5, plotKernel = FALSE)
```

# **Arguments**

m input matrix (numeric, on any scale, doesn't have to be square)

kernelSize the size of the Gaussian kernel, in points

kernelSD the SD of the Gaussian kernel relative to its size (.5 = the edge is two SD's away)

plotKernel if TRUE, plots the kernel

### Value

Returns a numeric matrix of the same dimensions as input.

# See Also

```
modulationSpectrum
```

```
s = spectrogram(soundgen(), samplingRate = 16000,
  output = 'original', plot = FALSE)
# image(log(s))
s1 = gaussianSmooth2D(s, kernelSize = 11, plotKernel = TRUE)
# image(log(s1))
```

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generateNoise

Generate noise

## **Description**

Generates noise of length 1en and with spectrum defined by rolloff parameters OR by a specified filter spectralEnvelope. This function is called internally by soundgen, but it may be more convenient to call it directly when synthesizing non-biological noises defined by specific spectral and amplitude envelopes rather than formants: the wind, whistles, impact noises, etc. See fart and beat for similarly simplified functions for tonal non-biological sounds.

## Usage

```
generateNoise(
  len,
  rolloffNoise = 0,
  noiseFlatSpec = 1200,
  rolloffNoiseExp = 0,
  spectralEnvelope = NULL,
  noise = NULL,
  temperature = 0.1,
  attackLen = 10,
 windowLength_points = 1024,
  samplingRate = 16000,
  overlap = 75,
  dynamicRange = 80,
  smoothing = list(),
  invalidArgAction = c("adjust", "abort", "ignore")[1],
  play = FALSE
)
```

## **Arguments**

len length of output
rolloffNoise, noiseFlatSpec

linear rolloff of the excitation source for the unvoiced component, rolloffNoise dB/kHz (anchor format) applied above noiseFlatSpec Hz

rolloffNoiseExp

exponential rolloff of the excitation source for the unvoiced component, dB/oct (anchor format) applied above 0 Hz

spectralEnvelope

(optional): as an alternative to using rolloffNoise, we can provide the exact filter - a vector of non-negative numbers specifying the desired spectrum on a linear scale up to Nyquist frequency (samplingRate / 2). The length doesn't matter as it can be interpolated internally to windowLength\_points/2. A matrix specifying the filter for each STFT step is also accepted. The easiest way to

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obtain spectralEnvelope is to call soundgen:::getSpectralEnvelope or to use the

spectrum / spectrogram of a recorded sound

loudness of turbulent noise (0 dB = as loud as voiced component, negative values noise

= quieter) such as aspiration, hissing, etc (anchor format)

temperature hyperparameter for regulating the amount of stochasticity in sound generation

attackLen duration of fade-in / fade-out at each end of syllables and noise (ms): a vector

of length 1 (symmetric) or 2 (separately for fade-in and fade-out)

windowLength\_points

the length of fft window, points

samplingRate sampling frequency, Hz

overlap FFT window overlap, %. For allowed values, see istft

dynamicRange dynamic range, dB. Harmonics and noise more than dynamicRange under max-

imum amplitude are discarded to save computational resources

smoothing a list of parameters passed to getSmoothContour to control the interpolation

and smoothing of contours: interpol (approx / spline / loess), loessSpan, discon-

tThres, jumpThres

invalidArgAction

what to do if an argument is invalid or outside the range in permittedValues: 'adjust' = reset to default value, 'abort' = stop execution, 'ignore' = throw a

warning and continue (may crash)

play if TRUE, plays the synthesized sound using the default player on your system.

If character, passed to play as the name of player to use, eg "aplay", "play",

"vlc", etc. In case of errors, try setting another default player for play

### **Details**

Algorithm: paints a spectrogram with desired characteristics, sets phase to zero, and generates a time sequence via inverse FFT.

#### See Also

soundgen fart beat

```
# .5 s of white noise
samplingRate = 16000
noise1 = generateNoise(len = samplingRate * .5,
 samplingRate = samplingRate)
# playme(noise1, samplingRate)
# seewave::meanspec(noise1, f = samplingRate)
# Percussion (run a few times to notice stochasticity due to temperature = .25)
noise2 = generateNoise(len = samplingRate * .15, noise = c(0, -80),
 rolloffNoise = c(4, -6), attackLen = 5, temperature = .25)
noise3 = generateNoise(len = samplingRate * .25, noise = c(0, -40),
 rolloffNoise = c(4, -20), attackLen = 5, temperature = .25)
```

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```
# playme(c(noise2, noise3), samplingRate)
## Not run:
playback = list(TRUE, FALSE, 'aplay', 'vlc')[[1]]
\# 1.2 s of noise with rolloff changing from 0 to -12 dB above 2 kHz
noise = generateNoise(len = samplingRate * 1.2,
 rolloffNoise = c(0, -12), noiseFlatSpec = 2000,
 samplingRate = samplingRate, play = playback)
# spectrogram(noise, samplingRate, osc = TRUE)
# Similar, but using the dataframe format to specify a more complicated
# contour for rolloffNoise:
noise = generateNoise(len = samplingRate * 1.2,
 rolloffNoise = data.frame(time = c(0, .3, 1), value = c(-12, 0, -12)),
 noiseFlatSpec = 2000, samplingRate = samplingRate, play = playback)
# spectrogram(noise, samplingRate, osc = TRUE)
# To create a sibilant [s], specify a single strong, broad formant at ~7 kHz:
windowLength_points = 1024
spectralEnvelope = soundgen:::getSpectralEnvelope(
 nr = windowLength_points / 2, nc = 1, samplingRate = samplingRate,
 formants = list('f1' = data.frame(time = 0, freq = 7000,
                                   amp = 50, width = 2000)))
noise = generateNoise(len = samplingRate,
 samplingRate = samplingRate, spectralEnvelope = as.numeric(spectralEnvelope),
 play = playback)
# plot(spectralEnvelope, type = 'l')
# Low-frequency, wind-like noise
spectralEnvelope = soundgen:::getSpectralEnvelope(
 nr = windowLength_points / 2, nc = 1, lipRad = 0,
 samplingRate = samplingRate, formants = list('f1' = data.frame(
    time = 0, freq = 150, amp = 30, width = 90)))
noise = generateNoise(len = samplingRate,
 samplingRate = samplingRate, spectralEnvelope = as.numeric(spectralEnvelope),
 play = playback)
# Manual filter, e.g. for a kettle-like whistle (narrow-band noise)
spectralEnvelope = c(rep(0, 100), 120, rep(0, 100)) # any length is fine
# plot(spectralEnvelope, type = 'b') # notch filter at Nyquist / 2, here 4 kHz
noise = generateNoise(len = samplingRate, spectralEnvelope = spectralEnvelope,
 samplingRate = samplingRate, play = playback)
# Compare to a similar sound created with soundgen()
# (unvoiced only, a single formant at 4 kHz)
noise_s = soundgen(pitch = NULL,
 noise = data.frame(time = c(0, 1000), value = c(0, 0)),
 formants = list(f1 = data.frame(freq = 4000, amp = 80, width = 20)),
 play = playback)
# Use the spectral envelope of an existing recording (bleating of a sheep)
# (see also the same example with tonal source in ?addFormants)
```

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```
data(sheep, package = 'seewave') # import a recording from seewave
sound_orig = as.numeric(sheep@left)
samplingRate = sheep@samp.rate
# playme(sound_orig, samplingRate)
# extract the original spectrogram
windowLength = c(5, 10, 50, 100)[1] # try both narrow-band (eg 100 ms)
# to get "harmonics" and wide-band (5 ms) to get only formants
spectralEnvelope = spectrogram(sound_orig, windowLength = windowLength,
  samplingRate = samplingRate, output = 'original', padWithSilence = FALSE)
sound_noise = generateNoise(len = length(sound_orig),
 spectralEnvelope = spectralEnvelope, rolloffNoise = 0,
  samplingRate = samplingRate, play = playback)
# playme(sound_noise, samplingRate)
# The spectral envelope is similar to the original recording. Compare:
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
seewave::meanspec(sound_orig, f = samplingRate, dB = 'max0')
seewave::meanspec(sound_noise, f = samplingRate, dB = 'max0')
par(mfrow = c(1, 1))
# However, the excitation source is now white noise
# (which sounds like noise if windowLength is ~5-10 ms,
# but becomes more and more like the original at longer window lengths)
## End(Not run)
```

getDuration

Get duration

## **Description**

Returns the duration of one or more audio files (mostly useful for running on an entire folder). If threshold is set, it also removes the leading and trailing silences or near-silences, thus returning the duration of relatively loud central fragments of each sound. Silences are located based on the amplitude of root mean square (RMS) amplitude with getRMS. Note that the threshold is set relative to the observed maximum RMS, just as in analyze. This means that even very quiet sounds are not treated as nothing but silence.

# Usage

```
getDuration(
    x,
    samplingRate = NULL,
    silence = 0.01,
    rms = list(windowLength = 20, step = 5),
    reportEvery = NULL,
    cores = 1
)
```

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# **Arguments**

path to a folder, one or more way or mp3 files c('file1.way', 'file2.mp3'), Wave Х object, numeric vector, or a list of Wave objects or numeric vectors samplingRate sampling rate of x (only needed if x is a numeric vector) silence leading and trailing sections quieter than this proportion of maximum RMS amplitude are removed when calculating duration\_noSilence (NULL = don't calculate duration\_noSilence to save time) rms a list of control parameters passed to getRMS when processing multiple inputs, report estimated time left every ... iterations reportEvery (NULL = default, NA = don't report) number of cores for parallel processing cores

#### Value

Returns duration (s) and duration\_noSilence (duration without leading and trailing silences).

#### See Also

```
analyze getLoudness
```

## **Examples**

getEntropy

Entropy

# **Description**

Returns Weiner or Shannon entropy of an input vector such as the spectrum of a sound. Non-positive input values are converted to a small positive number (convertNonPositive). If all elements are zero, returns NA.

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## Usage

```
getEntropy(
   x,
   type = c("weiner", "shannon")[1],
   normalize = FALSE,
   convertNonPositive = 1e-10
)
```

### **Arguments**

x vector of positive floats

type 'shannon' for Shannon (information) entropy, 'weiner' for Weiner entropy

normalize if TRUE, Shannon entropy is normalized by the length of input vector to range

from 0 to 1. It has no affect on Weiner entropy

convertNonPositive

all non-positive values are converted to convertNonPositive

## **Examples**

```
# Here are four simplified power spectra, each with 9 frequency bins:
s = list(
 c(rep(0, 4), 1, rep(0, 4)),
                                    # a single peak in spectrum
 c(0, 0, 1, 0, 0, .75, 0, 0, .5), # perfectly periodic, with 3 harmonics
                                    # a silent frame
 rep(0, 9),
                                    # white noise
 rep(1, 9)
# Weiner entropy is ~0 for periodic, NA for silent, 1 for white noise
sapply(s, function(x) round(getEntropy(x), 2))
# Shannon entropy is ~0 for periodic with a single harmonic, moderate for
# periodic with multiple harmonics, NA for silent, highest for white noise
sapply(s, function(x) round(getEntropy(x, type = 'shannon'), 2))
# Normalized Shannon entropy - same but forced to be 0 to 1
sapply(s, function(x) round(getEntropy(x,
 type = 'shannon', normalize = TRUE), 2))
```

getEnv

Get amplitude envelope

## **Description**

Returns the smoothed amplitude envelope of a waveform on the original scale. Unlike seewave::env, this function always returns an envelope of the same length as the original sound, regardless of the amount of smoothing.

## Usage

```
getEnv(
   sound,
   windowLength_points,
   method = c("rms", "hil", "peak", "raw", "mean")[1]
)
```

# **Arguments**

sound numeric vector windowLength\_points

the length of smoothing window, in points

method

'peak' for peak amplitude per window, 'rms' for root mean square amplitude, 'mean' for mean (for DC offset removal), 'hil' for Hilbert, 'raw' for low-pass filtering the actual sound

# **Examples**

getIntegerRandomWalk Discrete random walk

## **Description**

Takes a continuous random walk and converts it to continuous epochs of repeated values 0/1/2, each at least minLength points long. 0/1/2 correspond to different noise regimes: 0 = no noise, 1 = subharmonics, 2 = subharmonics and jitter/shimmer.

## Usage

```
getIntegerRandomWalk(
  rw,
  nonlinBalance = 50,
  minLength = 50,
```

```
q1 = NULL,
q2 = NULL,
plot = FALSE
```

### **Arguments**

rw a random walk generated by getRandomWalk (expected range 0 to 100)

nonlinBalance a number between 0 to 100: 0 = returns all zeros; 100 = returns all twos

minLength the mimimum length of each epoch

q1, q2 cutoff points for transitioning from regime 0 to 1 (q1) or from regime 1 to 2 (q2). See noiseThresholdsDict for defaults

plot if TRUE, plots the random walk underlying nonlinear regimes

## Value

Returns a vector of integers (0/1/2) of the same length as rw.

## **Examples**

getLoudness Get loudness

## Description

Estimates subjective loudness per frame, in sone. Based on EMBSD speech quality measure, particularly the matlab code in Yang (1999) and Timoney et al. (2004). Note that there are many ways to estimate loudness and many other factors, ignored by this model, that could influence subjectively experienced loudness. Please treat the output with a healthy dose of skepticism! Also note that the absolute value of calculated loudness critically depends on the chosen "measured" sound pressure level (SPL). getLoudness estimates how loud a sound will be experienced if it is played back at an SPL of SPL\_measured dB. The most meaningful way to use the output is to compare the loudness of several sounds analyzed with identical settings or of different segments within the same recording.

## Usage

```
getLoudness(
  х,
  samplingRate = NULL,
  scale = NULL,
  from = NULL,
  to = NULL,
 windowLength = 50,
  step = NULL,
  overlap = 50,
  SPL_measured = 70,
 Pref = 2e-05,
  spreadSpectrum = TRUE,
  summaryFun = c("mean", "median", "sd"),
  reportEvery = NULL,
  cores = 1,
  plot = TRUE,
  savePlots = NULL,
 main = NULL,
 ylim = NULL,
 width = 900,
 height = 500,
 units = "px",
  res = NA,
 mar = c(5.1, 4.1, 4.1, 4.1),
)
```

## **Arguments**

x path to a folder, one or more way or mp3 files c('file1.way', 'file2.mp3'), Waye

object, numeric vector, or a list of Wave objects or numeric vectors

samplingRate sampling rate of x (only needed if x is a numeric vector)

scale maximum possible amplitude of input used for normalization of input vector

(only needed if x is a numeric vector)

from, to if NULL (default), analyzes the whole sound, otherwise from...to (s)

windowLength length of FFT window, ms

step you can override overlap by specifying FFT step, ms (NB: because digital au-

dio is sampled at discrete time intervals of 1/samplingRate, the actual step and thus the time stamps of STFT frames may be slightly different, eg 24.98866

instead of 25.0 ms)

overlap overlap between successive FFT frames, %

SPL\_measured sound pressure level at which the sound is presented, dB

Pref reference pressure, Pa (currently has no effect on the estimate)

spreadSpectrum if TRUE, applies a spreading function to account for frequency masking

summaryFun functions used to summarize each acoustic characteristic, eg "c('mean', 'sd')";

user-defined functions are fine (see examples); NAs are omitted automatically for mean/median/sd/min/max/range/sum, otherwise take care of NAs yourself

reportEvery when processing multiple inputs, report estimated time left every ... iterations

(NULL = default, NA = don't report)

cores number of cores for parallel processing

plot should a spectrogram be plotted? TRUE / FALSE

savePlots full path to the folder in which to save the plots (NULL = don't save, " = same

folder as audio)

main plot title

ylim frequency range to plot, kHz (defaults to 0 to Nyquist frequency). NB: still in

kHz, even if yScale = bark, mel, or ERB

width, height, units, res

graphical parameters for saving plots passed to png

mar margins of the spectrogram

... other plotting parameters passed to spectrogram

#### **Details**

Algorithm: calibrates the sound to the desired SPL (Timoney et al., 2004), extracts a spectrogram with powspec, converts to bark scale with (audspec), spreads the spectrum to account for frequency masking across the critical bands (Yang, 1999), converts dB to phon by using standard equal loudness curves (ISO 226), converts phon to sone (Timoney et al., 2004), sums across all critical bands, and applies a correction coefficient to standardize output. Calibrated so as to return a loudness of 1 sone for a 1 kHz pure tone with SPL of 40 dB.

#### Value

Returns a list:

**specSone** spectrum in bark-sone (one per file): a matrix of loudness values in sone, with frequency on the bark scale in rows and time (STFT frames) in columns

**loudness** a vector of loudness in sone per STFT frame (one per file)

summary a dataframe of summary loudness measures (one row per file)

### References

- ISO 226 as implemented by Jeff Tackett (2005) on https://www.mathworks.com/matlabcentral/fileexchange/ 7028-iso-226-equal-loudness-level-contour-signal
- Timoney, J., Lysaght, T., Schoenwiesner, M., & MacManus, L. (2004). Implementing loudness models in matlab.
- Yang, W. (1999). Enhanced Modified Bark Spectral Distortion (EMBSD): An Objective Speech Quality Measure Based on Audible Distortion and Cognitive Model. Temple University.

### See Also

```
getRMS analyze
```

```
sounds = list(
  white_noise = runif(8000, -1, 1),
  white_noise2 = runif(8000, -1, 1) / 2, # \sim6 dB quieter
  pure_tone_1KHz = sin(2*pi*1000/16000*(1:8000)) # pure tone at 1 kHz
)
1 = getLoudness(
   x = sounds, samplingRate = 16000, scale = 1,
   windowLength = 20, step = NULL,
    overlap = 50, SPL_measured = 40,
    Pref = 2e-5, plot = FALSE)
1$summary
# white noise (sound 1) is twice as loud as pure tone at 1 KHz (sound 3),
# and note that the same white noise with lower amplitude has lower loudness
# (provided that "scale" is specified)
# compare: lapply(sounds, range)
## Not run:
s = soundgen()
# playme(s)
11 = getLoudness(s, samplingRate = 16000, SPL_measured = 70)
# The estimated loudness in sone depends on target SPL
12 = getLoudness(s, samplingRate = 16000, SPL_measured = 40)
12$summary
# ...but not (much) on windowLength and samplingRate
13 = getLoudness(s, samplingRate = 16000, SPL_measured = 40, windowLength = 50)
13$summary
# input can be an audio file...
getLoudness('~/Downloads/temp/032_ut_anger_30-m-roar-curse.wav')
...or a folder with multiple audio files
getLoudness('~/Downloads/temp2', plot = FALSE)$summary
analyze('~/Downloads/temp2', pitchMethods = NULL,
        plot = FALSE, silence = 0)$summary$loudness_mean
# (per STFT frame; should be similar if silence = 0, because
# otherwise analyze() discards frames considered silent)
# custom summaryFun
ran = function(x) diff(range(x))
getLoudness('~/Downloads/temp2', plot = FALSE,
            summaryFun = c('mean', 'ran'))$summary
## End(Not run)
```

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getPitchZc Zero-crossing rate

# Description

A less precise, but very quick method of pitch tracking based on measuring zero-crossing rate in low-pass-filtered audio. Recommended for processing long recordings with typical pitch values well below the first formant frequency, such as speech. Calling this function is considerably faster than using the same pitch-tracking method in analyze. Note that, unlike analyze(), it returns the times of individual zero crossings (hopefully corresponding to glottal cycles) instead of pitch values at fixed time intervals.

# Usage

```
getPitchZc(
    x,
    samplingRate = NULL,
    scale = NULL,
    from = NULL,
    to = NULL,
    pitchFloor = 50,
    pitchCeiling = 400,
    zcThres = 0.1,
    zcWin = 5,
    silence = 0.04,
    envWin = 5,
    summaryFun = c("mean", "sd"),
    reportEvery = NULL
)
```

## **Arguments**

	X	path to a folder, one or more way or mp3 files c('file1.way', 'file2.mp3'), Wave object, numeric vector, or a list of Wave objects or numeric vectors
	samplingRate	sampling rate of x (only needed if x is a numeric vector)
	scale	maximum possible amplitude of input used for normalization of input vector (only needed if ${\bf x}$ is a numeric vector)
	from, to	if NULL (default), analyzes the whole sound, otherwise fromto (s)
pitchFloor, pitchCeiling absolute bounds for pitch candidates (Hz)		
	zcThres	pitch candidates with certainty below this value are treated as noise and set to NA ( $0 = \text{anything goes}$ , $1 = \text{pitch must be perfectly stable over zcWin}$ )
	zcWin	certainty in pitch candidates depends on how stable pitch is over zcWin glottal cycles (odd integer $> 3$ )

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silence minimum root mean square (RMS) amplitude, below which pitch candidates are set to NA (NULL = don't consider RMS amplitude)

envWin window length for calculating RMS envelope, ms

summaryFun functions used to summarize each acoustic characteristic; see analyze

when processing multiple inputs, report estimated time left every ... iterations (NULL = default, NA = don't report)

## Details

Algorithm: the audio is bandpass-filtered from pitchFloor to pitchCeiling, and the timing of all zero crossings is saved. This is not enough, however, because unvoiced sounds like white noise also have plenty of zero crossings. Accordingly, an attempt is made to detect voiced segments (or steady musical tones, etc.) by looking for stable regions, with several zero-crossings at relatively regular intervals (see parameters zcThres and zcWin). Very quiet parts of audio are also treated as not having a pitch.

### Value

Returns a dataframe containing

**time** time stamps of all zero crossings except the last one, after bandpass-filtering **pitch** pitch calculated from the time between consecutive zero crossings **cert** certainty in each pitch candidate calculated from local pitch stability, 0 to 1

## See Also

analyze

```
data(sheep, package = 'seewave')
# spectrogram(sheep)
zc = getPitchZc(sheep, pitchCeiling = 250)
plot(zc$detailed[, c('time', 'pitch')], type = 'b')

# Convert to a standard pitch contour sampled at regular time intervals:
pitch = getSmoothContour(
    anchors = data.frame(time = zc$detailed$time, value = zc$detailed$pitch),
    len = 1000, NA_to_zero = FALSE, discontThres = 0)
spectrogram(sheep, extraContour = pitch, ylim = c(0, 2))

## Not run:
# process all files in a folder
zc = getPitchZc('~/Downloads/temp')
zc$summary

## End(Not run)
```

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getPrior

Get prior for pitch candidates

## Description

Prior for adjusting the estimated pitch certainties in analyze. For ex., if primarily working with speech, we could prioritize pitch candidates in the expected pitch range (100-1000 Hz) and decrease our confidence in candidates with very high or very low frequency as unlikely but still remotely possible. You can think of this as a "soft" alternative to setting absolute pitch floor and ceiling. Algorithm: the multiplier for each pitch candidate is the density of prior distribution with mean = priorMean (Hz) and sd = priorSD (semitones) normalized so max = 1 over [pitchFloor, pitchCeiling]. Useful for previewing the prior given to analyze.

## Usage

