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build.project	<i>Creates an ROI estimation project.</i>
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### Description

Creates an ROI estimation project.

### Usage

```
build.project(targetdir, overwrite = FALSE, copy_pub = TRUE)
```

### Arguments

targetdir	path to enclosing directory. If this directory does not exist, will attempt to create it (recursively)
overwrite	overwrite existing files corresponding to the project skeleton elements?
copy_pub	copy the 'pub/' folder (which contains the analyses from the publication)

### Details

This function sets up the skeleton of an analysis to go from seroprevalence data to the ROI estimation surface. That skeleton uses a series of separate scripts for each analytical step (fitting, simulation, analysis, and application), connected via the command line build tool make (NOTE: this assumes GNU make; if you have a different one, you may need to modify the code). This approach allows clean substitution for various stages (e.g., using a different model to generate life histories). The following files are created:

**Makefile** the dependencies for various analysis stages; NOTE: this (and the file in 'pub/') assumes GNU make.

**README.md** brief notes about project parts

**fit.R** script for fitting seroprevalence data

**synthesize.R** script for generating synthetic populations  
**digest.R** script for converting life histories into probability coefficients for ROI calculation  
**simple.R** a quick example start-to-finish analysis  
**pub/\*** the precise analysis used in the publication

### Value

logical, indicating error free creation of the project skeleton; there may still be other warnings

### Examples

```
require(denvax)
tardir <- tempdir() # replace with desired target
build.project(tardir)
list.files(tardir, recursive = TRUE)
```

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denvax

*denvax: Simple Dengue Test and Vaccinate Cost Thresholds*

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### Description

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### denvax functions

**serofit** fits serosurvey data against two-risk model  
**synthetic.pop** using parameter fit data, generate a sample population  
**nPxA** estimate dengue infection outcome probabilities based on a synthetic population  
**ROIcoeffs** using population outcome probabilities, compute ROI equation coefficients  
**ROI** compute ROIs from setting coefficients and cost scenarios  
**build.project** create a template project for estimating ROIs

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denvaxApp	<i>Launches shiny apps for denvax analyses.</i>
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**Description**

Provides the shiny app associated with [doi:10.6084/m9.figshare.11695155](https://doi.org/10.6084/m9.figshare.11695155). Only works if shiny and ggplot2 packages installed.

**Usage**

```
denvaxApp(...)
```

**Arguments**

... see [runApp](#); all arguments aside from 'appDir'

**Value**

does not return; interrupt R to stop the shiny app.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
denvax::denvaxApp()  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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denvax_scales	<i>Provide customized ggplot2 continuous scales</i>
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**Description**

These functions provide several standardized wrappers to the [scale\\_continuous](#) functions, simplifying the creation of consistent plots.

Note, these are only functional if 'ggplot2' is installed; otherwise these methods simply issue a warning.

**Usage**

```

scale_x_startAge(
  name = "Initial Age for Routine Testing",
  expand = ggplot2::expand_scale(add = 0.5),
  breaks = function(xlim) seq(ceiling(xlim[1]), floor(xlim[2])),
  ...
)

scale_y_endAge(
  name = "Maximum Age for Testing",
  expand = ggplot2::expand_scale(add = 0.5),
  ...
)

scale_y_numTests(
  name = "Maximum # of Tests",
  breaks = function(lims) seq(round(lims[1]), round(lims[2]), by = 1),
  expand = ggplot2::expand_scale(add = 0.5),
  ...
)

scale_x_log10tau(
  name = expression(tau * ", Test Cost Fraction (log scale)"),
  labels = function(b) sprintf("%0.2f", 10^b),
  expand = ggplot2::expand_scale(),
  ...
)

scale_y_nu(
  name = expression(nu * ", Vaccine Cost Fraction"),
  labels = function(b) sprintf("%0.1f", b),
  expand = ggplot2::expand_scale(),
  ...
)

scale_linetype_ROI1vl(
  name = "ROI Limits",
  drop = FALSE,
  values = c(`0` = "dotted", `0.1` = "dotted", `0.25` = "longdash", `0.5` = "solid"),
  ...
)

scale_color_ROI1sign(
  name = "ROI Direction",
  breaks = c(1, 0, -1),
  drop = FALSE,
  labels = c(`-1` = "Negative", `0` = "Neutral", `1` = "Positive"),
  values = c(`-1` = "firebrick", `0` = "black", `1` = "dodgerblue"),

