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bmetr-package	<b>bmetr: Beethoven's Metronome Analysis</b>
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## Description

Supporting data and methods for Martín-Castro & Ucar (2020). Includes functions and utilities for modelling a mechanical metronome and filtering tempo signals. See the vignettes for further details.

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## References

Martín-Castro A, Ucar I (2020). Conductors' tempo choices shed light over Beethoven's metronome. *PLOS ONE* 15(12), e0243616. [doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0243616](https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0243616)

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errors	<i>Data Wrangling with errors</i>
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## Description

Auxiliary functions to perform some common data wrangling operations in an **errors**-aware fashion, i.e., to preserve uncertainty metadata.

## Usage

```
gather_errors(.data, key, value, ...)
unite_errors(.data, suffix = ".se")
separate_errors(.data, suffix = ".se")
```

## Arguments

.data	a data frame.
key, value	names of the new key and value columns, as strings.
...	a selection of columns to gather.
suffix	suffix for the error column(s).

**Details**

gather\_errors is the **errors**-aware equivalent to `tidyr::gather`.

unite\_errors and separate\_errors are similar to `tidyr::unite` and `tidyr::separate`, but only for errors objects. For example, for each variable `var` of class `errors`, `separate_errors` will store the numeric value in `var` and will create another variable called `var.se` for the errors. Similarly, for each pair of variables `var` and `var.se`, `unite_errors` will store an errors object in `var` and will remove `var.se`. Note that the suffix `.se` can be changed.

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 find\_peaks

*Find Local Peaks*


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**Description**

Find local maxima in a neighbourhood. To find local minima, just provide `-x` instead of `x`.

**Usage**

```
find_peaks(x, m = 3)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	numeric vector.
<code>m</code>	size of the neighbourhood.

**Value**

A vector of indices.

**References**

Based on <https://github.com/stas-g/findPeaks>.

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 metr.data

*Metronomes Data*


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**Description**

Measurements of five models of metronome: Neewer, Neewer (photo), Patent, TB 06 and TB 07. The first two correspond to a contemporary metronome, a Neewer NW-707. The difference is that Neewer corresponds to precise direct measurements in a dismantled metronome, while Neewer (photo) measurements were taken from a photograph. The rest of the models follow this methodology. The third one, Patent, corresponds to the original diagram from Maelzel's 1815 English patent. Finally, TB 06 and TB 07 are metronomes number 6 and 7, respectively, from Tony Bingham's collection (see the references).

**Usage**

metr.neewer

metr.marks

metr.params

**Format**

metr.neewer provides oscillation frequency measurements for the Neewer metronome.

mark	metronome mark, in pulses per minute.
bpm	measured frequency, in pulses per minute.
bpm.se	standard error of bpm, in the same units.

metr.marks provides position measurements of each metronome mark for all the metronomes.

model	metronome model.
mark	metronome mark, in pulses per minute.
r	distance from the shaft to the mark, in mm.
r.se	standard error of r, in the same units.

metr.params provides measurements of fixed dimensions for all the metronomes. All the additional columns suffixed with .se are the standard errors of the corresponding variables in the same units.

model	metronome model.
rcm	position of the center of mass of the upper mass with respect to the metronome mark, in mm.
l	length of the rod over the shaft, in mm.
R	distance from the shaft to the center of mass of the lower mass, in mm.
L	length of the rod below the shaft, in mm.
A	oscillation amplitude, in degrees.

**References**

Bingham, T. and Turner, A. (2017) *Metronomes and Musical Time: Catalogue of the Tony Bingham Collection at the exhibition AUF TAKT! Held in the Museum für Musik, Basel*. London. ISBN: 978-0-946113-11-8.

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metr\_fit

*Metronome Model Fit*

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**Description**

Fit metronome's nondimensionalized masses,  $M$ . and  $m$ . (see [metr\\_model](#)), from a set of measurements and parameters.

**Usage**