```
getPrior(
  priorMean,
  priorSD,
  distribution = c("normal", "gamma")[1],
  pitchFloor = 75,
  pitchCeiling = 3000,
  len = 100,
  plot = TRUE,
  pitchCands = NULL,
  ...
)
```

## **Arguments**

priorMean, priorSD

specifies the mean (Hz) and standard deviation (semitones) of gamma distribution describing our prior knowledge about the most likely pitch values for this file. For ex., priorMean = 300, priorSD = 6 gives a prior with mean = 300 Hz

and SD = 6 semitones (half an octave)

distribution the shape of prior distribution on the musical scale: 'normal' (mode = pri-

orMean) or 'gamma' (skewed to lower frequencies)

pitchFloor, pitchCeiling

absolute bounds for pitch candidates (Hz)

len the required length of output vector (resolution)

plot if TRUE, plots the prior

pitchCands a matrix of pitch candidate frequencies (for internal soundgen use)

... additional graphical parameters passed on to plot()

### Value

Returns a numeric vector of certainties of length 1en if pitchCands is NULL and a numeric matrix of the same dimensions as pitchCands otherwise.

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## See Also

```
analyze pitch_app
```

### **Examples**

getRandomWalk

Random walk

## **Description**

Generates a random walk with flexible control over its range, trend, and smoothness. It works by calling stats::rnorm at each step and taking a cumulative sum of the generated values. Smoothness is controlled by initially generating a shorter random walk and upsampling.

# Usage

```
getRandomWalk(
  len,
  rw_range = 1,
  rw_smoothing = 0.2,
  method = c("linear", "spline")[2],
  trend = 0
)
```

## **Arguments**

len an integer specifying the required length of random walk. If len is 1, returns a

single draw from a gamma distribution with mean=1 and sd=rw\_range

rw\_range the upper bound of the generated random walk (the lower bound is set to 0)

rw\_smoothing specifies the amount of smoothing, basically the number of points used to con-

struct the rw as a proportion of len, from 0 (no smoothing) to 1 (maximum

smoothing to a straight line)

method specifies the method of smoothing: either linear interpolation ('linear', see stats::approx)

or cubic splines ('spline', see stats::spline)

trend mean of generated normal distribution (vectors are also acceptable, as long as

their length is an integer multiple of len). If positive, the random walk has an overall upwards trend (good values are between 0 and 0.5 or -0.5). Trend = c(1,-1) gives a roughly bell-shaped rw with an upward and a downward curve.

Larger absolute values of trend produce less and less random behavior

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## Value

Returns a numeric vector of length len and range from 0 to rw\_range.

## **Examples**

```
plot(getRandomWalk(len = 1000, rw_range = 5, rw_smoothing = 0))
plot(getRandomWalk(len = 1000, rw_range = 5, rw_smoothing = .2))
plot(getRandomWalk(len = 1000, rw_range = 5, rw_smoothing = .95))
plot(getRandomWalk(len = 1000, rw_range = 5, rw_smoothing = .99))
plot(getRandomWalk(len = 1000, rw_range = 5, rw_smoothing = .99))
plot(getRandomWalk(len = 1000, rw_range = 15,
   rw_smoothing = .2, trend = c(.1, -.1)))
plot(getRandomWalk(len = 1000, rw_range = 15,
   rw_smoothing = .2, trend = c(15, -1)))
```

getRMS

RMS amplitude

## Description

Calculates root mean square (RMS) amplitude in overlapping windows, providing an envelope of RMS amplitude - a measure of sound intensity. Longer windows provide smoother, more robust estimates; shorter windows and more overlap improve temporal resolution, but they also increase processing time and make the contour less smooth.

## Usage

```
getRMS(
  samplingRate = NULL,
  scale = NULL,
  from = NULL,
  to = NULL,
  windowLength = 50,
  step = NULL,
  overlap = 70,
  stereo = c("left", "right", "average", "both")[1],
  killDC = FALSE,
  normalize = TRUE,
  windowDC = 200,
  summaryFun = "mean",
  reportEvery = NULL,
  cores = 1,
  plot = FALSE,
  savePlots = NULL,
  main = NULL,
  xlab = "",
```

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```
ylab = "",
type = "b",
col = "green",
lwd = 2,
width = 900,
height = 500,
units = "px",
res = NA,
...
)
```

## **Arguments**

x path to a folder, one or more way or mp3 files c('file1.way', 'file2.mp3'), Wave

object, numeric vector, or a list of Wave objects or numeric vectors

samplingRate sampling rate of x (only needed if x is a numeric vector)

scale maximum possible amplitude of input used for normalization of input vector

(only needed if x is a numeric vector)

from, to if NULL (default), analyzes the whole sound, otherwise from...to (s)

windowLength length of FFT window, ms

step you can override overlap by specifying FFT step, ms (NB: because digital au-

dio is sampled at discrete time intervals of 1/samplingRate, the actual step and thus the time stamps of STFT frames may be slightly different, eg 24.98866

instead of 25.0 ms)

overlap overlap between successive FFT frames, %

stereo 'left' = only left channel, 'right' = only right channel, 'average' = take the mean

of the two channels, 'both' = return RMS for both channels separately

killDC if TRUE, removed DC offset (see also flatEnv)

normalize if TRUE, the RMS amplitude is returned as proportion of the maximum possible

amplitude as given by scale

windowDC the window for calculating DC offset, ms

summaryFun functions used to summarize each acoustic characteristic; see analyze

reportEvery when processing multiple inputs, report estimated time left every ... iterations

(NULL = default, NA = don't report)

cores number of cores for parallel processing
plot if TRUE, plot a contour of RMS amplitude

savePlots full path to the folder in which to save the plots (NULL = don't save, " = same

folder as audio)

xlab, ylab, main

general graphical parameters

type, col, lwd graphical parameters pertaining to the RMS envelope

width, height, units, res

graphical parameters for saving plots passed to png

.. other graphical parameters

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### **Details**

Note that you can also get similar estimates per frame from analyze on a normalized scale of 0 to 1, but getRMS is much faster, operates on the original scale, and plots the amplitude contour. If you need RMS for the entire sound instead of per frame, you can simply calculate it as sqrt(mean(x^2)), where x is your waveform. Having RMS estimates per frame gives more flexibility: RMS per sound can be calculated as the mean / median / max of RMS values per frame.

### Value

Returns a list containing:

- \$detailed: a list of RMS amplitudes per frame for each sound, on the scale of input; names give time stamps for the center of each frame, in ms.
- \$summary: a dataframe with summary measures, one row per sound

#### See Also

analyze getLoudness

```
s = soundgen() + .25 \# with added DC offset
# osc(s)
r = getRMS(s, samplingRate = 16000,
  windowLength = 40, overlap = 50, killDC = TRUE,
  plot = TRUE, type = 'l', lty = 2, main = 'RMS envelope')
# short window = jagged envelope
r = getRMS(s, samplingRate = 16000,
  windowLength = 5, overlap = 0, killDC = TRUE,
  plot = TRUE, col = 'blue', pch = 13, main = 'RMS envelope')
 # stereo
 wave_stereo = tuneR::Wave(
   left = runif(1000, -1, 1) * 16000,
   right = runif(1000, -1, 1) / 3 * 16000,
   bit = 16, samp.rate = 4000)
 getRMS(wave_stereo)$summary
 getRMS(wave_stereo, stereo = 'right')$summary
 getRMS(wave_stereo, stereo = 'average')$summary
 getRMS(wave_stereo, stereo = 'both', plot = TRUE)$summary
## Not run:
r = getRMS('~/Downloads/temp', savePlots = '~/Downloads/temp/plots')
r$summary
# Compare:
analyze('~/Downloads/temp', pitchMethods = NULL,
        plot = FALSE)$ampl_mean
# (per STFT frame, but should be very similar)
User-defined summary functions:
```

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```
ran = function(x) diff(range(x))
meanSD = function(x) {
  paste0('mean = ', round(mean(x), 2), '; sd = ', round(sd(x), 2))
}
getRMS('~/Downloads/temp', summaryFun = c('mean', 'ran', 'meanSD'))$summary
## End(Not run)
```

getRolloff

Control rolloff of harmonics

## **Description**

Harmonics are generated as separate sine waves. But we don't want each harmonic to be equally strong, so we normally specify some rolloff function that describes the loss of energy in upper harmonics relative to the fundamental frequency (f0). getRolloff provides flexible control over this rolloff function, going beyond simple exponential decay (rolloff). Use quadratic terms to modify the behavior of a few lower harmonics, rolloffOct to adjust the rate of decay per octave, and rolloffKHz for rolloff correction depending on f0. Plot the output with different parameter values and see examples below and the vignette to get a feel for how to use getRolloff effectively.

## Usage

```
getRolloff(
  pitch_per_gc = c(440),
  nHarmonics = NULL,
  rolloff = -6,
  rolloffOct = 0,
  rolloffParab = 0,
  rolloffParabHarm = 3,
  rolloffParabCeiling = NULL,
  rolloffKHz = 0,
  baseline = 200,
  dynamicRange = 80,
  samplingRate = 16000,
  plot = FALSE
)
```

### **Arguments**

pitcn_per_gc	a vector of 10 per glottal cycle, Hz
nHarmonics	maximum number of harmonics to generate (very weak harmonics with amplitude < -dynamicRange will be discarded)
rolloff	basic rolloff from lower to upper harmonics, db/octave (exponential decay). All rolloff parameters are in anchor format. See getRolloff for more details
rolloffOct	basic rolloff changes from lower to upper harmonics (regardless of f0) by rolloffOct dB/oct. For example, we can get steeper rolloff in the upper part of the spectrum

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rolloffParab an optional quadratic term affecting only the first rolloffParabHarm harmon-

ics. The middle harmonic of the first rolloffParabHarm harmonics is amplified or dampened by rolloffParab dB relative to the basic exponential decay

rolloffParabHarm

the number of harmonics affected by rolloffParab

rolloffParabCeiling

quadratic adjustment is applied only up to rolloffParabCeiling, Hz. If not

NULL, it overrides rolloffParabHarm

rolloffKHz rolloff changes linearly with f0 by rolloffKHz dB/kHz. For ex., -6 dB/kHz

gives a 6 dB steeper basic rolloff as f0 goes up by 1000 Hz

baseline The "neutral" f0, at which no adjustment of rolloff takes place regardless of

rolloffKHz

dynamic Range dynamic range, dB. Harmonics and noise more than dynamic Range under max-

imum amplitude are discarded to save computational resources

samplingRate sampling rate (needed to stop at Nyquist frequency and for plotting purposes)

plot if TRUE, produces a plot

### Value

Returns a matrix of amplitude multiplication factors for adjusting the amplitude of harmonics relative to f(0) (1 = no adjustment, 0 = silent). Each row of output contains one harmonic, and each column contains one glottal cycle.

### See Also

soundgen

```
# steady exponential rolloff of -12 dB per octave
rolloff = getRolloff(pitch_per_gc = 150, rolloff = -12,
 rolloffOct = 0, rolloffKHz = 0, plot = TRUE)
# the rate of rolloff slows down by 1 dB each octave
rolloff = getRolloff(pitch_per_gc = 150, rolloff = -12,
 rolloffOct = 1, rolloffKHz = 0, plot = TRUE)
# rolloff can be made to depend on f0 using rolloffKHz
rolloff = getRolloff(pitch_per_gc = c(150, 400, 800),
 rolloffOct = 0, rolloffKHz = -3, plot = TRUE)
# without the correction for f0 (rolloffKHz),
 # high-pitched sounds have the same rolloff as low-pitched sounds,
 # producing unnaturally strong high-frequency harmonics
rolloff = getRolloff(pitch_per_gc = c(150, 400, 800),
 rolloffOct = 0, rolloffKHz = 0, plot = TRUE)
# parabolic adjustment of lower harmonics
rolloff = getRolloff(pitch_per_gc = 350, rolloffParab = 0,
 rolloffParabHarm = 2, plot = TRUE)
# rolloffParabHarm = 1 affects only f0
```

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```
rolloff = getRolloff(pitch_per_gc = 150, rolloffParab = 30,
 rolloffParabHarm = 1, plot = TRUE)
# rolloffParabHarm=2 or 3 affects only h1
rolloff = getRolloff(pitch_per_gc = 150, rolloffParab = 30,
 rolloffParabHarm = 2, plot = TRUE)
# rolloffParabHarm = 4 affects h1 and h2, etc
rolloff = getRolloff(pitch_per_gc = 150, rolloffParab = 30,
 rolloffParabHarm = 4, plot = TRUE)
# negative rolloffParab weakens lower harmonics
rolloff = getRolloff(pitch_per_gc = 150, rolloffParab = -20,
 rolloffParabHarm = 7, plot = TRUE)
# only harmonics below 2000 Hz are affected
rolloff = getRolloff(pitch_per_gc = c(150, 600),
 rolloffParab = -20, rolloffParabCeiling = 2000,
 plot = TRUE)
# dynamic rolloff (varies over time)
rolloff = getRolloff(pitch_per_gc = c(150, 250),
                     rolloff = c(-12, -18, -24), plot = TRUE)
rolloff = getRolloff(pitch_per_gc = c(150, 250), rolloffParab = 40,
                    rolloffParabHarm = 1:5, plot = TRUE)
## Not run:
# Note: getRolloff() is called internally by soundgen()
# using the data.frame format for all vectorized parameters
# Compare:
s1 = soundgen(sylLen = 1000, pitch = 250,
             rolloff = c(-24, -2, -18), plot = TRUE)
s2 = soundgen(sylLen = 1000, pitch = 250,
             rolloff = data.frame(time = c(0, .2, 1),
                                   value = c(-24, -2, -18)),
             plot = TRUE)
# Also works for rolloffOct, rolloffParab, etc:
s3 = soundgen(sylLen = 1000, pitch = 250,
            rolloffParab = 20, rolloffParabHarm = 1:15, plot = TRUE)
## End(Not run)
```

getSmoothContour

Smooth contour from anchors

# **Description**

Returns a smooth contour based on an arbitrary number of anchors. Used by soundgen for generating intonation contour, mouth opening, etc. This function is mostly intended to be used internally by soundgen, more precisely to construct (upsample) smooth curves from a number of anchors. For general upsampling or downsampling of audio, use resample. Note that pitch contours are treated as a special case: values are log-transformed prior to smoothing, so that with 2 anchors we get a linear transition on a log scale (as if we were operating with musical notes rather than frequencies in Hz). Pitch plots have two Y axes: one showing Hz and the other showing musical notation.

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## Usage

```
getSmoothContour(
  anchors = data.frame(time = c(0, 1), value = c(0, 1)),
  len = NULL,
  thisIsPitch = FALSE,
  normalizeTime = TRUE,
  interpol = c("approx", "spline", "loess")[3],
  loessSpan = NULL,
  discontThres = 0.05,
  jumpThres = 0.01,
  valueFloor = NULL,
  valueCeiling = NULL,
  plot = FALSE,
  xlim = NULL,
  ylim = NULL,
  samplingRate = 16000,
  voiced = NULL,
  contourLabel = NULL,
  NA_to_zero = TRUE,
)
```

### **Arguments**

anchors a numeric vector of values or a list/dataframe with one column (value) or two

columns (time and value). achorstime can be in ms (with len=NULL) or in arbitrary units, eg 0 to 1 (with duration determined by len, which must then be provided in ms). So anchorstime is assumed to be in ms if len=NULL and

relative if len is specified. anchors\$value can be on any scale.

len the required length of the output contour. If NULL, it will be calculated based

on the maximum time value (in ms) and samplingRate

thisIsPitch (boolean) is this a pitch contour? If true, log-transforms before smoothing and

plots in both Hz and musical notation

normalizeTime if TRUE, normalizes anchors\$time values to range from 0 to 1

interpol method of interpolation between anchors: "approx" = linear with approx, "spline"

= cubic splines with spline, "loess" = local polynomial regression with loess

loessSpan controls the amount of smoothing when interpolating between anchors with

loess, so only has an effect if interpol = 'loess' (1 = strong, 0.5 = weak smooth-

ing)

discontThres if two anchors are closer in time than discontThres (on a 0-1 scale, ie specified

as proportion of total length), the contour is broken into segments with a linear

transition between these segments

jumpThres if anchors are closer than jumpThres, a new section starts with no transition at

all (e.g. for adding pitch jumps)

valueFloor, valueCeiling

lowser/upper bounds for the contour

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```
plot (boolean) produce a plot?

xlim, ylim plotting options

samplingRate sampling rate used to convert time values to points (Hz)

voiced, contourLabel

graphical pars for plotting breathing contours (see examples below)

NA_to_zero if TRUE, all NAs are replaced with zero

other plotting options passed to plot()
```

## Value

Returns a numeric vector of length 1en.

```
# long format: anchors are a dataframe
a = getSmoothContour(anchors = data.frame(
 time = c(50, 137, 300), value = c(0.03, 0.78, 0.5)),
 normalizeTime = FALSE,
 voiced = 200, valueFloor = 0, plot = TRUE, main = '',
 samplingRate = 16000) # breathing
# short format: anchors are a vector (equal time steps assumed)
a = getSmoothContour(anchors = c(350, 800, 600),
 len = 5500, thisIsPitch = TRUE, plot = TRUE,
 samplingRate = 3500) # pitch
# a single anchor gives constant value
a = getSmoothContour(anchors = 800,
 len = 500, thisIsPitch = TRUE, plot = TRUE, samplingRate = 500)
# two pitch anchors give loglinear F0 change
a = getSmoothContour(anchors = c(220, 440),
 len = 500, thisIsPitch = TRUE, plot = TRUE, samplingRate = 500)
## Two closely spaced anchors produce a pitch jump
# one loess for the entire contour
a1 = getSmoothContour(anchors = list(time = c(0, .15, .2, .7, 1),
    value = c(360, 116, 550, 700, 610)), len = 500, thisIsPitch = TRUE,
   plot = TRUE, samplingRate = 500)
# two segments with a linear transition
a2 = getSmoothContour(anchors = list(time = c(0, .15, .17, .7, 1),
   value = c(360, 116, 550, 700, 610)), len = 500, thisIsPitch = TRUE,
   plot = TRUE, samplingRate = 500)
# two segments with an abrupt jump
a3 = getSmoothContour(anchors = list(time = c(0, .15, .155, .7, 1),
    value = c(360, 116, 550, 700, 610)), len = 500, thisIsPitch = TRUE,
   plot = TRUE, samplingRate = 500)
# compare:
plot(a2)
plot(a3) # NB: the segment before the jump is upsampled to compensate
```

```
## Control the amount of smoothing
getSmoothContour(c(1, 3, 9, 10, 9, 9, 2), len = 100, plot = TRUE,
 loessSpan = NULL) # default amount of smoothing (depends on dur)
getSmoothContour(c(1, 3, 9, 10, 9, 9, 2), len = 100, plot = TRUE,
 loessSpan = .85) # more smoothing than default
getSmoothContour(c(1, 3, 9, 10, 9, 9, 2), len = 100, plot = TRUE,
 loessSpan = .5)
                    # less smoothing
getSmoothContour(c(1, 3, 9, 10, 9, 9, 2), len = 100, plot = TRUE,
 interpol = 'approx') # linear interpolation (no smoothing)
## Upsample preserving leading and trailing NAs
anchors = data.frame(time = c(1, 4, 5, 7, 10, 20, 23, 25, 30),
                     value = c(NA, NA, 10, 15, 12, NA, 17, 15, NA))
plot(anchors, type = 'b')
anchors_ups = getSmoothContour(
 anchors, len = 200,
 interpol = 'approx', # only approx can propagate NAs
 NA_to_zero = FALSE, # preserve NAs
 discontThres = 0)
                       # don't break into sub-contours
plot(anchors_ups, type = 'b')
```

getSpectralEnvelope

Spectral envelope

## Description

Prepares a spectral envelope for filtering a sound to add formants, lip radiation, and some stochastic component regulated by temperature. Formants are specified as a list containing time, frequency, amplitude, and width values for each formant (see examples). See vignette('sound\_generation', package = 'soundgen') for more information.

```
getSpectralEnvelope(
    nr,
    nc,
    formants = NA,
    formantDep = 1,
    formantWidth = 1,
    lipRad = 6,
    noseRad = 4,
    mouth = NA,
    mouthOpenThres = 0.2,
    openMouthBoost = 0,
    vocalTract = NULL,
    temperature = 0.05,
    formDrift = 0.3,
    formDisp = 0.2,
    formantDepStoch = 1,
```

```
smoothLinearFactor = 1,
formantCeiling = 2,
samplingRate = 16000,
speedSound = 35400,
smoothing = list(),
output = c("simple", "detailed")[1],
plot = FALSE,
duration = NULL,
colorTheme = c("bw", "seewave", "...")[1],
nCols = 100,
xlab = "Time",
ylab = "Frequency, kHz",
...
```

#### **Arguments**

nr the number of frequency bins = windowLength\_points/2, where windowLength\_points

is the size of window for Fourier transform

nc the number of time steps for Fourier transform

formants a character string like "aaui" referring to default presets for speaker "M1"; a

vector of formant frequencies; or a list of formant times, frequencies, amplitudes, and bandwidths, with a single value of each for static or multiple values of each for moving formants. formants = NA defaults to schwa. Time stamps for formants and mouthOpening can be specified in ms or an any other arbitrary

scale.

formantDep scale factor of formant amplitude (1 = no change relative to amplitudes in formants)

formantWidth scale factor of formant bandwidth (1 = no change)

lipRad the effect of lip radiation on source spectrum, dB/oct (the default of +6 dB/oct

produces a high-frequency boost when the mouth is open)

noseRad the effect of radiation through the nose on source spectrum, dB/oct (the alterna-

tive to lipRad when the mouth is closed)

mouth mouth opening (0 to 1, 0.5 = neutral, i.e. no modification) (anchor format)

mouthOpenThres open the lips (switch from nose radiation to lip radiation) when the mouth is

open >mouthOpenThres, 0 to 1

openMouthBoost amplify the voice when the mouth is open by openMouthBoost dB

vocalTract the length of vocal tract, cm. Used for calculating formant dispersion (for adding

extra formants) and formant transitions as the mouth opens and closes. If NULL or NA, the length is estimated based on specified formant frequencies, if any

(anchor format)

temperature hyperparameter for regulating the amount of stochasticity in sound generation

formDrift scale factor regulating the effect of temperature on the depth of random drift of

all formants (user-defined and stochastic): the higher, the more formants drift at

a given temperature

formDisp scale factor regulating the effect of temperature on the irregularity of the disper-

sion of stochastic formants: the higher, the more unevenly stochastic formants

are spaced at a given temperature

formantDepStoch

multiplication factor for the amplitude of additional formants added above the highest specified formant (0 = none, 1 = default)

smoothLinearFactor

regulates smoothing of formant anchors (0 to +Inf) as they are upsampled to the number of fft steps nc. This is necessary because the input formants normally contains fewer sets of formant values than the number of fft steps. smoothLinearFactor

= 0: close to default spline; >3: approaches linear extrapolation

formantCeiling frequency to which stochastic formants are calculated, in multiples of the Nyquist

frequency; increase up to ~10 for long vocal tracts to avoid losing energy in the

upper part of the spectrum

samplingRate sampling frequency, Hz

speedSound speed of sound in warm air, cm/s. Stevens (2000) "Acoustic phonetics", p. 138

smoothing a list of parameters passed to getSmoothContour to control the interpolation

and smoothing of contours: interpol (approx / spline / loess), loessSpan, discon-

tThres, jumpThres

output "simple" returns just the spectral filter, while "detailed" also returns a data.frame

of formant frequencies over time (needed for internal purposes such as formant

locking)

plot if TRUE, produces a plot of the spectral envelope duration duration duration f the sound, ms (for plotting purposes only)

colorTheme black and white ('bw'), as in seewave package ('seewave'), or another color

theme (e.g. 'heat.colors')

nCols number of colors in the palette

xlab, ylab labels of axes

... other graphical parameters passed on to image()

## Value

Returns a spectral filter: a matrix with frequency bins in rows and time steps in columns. Accordingly, rownames of the output give central frequency of each bin (in kHz), while colnames give time stamps (in ms if duration is specified, otherwise 0 to 1).

