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python Human Probabilistic Decision-Modelling (pyHPDM) is a framework for modelling and fitting the responses of people to probabilistic decision making tasks.





# CHAPTER 1

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## Prerequisites

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This code has been tested using `Python 2.7`. Apart from the standard Python libraries it also depends on the [SciPy](#) libraries and a few others listed in `requirements.txt`. For those installing Python for the first time I would recommend the [Anaconda Python distribution](#).



## CHAPTER 2

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### Installation

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For now this is just Python code that you download and use, not a package.



## CHAPTER 3

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### Usage

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The framework has until now either been run with a run script or live in a command-line (or [jupyter notebook](#)).

A task simulation can be simply created by running `simulation.simulation()`. Equally, for fitting participant data, the function is `dataFitting.data_fitting`. For now, no example data has been provided.

More complex example running scripts can be found in `./runScripts/`. Here, a number of scripts have been created as templates: `runScript_sim.py` for simulating the `probSelect` task and `runScript_fit.py` for fitting the data generated from `runScript_sim.py`. A visual display of the interactions in one of these scripts will soon be created.

A new method of passing in the fitting or simulation configuration is to use a YAML configuration file. This is done, for both simulations and data fitting, using the function `start.run_script`. For example, to run the YAML configuration equivalent to the `runScript_sim.py` from a command line would be `:start.run_script('./runScripts/runScripts_sim.yaml')`.



## CHAPTER 4

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### Testing

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Testing is done using `pytest`.





## CHAPTER 5

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### License

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The documentation can be found on [readthedocs](#) or in `./doc/_build/html`, with the top level file being `index.html`

To update the documentation you will need to install Sphinx and a set of extensions. The list of extensions can be found in `./doc/conf.py`. To update the documentation follow the instruction in `./doc/readme.md`

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### 6.1.1 simulation Module

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#### 6.1.1.1 Functions

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<code>log_simulation_parameters(task_parameters, ...)</code>	Writes to the log the description and the label of the task and model
<code>record_simulation(file_name_generator, ...)</code>	Records the data from an task-model run.
<code>run([task_name, task_changing_properties, ...])</code>	A framework for letting models interact with tasks and record the data

### csv\_model\_simulation

`simulation.csv_model_simulation(modelData, simID, file_name_generator)`

Saves the fitting data to a CSV file

#### Parameters

- **modelData** (*dict*) – The data from the model
- **simID** (*string*) – The identifier for the simulation

- **file\_name\_generator** (*function*) – Creates a new file with the name <handle> and the extension <extension>. It takes two string parameters: (handle, extension) and returns one fileName string

## log\_simulation\_parameters

`simulation.log_simulation_parameters(task_parameters, model_parameters, simID)`

Writes to the log the description and the label of the task and model

### Parameters

- **task\_parameters** (*dict*) – The task parameters
- **model\_parameters** (*dict*) – The model parameters
- **simID** (*string*) – The identifier for each simulation.

See also:

**recordSimParams()** Records these parameters for later use

## record\_simulation

`simulation.record_simulation(file_name_generator, task_data, model_data, simID, pickle=False)`

Records the data from an task-model run. Creates a pickled version

### Parameters

- **file\_name\_generator** (*function*) – Creates a new file with the name <handle> and the extension <extension>. It takes two string parameters: (handle, extension) and returns one fileName string
- **task\_data** (*dict*) – The data from the task
- **model\_data** (*dict*) – The data from the model
- **simID** (*basestring*) – The label identifying the simulation
- **pickle** (*bool, optional*) – If true the data for each model, task and participant is recorded. Default is False

See also:

**pickleLog()** records the picked data

## run

`simulation.run(task_name=u'Basic', task_changing_properties=None, task_constant_properties=None, model_name=u'QLearn', model_changing_properties=None, model_constant_properties=None, model_changing_properties_repetition=1, label=None, config_file=None, output_path=None, pickle=False, min_log_level=u'INFO', numpy_error_level=u'log')`

A framework for letting models interact with tasks and record the data

### Parameters

- **task\_name** (*string*) – The name of the file where a tasks.taskTemplate.Task class can be found. Default Basic