```

```

    ...
  )

  scale_fill_ROI(
    name = "ROI",
    limits = c(-1, 2),
    breaks = seq(-1, 2, by = 0.5),
    na.value = "#3A3A98",
    ...
  )

  rescale_x_Tcost(
    S,
    name = "Per Test Cost (USD)",
    labels = function(b) b * S,
    ...
  )

  rescale_y_Vcost(
    S,
    name = "Vaccine Cost (USD)",
    labels = function(b) b * S,
    ...
  )

```

### Arguments

name	the scale name (default value provided)
expand	the scale expansion (default value provided)
breaks	the tick mark locations (default provided for ‘...numTests’)
...	see <a href="#">scale_continuous</a> for other arguments
labels	the tick mark labels (default provided for ‘...log10tau’)
drop	include missing levels in legend? (default value provided for ‘...ROIlvl’ and ‘...ROIsign’)
values	key values for levels (default value provided for ‘...ROIlvl’ and ‘...ROIsign’)
limits	the ROI range for fill colors (default value provided for ‘...ROI’)
na.value	the fill color when outside of the limits (default value provided for ‘...ROI’)
S	the scaling factor (cost of a Secondary dengue infection) for test and vaccination cost scales, when x is terms of tau (test cost fraction), and y is in terms of nu (vaccine cost fraction)

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`lazou2016`*The serosurvey data in L'Azou 2016*

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**Description**

From "Symptomatic Dengue in Children in 10 Asian and Latin American Countries", Table 4.

**Usage**`lazou2016`**Format**

a data.frame (data.table, if installed) with 20 rows and 4 columns:

**Country** character, common country name (all Peru for this data)

**Age** character, the bounding ages for the sample; format: lower age '-' upper age

**Number** integer, the number of samples

**Seropositive** integer, the number of seropositive samples

**Source**

<https://doi.org/10.1056/NEJMoa1503877>

**Examples**

```
require(denvax); require(ggplot2)
data(lazou2016)
ggplot(lazou2016) + aes(Age, Seropositive/Number*100, color = Country) +
  geom_point() + labs(y="Seropositive %", x="Age Group") + lims(y=c(0,100)) +
  theme_minimal()
```

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`morrison2010`*The serosurvey data in Morrison 2010*

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**Description**

From "Epidemiology of Dengue Virus in Iquitos, Peru 1999 to 2005: Interepidemic and Epidemic Patterns of Transmission", combining information from Fig. 2 and Fig. 3. The data from Fig. 3 were extracted using <https://automeris.io/WebPlotDigitizer/>

**Usage**`morrison2010`

**Format**

a data.frame (data.table, if installed) with 13 rows and 4 columns:

**Country** character, common country name (all Peru for this data)

**Age** integer, the age category

**Number** integer, the number of samples

**Seropositive** integer, the number of seropositive samples

**Source**

<https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pntd.0000670>

**Examples**

```
require(denvax)
data(morrison2010)
with(morrison2010,
  plot(Age, Seropositive/Number*100, ylab="% Seropositive", ylim=c(0,100))
)
```

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nPxA

*Compute the nPx(A), C(A) proportions from a population of life histories*

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**Description**

Compute the nPx(A), C(A) proportions from a population of life histories

**Usage**

```
nPxA(lifehistory)
```

**Arguments**

lifehistory a matrix with rows (sample individuals) and columns (outcome in year of life); see [synthetic.pop](#) return value

**Details**

computes the relevant nPx(A) and C(A): the probabilities of the various life trajectories, by age. See [doi:10.1098/rsif.2019.0234](https://doi.org/10.1098/rsif.2019.0234), SI section II.A (Cost Benefit Equations: Definitions)