```
# [a] with only F1-F3 visible, with no stochasticity
e = getSpectralEnvelope(nr = 512, nc = 50, duration = 300,
    formants = soundgen:::convertStringToFormants('a'),
    temperature = 0, plot = TRUE)
# image(t(e)) # to plot the output on a linear scale instead of dB
# some "wiggling" of specified formants plus extra formants on top
e = getSpectralEnvelope(nr = 512, nc = 50,
```

```
formants = c(860, 1430, 2900),
  temperature = 0.1, formantDepStoch = 1, plot = TRUE)
# a schwa based on variable length of vocal tract
e = getSpectralEnvelope(nr = 512, nc = 100, formants = NA,
  vocalTract = list(time = c(0, .4, 1), value = c(13, 18, 17)),
  temperature = .1, plot = TRUE)
# no formants at all, only lip radiation
e = getSpectralEnvelope(nr = 512, nc = 50, lipRad = 6,
  formants = NA, temperature = 0, plot = FALSE)
plot(e[, 1], type = 'l')
                                     # linear scale
plot(20 * log10(e[, 1]), type = 'l') # dB scale - 6 dB/oct
# mouth opening
e = getSpectralEnvelope(nr = 512, nc = 50,
  vocalTract = 16, plot = TRUE, lipRad = 6, noseRad = 4,
  mouth = data.frame(time = c(0, .5, 1), value = c(0, 0, .5)))
# scale formant amplitude and/or bandwidth
e1 = getSpectralEnvelope(nr = 512, nc = 50,
  formants = soundgen:::convertStringToFormants('a'),
  formantWidth = 1, formantDep = 1) # defaults
e2 = getSpectralEnvelope(nr = 512, nc = 50,
  formants = soundgen:::convertStringToFormants('a'),
  formantWidth = 1.5, formantDep = 1.5)
plot(as.numeric(rownames(e2)), 20 * log10(e2[, 1]),
     type = 'l', xlab = 'KHz', ylab = 'dB', col = 'red', lty = 2)
points(as.numeric(rownames(e1)), 20 * log10(e1[, 1]), type = 'l')
# manual specification of formants
e3 = getSpectralEnvelope(
  nr = 512, nc = 50, samplingRate = 16000, plot = TRUE,
  formants = list(
    f1 = list(freq = c(900, 500), amp = c(30, 35), width = c(80, 50)),
    f2 = list(freq = c(1900, 2500), amp = c(25, 30), width = 100),
    f3 = list(freq = 3400, amp = 30, width = 120)
))
# extra zero-pole pair (doesn't affect estimated VTL and thus the extra
# formants added on top)
e4 = getSpectralEnvelope(
  nr = 512, nc = 50, samplingRate = 16000, plot = TRUE,
  formants = list(
    f1 = list(freq = c(900, 500), amp = c(30, 35), width = c(80, 50)),
    f1.5 = list(freq = 1300, amp = -15),
    f1.7 = list(freq = 1500, amp = 15),
    f2 = list(freq = c(1900, 2500), amp = c(25, 30), width = 100),
    f3 = list(freq = 3400, amp = 30, width = 120)
plot(as.numeric(rownames(e4)), 20 * log10(e3[, ncol(e3)]),
     type = 'l', xlab = 'KHz', ylab = 'dB')
points(as.numeric(rownames(e4)), 20 * log10(e4[, ncol(e4)]),
```

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```
type = 'l', col = 'red', lty = 2)
```

getSurprisal

Get surprisal

## **Description**

Tracks the (un)predictability of spectral changes in a sound over time, returning a continuous contour of "surprisal". This is an attempt to track auditory salience over time - that is, to identify parts of a sound that are likely to involuntarily attract the listeners' attention. The functions returns surprisal proper ('\$surprisal') and its product with increases in loudness ('\$surprisalLoudness'). Because getSurprisal() is slow and experimental, it is not called by analyze().

```
getSurprisal(
  х,
  samplingRate = NULL,
  scale = NULL,
  from = NULL,
  to = NULL,
  step = 20,
  winSurp = 2000,
  yScale = c("bark", "mel", "log")[1],
  nFilters = 64,
  dynamicRange = 80,
 minFreq = 20,
 maxFreq = samplingRate/2,
  summaryFun = "mean",
  reportEvery = NULL,
  cores = 1,
  plot = TRUE,
  savePlots = NULL,
  osc = c("none", "linear", "dB")[2],
  heights = c(3, 1),
  ylim = NULL,
  contrast = 0.2,
  brightness = 0,
  maxPoints = c(1e+05, 5e+05),
  padWithSilence = TRUE,
  colorTheme = c("bw", "seewave", "heat.colors", "...")[1],
  extraContour = NULL,
  xlab = NULL,
  ylab = NULL,
  xaxp = NULL,
  mar = c(5.1, 4.1, 4.1, 2),
  main = NULL,
```

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```
grid = NULL,
width = 900,
height = 500,
units = "px",
res = NA,
...
)
```

## Arguments

x path to a folder, one or more way or mp3 files c('file1.way', 'file2.mp3'), Wave

object, numeric vector, or a list of Wave objects or numeric vectors

samplingRate sampling rate of x (only needed if x is a numeric vector)

scale maximum possible amplitude of input used for normalization of input vector

(only needed if x is a numeric vector)

from, to if NULL (default), analyzes the whole sound, otherwise from...to (s)

step, ms (determines time resolution). step = NULL means no downsampling at

all (ncol of output = length of input audio)

winSurp surprisal analysis window, ms

yScale scale of the frequency axis: 'linear' = linear, 'log' = logarithmic (musical),

'bark' = bark with hz2bark, 'mel' = mel with hz2mel, 'ERB' = Equivalent

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nFilters the number of filters (determines frequency resolution)

dynamicRange dynamic range, dB. All values more than one dynamicRange under maximum

are treated as zero

minFreq, maxFreq

the range of frequencies to analyze

summaryFun functions used to summarize each acoustic characteristic, eg "c('mean', 'sd')";

user-defined functions are fine (see examples); NAs are omitted automatically for mean/median/sd/min/max/range/sum, otherwise take care of NAs yourself

reportEvery when processing multiple inputs, report estimated time left every ... iterations

(NULL = default, NA = don't report)

cores number of cores for parallel processing

plot if TRUE, plots the auditory spectrogram and the suprisalLoudness contour

savePlots full path to the folder in which to save the plots (NULL = don't save, " = same

folder as audio)

osc "none" = no oscillogram; "linear" = on the original scale; "dB" = in decibels

heights a vector of length two specifying the relative height of the spectrogram and the

oscillogram (including time axes labels)

ylim frequency range to plot, kHz (defaults to 0 to Nyquist frequency). NB: still in

kHz, even if yScale = bark, mel, or ERB

contrast spectrum is exponentiated by contrast (any real number, recommended -1 to +1).

Contrast >0 increases sharpness, <0 decreases sharpness

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brightness how much to "lighten" the image (>0 = lighter, <0 = darker) maxPoints the maximum number of "pixels" in the oscillogram (if any) and spectrogram; good for quickly plotting long audio files; defaults to c(1e5, 5e5) if TRUE, pads the sound with just enough silence to resolve the edges properly padWithSilence (only the original region is plotted, so the apparent duration doesn't change) colorTheme black and white ('bw'), as in seewave package ('seewave'), or any palette from palette such as 'heat.colors', 'cm.colors', etc extraContour a vector of arbitrary length scaled in Hz (regardless of yScale!) that will be plotted over the spectrogram (eg pitch contour); can also be a list with extra graphical parameters such as lwd, col, etc. (see examples) xlab, ylab, main, mar, xaxp graphical parameters for plotting grid if numeric, adds n = grid dotted lines per kHz width, height, units, res graphical parameters for saving plots passed to png other graphical parameters

#### **Details**

Algorithm: we start with an auditory spectrogram produced by applying a bank of bandpass filters to the signal, by default with central frequencies equally spaced on the bark scale (see audSpectrogram). For each frequency channel, a sliding window is analyzed to compare the actually observed final value with its expected value. There are many ways to extrapolate / predict time series and thus perform this comparison. Here, we calculate the autocorrelation function of the window without the final point, find its peak (i.e., the delay that produces the highest autocorrelation), calculate autocorrelation of the window with the final point at this "optimal" delay, and compare these two correlations. In effect, we estimate how far the final point in our window deviates from the dominant oscillation frequency or "fundamental frequency" of the time series, which in this case represents the changes in amplitude in the same frequency channel over time. The resulting per-channel surprisal contours are aggregated by taking their mean weighted by the average amplitude of each frequency channel across the analysis window. Because increases in loudness are known to be important predictors of auditory salience, loudness per frame is also returned, as well as the square root of the product of its derivative and surprisal.

## Value

Returns a list with \$detailed per-frame and \$summary per-file results (see analyze for more information). Three measures are reported: loudness (in sone, as per getLoudness), the first derivative of loudness with respect to time (dLoudness), surprisal (non-negative), and suprisalLoudness (geometric mean of surprisal and dLoudness, treating negative values of dLoudnessas zero).

```
# A quick example
s = soundgen(nSyl = 2, sylLen = 50, pauseLen = 25, addSilence = 15)
surp = getSurprisal(s, samplingRate = 16000)
surp
```

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```
## Not run:
# A more meaningful example
sound = soundgen(nSyl = 5, sylLen = 150,
 pauseLen = c(50, 50, 50, 130), pitch = c(200, 150),
 noise = list(time = c(-300, 200), value = -20), plot = TRUE)
# playme(sound)
surp = getSurprisal(sound, samplingRate = 16000, yScale = 'bark')
# NB: surprisalLoudness contour is also log-transformed if yScale = 'log',
# so zeros become NAs
surp = getSurprisal(sound, samplingRate = 16000, yScale = 'log')
# add bells and whistles
surp = getSurprisal(sound, samplingRate = 16000,
 yScale = 'mel',
 osc = 'dB', # plot oscillogram in dB
 heights = c(2, 1), # spectro/osc height ratio
 brightness = -.1, # reduce brightness
 colorTheme = 'heat.colors', # pick color theme
 cex.lab = .75, cex.axis = .75, # text size and other base graphics pars
 ylim = c(0, 5), # always in kHz
 main = 'Audiogram with surprisal contour' # title
 # + axis labels, etc
surp = getSurprisal('~/Downloads/temp/', savePlots = '~/Downloads/temp/surp')
surp$summary
## End(Not run)
```

hillenbrand

Formants in American vowels

## **Description**

Typical relative frequencies of the first four formants measured in dF units (average spacing between formants, or formant dispersion) above or below schwa based on estimated VTL in American English, from Hillenbrand (1995), who measured F1-F4 in ~1.5K recordings (139 speakers, 12 vowels from each). Audio and formant measurements are freely available online: https://homepages.wmich.edu/~hillenbr/voweldata The dataset below is the result of modeling Hillenbrand's data with brms: mvbind(F1rel, F2rel) ~ vowel + (vowellspeaker). It shows the most credible location of each vowel centroid in the F1Rel-F2Rel space.

# Usage

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## **Format**

An object of class data. frame with 12 rows and 5 columns.

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## **Details**

A dataframe of 12 observations and 5 columns: "vowel" = vowel (American English), "F1Rel" to "F4Rel" = formant frequencies in dF relative to their neutral, equidistant positions in a perfectly cylindrical vocal tract. See schwa - this is what schwa() returns as \$ff\_relative\_dF

### References

Hillenbrand, J., Getty, L. A., Clark, M. J., & Wheeler, K. (1995). Acoustic characteristics of American English vowels. The Journal of the Acoustical society of America, 97(5), 3099-3111.

# Examples

```
plot(hillenbrand$F1Rel, hillenbrand$F2Rel, type = 'n')
text(hillenbrand$F1Rel, hillenbrand$F2Rel, labels = hillenbrand$vowel)
```

**HzToERB** 

Convert Hz to ERB rate

# **Description**

Converts from Hz to the number of Equivalent Rectangular Bandwidths (ERBs) below input frequency. See https://www2.ling.su.se/staff/hartmut/bark.htm and https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Equivalent\_rectangular\_bandwidths

# Usage

```
HzToERB(h, method = c("linear", "quadratic")[1])
```

# **Arguments**

```
h vector or matrix of frequencies (Hz)
method approximation to use
```

# See Also

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```
HzToERB(c(-20, 20, 100, 440, 1000, NA))

f = 20:20000
erb_lin = HzToERB(f, 'linear')
erb_quadratic = HzToERB(f, 'quadratic')
plot(f, erb_lin, log = 'x', type = 'l')
points(f, erb_quadratic, col = 'blue', type = 'l')

# compare with the bark scale:
barks = tuneR::hz2bark(f)
points(f, barks / max(barks) * max(erb_lin),
    col = 'red', type = 'l', lty = 2)
```

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HzToNotes

Convert Hz to notes

## Description

Converts from Hz to musical notation like A4 - note A of the fourth octave above C0 (16.35 Hz).

## Usage

```
HzToNotes(h, showCents = FALSE, A4 = 440)
```

# Arguments

h vector or matrix of frequencies (Hz)

showCents if TRUE, show cents to the nearest notes (cent = 1/100 of a semitone)

A4 frequency of note A in the fourth octave (modern standard ISO 16 or concert

pitch = 440 Hz)

### See Also

notesToHz HzToSemitones

# **Examples**

```
\label{eq:hzToNotes} \mbox{ HzToNotes}(\mbox{c}(440, 293, 115, 16.35, 4)) $$ HzToNotes(\mbox{c}(440, 415, 80, 81), showCents = TRUE) $$ # 80 Hz is almost exactly midway (+49 cents) between D#2 and E2 $$ # Baroque tuning A415, half a semitone flat relative to concert pitch A440 HzToNotes(\mbox{c}(440, 415, 16.35), A4 = 415) $$
```

HzToSemitones

Convert Hz to semitones

# **Description**

Converts from Hz to semitones above C-5 (~0.5109875 Hz) or another reference frequency. This may not seem very useful, but note that this gives us a nice logarithmic scale for generating natural pitch transitions.

```
HzToSemitones(h, ref = 0.5109875)
```

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# **Arguments**

```
h vector or matrix of frequencies (Hz)
ref frequency of the reference value (defaults to C-5, 0.51 Hz)
```

### See Also

```
semitonesToHz HzToNotes
```

## **Examples**

```
s = HzToSemitones(c(440, 293, 115))
# to convert to musical notation
notesDict$note[1 + round(s)]
# note the "1 +": semitones ABOVE C-5, i.e. notesDict[1, ] is C-5

# Any reference tone can be specified. For ex., for semitones above C0, use:
HzToSemitones(440, ref = 16.35)
# TIP: see notesDict for a table of Hz frequencies to musical notation
```

invertSpectrogram

Invert spectrogram

### **Description**

Transforms a spectrogram into a time series with inverse STFT. The problem is that an ordinary spectrogram preserves only the magnitude (modulus) of the complex STFT, while the phase is lost, and without phase it is impossible to reconstruct the original audio accurately. So there are a number of algorithms for "guessing" the phase that would produce an audio whose magnitude spectrogram is very similar to the target spectrogram. Useful for certain filtering operations that modify the magnitude spectrogram followed by inverse STFT, such as filtering in the spectrotemporal modulation domain.

```
invertSpectrogram(
   spec,
   samplingRate,
   windowLength,
   overlap,
   step = NULL,
   wn = "hanning",
   specType = c("abs", "log", "dB")[1],
   initialPhase = c("zero", "random", "spsi")[3],
   nIter = 50,
   normalize = TRUE,
   play = TRUE,
   verbose = FALSE,
   plotError = TRUE
)
```

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### **Arguments**

spec the spectrogram that is to be transform to a time series: numeric matrix with

frequency bins in rows and time frames in columns

samplingRate sampling rate of x (only needed if x is a numeric vector)

windowLength length of FFT window, ms

overlap overlap between successive FFT frames, %

step you can override overlap by specifying FFT step, ms (NB: because digital au-

dio is sampled at discrete time intervals of 1/samplingRate, the actual step and thus the time stamps of STFT frames may be slightly different, eg 24.98866

instead of 25.0 ms)

wn window type accepted by ftwindow, currently gaussian, hanning, hamming,

bartlett, rectangular, blackman, flattop

specType the scale of target spectroram: 'abs' = absolute, 'log' = log-transformed, 'dB' =

in decibels

initialPhase initial phase estimate: "zero" = set all phases to zero; "random" = Gaussian

noise; "spsi" (default) = single-pass spectrogram inversion (Beauregard et al.,

2015)

nIter the number of iterations of the GL algorithm (Griffin & Lim, 1984), 0 = don't

run

normalize if TRUE, normalizes the output to range from -1 to +1

play if TRUE, plays back the reconstructed audio

verbose if TRUE, prints estimated time left every 10% of GL iterations

plotError if TRUE, produces a scree plot of squared error over GL iterations (useful for

choosing 'nIter')

## **Details**

Algorithm: takes the spectrogram, makes an initial guess at the phase (zero, noise, or a more intelligent estimate by the SPSI algorithm), fine-tunes over 'nIter' iterations with the GL algorithm, reconstructs the complex spectrogram using the best phase estimate, and performs inverse STFT. The single-pass spectrogram inversion (SPSI) algorithm is implemented as described in Beauregard et al. (2015) following the python code at https://github.com/lonce/SPSI\_Python. The Griffin-Lim (GL) algorithm is based on Griffin & Lim (1984).

## Value

Returns the reconstructed audio as a numeric vector.

#### References

- Griffin, D., & Lim, J. (1984). Signal estimation from modified short-time Fourier transform. IEEE Transactions on Acoustics, Speech, and Signal Processing, 32(2), 236-243.
- Beauregard, G. T., Harish, M., & Wyse, L. (2015, July). Single pass spectrogram inversion.
   In 2015 IEEE International Conference on Digital Signal Processing (DSP) (pp. 427-431).
   IEEE.

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### See Also

spectrogram filterSoundByMS

## **Examples**

```
# Create a spectrogram
samplingRate = 16000
windowLength = 40
overlap = 75
wn = 'hanning'
s = soundgen(samplingRate = samplingRate, addSilence = 100)
spec = spectrogram(s, samplingRate = samplingRate,
 wn = wn, windowLength = windowLength, overlap = overlap,
 padWithSilence = FALSE, output = 'original')
# Invert the spectrogram, attempting to guess the phase
# Note that samplingRate, wn, windowLength, and overlap must be the same as
# in the original (ie you have to know how the spectrogram was created)
s_new = invertSpectrogram(spec, samplingRate = samplingRate,
 windowLength = windowLength, overlap = overlap, wn = wn,
 initialPhase = 'spsi', nIter = 10, specType = 'abs', play = FALSE)
## Not run:
# Verify the quality of audio reconstruction
# playme(s, samplingRate); playme(s_new, samplingRate)
spectrogram(s, samplingRate, osc = TRUE)
spectrogram(s_new, samplingRate, osc = TRUE)
## End(Not run)
```

matchPars

*Match soundgen pars (experimental)* 

# Description

Attempts to find settings for soundgen that will reproduce an existing sound. The principle is to mutate control parameters, trying to improve fit to target. The currently implemented optimization algorithm is simple hill climbing. Disclaimer: this function is experimental and may or may not work for particular tasks. It is intended as a supplement to - not replacement of - manual optimization. See vignette('sound\_generation', package = 'soundgen') for more information.