```
metr_fit(.data, params, by = "model")
```

```
metr_predict(.fit, by = "model")
```

**Arguments**

.data	measurements of distance to the shaft for each metronome mark. It must contain the variables model, mark and r, as, e.g., the <a href="#">metr.marks</a> data set.
params	the rest of the dimensions: correction of the center of mass of the upper mass rcm, length of the rod above the shaft l, length of the rod below the shaft L, distance of the lower mass to the shaft R and oscillation amplitude A, as, e.g., the <a href="#">metr.params</a> data set.
by	variable to group by; e.g., the metronome model, to fit several metronomes.
.fit	output from metr_fit.

**Value**

A grouped data frame with model, M. (and error), mu. (and error) and the fit object.

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metr_model	<i>Metronome Model</i>
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**Description**

Functions to compute a metronome's oscillation frequency. `metr_model` is the main function. It computes the base value (`metr_model_base`), which includes the contribution of the mass of the rod (`mu.`), and applies corrections due to the oscillation angle (`metr_model_angle`) and the friction (`metr_model_friction`).

**Usage**

```
metr_model(r, R = 50, M. = 5, l = 220, L = R, mu. = 0, g = 9.807,
  A = 0, ep0 = 0)
```

```
metr_model_base(r, R = 50, M. = 5, l = 220, L = R, mu. = 0, g = 9.807)
```

```
metr_model_angle(A, terms = 8)
```

```
metr_model_friction(r, R = 50, M. = 5, l = 220, L = R, mu. = 0, ep0 = 0)
```

```
metr_model_bias(mark, R = 50, M. = 5, l = 220, L = R, mu. = 0,
  g = 9.807, A = 0, ep0 = 0, shift = 0)
```