**Value**

a `data.frame` (`data.table`, if available) with columns

**A** integer; the reference year of life, from 1 to `dim(lifehistory)[2]`

**p\_0** numeric; probability of 0 lifetime infections

**p\_1p** numeric; probability of 1 or more lifetime infections

**p\_2p** numeric; probability of 2 or more lifetime infections

**p0\_1** numeric; probability of 0 infections at age A, and 1 lifetime infection

**p0\_1p** numeric; probability of 0 infections at age A, and 1 or more lifetime infections

**p0\_2p** numeric; probability of 0 infections at age A, and 2 or more lifetime infections

**p1\_A** numeric; probability of 1 infection at age A, and 1 or more lifetime infections

**p1\_2p** numeric; probability of 1 infection at age A, and 2 or more lifetime infections

**p1p\_A** numeric; probability of 1 or more infections at age A, and 1 or more lifetime infections

**p2p\_A** numeric; probability of 2 or more infections at age A, and 2 or more lifetime infections

**CA** numeric; probability of converting from seronegative to seropositive between age A and A+1

**Examples**

```
require(denvax);
data(morrison2010) # has counts by age
fit <- with(morrison2010, serofit(sero=Seropositive, N=Number, age.min=Age))
m2010pop <- synthetic.pop(fit, runs = 10, popsize = 10) # small sample size for example run time
m2010lh <- nPxA(m2010pop)
m2010lh
with(m2010lh,
  plot(A, p0_2p*100, type="l",
        xlab="Age", ylab="%", ylim = c(0, 100),
        main="Individuals w/ No Infections,\nbut that will have 2"
  )
)
```

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 ROI

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*Compute the ROI surfaces given test and vaccine cost fractions.*


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**Description**

Compute the ROI surfaces given test and vaccine cost fractions.

**Usage**

```
ROI(
  rcoeffs,
  nus = seq(0.3, 0.9, by = 0.05),
  taus = 10^seq(-2, -0.5, by = 0.05)
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>rcoeffs</code>	a data.frame with the ROI surface coefficients from <a href="#">ROIcoeffs</a>
<code>nus</code>	the series of normalized vaccine costs to use for ROI calcs
<code>taus</code>	the series of normalized test costs to use for ROI calcs

**Details**

tabulates ROI

**Value**

a 'data.frame' ('data.table', if available) with columns:

**nu** numeric, the normalized vaccine cost used

**tau** numeric, the normalized test cost used

**mechanism** character, either "ordinal" or "binary" corresponding to the type of test

**A** integer; the age when routine test-then-vaccinate strategy starts (from As)

**L** integer; the maximum number of tests for routine test-then-vaccinate strategy (from Ls)

**cost** numeric; the intervention cost (as a fraction of second infection cost)

**benefit** numeric; the difference in health outcome cost (as a fraction of second infection cost) minus 'cost'; positive values indicate positive net benefit

**roi** numeric; return on investment: 'benefit' over 'cost'

**Examples**

```
require(denvax);
data(morrison2010) # has counts by age
fit <- with(morrison2010, serofit(sero=Seropositive, N=Number, age.min=Age))
m2010pop <- synthetic.pop(fit, runs = 10, popsize = 10) # small sample size for example run time
m2010lh <- nPxA(m2010pop)
L <- 5
rc <- ROIcoeffs(m2010lh, As=5:10, Ls=L)
rois <- ROI(rc, nus = 0.5, taus = 0.01)
srois <- subset(rois, mechanism == "binary")
mrois <- matrix(srois$roi, nrow = L)
contour(x=unique(srois$L), y=unique(srois$A), z=mrois,
        xlab = "Max # of Tests", ylab = "Initial Age", main="ROI Contour"
        )
```

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ROIcoeffs	<i>Compute the Return on Investment (ROI) surface coefficients from population probabilities</i>
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### Description

Compute the Return on Investment (ROI) surface coefficients from population probabilities

### Usage

```
ROIcoeffs(probabilities, As = 5:20, Ls = (diff(range(As)) + 1):1)
```

### Arguments

probabilities	a <a href="#">data.frame</a> (or <a href="#">data.table</a> ) with the probabilities resulting from <a href="#">nPxA</a> . Rows must correspond to ages, starting with age 1
As	the starting age(s) to consider
Ls	the maximum number of tests for each age; should either be an integer per age or a single integer for all ages. The default behavior computes the number of tests (for each age) that makes the maximum of 'As' the maximum testing age Note: results will also be provided for shorter testing intervals, as the intermediate coefficients are calculated as part of computing the value at the maximum L

### Details

computes the coefficients for the economic calculations

### Value

a [data.frame](#) ([data.table](#), if available) with columns:

**A** integer; the age when routine test-then-vaccinate strategy starts (from As)

**L** integer; the maximum number of tests for routine test-then-vaccinate strategy (from Ls)

**vacfrac** numeric; the fraction of individuals participating in this strategy that get vaccinated

**pri.offset** numeric; the (additive) reduction in vacfrac if using the ordinal test

**Sfrac** numeric; the proportion experiencing second infection costs

**Fresp** numeric; the F/S cost fraction term, when comparing vaccination with and without testing

**Sgain** numeric; the S term, when comparing vaccination with and without testing

**Examples**