```
matchPars(
  target,
  samplingRate = NULL,
  pars = NULL,
  init = NULL,
```

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```
probMutation = 0.25,
stepVariance = 0.1,
maxIter = 50,
minExpectedDelta = 0.001,
compareSoundsPars = list(),
verbose = TRUE
)
```

## **Arguments**

target the sound we want to reproduce using soundgen: path to a .way file or numeric

vector

samplingRate sampling rate of target (only needed if target is a numeric vector, rather than a

.wav file)

pars arguments to soundgen that we are attempting to optimize

init a list of initial values for the optimized parameters pars and the values of other

arguments to soundgen that are fixed at non-default values (if any)

probMutation the probability of a parameter mutating per iteration stepVariance scale factor for calculating the size of mutations

maxIter maximum number of mutated sounds produced without improving the fit to tar-

get

minExpectedDelta

minimum improvement in fit to target required to accept the new sound candi-

date

compareSoundsPars

a list of control parameters passed to compareSounds

verbose if TRUE, plays back the accepted candidate at each iteration and reports the

outcome

#### Value

Returns a list of length 2: \$history contains the tried parameter values together with their fit to target (\$history\$sim), and \$pars contains a list of the final - hopefully the best - parameter settings.

modulationSpectrum

Modulation spectrum

## **Description**

Produces a modulation spectrum of waveform(s) or audio file(s), with temporal modulation along the X axis (Hz) and spectral modulation (1/KHz) along the Y axis. A good visual analogy is decomposing the spectrogram into a sum of ripples of various frequencies and directions. Roughness is calculated as the proportion of energy / amplitude of the modulation spectrum within roughRange of temporal modulation frequencies. The frequency of amplitude modulation (amMsFreq, Hz) is calculated as the highest peak in the smoothed AM function, and its purity (amMsPurity, dB) as the ratio of this peak to the median AM over amRange. For relatively short and steady sounds, set amRes = NULL and analyze the entire sound. For longer sounds and when roughness or AM vary over time, set amRes to get multiple measurements over time (see examples).

```
modulationSpectrum(
    x,
    samplingRate = NULL,
    scale = NULL,
    from = NULL,
    to = NULL,
    amRes = 5,
    maxDur = 5,
    logSpec = FALSE,
    windowLength = 15,
    step = NULL,
    overlap = 80,
    wn = "hanning",
    zp = 0,
    power = 1,
```

```
roughRange = c(30, 150),
  amRange = c(10, 200),
  returnMS = TRUE,
  returnComplex = FALSE,
  summaryFun = c("mean", "median", "sd"),
  averageMS = FALSE,
  reportEvery = NULL,
  cores = 1,
  plot = TRUE,
  savePlots = NULL,
  logWarp = NA,
  quantiles = c(0.5, 0.8, 0.9),
  kernelSize = 5,
  kernelSD = 0.5,
  colorTheme = c("bw", "seewave", "heat.colors", "...")[1],
  main = NULL,
  xlab = "Hz",
 ylab = "1/KHz",
 xlim = NULL,
 ylim = NULL,
 width = 900,
 height = 500,
  units = "px",
  res = NA,
)
```

### **Arguments**

x path to a folder, one or more way or mp3 files c('file1.way', 'file2.mp3'), Waye

object, numeric vector, or a list of Wave objects or numeric vectors

samplingRate sampling rate of x (only needed if x is a numeric vector)

scale maximum possible amplitude of input used for normalization of input vector

(only needed if x is a numeric vector)

from, to if NULL (default), analyzes the whole sound, otherwise from...to (s)

amRes target resolution of amplitude modulation, Hz. If NULL, the entire sound is an-

alyzed at once, resulting in a single roughness value (unless it is longer than maxDur, in which case it is analyzed in chunks maxDur s long). If amRes is set, roughness is calculated for windows ~1000/amRes ms long (but at least 3 STFT frames). amRes also affects the amount of smoothing when calculating

amMsFreq and amMsPurity

maxDur sounds longer than maxDur s are split into fragments, and the modulation spectra

of all fragments are averaged

logSpec if TRUE, the spectrogram is log-transformed prior to taking 2D FFT

windowLength length of FFT window, ms

step you can override overlap by specifying FFT step, ms (NB: because digital au-

dio is sampled at discrete time intervals of 1/samplingRate, the actual step and

thus the time stamps of STFT frames may be slightly different, eg 24.98866

instead of 25.0 ms)

overlap overlap between successive FFT frames, %

wn window type accepted by ftwindow, currently gaussian, hanning, hamming,

bartlett, rectangular, blackman, flattop

zp window length after zero padding, points

power raise modulation spectrum to this power (eg power =  $2 \text{ for } ^2$ , or "power spec-

trum")

roughRange the range of temporal modulation frequencies that constitute the "roughness"

zone, Hz

amRange the range of temporal modulation frequencies that we are interested in as "am-

plitude modulation" (AM), Hz

returnMS if FALSE, only roughness is returned (much faster)

returnComplex if TRUE, returns a complex modulation spectrum (without normalization and

warping)

summaryFun functions used to summarize each acoustic characteristic, eg "c('mean', 'sd')";

user-defined functions are fine (see examples); NAs are omitted automatically for mean/median/sd/min/max/range/sum, otherwise take care of NAs yourself

averageMS if TRUE, the modulation spectra of all inputs are averaged into a single output;

if FALSE, a separate MS is returned for each input

reportEvery when processing multiple inputs, report estimated time left every ... iterations

(NULL = default, NA = don't report)

cores number of cores for parallel processing

plot if TRUE, plots the modulation spectrum of each sound

savePlots if a valid path is specified, a plot is saved in this folder (defaults to NA)

logWarp the base of log for warping the modulation spectrum (ie log2 if logWarp = 2);

set to NULL or NA if you don't want to log-warp

quantiles labeled contour values, % (e.g., "50" marks regions that contain 50% of the sum

total of the entire modulation spectrum)

kernelSize the size of Gaussian kernel used for smoothing (1 = no smoothing)

kernelSD the SD of Gaussian kernel used for smoothing, relative to its size

colorTheme black and white ('bw'), as in seewave package ('seewave'), or any palette from

palette such as 'heat.colors', 'cm.colors', etc

xlab, ylab, main, xlim, ylim

graphical parameters

width, height, units, res

parameters passed to png if the plot is saved

.. other graphical parameters passed on to filled.contour.mod and contour

(see spectrogram)

### **Details**

Algorithm: prepare a spectrogram, take its logarithm (if logSpec = TRUE), center, perform a 2D Fourier transform (see also spectral::spec.fft()), take the upper half of the resulting symmetric matrix, and raise it to power. The result is returned as \$original. For plotting purposes, the modulation matrix can be smoothed with Gaussian blur (see gaussianSmooth2D) and log-warped (if logWarp is a positive number). This processed modulation spectrum is returned as \$processed. If the audio is long enough, multiple windows are analyzed, resulting in a vector of roughness values. For multiple inputs, such as a list of waveforms or path to a folder with audio files, the ensemble of modulation spectra can be interpolated to the same spectral and temporal resolution and averaged (if averageMS).

#### Value

Returns a list with the following components:

- \$original modulation spectrum prior to blurring and log-warping, but after squaring if power = TRUE, a matrix of nonnegative values. Rownames are spectral modulation frequencies (cycles/KHz), and colnames are temporal modulation frequencies (Hz).
- \$processed modulation spectrum after blurring and log-warping
- \$complex untransformed complex modulation spectrum (returned only if returnComplex = TRUE)
- \$roughness proportion of energy / amplitude of the modulation spectrum within roughRange of temporal modulation frequencies, % a vector if amRes is numeric and the sound is long enough, a single number otherwise
- \$amMsFreq frequency of the highest peak, within amRange, of the folded AM function (average AM across all FM bins for both negative and positive AM frequencies), where a peak is a local maximum over amRes Hz. Like roughness, amMsFreq and amMsPurity can be single numbers or vectors, depending on whether the sound is analyzed as a whole or in chunks
- \$amMsPurity ratio of the peak at amMsFreq to the median AM over amRange, dB
- \$summary dataframe with summaries of roughness, amMsFreq, and amMsPurity

### References

Singh, N. C., & Theunissen, F. E. (2003). Modulation spectra of natural sounds and ethological theories of auditory processing. The Journal of the Acoustical Society of America, 114(6), 3394-3411.

### See Also

```
spectrogram analyze
```

```
# White noise
ms = modulationSpectrum(runif(16000), samplingRate = 16000,
    logSpec = FALSE, power = TRUE,
    amRes = NULL) # analyze the entire sound, giving a single roughness value
str(ms)
```

```
# Harmonic sound
s = soundgen(amMsFreq = 25, amMsPurity = 50)
ms = modulationSpectrum(s, samplingRate = 16000, amRes = NULL)
ms[c('roughness', 'amMsFreq', 'amMsPurity')] # a single value for each
ms1 = modulationSpectrum(s, samplingRate = 16000, amRes = 5)
ms1[c('roughness', 'amMsFreq', 'amMsPurity')]
# measured over time (low values of amRes mean more precision, so we analyze
# longer segments and get fewer values per sound)
# Embellish
ms = modulationSpectrum(s, samplingRate = 16000,
  xlab = 'Temporal modulation, Hz', ylab = 'Spectral modulation, 1/KHz',
  colorTheme = 'heat.colors', main = 'Modulation spectrum', lty = 3)
## Not run:
# A long sound with varying AM and a bit of chaos at the end
s_{long} = soundgen(sylLen = 1500, pitch = c(250, 320, 280),
                  amMsFreq = c(30, 55), amMsPurity = c(20, 60, 40),
                  jitterDep = c(0, 0, 2))
playme(s_long)
ms = modulationSpectrum(s_long, 16000)
# plot AM over time
plot(x = seq(1, 1500, length.out = length(ms\$amMsFreq)), y = ms\$amMsFreq,
     cex = 10^(ms$amMsPurity/20) * 10, xlab = 'Time, ms', ylab = 'AM frequency, Hz')
# plot roughness over time
spectrogram(s_long, 16000, ylim = c(0, 4),
  extraContour = list(ms$roughness / max(ms$roughness) * 4000, col = 'blue'))
# As with spectrograms, there is a tradeoff in time-frequency resolution
s = soundgen(pitch = 500, amMsFreq = 50, amMsPurity = 100, samplingRate = 44100)
# playme(s, samplingRate = 44100)
ms = modulationSpectrum(s, samplingRate = 44100,
  windowLength = 50, step = 50, amRes = NULL) # poor temporal resolution
ms = modulationSpectrum(s, samplingRate = 44100,
  windowLength = 5, step = 1, amRes = NULL) # poor frequency resolution
ms = modulationSpectrum(s, samplingRate = 44100,
  windowLength = 15, step = 3, amRes = NULL) # a reasonable compromise
# customize the plot
ms = modulationSpectrum(s, samplingRate = 44100,
  windowLength = 15, overlap = 80, amRes = NULL,
  kernelSize = 17,  # more smoothing
  xlim = c(-70, 70), ylim = c(0, 4), # zoom in on the central region
  quantiles = c(.25, .5, .8), # customize contour lines
  colorTheme = 'heat.colors', # alternative palette
                               # ^2
  power = 2)
\# Note the peaks at FM = 2/KHz (from "pitch = 500") and AM = 50 Hz (from
# "amMsFreq = 50")
# Input can be a wav/mp3 file
ms = modulationSpectrum('~/Downloads/temp/200_ut_fear-bungee_11.wav')
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# Input can be path to folder with audio files. Each file is processed
# separately, and the output can contain an MS per file...
ms1 = modulationSpectrum('~/Downloads/temp', kernelSize = 11,
                         plot = FALSE, averageMS = FALSE)
ms1$summary
names(ms1$original) # a separate MS per file
# ...or a single MS can be calculated:
ms2 = modulationSpectrum('~/Downloads/temp', kernelSize = 11,
                         plot = FALSE, averageMS = TRUE)
image(t(ms2$original))
ms2$summary
# Input can also be a list of waveforms (numeric vectors)
ss = vector('list', 10)
for (i in 1:length(ss)) {
  ss[[i]] = soundgen(sylLen = runif(1, 100, 1000), temperature = .4,
    pitch = runif(3, 400, 600))
}
# lapply(ss, playme)
# MS of the first sound
ms1 = modulationSpectrum(ss[[1]], samplingRate = 16000, scale = 1)
# average MS of all 10 sounds
ms2 = modulationSpectrum(ss, samplingRate = 16000, scale = 1, averageMS = TRUE)
# A sound with ~3 syllables per second and only downsweeps in F0 contour
s = soundgen(nSyl = 8, sylLen = 200, pauseLen = 100, pitch = c(300, 200))
# playme(s)
ms = modulationSpectrum(s, samplingRate = 16000, maxDur = .5,
  xlim = c(-25, 25), colorTheme = 'seewave',
  power = 2)
# note the asymmetry b/c of downsweeps
# "power = 2" returns squared modulation spectrum - note that this affects
# the roughness measure!
ms$roughness
# compare:
modulationSpectrum(s, samplingRate = 16000, maxDur = .5,
  xlim = c(-25, 25), colorTheme = 'seewave', logWarp = NULL,
  power = 1)$roughness # much higher roughness
# Plotting with or without log-warping the modulation spectrum:
ms = modulationSpectrum(soundgen(), samplingRate = 16000,
  logWarp = NA, plot = TRUE)
ms = modulationSpectrum(soundgen(), samplingRate = 16000,
  logWarp = 2, plot = TRUE)
# logWarp and kernelSize have no effect on roughness
# because it is calculated before these transforms:
modulationSpectrum(s, samplingRate = 16000, logWarp = 5)$roughness
modulationSpectrum(s, samplingRate = 16000, logWarp = NA)$roughness
modulationSpectrum(s, samplingRate = 16000, kernelSize = 17)$roughness
# Log-transform the spectrogram prior to 2D FFT (affects roughness):
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Morph sounds

# **Description**

Takes two formulas for synthesizing two target sounds with soundgen and produces a number of intermediate forms (morphs), attempting to go from one target sound to the other in a specified number of equal steps. Normally you will want to set temperature very low; the tempEffects argument is not supported.

# Usage

```
morph(
  formula1,
  formula2,
  nMorphs,
  playMorphs = TRUE,
  savePath = NA,
  samplingRate = 16000
)
```

## Arguments

formula1, formula2

lists of parameters for calling soundgen that produce the two target sounds between which morphing will occur. Character strings containing the full call to

soundgen are also accepted (see examples)

nMorphs the number of morphs to produce, including target sounds

playMorphs if TRUE, the morphs will be played

savePath if it is the path to an existing directory, morphs will be saved there as individual

.wav files (defaults to NA)

samplingRate sampling rate of output, Hz. NB: overrides the values in formula1 and formula2

### Value

A list of two sublists (\$formulas and \$sounds), each of length nMorphs. For ex., the formula for the second hybrid is m\$formulas[[2]], and the waveform is m\$sounds[[2]]

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## See Also

soundgen

```
# write two formulas or copy-paste them from soundgen_app() or presets:
playback = c(TRUE, FALSE)[2]
# [a] to barking
m = morph(formula1 = list(repeatBout = 2),
          # equivalently: formula1 = 'soundgen(repeatBout = 2)',
          formula2 = presets$Misc$Dog_bark,
          nMorphs = 5, playMorphs = playback)
 # use $formulas to access formulas for each morph, $sounds for waveforms
 # m$formulas[[4]]
 # playme(m$sounds[[3]])
## Not run:
# morph intonation and vowel quality
m = morph(
  'soundgen(pitch = c(300, 250, 400),
            formants = c(350, 2900, 3600, 4700))',
  'soundgen(pitch = c(300, 700, 500, 300),
            formants = c(800, 1250, 3100, 4500))',
 nMorphs = 5, playMorphs = playback
)
# from a grunt of disgust to a moan of pleasure
 formula1 = 'soundgen(sylLen = 180, pitch = c(160, 160, 120), rolloff = -12,
   nonlinBalance = 70, subDep = 15, jitterDep = 2,
    formants = c(550, 1200, 2100, 4300, 4700, 6500, 7300),
   noise = data.frame(time = c(0, 180, 270), value = c(-25, -25, -40)),
    rolloffNoise = 0)',
  formula2 = 'soundgen(sylLen = 320, pitch = c(340, 330, 300),
    rolloff = c(-18, -16, -30), ampl = c(0, -10), formants = c(950, 1700, 3700),
   noise = data.frame(time = c(0, 300, 440), value = c(-35, -25, -65)),
   mouth = c(.4, .5), rolloffNoise = -5, attackLen = 30)',
 nMorphs = 8, playMorphs = playback
)
# from scream_010 to moan_515b
# (see online demos at http://cogsci.se/soundgen/humans/humans.html)
m = morph(
 formula1 = "soundgen(
    syllen = 490,
   pitch = list(time = c(0, 80, 250, 370, 490),
   value = c(1000, 2900, 3200, 2900, 1000)),
    rolloff = c(-5, 0, -25), rolloffKHz = 0,
    temperature = 0.001,
    jitterDep = c(.5, 1, 0), shimmerDep = c(5, 15, 0),
    formants = c(1100, 2300, 3100, 4000, 5300, 6200),
   mouth = c(.3, .5, .6, .5, .3))",
```

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```
formula2 = "soundgen(sylLen = 520,
    pitch = c(300, 310, 300),
    ampl = c(0, -30),
    temperature = 0.001, rolloff = c(-18, -25),
    jitterDep = .05, shimmerDep = 2,
    formants = list(f1 = c(700, 900),
        f2 = c(1600, 1400),
        f3 = c(3600, 3500), f4 = c(4300, 4200)),
    mouth = c(.5, .3),
    noise = data.frame(time = c(0, 400, 660),
    value = c(-20, -10, -60)),
    rolloffNoise = c(-5, -15))",
nMorphs = 5, playMorphs = playback
)
## End(Not run)
```

msToSpec

Modulation spectrum to spectrogram

### **Description**

Takes a complex MS and transforms it to a complex spectrogram with proper row (frequency) and column (time) labels.

# Usage

```
msToSpec(ms, windowLength = NULL, step = NULL)
```

### **Arguments**

ms target modulation spectrum (matrix of complex numbers)

windowLength length of FFT window, ms

step you can override overlap by specifying FFT step, ms (NB: because digital au-

dio is sampled at discrete time intervals of 1/samplingRate, the actual step and thus the time stamps of STFT frames may be slightly different, eg 24.98866

instead of 25.0 ms)

### Value

Returns a spectrogram - a numeric matrix of complex numbers of the same dimensions as ms.

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```
z = t(log(abs(ms))), xlab = 'Amplitude modulation, Hz',
    ylab = 'Frequency modulation, cycles/kHz')
spec_new = msToSpec(ms)
image(x = as.numeric(colnames(spec_new)), y = as.numeric(rownames(spec_new)),
    z = t(log(abs(spec_new))), xlab = 'Time, ms',
    ylab = 'Frequency, kHz')
```

normalizeFolder

Normalize folder

# **Description**

Normalizes the amplitude of all wav/mp3 files in a folder based on their peak or RMS amplitude or subjective loudness. This is good for playback experiments, which require that all sounds should have similar intensity or loudness.

# Usage

```
normalizeFolder(
  myfolder,
  type = c("peak", "rms", "loudness")[1],
  maxAmp = 0,
  summaryFun = "mean",
  windowLength = 50,
  step = NULL,
  overlap = 70,
  killDC = FALSE,
  windowDC = 200,
  saveAudio = NULL,
  reportEvery = NULL
)
```

## **Arguments**

myfolder	full path to folder containing input audio files
type	normalize so the output files has the same peak amplitude ('peak'), root mean square amplitude ('rms'), or subjective loudness in sone ('loudness')
maxAmp	maximum amplitude in dB (0 = max possible, $-10 = 10$ dB below max possible, etc.)
summaryFun	should the output files have the same mean / median / max etc rms amplitude or loudness? (summaryFun has no effect if type = 'peak')
windowLength	length of FFT window, ms
step	you can override overlap by specifying FFT step, ms (NB: because digital audio is sampled at discrete time intervals of 1/samplingRate, the actual step and thus the time stamps of STFT frames may be slightly different, eg 24.98866 instead of 25.0 ms)

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overlap overlap between successive FFT frames, % killDC if TRUE, removed DC offset (see also flatEnv) windowDC the window for calculating DC offset, ms

saveAudio full path to where the normalized files should be saved (defaults to 'myfolder/normalized')

reportEvery when processing multiple inputs, report estimated time left every ... iterations

(NULL = default, NA = don't report)

### **Details**

Algorithm: first all files are rescaled to have the same peak amplitude of maxAmp dB. If type = 'peak', the process ends here. If type = 'rms', there are two additional steps. First the original RMS amplitude of all files is calculated per frame by getRMS. The "quietest" sound with the lowest summary RMS value is not modified, so its peak amplitude remains maxAmp dB. All the remaining sounds are rescaled linearly, so that their summary RMS values becomes the same as that of the "quietest" sound, and their peak amplitudes become smaller, <maxAmp. Finally, if type = 'loudness', the subjective loudness of each sound is estimated by getLoudness, which assumes frequency sensitivity typical of human hearing. The following normalization procedure is similar to that for type = 'rms'.

### See Also

getRMS analyze getLoudness

## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
# put a few short audio files in a folder, eg '~/Downloads/temp'
getRMS('~/Downloads/temp2', summaryFun = 'mean')$summary # different
normalizeFolder('~/Downloads/temp2', type = 'rms', summaryFun = 'mean',
    saveAudio = '~/Downloads/temp2/normalized')
getRMS('~/Downloads/temp2/normalized', summaryFun = 'mean')$summary # same
# If the saved audio files are treated as stereo with one channel missing,
# try reconverting with ffmpeg (saving is handled by tuneR::writeWave)
## End(Not run)
```

notesDict

Conversion table from Hz to musical notation

### **Description**

A dataframe of 192 rows and 2 columns: "note" and "freq" (Hz). Range: C-5 (0.51 Hz) to B10 (31608.53 Hz)

## Usage

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### **Format**

An object of class data. frame with 192 rows and 2 columns.

notesToHz

Convert notes to Hz.

# **Description**

Converts to Hz from musical notation like A4 - note A of the fourth octave above C0 (16.35 Hz).

## Usage

```
notesToHz(n, A4 = 440)
```

## **Arguments**

n vector or matrix of notes

A4 frequency of note A in the fourth octave (modern standard ISO 16 or concert

pitch = 440 Hz)

### See Also

HzToNotes HzToSemitones

### **Examples**

```
notesToHz(c("A4", "D4", "A#2", "C0", "C-2"))

# Baroque tuning A415, half a semitone flat relative to concert pitch A440
notesToHz(c("A4", "D4", "A#2", "C0", "C-2"), A4 = 415)
```

optimizePars

Optimize parameters for acoustic analysis

# Description

This customized wrapper for optim attempts to optimize the parameters of segment or analyze by comparing the results with a manually annotated "key". This optimization function uses a single measurement per audio file (e.g., median pitch or the number of syllables). For other purposes, you may want to adapt the optimization function so that the key specifies the exact timing of syllables, their median length, frame-by-frame pitch values, or any other characteristic that you want to optimize for. The general idea remains the same, however: we want to tune function parameters to fit our type of audio and research priorities. The default settings of segment and analyze have been optimized for human non-linguistic vocalizations.

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# Usage

```
optimizePars(
  myfolder,
  key,
 myfun,
 pars,
  bounds = NULL,
  fitnessPar,
  fitnessFun = function(x) 1 - cor(x, key, use = "pairwise.complete.obs"),
  nIter = 10,
  init = NULL,
  initSD = 0.2,
  control = list(maxit = 50, reltol = 0.01, trace = 0),
  otherPars = list(plot = FALSE),
 mygrid = NULL,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

# **Arguments**

mygrid

verbose

myfolder	path to where the .wav files live
key	a vector containing the "correct" measurement that we are aiming to reproduce
myfun	the function being optimized: either 'segment' or 'analyze' (in quotes)
pars	names of arguments to myfun that should be optimized
bounds	a list setting the lower and upper boundaries for possible values of optimized parameters. For ex., if we optimize smooth and smoothOverlap, reasonable bounds might be list(low = $c(5,0)$ , high = $c(500,95)$ )
fitnessPar	the name of output variable that we are comparing with the key, e.g. 'nBursts' or 'pitch_median'
fitnessFun	the function used to evaluate how well the output of myfun fits the key. Defaults to 1 - Pearson's correlation (i.e. 0 is perfect fit, 1 is awful fit). For pitch, log scale is more meaningful, so a good fitness criterion is "function(x) 1 - $cor(log(x), log(key), use = 'pairwise.complete.obs')$ "
nIter	repeat the optimization several times to check convergence
init	initial values of optimized parameters (if NULL, the default values are taken from the definition of myfun)
initSD	each optimization begins with a random seed, and initSD specifies the SD of normal distribution used to generate random deviation of initial values from the defaults
control	a list of control parameters passed on to $\operatorname{optim}$ . The method used is "Nelder-Mead"
otherPars	a list of additional arguments to myfun

a dataframe with one column per parameter to optimize, with each row spec-

ifying the values to try. If not NULL, optimizePars simply evaluates each

combination of parameter values, without calling optim (see examples)

if TRUE, reports the values of parameters evaluated and fitness

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### **Details**

If your sounds are very different from human non-linguistic vocalizations, you may want to change the default values of other arguments to speed up convergence. Adapt the code to enforce suitable constraints, depending on your data.

#### Value

Returns a matrix with one row per iteration with fitness in the first column and the best values of each of the optimized parameters in the remaining columns.