```
metr_model_r(mark, R = 50, M. = 5, l = 220, L = R, mu. = 0, g = 9.807, A = 0)
```

**Arguments**

<code>r</code>	distance from the shaft to the center of mass of the upper mass, in mm.
<code>R</code>	distance from the shaft to the center of mass of the lower mass, in mm.
<code>M</code>	nondimensionalized lower mass (lower mass divided by upper mass).
<code>l</code>	length of the rod above the shaft, in mm.
<code>L</code>	length of the rod below the shaft, in mm.
<code>mu.</code>	nondimensionalized rod mass (rod mass divided by upper mass).
<code>g</code>	standard gravity, in $m/s^2$ .
<code>A</code>	oscillation amplitude, in degrees.
<code>ep0</code>	nondimensional friction parameter ( $\geq 0$ ).
<code>terms</code>	number of terms to approximate the angle correction.
<code>mark</code>	metronome mark, in pulses per minute.
<code>shift</code>	include a shift of the rod with respect to the scale, in mm.

**Details**

Function `metr_model_bias` computes, for a given metronome mark, the resulting oscillation frequency for an alteration of any parameter. To this end, it uses `metr_model_r` to first calculate the position of the upper mass for this metronome mark.

A value of `mu.=0` means that the rod is considered massless. A value of `A=0` means that no correction is applied due to the oscillation amplitude. A value of `ep0=0` means that the movement is frictionless. A value of `ep0=0.5` means that the metronome stops due to friction at the lowest possible frequency.

To compute the frequency bias for any parameter, two values must be supplied to `metr_model_bias`. For example, if the original position of the lower mass is 50 mm, and we want to calculate the result of lowering it down 5 mm, then `R=c(50, 55)` should be supplied.

**Value**

`metr_model`, `metr_model_base` and `metr_model_bias` return the oscillation frequency in pulses per minute.

`metr_model_angle` and `metr_model_friction` return a value  $\geq 1$ .

`metr_model_r` returns the distance from the shaft to the upper mass in mm.

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sym.data *Beethoven's Symphonies Data*

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### Description

Six data sets with tempo measurements plus additional information about Beethoven's nine symphonies.

- Data sets `sym.marks`, `sym.recordings` and `sym.duration` provide detailed information about Beethoven's annotations as well as the recordings selected for this study (the complete symphonies from 36 different conductors).
- Data sets `sym.window`, and `sym.sample` provide tempo measurements extracted using the Marsyas framework (and the tempo estimation algorithm by Percival and Tzanetakis; see the references) and distinct methodologies.

### Usage

`sym.marks`

`sym.recordings`

`sym.duration`

`sym.window`

`sym.sample`

### Format

`sym.marks` provides complete timing information extracted from Beethoven's scores: character annotations, tempo markings, beats and bars for the nine symphonies. Note that some movements have several character annotations (more than one section).

<code>symphony</code>	symphony number.
<code>movement</code>	movement number.
<code>character</code>	character annotation in this section.
<code>mark</code>	metronome mark.
<code>beat</code>	beats per bar.
<code>bar.tot</code>	total number of bars in this section.
<code>bar.rep</code>	total number of repeated bars in this section.
<code>bar.1</code>	total number of bars in first repetition boxes.
<code>tsig</code>	time signature, as expected by <code>tmp_rectify_tsig</code>
<code>section</code>	convenience section identifier (one per character).

Therefore, the theoretical duration, in minutes, *without repetitions* for each section can be computed as follows:  $(\text{bar.tot} - \text{bar.1}) * \text{beat} / \text{mark}$ . And the theoretical duration, in minutes, *with repetitions* is just the previous value +  $\text{bar.rep} * \text{beat} / \text{mark}$ .

sym.recordings provides complete information about the albums analyzed in this work (the nine symphonies for 36 different conductors).

conductor	conductor's name.
orchestra	orchestra(s)'s name.
title	album title.
label	album label.
upc	Universal Product Code.
date	recording dates.
year	release date.
pptype	performance type: romantic, Historically Informed (HI) or under HI influence.

sym.duration provides performed duration (track length) for the nine symphonies and 36 different conductors.

symphony	symphony number.
movement	movement number.
conductor	conductor's name.
duration	track length, in seconds.

sym.window provides continuous tempo measurements per symphony, movement and conductor by means of a sliding window.

symphony	symphony number.
movement	movement number.
conductor	conductor's name.
n	sample index. Samples with $n=0$ correspond to an estimation for the entire track.
start	start time for the sliding window, in seconds.
duration	window length, in seconds.
tempo	estimated tempo.

sym.sample, in contrast to sym.window, provides a single tempo estimation for each symphony, movement and conductor. The sample was collected at the end of each track (the "coda" of the movement), where the tempo is arguably more stable. It has the same variables as sym.window, except for n. Instead, sym.sample contains a section column to identify the section from which the tempo was sampled. This section identifier corresponds to the homonymous one present in sym.marks.

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**Description**

Functions for data cleaning. `tmp_rectify` is a general function to rectify a set of tempo harmonics in a sequence given some reference. `tmp_rectify_tsig` and `tmp_smooth` are wrappers around the latter to rectify a specific set of tempo harmonics given a time signature and to smooth a sequence of tempi respectively. The function `tmp_prevalent` is intended to find the most prevalent tempo in a sequence of tempi.

**Usage**

```
tmp_rectify(x, ref, harmonics, rtol, rtol2 = rtol, cond = any)
```

```
tmp_rectify_tsig(x, ref, tsig, rtol = 0.15, rtol2 = rtol)
```

```
tmp_smooth(x, ref, tsig, rtol = 0.1, rtol2 = rtol, ref2 = 1, nref = 3)
```

```
tmp_prevalent(x, breaks = 30)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	a sequence of tempi.
<code>ref</code>	tempo reference(s) for the harmonics.
<code>harmonics</code>	set of tempo harmonics to rectify.
<code>rtol, rtol2</code>	ratios of tolerance to compute the bounds and determine whether a given tempo is a harmonic of <code>ref</code> . <code>rtol2</code> can be specified to implement asymmetric bounds; otherwise, they are symmetric.
<code>cond</code>	condition to apply the correction.
<code>tsig</code>	time signature. Notably, this function distinguishes between binary time signatures (specified by 2), time signatures with ternary subdivision (specified by 0.3).
<code>ref2</code>	additional tempo harmonic to consider.
<code>nref</code>	number of previous samples to take into account.
<code>breaks</code>	number of breaks to compute the histogram.

**Value**

The rectified sequence, except for `tmp_prevalent`, which returns a single value.

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