```

require(denvax);
data(morrison2010) # has counts by age
fit <- with(morrison2010, serofit(sero=Seropositive, N=Number, age.min=Age))
m2010pop <- synthetic.pop(fit, runs = 10, popsize = 10) # small sample size for example run time
m2010lh <- nPxA(m2010pop)
rc <- ROIcoeffs(m2010lh, As=5:10, Ls=5)
pp <- par()
par(mfrow=c(1, 2))
rcs <- subset(rc, A==10 & L < 11)
with(rcs, plot(
  L, aveTests, type="l",
  xlab="Max # of Tests Allowed",
  ylab="Ave # of Tests Administered",
  main="Starting @ Age 10",
  ylim=c(1, 3)
))
rcs <- subset(rc, A==5 & L < 11)
with(rcs, plot(
  L, aveTests, type="l",
  xlab="Max # of Tests Allowed",
  ylab="",
  main="Starting @ Age 5",
  ylim=c(1, 3)
))
par(pp)

```

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serofit

*Model fitting for serological data*


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**Description**

Model fitting for serological data

**Usage**

```

serofit(
  seropositive,
  N,
  age.min = use.default(seq_along(seropositive), "age.min"),
  age.max = use.default(age.min, "age.max")
)

```

**Arguments**

seropositive	the number of seropositive samples for each age group; length(seropositive) must be at least 3
N	the total number of samples for each age group; length(N) must equal length(seropositive)

age.min	the low age in age groups; defaults to '1:length(seropositive)', i.e. assumes the seropositive data corresponds to yearly cohorts starting at age 1.
age.max	the upper age in age groups; defaults to 'age.min', i.e. assumes each category corresponds to a single year

### Details

Fits a constant force of infection, two-risk category model using seroprevalence survey data. i.e.:

$$P_+(A) = p_H * (1 - (1 - f_H)^A) + (1 - p_H) * (1 - (1 - f_L)^A)$$

This probability is fit to the seroprevalence by age category data, using maximum likelihood and `optim`.

### Value

a list of best-fit parameters, all numeric values:

**f\_H** force of infection, for the high risk group

**f\_L** force of infection, for the low risk group

**p\_H** the proportion of the population at high risk

### Examples

```
require(denvax);
data(morrison2010) # has counts by age
fit <- with(morrison2010, serofit(sero=Seropositive, N=Number, age.min=Age))
if (requireNamespace("data.table", quietly = TRUE)) {
  data(lazou2016) # has counts by age range, instead of counts for every year
  # this example uses `data.table` functions to simplify processing
  # several groups at once
  lazou2016[, {
    agerange <- data.table::tstrsplit(Age, "-")
    serofit(
      sero      = Seropositive,
      N         = Number,
      age.min   = as.integer(agerange[[1]]),
      age.max   = as.integer(agerange[[2]])
    )
  }, by = Country]
}
```

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synthetic.pop

*Compute synthetic population trajectories from model parameters*

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### Description

Compute synthetic population trajectories from model parameters

**Usage**

```
synthetic.pop(pars, runs = 100, popsize = 1000, maxAge = 70, rngseed = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

pars	a list with elements 'f_H', 'f_L', and 'p_H'; see <a href="#">serofit</a> return value
runs	the number of different serotype timelines to simulate
popsize	the number of individuals to sample for each run
maxAge	the length of each lifetime
rngseed	an optional seed for the random number generator

**Details**

Using fitted parameters for a two-risk, constant force of infection model, simulate a dengue annual exposures model for the requested number of serotype series ('runs') and individuals ('popsize'). The resulting matrix is a collection of integers, 0-4. 0 indicates no infection, 1-4 infection by the corresponding serotype.

**Value**

a matrix of integers 0-4, rows 'runs\*popsize' x columns 'maxAge'

**Examples**

```
require(denvax);
data(morrison2010) # has counts by age
fit <- with(morrison2010, serofit(sero=Seropositive, N=Number, age.min=Age))
m2010pop <- synthetic.pop(fit, runs = 10, popsize = 10) # small sample size for example run time
head(m2010pop)
```

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