```
## Not run:
# Download 260 sounds from the supplements in Anikin & Persson (2017)
# - see http://cogsci.se/publications.html
# Unzip them into a folder, say '~/Downloads/temp'
myfolder = '~/Downloads/temp260' # 260 .wav files live here
# Optimization of SEGMENTATION
# Import manual counts of syllables in 260 sounds from
# Anikin & Persson (2017) (our "key")
key = segmentManual # a vector of 260 integers
# Run optimization loop several times with random initial values
# to check convergence
# NB: with 260 sounds and default settings, this might take ~20 min per iteration!
res = optimizePars(myfolder = myfolder, myfun = 'segment', key = key,
  pars = c('shortestSyl', 'shortestPause'),
  fitnessPar = 'nBursts', otherPars = list(method = 'env'),
  nIter = 3, control = list(maxit = 50, reltol = .01, trace = 0))
# Examine the results
print(res)
for (c in 2:ncol(res)) {
  plot(res[, c], res[, 1], main = colnames(res)[c])
pars = as.list(res[1, 2:ncol(res)]) # top candidate (best pars)
s = do.call(segment, c(myfolder, pars)) # segment with best pars
cor(key, as.numeric(s[, fitnessPar]))
boxplot(as.numeric(s[, fitnessPar]) ~ as.integer(key), xlab='key')
abline(a=0, b=1, col='red')
# Try a grid with particular parameter values instead of formal optimization
res = optimizePars(myfolder = myfolder, myfun = 'segment', key = segmentManual,
  pars = c('shortestSyl', 'shortestPause'),
  fitnessPar = 'nBursts', otherPars = list(method = 'env'),
  mygrid = expand.grid(shortestSyl = c(30, 40),
                       shortestPause = c(30, 40, 50))
1 - res$fit # correlations with key
# Optimization of PITCH TRACKING (takes several hours!)
key = as.numeric(log(pitchManual))
```

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osc

Oscillogram

## Description

Plots the oscillogram (waveform) of a sound on a linear or logarithmic scale (in dB). To get a dB scale, centers and normalizes the sound, then takes a logarithm of the positive part and a flipped negative part, which is analogous to "Waveform (dB)" view in Audacity. For more plotting options, check oscillo.

```
osc(
  Х,
  samplingRate = NULL,
  scale = NULL,
  from = NULL,
  to = NULL,
  dynamicRange = 80,
  dB = FALSE,
  returnWave = FALSE,
  reportEvery = NULL,
  cores = 1,
  plot = TRUE,
  savePlots = NULL,
  main = NULL,
  xlab = NULL,
  ylab = NULL,
  ylim = NULL,
  bty = "n",
  midline = TRUE,
```

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```
maxPoints = 10000,
width = 900,
height = 500,
units = "px",
res = NA,
...
```

# Arguments

path to a folder, one or more way or mp3 files c('file1.way', 'file2.mp3'), Waye

object, numeric vector, or a list of Wave objects or numeric vectors

samplingRate sampling rate of x (only needed if x is a numeric vector)

scale maximum possible amplitude of input used for normalization of input vector

(only needed if x is a numeric vector)

from, to if NULL (default), analyzes the whole sound, otherwise from...to (s)

dynamic Range dynamic range, dB. All values more than one dynamic Range under maximum

are treated as zero

dB if TRUE, plots on a dB instead of linear scale

returnWave if TRUE, returns a log-transformed waveform as a numeric vector

reportEvery when processing multiple inputs, report estimated time left every ... iterations

(NULL = default, NA = don't report)

cores number of cores for parallel processing

plot if TRUE, plots the oscillogram

savePlots full path to the folder in which to save the plots (NULL = don't save, " = same

folder as audio)

main plot title xlab, ylab axis labels

ylim override default amplitude scale for non-centered sounds

box type (see '?par')

midline if TRUE, draws a line at 0 dB

maxPoints the maximum number of points to plot (speeds up the plotting of long audio

files, but beware of antialiasing)

width, height, units, res

graphical parameters for saving plots passed to png

... Other graphical parameters passed on to 'plot()'

## Value

If returnWave = TRUE, returns the input waveform on the original or dB scale: a vector with range from '-dynamicRange' to 'dynamicRange'.

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# **Examples**

```
sound = sin(1:2000/10) *
        getSmoothContour(anchors = c(1, .01, .5), len = 2000)
# Oscillogram on a linear scale without bells and whistles, just base R
plot(sound, type = 'l')
# Oscillogram options with soundgen
osc(sound)
              # linear
osc(sound, dB = TRUE) # dB
# For numeric vectors, indicate samplingRate and scale (max amplitude)
osc(sound, samplingRate = 1000, scale = 100, dB = TRUE)
# Embellish and customize the plot
o = osc(sound, samplingRate = 1000, dB = TRUE, midline = FALSE,
       main = 'My waveform', col = 'blue', returnWave = TRUE)
abline(h = -80, col = 'orange', lty = 3)
o[1:10] # the waveform in dB
## Not run:
# Wave object
data(sheep, package = 'seewave')
osc(sheep, dB = TRUE)
# for long files, reduce the resolution to plot quickly (careful: if the
# resolution is too low, antialiasing may cause artifacts)
osc(sheep, dB = TRUE, maxPoints = 2500)
osc(sound, samplingRate = 5000, maxPoints = 100)
# files several minutes long can be plotted in under a second
osc('~/Downloads/speechEx.wav', maxPoints = 20000)
# saves oscillograms of all audio files in a folder
osc('~/Downloads/temp2', savePlots = '')
## End(Not run)
```

permittedValues

Defaults and ranges for soundgen()

# **Description**

A dataset containing defaults and ranges of key variables for soundgen() and soundgen\_app(). Adjust as needed.

## Usage

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## **Format**

A matrix with 58 rows and 4 columns:

default default value
low lowest permitted value
high highest permitted value
step increment for adjustment ...

pitchContour

Manually corrected pitch contours in 260 sounds

# **Description**

A dataframe of 260 rows and two columns: "file" for filename in the corpus (Anikin & Persson, 2017) and "pitch" for pitch values per frame. The corpus can be downloaded from http://cogsci.se/publications.html

# Usage

pitchContour

## **Format**

An object of class data. frame with 260 rows and 2 columns.

pitchDescriptives

Pitch descriptives

## **Description**

Provides common descriptives of time series such as pitch contours, including measures of average / range / variability / slope / inflections etc. Several degrees of smoothing can be applied consecutively. The summaries are produced on the original and log-transformed scales, so this is meant to be used on frequency-related variables in Hz.

```
pitchDescriptives(
    x,
    step = NULL,
    timeUnit,
    smoothBW = c(NA, 10, 1),
    inflThres = 0.2,
    extraSummaryFun = c(),
    ref = 16.35,
    plot = FALSE
)
```

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#### **Arguments**

x input: numeric vector, a list of time stamps and values in rows, a dataframe

with one row per file and time/pitch values stored as characters (as exported by pitch\_app), or path to csv file containing the output of pitch\_app or analyze

step distance between values in s (only needed if input is a vector)

timeUnit specify whether the time stamps (if any) are in ms or s

smoothBW a vector of bandwidths (Hz) for consecutive smoothing of input using pitchSmoothPraat;

NA = no smoothing

inflThres minimum difference (in semitones) between consecutive extrema to consider

them inflections; to apply a different threshold at each smoothing level, provide inflThres as a vector of the same length as smoothBW; NA = no threshold

extraSummaryFun

additional summary function(s) that take a numeric vector with some NAs and

return a single number, eg c('myFun1', 'myFun2')

ref reference value for transforming Hz to semitones, defaults to C0 (16.35 Hz)

plot if TRUE, plots the inflections for manual verification

#### Value

Returns a dataframe with columns containing summaries of one or multiple inputs (one input per row). The descriptives are as follows:

duration total duration, s

durDefined duration after omitting leading and trailing NAs

**propDefined** proportion of input with non-NA value, eg proportion of voiced frames if the input is pitch

**start, start\_oct, end, end\_oct** the first and last values on the original scale and in octaves above C0 (16.3516 Hz)

mean, median, max, min average and extreme values on the original scale

mean\_oct, median\_oct, min\_oct, max\_oct same in octaves above C0

time\_max, time\_min the location of minimum and maximum relative to durDefined, 0 to 1

range, range\_sem, sd, sd\_sem range and standard deviation on the original scale and in semitones

**CV** coefficient of variation = sd/mean (provided for historical reasons)

meanSlope, meanSlope\_sem mean slope in Hz/s or semitones/s (NB: does not depend on duration or missing values)

**meanAbsSlope, meanAbsSlope\_sem** mean absolute slope (modulus, ie rising and falling sections no longer cancel out)

maxAbsSlope, maxAbsSlope\_sem the steepest slope

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```
x = c(NA, NA, 405, 441, 459, 459, 460, 462, 462, 458, 458, 445, 458, 451,
NA, 183, 677, 677, 846, 883, 886, 924, 938, 883, 946, 846, 911, 826, 826,
307, 368, 377, 383, 383, 383, 380, 377, 377, 374, 374, 375, 375, 375,
375, 368, 371, 374, 375, 361, 375, 389, 375, 375, 375, 375, 375, 314, 169,
375, 375, 375, 389, 403, 389, 389, 375, 375, 389, 375, 348, 361, 375, 348,
348, 361, 348, 342, 361, 361, 361, 365, 365, 361, 966, 966, 966, 959, 959,
946, 1021, 1021, 1026, 1086, 1131, 1131, 1146, 1130, 1172, 1240, 1172, 1117,
1103, 1026, 1026, 966, 919, 946, 882, 832, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA, NA,
NA, NA)
plot(x, type = 'b')
ci95 = function(x) diff(quantile(na.omit(x), probs = c(.025, .975)))
pd = pitchDescriptives(
 x, step = .025, timeUnit = 's',
 smoothBW = c(NA, 10, 1), # original + smoothed at 10 Hz and 1 Hz
 inflThres = c(NA, .2, .2), # different for each level of smoothing
 extraSummaryFun = 'ci95', # user-defined, here 95% coverage interval
 plot = TRUE
pd
## Not run:
# a single file
data(sheep, package = 'seewave')
a = analyze(sheep)
pd1 = pitchDescriptives(a$detailed[, c('time', 'pitch')],
                     timeUnit = 'ms', inflThres = NA, plot = TRUE)
pd2 = pitchDescriptives(a$detailed[, c('time', 'pitch')],
                     timeUnit = 'ms', inflThres = c(0.1, 0.1, .5), plot = TRUE)
# multiple files returned by analyze()
an = analyze('~/Downloads/temp')
pd = pitchDescriptives(an$detailed, timeUnit = 'ms')
# multiple files returned by pitch_app()
pd = pitchDescriptives(
 '~/Downloads/pitch_manual_1708.csv',
 timeUnit = 'ms', smoothBW = c(NA, 2), inflThres = .25)
# a single file, exported from Praat
par(mfrow = c(3, 1))
pd = pitchDescriptives(
  '~/Downloads/F-Hin-Om_jana.wav_F0contour.txt',
 timeUnit = 's', smoothBW = c(NA, 25, 2), inflThres = .25, plot = TRUE)
par(mfrow = c(1, 1))
## End(Not run)
```

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## **Description**

A vector of manually verified pitch values per sound in the corpus of 590 human non-linguistic emotional vocalizations from Anikin & Persson (2017). The corpus can be downloaded from http://cogsci.se/publications.html

### Usage

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### **Format**

An object of class numeric of length 260.

pitchSmoothPraat Pitch smoothing as in Praat
--

# Description

Smoothes an intonation (pitch) contour with a low-pass filter, as in Praat (http://www.fon.hum.uva.nl/praat/). Algorithm: interpolates missing values (unvoiced frames), performs FFT to obtain the spectrum, multiplies by a Gaussian filter, performs an inverse FFT, and fills the missing values back in. The bandwidth parameter is about half the cutoff frequency (ie some frequencies will still be present up to ~2 \* bandwidth)

#### Usage

```
pitchSmoothPraat(pitch, bandwidth, samplingRate, plot = FALSE)
```

# **Arguments**

pitch numeric vector of pitch values (NA = unvoiced)

bandwidth the bandwidth of low-pass filter, Hz (high = less smoothing, close to zero = more

smoothing)

samplingRate the number of pitch values per second

plot if TRUE, plots the original and smoothed pitch contours

### See Also

analyze

pitch\_app

#### **Examples**

pitch\_app

Interactive pitch tracker

## Description

Starts a shiny app for manually editing pitch contours. The settings in the panels on the left correspond to arguments to analyze - see '?analyze' and the vignette on acoustic analysis for help and examples. You can verify the pitch contours first, and then feed them back into analyze (see examples).

#### Usage

```
pitch_app()
```

## Value

The app produces a .csv file with one row per audio file. Apart from the usual descriptives from analyze(), there are two additional columns: "time" with time stamps (the midpoint of each STFT frame, ms) and "pitch" with the manually corrected pitch values for each frame (Hz). To process pitch contours further in R, do something like:

```
a = read.csv('~/Downloads/output.csv', stringsAsFactors = FALSE)
pitch = as.numeric(unlist(strsplit(a$pitch, ',')))
mean(pitch, na.rm = TRUE); sd(pitch, na.rm = TRUE)
```

#### Suggested workflow

Start by setting the basic analysis settings such as pitchFloor, pitchCeiling, silence, etc. Then click "Load audio" to upload one or several audio files (wav/mp3). Long files will be very slow, so please cut your audio into manageable chunks (ideally <10 s). If Shiny complains that maximum upload size is exceeded, you can increase it, say to 30 MB, with 'options(shiny.maxRequestSize = 30 \* 1024^2)'. Once the audio has been uploaded to the browser, fine-tune the analysis settings as

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needed, edit the pitch contour in the first file to your satisfaction, then click "Next" to proceed to the next file, etc. Remember that setting a reasonable prior is often faster than adjusting the contour one anchor at a time. When done, click "Save results". If working with many files, you might want to save the results occasionally in case the app crashes (although you should still be able to recover your data if it does - see below).

#### How to edit pitch contours

Left-click to add a new anchor, double-click to remove it or unvoice the frame. Each time you make a change, the entire pitch contour is re-fit, so making a change in one frame can affect the path through candidates in adjacent frames. You can control this behavior by changing the settings in Out/Path and Out/Smoothing. If correctly configured, the app corrects the contour with only a few manual values - you shouldn't need to manually edit every single frame. For longer files, you can zoom in/out and navigate within the file. You can also select a region to voice/unvoice or shift it as a whole or to set a prior based on selected frequency range.

### Recovering lost data

Every time you click "next" or "last" to move in between files in the queue, the output you've got so far is saved in a backup file called "temp.csv". If the app crashes or is closed without saving the results, this backup file preserves your data. To recover it, access this file manually on disk or simply restart pitch\_app() - a dialog box will pop up and ask whether you wank to append the old data to the new one. Path to backup file: "[R\_installation\_folder]/soundgen/shiny/pitch\_app/www/temp.csv", for example, "/home/allgoodguys/R/x86\_64-pc-linux-gnu-library/3.6/soundgen/shiny/pitch\_app/www/temp.csv"

#### See Also

```
formant_app
```

```
## Not run:
# Recommended workflow for analyzing a lot of short audio files
path_to_audio = '~/Downloads/temp' # our audio lives here
# STEP 1: extract manually corrected pitch contours
pitch_app() # runs in default browser such as Firefox or Chrome
# To change system default browser, run something like:
options('browser' = '/usr/bin/firefox') # path to the executable on Linux
df1 = read.csv('~/Downloads/output.csv') # saved output from pitch_app()
# STEP 2: run analyze() with manually corrected pitch contours to obtain
accurate descriptives like the proportion of energy in harmonics above f0,
etc. This also gives you formants and loudness estimates (disabled in
pitch_app to speed things up)
df2 = analyze(path_to_audio,
 pitchMethods = 'autocor', # only needed for HNR
 nFormants = 5,
                  # now we can measure formants as well
 pitchManual = df1
                       # df1 contains our manually corrected contours
# STEP 3: add other acoustic descriptors, for ex.
df3 = segment(path_to_audio)
```

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```
# STEP 4: merge df2, df3, df4, ... in R or a spreadsheet editor to have all
acoustic descriptives together
## End(Not run)
```

playme

Play audio

## **Description**

Plays one or more sounds: wav/mp3 file(s), Wave objects, or numeric vectors. This is a simple wrapper for the functionality provided by play. Recommended players on Linux: "play" from the "vox" library (default), "aplay".

## **Usage**

```
playme(x, samplingRate = 16000, player = NULL, from = NULL, to = NULL)
```

### **Arguments**

path to a folder, one or more way or mp3 files c('file1.way', 'file2.mp3'), Wave Χ object, numeric vector, or a list of Wave objects or numeric vectors samplingRate sampling rate of x (only needed if x is a numeric vector) the name of player to use, eg "aplay", "play", "vlc", etc. Defaults to "play" on player Linux, "afplay" on MacOS, and tuneR default on Windows. In case of errors, try setting another default player for play play a selected time range (s)

# **Examples**

from, to

```
## Not run:
# Play an audio file:
playme('pathToMyAudio/audio.wav')
# Create and play a numeric vector:
f0_{Hz} = 440
sound = sin(2 * pi * f0_Hz * (1:16000) / 16000)
playme(sound, 16000)
playme(sound, 16000, from = .1, to = .5) # play from 100 to 500 ms
# In case of errors, look into tuneR::play(). For ex., you might need to
# specify which player to use:
playme(sound, 16000, player = 'aplay')
# To avoid doing it all the time, set the default player:
tuneR::setWavPlayer('aplay')
playme(sound, 16000) # should now work without specifying the player
## End(Not run)
```

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Presets

## **Description**

A library of presets for easy generation of a few nice sounds.

## Usage

presets

#### **Format**

A list of length 4.

prosody

Prosody

### **Description**

Exaggerates or flattens the intonation by performing a dynamic pitch shift, changing pitch excursion from its original median value without changing the formants. This is a particular case of pitch shifting, which is performed with shiftPitch. The result is likely to be improved if manually corrected pitch contours are provided. Depending on the nature of audio, the settings that control pitch shifting may also need to be fine-tuned with the shiftPitch\_pars argument.

## Usage

```
prosody(
  samplingRate = NULL,
 multProsody,
  analyze_pars = list(),
  shiftPitch_pars = list(),
  pitchManual = NULL,
  play = FALSE,
  saveAudio = NULL,
  reportEvery = NULL,
  cores = 1,
  plot = FALSE,
  savePlots = NULL,
  width = 900,
  height = 500,
  units = "px",
  res = NA,
)
```

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### **Arguments**

X	path to a folder, one or more way or mp3 files c('file1.way', 'file2.mp3'), Wave object, numeric vector, or a list of Wave objects or numeric vectors	
samplingRate	sampling rate of x (only needed if x is a numeric vector)	
multProsody	multiplier of pitch excursion from median (on a logarithmic or musical scale): $>1$ = exaggerate intonation, 1 = no change, $<1$ = flatten, 0 = completely flat at the original median pitch	
analyze_pars	a list of parameters to pass to analyze (only needed if pitchManual is NULL - that is, if we attempt to track pitch automatically)	
shiftPitch_pars	S	
	a list of parameters to pass to shiftPitch to fine-tune the pitch-shifting algorithm	
pitchManual	manually corrected pitch contour. For a single sound, provide a numeric vector of any length. For multiple sounds, provide a dataframe with columns "file" and "pitch" (or path to a csv file) as returned by pitch_app, ideally with the same windowLength and step as in current call to analyze. A named list with pitch vectors per file is also OK	
play	if TRUE, plays the processed audio	
saveAudio	full (!) path to folder for saving the processed audio; NULL = don't save, " = same as input folder (NB: overwrites the originals!)	
reportEvery	when processing multiple inputs, report estimated time left every $\dots$ iterations (NULL = default, NA = don't report)	
cores	number of cores for parallel processing	
plot	should a spectrogram be plotted? TRUE / FALSE	
savePlots	full path to the folder in which to save the plots (NULL = don't save, " = same folder as audio)	
width, height, units, res		
	graphical parameters for saving plots passed to png	
• • •	other graphical parameters	

## Value

If the input is a single audio (file, Wave, or numeric vector), returns the processed waveform as a numeric vector with the original sampling rate and scale. If the input is a folder with several audio files, returns a list of processed waveforms, one for each file.

# See Also

```
shiftPitch
```

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```
s1 = prosody(s, 16000, multProsody = 2,
 analyze_pars = list(windowLength = 30, step = 15),
 shiftPitch_pars = list(windowLength = 20, step = 5, freqWindow = 300),
 plot = TRUE)
# playme(s1)
# spectrogram(s1, 16000, yScale = 'log')
# Flat intonation - remove all frequency modulation
s2 = prosody(s, 16000, multProsody = 0,
 analyze_pars = list(windowLength = 30, step = 15),
 shiftPitch_pars = list(windowLength = 20, step = 5, freqWindow = 300),
 plot = TRUE)
playme(s2)
spectrogram(s2, 16000, yScale = 'log')
# Download an example - a bit of speech (sampled at 16000 Hz)
download.file('http://cogsci.se/soundgen/audio/speechEx.wav',
              destfile = '~/Downloads/temp1/speechEx.wav')
target = '~/Downloads/temp1/speechEx.wav'
samplingRate = tuneR::readWave(target)@samp.rate
spectrogram(target, yScale = 'log')
playme(target)
s3 = prosody(target, multProsody = 1.5,
 analyze_pars = list(windowLength = 30, step = 15),
  shiftPitch_pars = list(freqWindow = 400, propagation = 'adaptive'))
spectrogram(s3, tuneR::readWave(target)@samp.rate, yScale = 'log')
playme(s3)
# process all audio files in a folder
s4 = prosody('~/Downloads/temp', multProsody = 2, savePlots = '',
             saveAudio = '~/Downloads/temp/prosody')
str(s4) # returns a list with audio (+ saves it to disk)
## End(Not run)
```

reportTime

Report time

## Description

Provides a nicely formatted "estimated time left" in loops plus a summary upon completion.

# Usage

```
reportTime(
   i,
   time_start,
   nIter = NULL,
```

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```
reportEvery = NULL,
jobs = NULL,
prefix = ""
)
```

## **Arguments**

time\_start time when the loop started running
nIter total number of iterations
reportEvery report progress every n iterations

yector of length nIter specifying the relative difficulty of each iteration. If not NULL, estimated time left takes into account whether the jobs ahead will take more or less time than the jobs already completed

prefix a string to print before "Done...", eg "Chain 1: "

```
time_start = proc.time()
for (i in 1:100) {
 Sys.sleep(i ^ 1.02 / 10000)
 reportTime(i = i, time_start = time_start, nIter = 100,
    jobs = (1:100) ^ 1.02, prefix = 'Chain 1: ')
}
## Not run:
# Unknown number of iterations:
time_start = proc.time()
for (i in 1:20) {
 Sys.sleep(i ^ 2 / 10000)
 reportTime(i = i, time_start = time_start,
 jobs = (1:20) ^ 2, reportEvery = 5)
}
# when analyzing a bunch of audio files, their size is a good estimate
# of how long each will take to process
time_start = proc.time()
filenames = list.files('~/Downloads/temp', pattern = "*.wav|.mp3",
 full.names = TRUE)
filesizes = file.info(filenames)$size
for (i in 1:length(filenames)) {
 # ...do what you have to do with each file...
 reportTime(i = i, nIter = length(filenames),
             time_start = time_start, jobs = filesizes)
}
## End(Not run)
```

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resample

Resample a vector

#### **Description**

Changes the sampling rate without introducing artefacts like aliasing. Algorithm: to downsample, applies a low-pass filter, then decimates with approx; to upsample, performs linear interpolation with approx, then applies a low-pass filter. NAs can be interpolated or preserved in the output. The length of output is determined, in order of precedence, by len / mult / samplingRate\_new. For simple vector operations, this is very similar to approx, but the leading and trailing NAs are also preserved (see examples).

## Usage

```
resample(
  Х,
  samplingRate = NULL,
  samplingRate_new = NULL,
 mult = NULL,
  len = NULL,
  lowPass = TRUE,
  na.rm = FALSE,
  reportEvery = NULL,
  cores = 1,
  saveAudio = NULL,
  plot = FALSE,
  savePlots = NULL,
 width = 900,
 height = 500,
  units = "px",
  res = NA,
)
```

## Arguments

path to a folder, one or more wav or mp3 files c('file1.wav', 'file2.mp3'), Wave object, numeric vector, or a list of Wave objects or numeric vectors

samplingRate sampling rate of x (only needed if x is a numeric vector)

samplingRate\_new

an alternative to mult provided that the old samplingRate is know (NB: mult takes precedence)

mult multiplier of sampling rate: new sampling rate = old sampling rate x mult, so 1

= no effect, >1 = upsample, <1 = downsample

len if specified, overrides mult and samplingRate\_new and simply returns a vector of length len

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if TRUE, applies a low-pass filter before decimating or after upsampling to avoid **lowPass** aliasing if TRUE, NAs are interpolated, otherwise they are preserved in the output na.rm reportEvery when processing multiple inputs, report estimated time left every ... iterations (NULL = default, NA = don't report) number of cores for parallel processing cores full path to the folder in which to save audio files (one per detected syllable) saveAudio should a spectrogram be plotted? TRUE / FALSE plot savePlots full path to the folder in which to save the plots (NULL = don't save, " = same folder as audio) width, height, units, res graphical parameters for saving plots passed to png

other graphical parameters

```
## Example 1: a short vector with NAs
x = c(NA, 1, 2, 3, NA, NA, 6, 7, 8, NA)
# upsample
resample(x, mult = 3.5, lowPass = FALSE, plot = TRUE) # just approx
resample(x, mult = 3.5, lowPass = TRUE, plot = TRUE) # low-pass + approx
resample(x, mult = 3.5, lowPass = FALSE, na.rm = TRUE, plot = TRUE)
# downsample
resample(x, mult = 0.5, lowPass = TRUE, plot = TRUE)
resample(x, mult = 0.5, na.rm = TRUE, plot = TRUE)
resample(x, len = 5, na.rm = TRUE, plot = TRUE) # same
# The most important TIP: use resample() for audio files and the internal
# soundgen:::.resample(list(sound = ...)) for simple vector operations because
# it's >1000 times faster. For example:
soundgen:::.resample(list(sound = x), mult = 3.5, lowPass = FALSE)
## Example 2: a sound
silence = rep(0, 10)
samplingRate = 1000
fr = seq(100, 300, length.out = 400)
x = c(silence, sin(cumsum(fr) * 2 * pi / samplingRate), silence)
spectrogram(x, samplingRate)
# downsample
x1 = resample(x, mult = 1 / 2.5)
spectrogram(x1, samplingRate / 2.5) # no aliasing
# cf:
x1bad = resample(x, mult = 1 / 2.5, lowPass = FALSE)
spectrogram(x1bad, samplingRate / 2.5) # aliasing
# upsample
```

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reverb

Reverb & echo

## Description

Adds reverberation and/or echo to a sound. Algorithm for reverb: adds time-shifted copies of the signal weighted by a decay function, which is analogous to convoluting the input with a parametric model of some hypothetical impulse response function. In simple terms: we specify how much and when the sound rebounds back (as from a wall) and add these time-shifted copies to the original, optionally with some spectral filtering.

### Usage

```
reverb(
  х,
  samplingRate = NULL,
 echoDelay = 200,
  echoLevel = -20,
  reverbDelay = 70,
  reverbSpread = 130,
  reverbLevel = -25,
  reverbDensity = 50,
  reverbType = "gaussian",
  filter = list(),
  dynamicRange = 80,
  output = c("audio", "detailed")[1],
  play = FALSE,
  reportEvery = NULL,
  cores = 1,
  saveAudio = NULL
)
```

#### **Arguments**

Χ

path to a folder, one or more way or mp3 files c('file1.way', 'file2.mp3'), Wave object, numeric vector, or a list of Wave objects or numeric vectors

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sampling rate of x (only needed if x is a numeric vector) samplingRate echoDelay the delay at which the echo appears, ms echoLevel the rate at which the echo weakens at each repetition, dB reverbDelay the time of maximum reverb density, ms reverbSpread standard deviation of reverb spread around time reverbDelay, ms reverbLevel the maximum amplitude of reverb, dB below input reverbDensity the number of echos or "voices" added reverbType so far only "gaussian" has been implemented filter (optional) a spectral filter to apply to the created reverb and echo (see addFormants for acceptable formats) dynamicRange the precision with which the reverb and echo are calculated, dB "audio" = returns just the processed audio, "detailed" = returns a list with reverb output window, the added reverb/echo, etc. play if TRUE, plays the processed audio when processing multiple inputs, report estimated time left every ... iterations reportEvery (NULL = default, NA = don't report) number of cores for parallel processing cores full (!) path to folder for saving the processed audio; NULL = don't save, " = saveAudio

same as input folder (NB: overwrites the originals!)

```
s = soundgen()
s_rev = reverb(s, 16000)
# playme(s_rev)
## Not run:
# double echo, no reverb
s1 = reverb(s, samplingRate = 16000, reverbLevel = NULL,
            echoDelay = c(250, 800), echoLevel = c(-15, -25))
# playme(s1)
# spectrogram(s1, 16000, osc = TRUE, ylim = c(0, 4))
# only reverb (indoors)
s2 = reverb(s, samplingRate = 16000, echoDelay = NULL,
            reverbDelay = 70, reverbSpread = 130,
            reverbLevel = -20, reverbDensity = 20)
# playme(s2)
# spectrogram(s2, 16000, osc = TRUE, ylim = c(0, 4))
# reverb (caves)
s3 = reverb(s, samplingRate = 16000, echoDelay = NULL,
            reverbDelay = 600, reverbSpread = 1500,
            reverbLevel = -10, reverbDensity = 100)
# playme(s3)
# spectrogram(s3, 16000, osc = TRUE, ylim = c(0, 4))
```

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schwa

Schwa-related formant conversion

### **Description**

This function performs several conceptually related types of conversion of formant frequencies in relation to the neutral schwa sound based on the one-tube model of the vocal tract. This is useful for speaker normalization because absolute formant frequencies measured in Hz depend strongly on overall vocal tract length (VTL). For example, adult men vs. children or grizzly bears vs. dog puppies have very different formant spaces in Hz, but it is possible to define a VTL-normalized formant space that is applicable to all species and sizes. Case 1: if we know vocal tract length (VTL) but not formant frequencies, schwa() estimates formants corresponding to a neutral schwa sound in this vocal tract, assuming that it is perfectly cylindrical. Case 2: if we know the frequencies of a few lower formants, schwa() estimates the deviation of observed formant frequencies from the neutral values expected in a perfectly cylindrical vocal tract (based on the VTL as specified or as estimated from formant dispersion). Case 3: if we want to generate a sound with particular relative formant frequencies (e.g. high F1 and low F2 relative to the schwa for this vocal tract), schwa() calculates the corresponding formant frequencies in Hz. See examples below for an illustration of these three suggested uses.

#### Usage

```
schwa(
  formants = NULL,
  vocalTract = NULL,
  formants_relative = NULL,
  nForm = 8,
  interceptZero = TRUE,
```

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```
tube = c("closed-open", "open-open")[1],
speedSound = 35400,
plot = FALSE
)
```

#### **Arguments**

formants a numeric vector of observed (measured) formant frequencies, Hz

vocalTract the length of vocal tract, cm

formants\_relative

a numeric vector of target relative formant frequencies, % deviation from schwa

(see examples)

nForm the number of formants to estimate (integer)

interceptZero if TRUE, forces the regression curve to pass through the origin. This reduces the

influence of highly variable lower formants, but we have to commit to a particular model of the vocal tract: closed-open or open-open/closed-closed (method

= "regression" only)

tube the vocal tract is assumed to be a cylindrical tube that is either "closed-open" or

"open-open" (same as closed-closed)

speedSound speed of sound in warm air, cm/s. Stevens (2000) "Acoustic phonetics", p. 138

plot if TRUE, plots vowel quality in speaker-normalized F1-F2 space

#### **Details**

Algorithm: the expected formant dispersion is given by  $(2*formant_number-1)*speedSound/(4*formant_frequency)$  for a closed-open tube (mouth open) and  $formant_number*speedSound/(2*formant_frequency)$  for an open-open or closed-closed tube. F1 is schwa is expected at half the value of formant dispersion. See e.g. Stevens (2000) "Acoustic phonetics", p. 139. Basically, we estimate vocal tract length and see if each formant is higher or lower than expected for this vocal tract. For this to work, we have to know either the frequencies of enough formants (not just the first two) or the true length of the vocal tract. See also <code>estimateVTL</code> on the algorithm for estimating formant dispersion if VTL is not known (note that schwa calls <code>estimateVTL</code> with the option method = 'regression').

### Value

Returns a list with the following components:

- vtl\_measuredVTL as provided by the user, cm
- vocalTract\_apparentVTL estimated based on formants frequencies provided by the user, cm
- formantDispersionaverage distance between formants, Hz
- ff\_measuredformant frequencies as provided by the user, Hz
- · ff\_schwaformant frequencies corresponding to a neutral schwa sound in this vocal tract, Hz
- ff\_theoreticalformant frequencies corresponding to the user-provided relative formant frequencies, Hz

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• ff\_relativedeviation of formant frequencies from those expected for a schwa, % (e.g. if the first ff\_relative is -25, it means that F1 is 25% lower than expected for a schwa in this vocal tract)

- ff\_relative\_semitonesdeviation of formant frequencies from those expected for a schwa, semitones. Like ff\_relative, this metric is invariant to vocal tract length, but the variance tends to be greater for lower vs. higher formants
- ff\_relative\_dFdeviation of formant frequencies from those expected for a schwa, proportion of formant spacing (dF). Unlike ff\_relative and ff\_relative\_semitones, this metric has similar variance for lower and higher formants

#### See Also

estimateVTL

```
## CASE 1: known VTL
# If vocal tract length is known, we calculate expected formant frequencies
schwa(vocalTract = 17.5)
schwa(vocalTract = 13, nForm = 5)
schwa(vocalTract = 13, nForm = 5, tube = 'open-open')
## CASE 2: known (observed) formant frequencies
# Let's take formant frequencies in four vocalizations, namely
# (/a/, /i/, /mmm/, /roar/) by the same male speaker:
formants_a = c(860, 1430, 2900, NA, 5200) # NAs are OK - here F4 is unknown
s_a = schwa(formants = formants_a, plot = TRUE)
s a
# We get an estimate of VTL (s_a$vtl_apparent),
   same as with estimateVTL(formants_a)
# We also get theoretical schwa formants: s_a$ff_schwa
# And we get the difference (% and semitones) in observed vs expected
    formant frequencies: s_a[c('ff_relative', 'ff_relative_semitones')]
# [a]: F1 much higher than expected, F2 slightly lower (see plot)
formants_i = c(300, 2700, 3400, 4400, 5300, 6400)
s_i = schwa(formants = formants_i, plot = TRUE)
s_i
# The apparent VTL is slightly smaller (14.5 cm)
# [i]: very low F1, very high F2
formants_mmm = c(1200, 2000, 2800, 3800, 5400, 6400)
schwa(formants_mmm, tube = 'closed-closed', plot = TRUE)
# ~schwa, but with a closed mouth
formants_roar = c(550, 1000, 1460, 2280, 3350,
                  4300, 4900, 5800, 6900, 7900)
s_roar = schwa(formants = formants_roar, plot = TRUE)
s roar
# Note the enormous apparent VTL (22.5 cm!)
# (lowered larynx and rounded lips exaggerate the apparent size)
```

```
# s_roar$ff_relative: high F1 and low F2-F4
schwa(formants = formants_roar[1:4], plot = TRUE)
# based on F1-F4, apparent VTL is almost 28 cm!
# Since the lowest formants are the most salient,
# the apparent size is exaggerated even further
# If you know VTL, a few lower formants are enough to get
    a good estimate of the relative formant values:
schwa(formants = formants_roar[1:4], vocalTract = 19, plot = TRUE)
# NB: in this case theoretical and relative formants are calculated
# based on user-provided VTL (vtl_measured) rather than vtl_apparent
## CASE 3: from relative to absolute formant frequencies
# Say we want to generate a vowel sound with F1 20% below schwa
     and F2 40% above schwa, with VTL = 15 cm \,
s = schwa(formants\_relative = c(-20, 40), vocalTract = 15, plot = TRUE)
# s$ff_schwa gives formant frequencies for a schwa, while
   sff_theoretical gives formant frequencies for a sound with
    target relative formant values (low F1, high F2)
schwa(formants = s$ff_theoretical)
```

segment

Segment a sound

## Description

Finds syllables and bursts separated by background noise in long recordings (up to 1-2 hours of audio per file). Syllables are defined as continuous segments that seem to be different from noise based on amplitude and/or spectral similarity thresholds. Bursts are defined as local maxima in signal envelope that are high enough both in absolute terms (relative to the global maximum) and with respect to the surrounding region (relative to local mimima). See vignette('acoustic\_analysis', package = 'soundgen') for details.

### Usage

```
segment(
    x,
    samplingRate = NULL,
    from = NULL,
    to = NULL,
    shortestSyl = 40,
    shortestPause = 40,
    method = c("env", "spec", "mel")[3],
    propNoise = NULL,
    SNR = NULL,
    noiseLevelStabWeight = c(1, 0.25),
    windowLength = 40,
    step = NULL,
```

```
overlap = 80,
  reverbPars = list(reverbDelay = 70, reverbSpread = 130, reverbLevel = -35,
   reverbDensity = 50),
  interburst = NULL,
  peakToTrough = SNR + 3,
  troughLocation = c("left", "right", "both", "either")[4],
  summaryFun = c("median", "sd"),
 maxDur = 30,
  reportEvery = NULL,
  cores = 1,
 plot = FALSE,
  savePlots = NULL,
  saveAudio = NULL,
  addSilence = 50,
 main = NULL,
 xlab = "",
 ylab = "Signal, dB",
  showLegend = FALSE,
 width = 900,
 height = 500,
 units = "px",
  res = NA,
 maxPoints = c(1e+05, 5e+05),
  specPlot = list(color.palette = "bw"),
 contourPlot = list(lty = 1, lwd = 2, col = "green"),
  sylPlot = list(lty = 1, lwd = 2, col = "blue"),
 burstPlot = list(pch = 8, cex = 3, col = "red"),
)
```

### **Arguments**

X	path to a folder, one or more way or mp3 files c('file1.way', 'file2.mp3'), Wave object, numeric vector, or a list of Wave objects or numeric vectors
samplingRate	sampling rate of x (only needed if x is a numeric vector)
from, to	if NULL (default), analyzes the whole sound, otherwise fromto (s)
shortestSyl	minimum acceptable length of syllables, ms
shortestPause	minimum acceptable break between syllables, ms (syllables separated by shorter pauses are merged)
method	the signal used to search for syllables: 'env' = Hilbert-transformed amplitude envelope, 'spec' = spectrogram, 'mel' = mel-transformed spectrogram (see tuneR::melfcc)
propNoise	the proportion of non-zero sound assumed to represent background noise (note that complete silence is not considered, so padding with silence won't affect the algorithm)
SNR	expected signal-to-noise ratio (dB above noise), which determines the threshold for syllable detection. The meaning of "dB" here is approximate since the

"signal" may be different from sound intensity

noiseLevelStabWeight

a vector of length 2 specifying the relative weights of the overall signal level vs. stability when attempting to automatically locate the regions that represent noise. Increasing the weight of stability tends to accentuate the beginning and

end of each syllable.

windowLength length of FFT window, ms

step you can override overlap by specifying FFT step, ms (NB: because digital au-

dio is sampled at discrete time intervals of 1/samplingRate, the actual step and thus the time stamps of STFT frames may be slightly different, eg 24.98866

instead of 25.0 ms)

overlap overlap between successive FFT frames, %

reverbPars parameters passed on to reverb to attempt to cancel the effects of reverberation

or echo, which otherwise tend to merge short and loud segments like rapid barks

interburst minimum time between two consecutive bursts (ms). Defaults to the average

detected (syllable + pause) / 2

peakToTrough to qualify as a burst, a local maximum has to be at least peakToTrough dB

above the left and/or right local trough(s) (controlled by troughLocation) over the analysis window (controlled by interburst). Defaults to SNR + 3 dB

troughLocation should local maxima be compared to the trough on the left and/or right of it?

Values: 'left', 'right', 'both', 'either'

summaryFun functions used to summarize each acoustic characteristic; see analyze

maxDur long files are split into chunks maxDur s in duration to avoid running out of

RAM; the outputs for all fragments are glued together, but plotting is switched off. Note that noise profile is estimated in each chunk separately, so set it low if

the background noise is highly variable

reportEvery when processing multiple inputs, report estimated time left every ... iterations

(NULL = default, NA = don't report)

cores number of cores for parallel processing plot if TRUE, produces a segmentation plot

savePlots full path to the folder in which to save the plots (NULL = don't save, " = same

folder as audio)

saveAudio full path to the folder in which to save audio files (one per detected syllable)

addSilence if syllables are saved as separate audio files, they can be padded with some

silence (ms)

xlab, ylab, main

main plotting parameters

showLegend if TRUE, shows a legend for thresholds

width, height, units, res

parameters passed to png if the plot is saved

maxPoints the maximum number of "pixels" in the oscillogram (if any) and spectrogram;

good for quickly plotting long audio files; defaults to c(1e5, 5e5)

specPlot a list of graphical parameters for displaying the spectrogram (if method = 'spec'

or 'mel'); set to NULL to hide the spectrogram

contourPlot a list of graphical parameters for displaying the signal contour used to detect syllables (see details)

sylPlot a list of graphical parameters for displaying the syllables burstPlot a list of graphical parameters for displaying the bursts other graphical parameters passed to graphics::plot

#### **Details**

Algorithm: for each chunk at most maxDur long, first the audio recording is partitioned into signal and noise regions: the quietest and most stable regions are located, and noise threshold is defined from a user-specified proportion of noise in the recording (propNoise) or, if propNoise = NULL, from the lowest local maximum in the density function of a weighted product of amplitude and stability (that is, we assume that quiet and stable regions are likely to represent noise). Once we know what the noise looks like - in terms of its typical amplitude and/or spectrum - we derive signal contour as its difference from noise at each time point. If method = 'env', this is Hilbert transform minus noise, and if method = 'spec' or 'mel', this is the inverse of cosine similarity between the spectrum of each frame and the estimated spectrum of noise weighted by amplitude. By default, signal-to-noise ratio (SNR) is estimated as half-median of above-noise signal, but it is recommended that this parameter is adjusted by hand to suit the purposes of segmentation, as it is the key setting that controls the balance between false negatives (missing faint signals) and false positives (hallucinating signals that are actually noise). Note also that effects of echo or reverberation can be taken into account: syllable detection threshold may be raised following powerful acoustic bursts with the help of the reverbPars argument. At the final stage, continuous "islands" SNR dB above noise level are detected as syllables, and "peaks" on the islands are detected as bursts. The algorithm is very flexible, but the parameters may be hard to optimize by hand. If you have an annotated sample of the sort of audio you are planning to analyze, with syllables and/or bursts counted manually, you can use it for automatic optimization of control parameters (see optimizePars).

### Value

If summaryFun = NULL, returns returns a list containing full stats on each syllable and burst (one row per syllable and per burst), otherwise returns only a dataframe with one row per file - a summary of the number and spacing of syllables and vocal bursts.

### See Also

```
analyze ssm
```

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```
s = segment(sound, samplingRate = 16000, plot = TRUE)
# customizing the plot
segment(sound, samplingRate = 16000, plot = TRUE,
       sylPlot = list(lty = 2, col = 'gray20'),
       burstPlot = list(pch = 16, col = 'gray80'),
       specPlot = list(color.palette = 'heat.colors'),
       xlab = 'Some custom label', cex.lab = 1.2,
       showLegend = TRUE,
       main = 'My awesome plot')
## Not run:
# set SNR manually to control detection threshold
s = segment(sound, samplingRate = 16000, SNR = 1, plot = TRUE)
# Download 260 sounds from the supplements to Anikin & Persson (2017) at
# http://cogsci.se/publications.html
# unzip them into a folder, say '~/Downloads/temp'
myfolder = '~/Downloads/temp260' # 260 .wav files live here
s = segment(myfolder, propNoise = .05, SNR = 3)
# Check accuracy: import a manual count of syllables (our "key")
key = segmentManual # a vector of 260 integers
trial = as.numeric(s$summary$nBursts)
cor(key, trial, use = 'pairwise.complete.obs')
boxplot(trial ~ as.integer(key), xlab='key')
abline(a=0, b=1, col='red')
# or look at the detected syllables instead of bursts:
cor(key, s$summary$nSyl, use = 'pairwise.complete.obs')
## End(Not run)
```

segmentManual

Manual counts of syllables in 260 sounds

### Description

A vector of the number of syllables in the corpus of 260 human non-linguistic emotional vocalizations from Anikin & Persson (2017). The corpus can be downloaded from http://cogsci.se/publications.html

## Usage

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### **Format**

An object of class numeric of length 260.

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semitonesToHz

Convert semitones to Hz

### **Description**

Converts from semitones above C-5 ( $\sim$ 0.5109875 Hz) or another reference frequency to Hz. See HzToSemitones

#### Usage

```
semitonesToHz(s, ref = 0.5109875)
```

## Arguments

s vector or matrix of frequencies (semitones above C0)
ref frequency of the reference value (defaults to C-5, 0.51 Hz)

## See Also

HzToSemitones

shiftFormants

Shift formants

# Description

Raises or lowers formants (resonance frequencies), changing the voice quality or timbre of the sound without changing its pitch, statically or dynamically. Note that this is only possible when the fundamental frequency f0 is lower than the formant frequencies. For best results, freqWindow should be no lower than f0 and no higher than formant bandwidths. Obviously, this is impossible for many signals, so just try a few reasonable values, like ~200 Hz for speech. If freqWindow is not specified, soundgen sets it to the average detected f0, which is slow.

### Usage

```
shiftFormants(
    X,
    multFormants,
    samplingRate = NULL,
    freqWindow = NULL,
    dynamicRange = 80,
    windowLength = 50,
    step = NULL,
    overlap = 75,
    wn = "gaussian",
```

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```
interpol = c("approx", "spline")[1],
normalize = c("max", "orig", "none")[2],
play = FALSE,
saveAudio = NULL,
reportEvery = NULL,
cores = 1,
...
)
```

### **Arguments**

X	path to a folder, one or more way or mp3 files c('file1.way', 'file2.mp3'), Wave object, numeric vector, or a list of Wave objects or numeric vectors
multFormants	1 = no change, $>1 = raise formants (eg  1.1 = 10%  up$ , $2 = one octave up$ ), $<1 = lower formants$ . Anchor format accepted (see soundgen)
samplingRate	sampling rate of x (only needed if x is a numeric vector)
freqWindow	the width of spectral smoothing window, Hz. Defaults to detected f0
dynamicRange	dynamic range, dB. All values more than one dynamicRange under maximum are treated as zero
windowLength	length of FFT window, ms
step	you can override overlap by specifying FFT step, ms (NB: because digital audio is sampled at discrete time intervals of 1/samplingRate, the actual step and thus the time stamps of STFT frames may be slightly different, eg 24.98866 instead of 25.0 ms)
overlap	overlap between successive FFT frames, %
wn	window type accepted by ftwindow, currently gaussian, hanning, hamming, bartlett, rectangular, blackman, flattop
interpol	the method for interpolating scaled spectra
normalize	"orig" = same as input (default), "max" = maximum possible peak amplitude, "none" = no normalization
play	if TRUE, plays the synthesized sound using the default player on your system. If character, passed to play as the name of player to use, eg "aplay", "play", "vlc", etc. In case of errors, try setting another default player for play
saveAudio	full path to the folder in which to save audio files (one per detected syllable)
reportEvery	when processing multiple inputs, report estimated time left every $\dots$ iterations (NULL = default, NA = don't report)
cores	number of cores for parallel processing
	other graphical parameters

### **Details**

Algorithm: phase vocoder. In the frequency domain, we separate the complex spectrum of each STFT frame into two parts. The "receiver" is the flattened or smoothed complex spectrum, where smoothing is achieved by obtaining a smoothed magnitude envelope (the amount of smoothing is

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controlled by freqWindow) and then dividing the complex spectrum by this envelope. This basically removes the formants from the signal. The second component, "donor", is a scaled and interpolated version of the same smoothed magnitude envelope as above - these are the formants shifted up or down. Warping can be easily implemented instead of simple scaling if nonlinear spectral transformations are required. We then multiply the "receiver" and "donor" spectrograms and reconstruct the audio with iSTFT.

### See Also

shiftPitch transplantFormants

```
s = soundgen(sylLen = 200, ampl = c(0,-10),
             pitch = c(250, 350), rolloff = c(-9, -15),
             noise = -40,
             formants = 'aii', addSilence = 50)
# playme(s)
s1 = shiftFormants(s, samplingRate = 16000, multFormants = 1.25,
                   freqWindow = 200)
# playme(s1)
## Not run:
data(sheep, package = 'seewave') # import a recording from seewave
playme(sheep)
spectrogram(sheep)
# Lower formants by 4 semitones or \sim 20\% = 2 ^ (-4 / 12)
sheep1 = shiftFormants(sheep, multFormants = 2 ^ (-4 / 12), freqWindow = 150)
playme(sheep1, sheep@samp.rate)
spectrogram(sheep1, sheep@samp.rate)
orig = seewave::meanspec(sheep, wl = 128, plot = FALSE)
shifted = seewave::meanspec(sheep1, wl = 128, f = sheep@samp.rate, plot = FALSE)
plot(orig[, 1], log(orig[, 2]), type = '1')
points(shifted[, 1], log(shifted[, 2]), type = 'l', col = 'blue')
# dynamic change: raise formants at the beginning, lower at the end
sheep2 = shiftFormants(sheep, multFormants = c(1.3, .7), freqWindow = 150)
playme(sheep2, sheep@samp.rate)
spectrogram(sheep2, sheep@samp.rate)
## End(Not run)
```

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### **Description**

Raises or lowers pitch with or without also shifting the formants (resonance frequencies) and performing a time-stretch. The three operations (pitch shift, formant shift, and time stretch) are independent and can be performed in any combination, statically or dynamically. shiftPitch can also be used to shift formants without changing pitch or duration, but the dedicated shiftFormants is faster for that task.

## Usage

```
shiftPitch(
 multPitch = 1,
 multFormants = multPitch,
  timeStretch = 1,
  samplingRate = NULL,
  freqWindow = NULL,
  dynamicRange = 80,
 windowLength = 40,
  step = 2,
 overlap = NULL,
 wn = "gaussian",
  interpol = c("approx", "spline")[1],
  propagation = c("time", "adaptive")[1],
 preserveEnv = NULL,
  transplantEnv_pars = list(windowLength = 10),
  normalize = c("max", "orig", "none")[2],
 play = FALSE,
  saveAudio = NULL,
  reportEvery = NULL,
  cores = 1
)
```

## Arguments

X	path to a folder, one or more way or mp3 files c('file1.way', 'file2.mp3'), Wave object, numeric vector, or a list of Wave objects or numeric vectors
multPitch	1 = no change, $>1 = raise pitch (eg  1.1 = 10%  up$ , $2 = one octave up$ ), $<1 = lower pitch$ . Anchor format accepted for multPitch / multFormant / timeStretch (see soundgen)
multFormants	1 = no change, $>1 = raise formants (eg  1.1 = 10%  up$ , $2 = one octave up$ ), $<1 = lower formants$
timeStretch	1 = no change, >1 = longer, <1 = shorter
samplingRate	sampling rate of x (only needed if x is a numeric vector)
freqWindow	the width of spectral smoothing window, Hz. Defaults to detected f0 prior to pitch shifting - see shiftFormants for discussion and examples
dynamicRange	dynamic range, dB. All values more than one dynamicRange under maximum are treated as zero

shiftPitch 135

length of FFT window, ms

you can override overlap by specifying FFT step, ms (NB: because digital austep dio is sampled at discrete time intervals of 1/samplingRate, the actual step and thus the time stamps of STFT frames may be slightly different, eg 24.98866 instead of 25.0 ms) overlap between successive FFT frames, % overlap window type accepted by ftwindow, currently gaussian, hanning, hamming, wn bartlett, rectangular, blackman, flattop interpol the method for interpolating scaled spectra and anchors the method for propagating phase: "time" = horizontal propagation (default), propagation "adaptive" = an experimental implementation of "vocoder done right" (Prusa & Holighaus 2017) preserveEnv if TRUE, transplants the amplitude envelope from the original to the modified sound with transplantEnv. Defaults to TRUE if no time stretching is performed and FALSE otherwise transplantEnv\_pars a list of parameters passed on to transplantEnv if preserveEnv = TRUE normalize "orig" = same as input (default), "max" = maximum possible peak amplitude, "none" = no normalization play if TRUE, plays the synthesized sound using the default player on your system. If character, passed to play as the name of player to use, eg "aplay", "play", "vlc", etc. In case of errors, try setting another default player for play full path to the folder in which to save audio files (one per detected syllable)

reportEvery when processing multiple inputs, report estimated time left every ... iterations (NULL = default, NA = don't report)

number of cores for parallel processing cores

## **Details**

saveAudio

windowLength

Algorithm: phase vocoder. Pitch shifting is accomplished by performing a time stretch (at present, with horizontal or adaptive phase propagation) followed by resampling. This shifts both pitch and formants; to preserve the original formant frequencies or modify them independently of pitch, a variant of link{transplantFormants} is performed to "transplant" the original or scaled formants onto the time-stretched new sound.

#### See Also

```
shiftFormants transplantFormants
```

```
s = soundgen(sylLen = 200, ampl = c(0,-10),
             pitch = c(250, 350), rolloff = c(-9, -15),
             noise = -40,
             formants = 'aii', addSilence = 50)
# playme(s)
```

```
s1 = shiftPitch(s, samplingRate = 16000, freqWindow = 400,
                multPitch = 1.25, multFormants = .8)
# playme(s1)
## Not run:
## Dynamic manipulations
# Add a chevron-shaped pitch contour
s2 = shiftPitch(s, samplingRate = 16000, multPitch = c(1.1, 1.3, .8))
playme(s2)
# Time-stretch only the middle
s3 = shiftPitch(s, samplingRate = 16000, timeStretch = list(
  time = c(0, .25, .31, .5, .55, 1),
  value = c(1, 1, 3, 3, 1, 1))
playme(s3)
## Various combinations of 3 manipulations
data(sheep, package = 'seewave') # import a recording from seewave
playme(sheep)
spectrogram(sheep)
# Raise pitch and formants by 3 semitones, shorten by half
sheep1 = shiftPitch(sheep, multPitch = 2 ^ (3 / 12), timeStretch = 0.5)
playme(sheep1, sheep@samp.rate)
spectrogram(sheep1, sheep@samp.rate)
# Just shorten
shiftPitch(sheep, multPitch = 1, timeStretch = 0.25, play = TRUE)
# Raise pitch preserving formants
sheep2 = shiftPitch(sheep, multPitch = 1.2, multFormants = 1, freqWindow = 150)
playme(sheep2, sheep@samp.rate)
spectrogram(sheep2, sheep@samp.rate)
## End(Not run)
```

soundgen

Generate a sound

## Description

Generates a bout of one or more syllables with pauses between them. Two basic components are synthesized: the harmonic component (the sum of sine waves with frequencies that are multiples of the fundamental frequency) and the noise component. Both components can be filtered with independently specified formants. Intonation and amplitude contours can be applied both within each syllable and across multiple syllables. Suggested application: synthesis of animal or human non-linguistic vocalizations. For more information, see <a href="http://cogsci.se/soundgen.html">http://cogsci.se/soundgen.html</a> and vignette('sound\_generation', package = 'soundgen').

## Usage

```
soundgen(
  repeatBout = 1,
  nSyl = 1,
  sylLen = 300,
  pauseLen = 200,
  pitch = list(time = c(0, 0.1, 0.9, 1), value = c(100, 150, 135, 100)),
 pitchGlobal = NA,
  glottis = 0,
  temperature = 0.025,
  tempEffects = list(),
 maleFemale = 0,
  creakyBreathy = 0,
  nonlinBalance = 100,
  nonlinRandomWalk = NULL,
  subRatio = 2,
  subFreq = 0,
  subDep = 0,
  subWidth = 10000,
  shortestEpoch = 300,
  jitterLen = 1,
  jitterDep = 0,
  vibratoFreq = 5,
  vibratoDep = 0,
  shimmerDep = 0,
  shimmerLen = 1,
  attackLen = 50,
  rolloff = -9,
  rolloffOct = 0,
  rolloffKHz = -3,
  rolloffParab = 0,
  rolloffParabHarm = 3,
  rolloffExact = NULL,
  lipRad = 6,
  noseRad = 4,
 mouthOpenThres = 0,
  formants = c(860, 1430, 2900),
  formantDep = 1,
  formantDepStoch = 1,
  formantWidth = 1,
  formantCeiling = 2,
  formantLocking = 0,
  vocalTract = NA,
  amDep = 0,
  amFreq = 30,
  amType = c("logistic", "sine")[1],
  amShape = 0,
  noise = NULL,
```

```
formantsNoise = NA,
  rolloffNoise = -4,
  noiseFlatSpec = 1200,
  rolloffNoiseExp = 0,
 noiseAmpRef = c("f0", "source", "filtered")[3],
 mouth = list(time = c(0, 1), value = c(0.5, 0.5)),
 ampl = NA,
 amplGlobal = NA,
 smoothing = list(interpol = c("approx", "spline", "loess")[3], loessSpan = NULL,
   discontThres = 0.05, jumpThres = 0.01),
 samplingRate = 16000,
 windowLength = 50,
 overlap = 75,
  addSilence = 100,
 pitchFloor = 1,
 pitchCeiling = 3500,
 pitchSamplingRate = 16000,
  dynamicRange = 80,
  invalidArgAction = c("adjust", "abort", "ignore")[1],
 plot = FALSE,
 play = FALSE,
 saveAudio = NA,
)
```

## **Arguments**

repeatBout	number of times the whole bout should be repeated
nSyl	number of syllables in the bout. 'pitchGlobal', 'amplGlobal', and 'formants' span multiple syllables, but not multiple bouts
sylLen	average duration of each syllable, ms (vectorized)
pauseLen	average duration of pauses between syllables, ms (can be negative between bouts: force with invalidArgAction = 'ignore') (vectorized)
pitch	a numeric vector of f0 values in Hz or a dataframe specifying the time (ms or 0 to 1) and value (Hz) of each anchor, hereafter "anchor format". These anchors are used to create a smooth contour of fundamental frequency f0 (pitch) within one syllable
pitchGlobal	unlike pitch, these anchors are used to create a smooth contour of average f0 across multiple syllables. The values are in semitones relative to the existing pitch, i.e. $0 = \text{no}$ change (anchor format)
glottis	anchors for specifying the proportion of a glottal cycle with closed glottis, $\%$ (0 = no modification, $100$ = closed phase as long as open phase); numeric vector or dataframe specifying time and value (anchor format)
temperature	hyperparameter for regulating the amount of stochasticity in sound generation
tempEffects	a list of scaling coefficients regulating the effect of temperature on particular parameters. To change, specify just those pars that you want to modify $(1 =$

default, 0 = no stochastic behavior). amplDep, pitchDep, noiseDep: random fluctuations of user-specified amplitude / pitch / noise anchors; amplDriftDep: drift of amplitude mirroring pitch drift; formDisp: dispersion of stochastic formants; formDrift: formant frequencies; glottisDep: proportion of glottal cycle with closed glottis; pitchDriftDep: amount of slow random drift of f0; pitchDriftFreq: frequency of slow random drift of f0; rolloffDriftDep: drift of rolloff mirroring pitch drift; specDep: rolloff, rolloffNoise, nonlinear effects, attack; subDriftDep: drift of subharmonic frequency and bandwidth mirroring pitch drift; sylLenDep: duration of syllables and pauses

maleFemale hyperparameter for shifting f0 contour, formants, and vocalTract to make the

speaker appear more male (-1...0) or more female (0...+1); 0 = no change

creakyBreathy hyperparameter for a rough adjustment of voice quality from creaky (-1) to

breathy (+1); 0 = no change

nonlinBalance hyperparameter for regulating the (approximate) proportion of sound with dif-

ferent regimes of pitch effects (none / subharmonics only / subharmonics and jitter). 0% = no noise; 100% = the entire sound has jitter + subharmonics. Ig-

nored if temperature = 0

nonlinRandomWalk

a numeric vector specifying the timing of nonliner regimes: 0 = none, 1 = sub-

harmonics, 2 = subharmonics + jitter + shimmer

subRatio a positive integer giving the ratio of f0 (the main fundamental) to g0 (a lower fre-

quency): 1 = no subharmonics, 2 = period doubling regardless of pitch changes,

3 = period tripling, etc; subRatio overrides subFreq (anchor format)

subFreq instead of a specific number of subharmonics (subRatio), we can specify the ap-

proximate g0 frequency (Hz), which is used only if subRatio = 1 and is adjusted

to f0 so f0/g0 is always an integer (anchor format)

subDep the depth of subharmonics relative to the main frequency component (f0), %. 0:

no subharmonics; 100: g0 harmonics are as strong as the nearest f0 harmonic

(anchor format)

subWidth Width of subharmonic sidebands - regulates how rapidly g-harmonics weaken

away from f-harmonics: large values like the default 10000 means that all g0

harmonics are equally strong (anchor format)

shortestEpoch minimum duration of each epoch with unchanging subharmonics regime or for-

mant locking, in ms

jitterLen duration of stable periods between pitch jumps, ms. Use a low value for harsh

noise, a high value for irregular vibrato or shaky voice (anchor format)

jitterDep cycle-to-cycle random pitch variation, semitones (anchor format)

vibratoFreq the rate of regular pitch modulation, or vibrato, Hz (anchor format)

vibratoDep the depth of vibrato, semitones (anchor format)

shimmerDep random variation in amplitude between individual glottal cycles (0 to 100% of

original amplitude of each cycle) (anchor format)

shimmerLen duration of stable periods between amplitude jumps, ms. Use a low value for

harsh noise, a high value for shaky voice (anchor format)

attackLen duration of fade-in / fade-out at each end of syllables and noise (ms): a vector of length 1 (symmetric) or 2 (separately for fade-in and fade-out) rolloff basic rolloff from lower to upper harmonics, db/octave (exponential decay). All rolloff parameters are in anchor format. See getRolloff for more details rolloff0ct basic rolloff changes from lower to upper harmonics (regardless of f0) by rolloffOct dB/oct. For example, we can get steeper rolloff in the upper part of the spectrum rolloffKHz rolloff changes linearly with f0 by rolloffKHz dB/kHz. For ex., -6 dB/kHz gives a 6 dB steeper basic rolloff as f0 goes up by 1000 Hz rolloffParab an optional quadratic term affecting only the first rolloffParabHarm harmonics. The middle harmonic of the first rolloffParabHarm harmonics is amplified or dampened by rolloffParab dB relative to the basic exponential decay rolloffParabHarm the number of harmonics affected by rolloffParab rolloffExact user-specified exact strength of harmonics: a vector or matrix with one row per harmonic, scale 0 to 1 (overrides all other rolloff parameters) lipRad the effect of lip radiation on source spectrum, dB/oct (the default of +6 dB/oct produces a high-frequency boost when the mouth is open) noseRad the effect of radiation through the nose on source spectrum, dB/oct (the alternative to lipRad when the mouth is closed) mouthOpenThres open the lips (switch from nose radiation to lip radiation) when the mouth is open >mouthOpenThres, 0 to 1 formants either a character string like "aaui" referring to default presets for speaker "M1" or a list of formant times, frequencies, amplitudes, and bandwidths (see ex. below). formants = NA defaults to schwa. Time stamps for formants and mouthOpening can be specified in ms or an any other arbitrary scale. See getSpectralEnvelope for more details formantDep scale factor of formant amplitude (1 = no change relative to amplitudes in formants) formantDepStoch the amplitude of additional stochastic formants added above the highest specified formant, dB (only if temperature > 0) formantWidth scale factor of formant bandwidth (1 = no change)formantCeiling frequency to which stochastic formants are calculated, in multiples of the Nyquist frequency; increase up to ~10 for long vocal tracts to avoid losing energy in the upper part of the spectrum formantLocking the approximate proportion of sound in which one of the harmonics is locked to the nearest formant, 0 = none, 1 = the entire sound (anchor format)the length of vocal tract, cm. Used for calculating formant dispersion (for adding vocalTract extra formants) and formant transitions as the mouth opens and closes. If NULL or NA, the length is estimated based on specified formant frequencies, if any (anchor format) amplitude modulation (AM) depth, %. 0: no change; 100: AM with amplitude amDep range equal to the dynamic range of the sound (anchor format)

AM frequency, Hz (anchor format)

amFreq

amType "sine" = sinusoidal, "logistic" = logistic (default)

amShape ignore if amType = "sine", otherwise determines the shape of non-sinusoidal

AM:  $0 = \sim \sin \theta$ , -1 = notches, +1 = clicks (anchor format)

noise loudness of turbulent noise (0 dB = as loud as voiced component, negative values

= quieter) such as aspiration, hissing, etc (anchor format)

formantsNoise the same as formants, but for unvoiced instead of voiced component. If NA

(default), the unvoiced component will be filtered through the same formants as

the voiced component, approximating aspiration noise [h]

rolloffNoise, noiseFlatSpec

linear rolloff of the excitation source for the unvoiced component, rolloffNoise

dB/kHz (anchor format) applied above noiseFlatSpec Hz

rolloffNoiseExp

exponential rolloff of the excitation source for the unvoiced component, dB/oct

(anchor format) applied above 0 Hz

noiseAmpRef noise amplitude is defined relative to: "f0" = the amplitude of the first partial

(fundamental frequency), "source" = the amplitude of the harmonic component prior to applying formants, "filtered" = the amplitude of the harmonic compo-

nent after applying formants

mouth mouth opening (0 to 1, 0.5 = neutral, i.e. no modification) (anchor format)

ampl amplitude envelope (dB,  $0 = \max$  amplitude) (anchor format)

amplGlobal global amplitude envelope spanning multiple syllables (dB, 0 = no change) (an-

chor format)

smoothing a list of parameters passed to getSmoothContour to control the interpolation

and smoothing of contours: interpol (approx / spline / loess), loessSpan, discon-

tThres, jumpThres

samplingRate sampling frequency, Hz windowLength length of FFT window, ms

overlap FFT window overlap, %. For allowed values, see istft

addSilence silence before and after the bout, ms: a vector of length 1 (symmetric) or 2

(different duration of silence before/after the sound)

pitchFloor, pitchCeiling

lower & upper bounds of f0

pitchSamplingRate

sampling frequency of the pitch contour only, Hz. Low values reduce processing time. Set to pitchCeiling for optimal speed or to samplingRate for optimal

quality

dynamicRange dynamic range, dB. Harmonics and noise more than dynamicRange under max-

imum amplitude are discarded to save computational resources

invalidArgAction

what to do if an argument is invalid or outside the range in permittedValues:

'adjust' = reset to default value, 'abort' = stop execution, 'ignore' = throw a

warning and continue (may crash)

plot if TRUE, plots a spectrogram

```
play if TRUE, plays the synthesized sound using the default player on your system. If character, passed to play as the name of player to use, eg "aplay", "play", "vlc", etc. In case of errors, try setting another default player for play path + filename for saving the output, e.g. '~/Downloads/temp.wav'. If NULL = doesn't save

... other plotting parameters passed to spectrogram
```

#### Value

Returns the synthesized waveform as a numeric vector.

#### See Also

```
generateNoise beat fart
```

```
# NB: GUI for soundgen is available as a Shiny app.
# Type "soundgen_app()" to open it in default browser
# Set "playback" to TRUE for default system player or the name of preferred
# player (eg "aplay") to play back the audio from examples
playback = c(TRUE, FALSE, 'aplay', 'vlc')[2]
sound = soundgen(play = playback)
# spectrogram(sound, 16000, osc = TRUE)
# playme(sound)
# Control of intonation, amplitude envelope, formants
s0 = soundgen(
 pitch = c(300, 390, 250),
 ampl = data.frame(time = c(0, 50, 300), value = c(-5, -10, 0)),
 attack = c(10, 50),
 formants = c(600, 900, 2200),
 play = playback
)
# Use the in-built collection of presets:
# names(presets) # speakers
# names(presets$Chimpanzee) # calls per speaker
s1 = eval(parse(text = presets$Chimpanzee$Scream_conflict)) # screaming chimp
# playme(s1)
s2 = eval(parse(text = presets$F1$Scream)) # screaming woman
# playme(s2, 18320)
## Not run:
# unless temperature is 0, the sound is different every time
for (i in 1:3) sound = soundgen(play = playback, temperature = .2)
# Bouts versus syllables. Compare:
sound = soundgen(formants = 'uai', repeatBout = 3, play = playback)
sound = soundgen(formants = 'uai', nSyl = 3, play = playback)
```

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```
# Intonation contours per syllable and globally:
sound = soundgen(nSyl = 5, sylLen = 200, pauseLen = 140,
 pitch = list(
   time = c(0, 0.65, 1),
   value = c(977, 1540, 826)),
 pitchGlobal = list(time = c(0, .5, 1), value = c(-6, 7, 0)),
 play = playback, plot = TRUE)
# Subharmonics / sidebands (noisy scream)
sound = soundgen(subFreq = 75, subDep = runif(10, 0, 60), subWidth = 130,
 pitch = list(
    time = c(0, .3, .9, 1), value = c(1200, 1547, 1487, 1154)),
 sylLen = 800,
 play = playback, plot = TRUE)
# Jitter and mouth opening (bark, dog-like)
sound = soundgen(repeatBout = 2, sylLen = 160, pauseLen = 100,
 subFreq = 100, subDep = 100, subWidth = 60, jitterDep = 1,
 pitch = c(559, 785, 557),
 mouth = c(0, 0.5, 0),
 vocalTract = 5, formants = NULL,
 play = playback, plot = TRUE)
# See the vignette on sound generation for more examples and in-depth
# explanation of the arguments to soundgen()
# Examples of code for creating human and animal vocalizations are available
# on project's homepage: http://cogsci.se/soundgen.html
## End(Not run)
```

soundgen\_app

Interactive sound synthesizer

# Description

Starts a shiny app that provides an interactive wrapper to soundgen. Supported browsers: Firefox / Chrome. Note that the browser has to be able to playback WAV audio files, otherwise there will be no sound.

# Usage

```
soundgen_app()
```

spectrogram spectrogram

specToMS

Spectrogram to modulation spectrum

### **Description**

Takes a spectrogram (either complex or magnitude) and returns a MS with proper row and column labels.

## Usage

```
specToMS(spec, windowLength = NULL, step = NULL)
```

#### **Arguments**

spec target spectrogram (numeric matrix, frequency in rows, time in columns)

windowLength length of FFT window, ms

step you can override overlap by specifying FFT step, ms (NB: because digital au-

dio is sampled at discrete time intervals of 1/samplingRate, the actual step and thus the time stamps of STFT frames may be slightly different, eg 24.98866

instead of 25.0 ms)

#### Value

Returns a MS - matrix of complex values of the same dimension as spec, with AM in rows and FM in columns.

### **Examples**

spectrogram

Spectrogram

## Description

Produces the spectrogram of a sound using short-time Fourier transform. Inspired by spectro, this function offers added routines for noise reduction, smoothing in time and frequency domains, manual control of contrast and brightness, plotting the oscillogram on a dB scale, grid, etc.

# Usage

```
spectrogram(
  Х,
  samplingRate = NULL,
  scale = NULL,
  from = NULL,
  to = NULL,
  dynamicRange = 80,
 windowLength = 50,
  step = NULL,
 overlap = 70,
 wn = "gaussian",
  zp = 0,
  normalize = TRUE,
  smoothFreq = 0,
  smoothTime = 0,
 qTime = 0,
 percentNoise = 10,
  noiseReduction = 0,
 method = c("spectrum", "spectralDerivative")[1],
 output = c("original", "processed", "complex")[1],
  reportEvery = NULL,
  cores = 1,
  plot = TRUE,
  savePlots = NULL,
  osc = c("none", "linear", "dB")[2],
  heights = c(3, 1),
 ylim = NULL,
 yScale = c("linear", "log", "bark", "mel", "ERB")[1],
  contrast = 0.2,
  brightness = 0,
 maxPoints = c(1e+05, 5e+05),
 padWithSilence = TRUE,
  colorTheme = c("bw", "seewave", "heat.colors", "...")[1],
  extraContour = NULL,
 xlab = NULL,
 ylab = NULL,
  xaxp = NULL,
 mar = c(5.1, 4.1, 4.1, 2),
 main = NULL,
 grid = NULL,
 width = 900,
 height = 500,
 units = "px",
 res = NA,
)
```

#### **Arguments**

x path to a folder, one or more way or mp3 files c('file1.way', 'file2.mp3'), Wave

object, numeric vector, or a list of Wave objects or numeric vectors

samplingRate sampling rate of x (only needed if x is a numeric vector)

scale maximum possible amplitude of input used for normalization of input vector

(only needed if x is a numeric vector)

from, to if NULL (default), analyzes the whole sound, otherwise from...to (s)

dynamicRange dynamic range, dB. All values more than one dynamicRange under maximum

are treated as zero

windowLength length of FFT window, ms

step you can override overlap by specifying FFT step, ms (NB: because digital au-

dio is sampled at discrete time intervals of 1/samplingRate, the actual step and thus the time stamps of STFT frames may be slightly different, eg 24.98866

instead of 25.0 ms)

overlap overlap between successive FFT frames, %

wn window type accepted by ftwindow, currently gaussian, hanning, hamming,

bartlett, rectangular, blackman, flattop

zp window length after zero padding, points

normalize if TRUE, scales input prior to FFT

smoothFreq, smoothTime

length of the window for median smoothing in frequency and time domains,

respectively, points

qTime the quantile to be subtracted for each frequency bin. For ex., if qTime = 0.5, the

median of each frequency bin (over the entire sound duration) will be calculated

and subtracted from each frame (see examples)

percentNoise percentage of frames (0 to 100%) used for calculating noise spectrum

noiseReduction how much noise to remove (non-negative number, recommended 0 to 2), 0 = no

noise reduction, 2 = strong noise reduction: spectrum - (noiseReduction \* noiseSpectrum), where noiseSpectrum is the average spectrum of frames with

entropy exceeding the quantile set by percentNoise

method plot spectrum ('spectrum') or spectral derivative ('spectralDerivative')

output specifies what to return: nothing ('none'), unmodified spectrogram ('original'),

denoised and/or smoothed spectrogram ('processed'), or unmodified spectro-

gram with the imaginary part giving phase ('complex')

reportEvery when processing multiple inputs, report estimated time left every ... iterations

(NULL = default, NA = don't report)

cores number of cores for parallel processing

plot should a spectrogram be plotted? TRUE / FALSE

savePlots full path to the folder in which to save the plots (NULL = don't save, " = same

folder as audio)

osc "none" = no oscillogram; "linear" = on the original scale; "dB" = in decibels

heights	a vector of length two specifying the relative height of the spectrogram and the oscillogram (including time axes labels)	
ylim	frequency range to plot, kHz (defaults to 0 to Nyquist frequency). NB: still in kHz, even if yScale = bark, mel, or ERB	
yScale	scale of the frequency axis: 'linear' = linear, 'log' = logarithmic (musical), 'bark' = bark with hz2bark, 'mel' = mel with hz2mel, 'ERB' = Equivalent Rectangular Bandwidths with HzToERB	
contrast	spectrum is exponentiated by contrast (any real number, recommended -1 to +1). Contrast >0 increases sharpness, <0 decreases sharpness	
brightness	how much to "lighten" the image ( $>0$ = lighter, $<0$ = darker)	
maxPoints	the maximum number of "pixels" in the oscillogram (if any) and spectrogram; good for quickly plotting long audio files; defaults to $c(1e5,5e5)$	
padWithSilence	if TRUE, pads the sound with just enough silence to resolve the edges properly (only the original region is plotted, so the apparent duration doesn't change)	
colorTheme	black and white ('bw'), as in seewave package ('seewave'), or any palette from palette such as 'heat.colors', 'cm.colors', etc	
extraContour	a vector of arbitrary length scaled in Hz (regardless of yScale!) that will be plotted over the spectrogram (eg pitch contour); can also be a list with extra graphical parameters such as lwd, col, etc. (see examples)	
xlab, ylab, main, mar, xaxp graphical parameters for plotting		
grid	if numeric, adds n = grid dotted lines per kHz	
width, height, units, res graphical parameters for saving plots passed to png		
	other graphical parameters	

## **Details**

Many soundgen functions call spectrogram, and you can pass along most of its graphical parameters from functions like soundgen, analyze, etc. However, in some cases this will not work (eg for "units") or may produce unexpected results. If in doubt, omit extra graphical parameters.

# Value

Returns nothing (if output = 'none'), absolute - not power! - spectrum (if output = 'original'), denoised and/or smoothed spectrum (if output = 'processed'), or spectral derivatives (if method = 'spectralDerivative') as a matrix of real numbers.

# See Also

osc modulationSpectrum ssm

## **Examples**

```
# synthesize a sound 500 ms long, with gradually increasing hissing noise
sound = soundgen(sylLen = 500, temperature = 0.001, noise = list(
 time = c(0, 650), value = c(-40, 0)), formantsNoise = list(
 f1 = list(freq = 5000, width = 10000)))
# playme(sound, samplingRate = 16000)
# basic spectrogram
spectrogram(sound, samplingRate = 16000, yScale = 'bark')
# add bells and whistles
spectrogram(sound, samplingRate = 16000,
 osc = 'dB', # plot oscillogram in dB
 heights = c(2, 1), # spectro/osc height ratio
 noiseReduction = 1.1, # subtract the spectrum of noisy parts
 brightness = -1, # reduce brightness
 colorTheme = 'heat.colors', # pick color theme
 cex.lab = .75, cex.axis = .75, # text size and other base graphics pars
 grid = 5, # lines per kHz; to customize, add manually with graphics::grid()
 ylim = c(0, 5), # always in kHz
 main = 'My spectrogram' # title
 # + axis labels, etc
)
## Not run:
# save spectrograms of all sounds in a folder
spectrogram('~/Downloads/temp', savePlots = '', cores = 2)
# change dynamic range
spectrogram(sound, samplingRate = 16000, dynamicRange = 40)
spectrogram(sound, samplingRate = 16000, dynamicRange = 120)
# remove the oscillogram
spectrogram(sound, samplingRate = 16000, osc = 'none') # or NULL etc
# frequencies on a logarithmic (musical) scale (mel/bark also available)
spectrogram(sound, samplingRate = 16000,
           yScale = 'log', ylim = c(.05, 8))
# broad-band instead of narrow-band
spectrogram(sound, samplingRate = 16000, windowLength = 5)
# focus only on values in the upper 5% for each frequency bin
spectrogram(sound, samplingRate = 16000, qTime = 0.95)
# detect 10% of the noisiest frames based on entropy and remove the pattern
# found in those frames (in this cases, breathing)
spectrogram(sound, samplingRate = 16000, noiseReduction = 1.1,
 brightness = -2) # white noise attenuated
# apply median smoothing in both time and frequency domains
spectrogram(sound, samplingRate = 16000, smoothFreq = 5,
 smoothTime = 5)
```

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```
# increase contrast, reduce brightness
spectrogram(sound, samplingRate = 16000, contrast = 1, brightness = -1)
# specify location of tick marks etc - see ?par() for base graphics
spectrogram(sound, samplingRate = 16000,
            ylim = c(0, 3), yaxp = c(0, 3, 5), xaxp = c(0, .8, 10))
# Plot long audio files with reduced resolution
data(sheep, package = 'seewave')
sp = spectrogram(sheep, overlap = 0,
 maxPoints = c(1e4, 5e3), # limit the number of pixels in osc/spec
 output = 'original')
nrow(sp) * ncol(sp) / 5e3 # spec downsampled by a factor of ~2
# Plot some arbitrary contour over the spectrogram (simply calling lines()
# will not work if osc = TRUE b/c the plot layout is modified)
s = soundgen()
an = analyze(s, 16000, plot = FALSE)
spectrogram(s, 16000, extraContour = an$detailed$dom, ylim = c(0, 2), yScale = 'bark')
# For values that are not in Hz, normalize any way you like
spectrogram(s, 16000, ylim = c(0, 2), extraContour = list(
 x = an\$detailed\$loudness / max(an\$detailed\$loudness, na.rm = TRUE) * 2000,
 # ylim[2] = 2000 Hz
 type = 'b', pch = 5, lwd = 2, lty = 2, col = 'blue'))
## End(Not run)
```

ssm

Self-similarity matrix

## Description

Calculates the self-similarity matrix and novelty vector of a sound.

# Usage

```
ssm(
    x,
    samplingRate = NULL,
    from = NULL,
    to = NULL,
    windowLength = 25,
    step = 5,
    overlap = NULL,
    ssmWin = NULL,
    sparse = FALSE,
    maxFreq = NULL,
    nBands = NULL,
```

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```
MFCC = 2:13,
  input = c("mfcc", "melspec", "spectrum")[2],
  norm = FALSE,
  simil = c("cosine", "cor")[1],
  kernelLen = 100,
 kernelSD = 0.5,
 padWith = 0,
  summaryFun = c("mean", "sd"),
  reportEvery = NULL,
  cores = 1,
 plot = TRUE,
  savePlots = NULL,
 main = NULL,
 heights = c(2, 1),
 width = 900,
 height = 500,
 units = "px",
 res = NA,
 specPars = list(levels = seq(0, 1, length = 30), colorTheme = c("bw", "seewave",
    "heat.colors", "...")[2], xlab = "Time, s", ylab = "kHz"),
 ssmPars = list(levels = seq(0, 1, length = 30), colorTheme = c("bw", "seewave", 
    "heat.colors", "...")[2], xlab = "Time, s", ylab = "Time, s"),
 noveltyPars = list(type = "b", pch = 16, col = "black", lwd = 3)
)
```

# Arguments

x path to a folder, one or more way or mp3 files c('file1.way', 'file2.mp3'), Wave

object, numeric vector, or a list of Wave objects or numeric vectors

samplingRate sampling rate of x (only needed if x is a numeric vector)

from, to if NULL (default), analyzes the whole sound, otherwise from...to (s)

windowLength length of FFT window, ms

step you can override overlap by specifying FFT step, ms (NB: because digital au-

dio is sampled at discrete time intervals of 1/samplingRate, the actual step and thus the time stamps of STFT frames may be slightly different, eg 24.98866

instead of 25.0 ms)

overlap overlap between successive FFT frames, %

ssmWin window for averaging SSM, ms (has a smoothing effect and speeds up the pro-

cessing)

sparse if TRUE, the entire SSM is not calculated, but only the central region needed to

extract the novelty contour (speeds up the processing)

maxFreq highest band edge of mel filters, Hz. Defaults to samplingRate / 2. See melfcc

nBands number of warped spectral bands to use. Defaults to 100 \* windowLength / 20.

See melfcc

MFCC which mel-frequency cepstral coefficients to use; defaults to 2:13

input the spectral representation used to calculate the SSM

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norm if TRUE, the spectrum of each STFT frame is normalized

simil method for comparing frames: "cosine" = cosine similarity, "cor" = Pearson's

correlation

kernelLen length of checkerboard kernel for calculating novelty, ms (larger values favor

global, slow vs. local, fast novelty)

kernelSD SD of checkerboard kernel for calculating novelty

padWith how to treat edges when calculating novelty: NA = treat sound before and after

the recording as unknown, 0 = treat it as silence

summaryFun functions used to summarize each acoustic characteristic, eg "c('mean', 'sd')";

user-defined functions are fine (see examples); NAs are omitted automatically for mean/median/sd/min/max/range/sum, otherwise take care of NAs yourself

reportEvery when processing multiple inputs, report estimated time left every ... iterations

(NULL = default, NA = don't report)

cores number of cores for parallel processing

plot if TRUE, plots the SSM

savePlots full path to the folder in which to save the plots (NULL = don't save, " = same

folder as audio)

main plot title

heights relative sizes of the SSM and spectrogram/novelty plot

width, height, units, res

graphical parameters for saving plots passed to png

specPars graphical parameters passed to filled.contour.mod and affecting the spectrogram

ssmPars graphical parameters passed to filled.contour.mod and affecting the plot of

SSM

noveltyPars graphical parameters passed to lines and affecting the novelty contour

## Value

Returns a list of two components: \$ssm contains the self-similarity matrix, and \$novelty contains the novelty vector.

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## See Also

spectrogram modulationSpectrum segment

timeStretch

## **Examples**

```
sound = c(soundgen(),
          soundgen(nSyl = 4, sylLen = 50, pauseLen = 70,
          formants = NA, pitch = c(500, 330))
# playme(sound)
# detailed, local features (captures each syllable)
s1 = ssm(sound, samplingRate = 16000, kernelLen = 100,
         sparse = TRUE) # much faster with 'sparse'
# more global features (captures the transition b/w the two sounds)
s2 = ssm(sound, samplingRate = 16000, kernelLen = 400, sparse = TRUE)
s2$summary
s2$novelty # novelty contour
## Not run:
ssm(sound, samplingRate = 16000,
    input = 'mfcc', simil = 'cor', norm = TRUE,
   ssmWin = 25, # speed up the processing
   kernelLen = 300, # global features
    specPars = list(colorTheme = 'heat.colors'),
   ssmPars = list(colorTheme = 'bw'),
   noveltyPars = list(type = '1', lty = 3, lwd = 2))
## End(Not run)
```

timeStretch

Time stretch

# Description

Dynamically time-stretches a sound without preserving its pitch or formants, as if gradually changing playback speed. Algorithm: the audio is resampled at time-varying steps. This is about 100 times faster than time-stretching with a phase vocoder in shiftPitch, but pitch and formants cannot be preserved, and large stretch factors may cause artifacts due to aliasing.

# Usage

```
timeStretch(
    x,
    stretch = 1,
    samplingRate = NULL,
    precision = 1000,
    play = FALSE,
    saveAudio = NULL,
    reportEvery = NULL,
    cores = 1
)
```

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# **Arguments**

X	path to a folder, one or more way or mp3 files c('file1.way', 'file2.mp3'), Wave object, numeric vector, or a list of Wave objects or numeric vectors
stretch	1 = no change, $>1 = longer$ , $<1 = shorter$ . Single value, vector, or anchor format (see soundgen)
samplingRate	sampling rate of x (only needed if x is a numeric vector)
precision	the number of points used for estimating the duration of output (more = better, but slower)
play	if TRUE, plays the synthesized sound using the default player on your system. If character, passed to play as the name of player to use, eg "aplay", "play", "vlc", etc. In case of errors, try setting another default player for play
saveAudio	full path to the folder in which to save audio files (one per detected syllable)
reportEvery	when processing multiple inputs, report estimated time left every $\dots$ iterations (NULL = default, NA = don't report)
cores	

## See Also

shiftPitch

# **Examples**

```
data(sheep, package = 'seewave') # import a recording from seewave
# playme(sheep)
# spectrogram(sheep)
s1 = timeStretch(sheep, stretch = c(1, 3))
# playme(s1, sheep@samp.rate)
# spectrogram(s1, sheep@samp.rate)
# compare to a similar effect achieved with a phase vocoder in pitchShift():
s2 = shiftPitch(
  sheep,
  timeStretch = c(1, 3), # from 1 (original) to mult
  multPitch = c(1, 1/3), # also drop pitch
 multFormants = c(1, 1/3) # also drop formants (by the same proportion)
)
# playme(s2, sheep@samp.rate)
# spectrogram(s2, sheep@samp.rate)
# NB: because the two algorithms calculate transitions between stretch
# factors in different ways, the duration is not identical, even though the
# range of pitch change is the same
```

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transplantEnv

Transplant envelope

## **Description**

Extracts a smoothed amplitude envelope of the donor sound and applies it to the recipient sound. Both sounds are provided as numeric vectors; they can differ in length and sampling rate. Note that the result depends on the amount of smoothing (controlled by windowLength) and the chosen method of calculating the envelope. Very similar to setenv, but with a different smoothing algorithm and with a choice of several types of envelope: hil, rms, or peak.

# Usage

```
transplantEnv(
  donor,
  samplingRateD = NULL,
  recipient,
  samplingRateR = samplingRateD,
  windowLength = 50,
  method = c("hil", "rms", "peak")[3],
  killDC = FALSE,
  dynamicRange = 80,
  plot = FALSE
)
```

## **Arguments**

donor the sound that "donates" the amplitude envelope

samplingRateD, samplingRateR

sampling rate of the donor and recipient, respectively (only needed for vectors,

not files)

recipient the sound that needs to have its amplitude envelope adjusted

windowLength the length of smoothing window, ms

method hil = Hilbert envelope, rms = root mean square amplitude, peak = peak amplitude

per window

killDC if TRUE, dynamically removes DC offset or similar deviations of average wave-

form from zero (see examples)

dynamicRange parts of sound quieter than -dynamicRange dB will not be amplified

plot if TRUE, plots the original sound, the smoothed envelope, and the compressed

sound

## Value

Returns the recipient sound with the donor's amplitude envelope - a numeric vector with the same sampling rate as the recipient

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## See Also

flatEnv setenv

## **Examples**

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Transplant formants

# **Description**

Takes the general spectral envelope of one sound (donor) and "transplants" it onto another sound (recipient). For biological sounds like speech or animal vocalizations, this has the effect of replacing the formants in the recipient sound while preserving the original intonation and (to some extent) voice quality. Note that freqWindow is a crucial parameter: too narrow, and noise between harmonics will be amplified, creasing artifacts; too wide, and formants may be missed. The default is to set freqWindow to the estimated median pitch, but this is time-consuming and error-prone, so set it to a reasonable value manually if possible. Also ensure that both sounds have the same sampling rate.

### Usage

```
transplantFormants(
  donor,
  recipient,
  samplingRate = NULL,
  freqWindow = NULL,
  dynamicRange = 80,
  windowLength = 50,
  step = NULL,
  overlap = 90,
  wn = "gaussian",
  zp = 0
)
```

### **Arguments**

donor

the sound that provides the formants (vector, Wave, or file) or the desired spectral filter (matrix) as returned by getSpectralEnvelope

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the sound that receives the formants (vector, Wave, or file) recipient samplingRate sampling rate of x (only needed if x is a numeric vector) the width of smoothing window. Defaults to median pitch of the donor (or of freqWindow the recipient if donor is a filter matrix) dynamicRange dynamic range, dB. All values more than one dynamicRange under maximum are treated as zero windowLength length of FFT window, ms you can override overlap by specifying FFT step, ms (NB: because digital austep dio is sampled at discrete time intervals of 1/samplingRate, the actual step and thus the time stamps of STFT frames may be slightly different, eg 24.98866 instead of 25.0 ms) overlap overlap between successive FFT frames, % window type accepted by ftwindow, currently gaussian, hanning, hamming, wn bartlett, rectangular, blackman, flattop

# Details

zp

Algorithm: makes spectrograms of both sounds, interpolates and smoothes the donor spectrogram, flattens the recipient spectrogram, multiplies the spectrograms, and transforms back into time domain with inverse STFT.

window length after zero padding, points

#### See Also

transplantEnv getSpectralEnvelope addFormants soundgen

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
# Objective: take formants from the bleating of a sheep and apply them to a
# synthetic sound with any arbitrary duration, intonation, nonlinearities etc
data(sheep, package = 'seewave') # import a recording from seewave
playme(sheep)
spectrogram(sheep, osc = TRUE)
recipient = soundgen(
 sylLen = 1200,
 pitch = c(100, 300, 250, 200),
 vibratoFreq = 9, vibratoDep = 1,
 addSilence = 180,
 samplingRate = sheep@samp.rate, # same as donor
  invalidArgAction = 'ignore') # force to keep the low samplingRate
playme(recipient, sheep@samp.rate)
spectrogram(recipient, sheep@samp.rate, osc = TRUE)
s1 = transplantFormants(
 donor = sheep,
 recipient = recipient,
```

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```
samplingRate = sheep@samp.rate)
playme(s1, sheep@samp.rate)
spectrogram(s1, sheep@samp.rate, osc = TRUE)
# The spectral envelope of s1 will be similar to sheep's on a frequency scale
# determined by freqWindow. Compare the spectra:
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
seewave::meanspec(sheep, dB = 'max0', alim = c(-50, 20), main = 'Donor')
seewave::meanspec(s1, f = sheep@samp.rate, dB = 'max0',
                 alim = c(-50, 20), main = 'Processed recipient')
par(mfrow = c(1, 1))
# if needed, transplant amplitude envelopes as well:
s2 = transplantEnv(donor = sheep, samplingRateD = sheep@samp.rate,
                   recipient = s1, windowLength = 10)
playme(s2, sheep@samp.rate)
spectrogram(s2, sheep@samp.rate, osc = TRUE)
# Now we use human formants on sheep source: the sheep asks "why?"
s3 = transplantFormants(
 donor = getSpectralEnvelope(
            nr = 512, nc = 100,  # fairly arbitrary dimensions
            formants = 'uaaai',
            samplingRate = sheep@samp.rate),
 recipient = sheep,
 samplingRate = sheep@samp.rate)
playme(s3, sheep@samp.rate)
spectrogram(s3, sheep@samp.rate, osc = TRUE)
## End(Not run)
```

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