- **task\_changing\_properties** (*dictionary of floats or lists of floats*) – Parameters are the options that you are or are likely to change across task instances. When a parameter contains a list, an instance of the task will be created for every combination of this parameter with all the others. Default None
- **task\_constant\_properties** (*dictionary of float, string or binary valued elements*) – These contain all the the task options that describe the task being studied but do not vary across task instances. Default None
- **model\_name** (*string*) – The name of the file where a model.modelTemplate.Model class can be found. Default QLearn
- **model\_changing\_properties** (*dictionary containing floats or lists of floats, optional*) – Parameters are the options that you are or are likely to change across model instances. When a parameter contains a list, an instance of the model will be created for every combination of this parameter with all the others. Default None
- **model\_constant\_properties** (*dictionary of float, string or binary valued elements, optional*) – These contain all the the model options that define the version of the model being studied. Default None
- **model\_changing\_properties\_repetition** (*int, optional*) – The number of times each parameter combination is repeated.
- **config\_file** (*string, optional*) – The file name and path of a .yaml configuration file. Overrides all other parameters if found. Default None
- **output\_path** (*string, optional*) – The path that will be used for the run output. Default None
- **pickle** (*bool, optional*) – If true the data for each model, task and participant is recorded. Default is False
- **label** (*string, optional*) – The label for the simulation. Default None, which means nothing will be saved
- **min\_log\_level** (*basestring, optional*) – Defines the level of the log from (DEBUG, INFO, WARNING, ERROR, CRITICAL). Default INFO
- **numpy\_error\_level** (*{'log', 'raise'}*) – Defines the response to numpy errors. Default log. See numpy.seterr

See also:

`tasks.taskTemplate()`, `model.modelTemplate()`

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`simulation.csv_model_simulation(modelData, simID, file_name_generator)`

Saves the fitting data to a CSV file

#### Parameters

- **modelData** (*dict*) – The data from the model
- **simID** (*string*) – The identifier for the simulation
- **file\_name\_generator** (*function*) – Creates a new file with the name <handle> and the extension <extension>. It takes two string parameters: (handle, extension) and returns one fileName string

`simulation.log_simulation_parameters(task_parameters, model_parameters, simID)`

Writes to the log the description and the label of the task and model

#### Parameters

- **task\_parameters** (*dict*) – The task parameters
- **model\_parameters** (*dict*) – The model parameters

- **simID** (*string*) – The identifier for each simulation.

See also:

**recordSimParams()** Records these parameters for later use

```
simulation.record_simulation(file_name_generator, task_data, model_data, simID,  
                             pickle=False)
```

Records the data from an task-model run. Creates a pickled version

#### Parameters

- **file\_name\_generator** (*function*) – Creates a new file with the name <handle> and the extension <extension>. It takes two string parameters: (handle, extension) and returns one fileName string
- **task\_data** (*dict*) – The data from the task
- **model\_data** (*dict*) – The data from the model
- **simID** (*basestring*) – The label identifying the simulation
- **pickle** (*bool, optional*) – If true the data for each model, task and participant is recorded. Default is False

See also:

**pickleLog()** records the pickled data

```
simulation.run(task_name=u'Basic', task_changing_properties=None,  
               task_constant_properties=None, model_name=u'QLearn',  
               model_changing_properties=None, model_constant_properties=None,  
               model_changing_properties_repetition=1, label=None, con-  
               fig_file=None, output_path=None, pickle=False, min_log_level=u'INFO',  
               numpy_error_level=u'log')
```

A framework for letting models interact with tasks and record the data

#### Parameters

- **task\_name** (*string*) – The name of the file where a tasks.taskTemplate.Task class can be found. Default Basic
- **task\_changing\_properties** (*dictionary of floats or lists of floats*) – Parameters are the options that you are or are likely to change across task instances. When a parameter contains a list, an instance of the task will be created for every combination of this parameter with all the others. Default None
- **task\_constant\_properties** (*dictionary of float, string or binary valued elements*) – These contain all the the task options that describe the task being studied but do not vary across task instances. Default None
- **model\_name** (*string*) – The name of the file where a model.modelTemplate.Model class can be found. Default QLearn
- **model\_changing\_properties** (*dictionary containing floats or lists of floats, optional*) – Parameters are the options that you are or are likely to change across model instances. When a parameter contains a list, an instance of the model will be created for every combination of this parameter with all the others. Default None
- **model\_constant\_properties** (*dictionary of float, string or binary valued elements, optional*) – These contain all the the model options that define the version of the model being studied. Default None
- **model\_changing\_properties\_repetition** (*int, optional*) – The number of times each parameter combination is repeated.

- **config\_file** (*string, optional*) – The file name and path of a .yaml configuration file. Overrides all other parameters if found. Default None
- **output\_path** (*string, optional*) – The path that will be used for the run output. Default None
- **pickle** (*bool, optional*) – If true the data for each model, task and participant is recorded. Default is False
- **label** (*string, optional*) – The label for the simulation. Default None, which means nothing will be saved
- **min\_log\_level** (*basestring, optional*) – Defines the level of the log from (DEBUG, INFO, WARNING, ERROR, CRITICAL). Default INFO
- **numpy\_error\_level** (*{'log', 'raise'}*) – Defines the response to numpy errors. Default log. See numpy.seterr

See also:

`tasks.taskTemplate()`, `model.modelTemplate()`

## 6.2 dataFitting module

### 6.2.1 dataFitting Module

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#### 6.2.1.1 Functions

<code>fit_record(participant_fits, file_name_generator)</code>	Returns the participant fits summary as a csv file
<code>log_fitting_parameters(fit_info)</code>	Records and outputs to the log the parameters associated with the fitting algorithms
<code>log_model_fitted_parameters(...)</code>	Logs the model and task parameters that used as initial fitting conditions
<code>log_model_fitting_parameters(model, ...)</code>	Logs the model and task parameters that used as initial fitting conditions
<code>record_fitting(fitting_data, label, ...[, ...])</code>	Records formatted versions of the fitting data
<code>record_participant_fit(participant, ...[, ...])</code>	Record the data relevant to the participant fitting
<code>run([data_folder, data_format, ...])</code>	A framework for fitting models to data for tasks, along with recording the data associated with the fits.
<code>xlsx_fitting_data(fitting_data, label, ...)</code>	Saves the fitting data to an XLSX file

#### fit\_record

`dataFitting.fit_record(participant_fits, file_name_generator)`

Returns the participant fits summary as a csv file

##### Parameters

- **participant\_fits** (*dict*) – A summary of the recovered parameters
- **file\_name\_generator** (*function*) – Creates a new file with the name <handle> and the extension <extension>. It takes two string parameters: (handle, extension) and returns one fileName string

## log\_fitting\_parameters

`dataFitting.log_fitting_parameters (fit_info)`

Records and outputs to the log the parameters associated with the fitting algorithms

**Parameters** `fit_info` (*dict*) – The details of the fitting

## log\_model\_fitted\_parameters

`dataFitting.log_model_fitted_parameters (model_fit_variables, model_parameters, fit_quality, participant_name)`

Logs the model and task parameters that used as initial fitting conditions

**Parameters**

- **model\_fit\_variables** (*dict*) – The model parameters that have been fitted over and varied.
- **model\_parameters** (*dict*) – The model parameters for the fitted model
- **fit\_quality** (*float*) – The value of goodness of fit
- **participant\_name** (*int or string*) – The identifier for each participant

## log\_model\_fitting\_parameters

`dataFitting.log_model_fitting_parameters (model, model_fit_variables, model_other_args)`

Logs the model and task parameters that used as initial fitting conditions

**Parameters**

- **model** (*string*) – The name of the model
- **model\_fit\_variables** (*dict*) – The model parameters that will be fitted over and varied.
- **model\_other\_args** (*dict*) – The other parameters used in the model whose attributes have been modified by the user

## record\_fitting

`dataFitting.record_fitting (fitting_data, label, participant, participant_model_variables, participant_fits, file_name_generator, save_fitting_progress=False)`

Records formatted versions of the fitting data

**Parameters**

- **fitting\_data** (*dict, optional*) – Dictionary of details of the different fits, including an ordered dictionary containing the parameter values tested, in the order they were tested, and a list of the fit qualities of these parameters.
- **label** (*basestring*) – The label used to identify the fit in the file names
- **participant** (*dict*) – The participant data
- **participant\_model\_variables** (*dict of string*) – A dictionary of model settings whose values should vary from participant to participant based on the values found in the imported participant data files. The key is the label given in the participant data file, as a string, and the value is the associated label in the model, also as a string.



- **participant\_fits** (*defaultdict of lists*) – A dictionary to be filled with the summary of the participant fits
- **file\_name\_generator** (*function*) – Creates a new file with the name <handle> and the extension <extension>. It takes two string parameters: (handle, extension) and returns one fileName string
- **save\_fitting\_progress** (*bool, optional*) – Specifies if the results from each iteration of the fitting process should be returned. Default False

**Returns** **participant\_fits** – A dictionary to be filled with the summary of the previous and current participant fits

**Return type** defaultdict of lists

## record\_participant\_fit

`dataFitting.record_participant_fit` (*participant, part\_name, model\_data, model\_name, fitting\_data, partModelVars, participantFits, fileNameGen=None, pickleData=False, saveFittingProgress=False, expData=None*)

Record the data relevant to the participant fitting

### Parameters

- **participant** (*dict*) – The participant data
- **part\_name** (*int or string*) – The identifier for each participant
- **model\_data** (*dict*) – The data from the model
- **model\_name** (*basestring*) – The label given to the model
- **fitting\_data** (*dict*) – Dictionary of details of the different fits, including an ordered dictionary containing the parameter values tested, in the order they were tested, and a list of the fit qualities of these parameters
- **partModelVars** (*dict of string*) – A dictionary of model settings whose values should vary from participant to participant based on the values found in the imported participant data files. The key is the label given in the participant data file, as a string, and the value is the associated label in the model, also as a string.
- **participantFits** (*defaultdict of lists*) – A dictionary to be filled with the summary of the participant fits
- **fileNameGen** (*function or None*) – Creates a new file with the name <handle> and the extension <extension>. It takes two string parameters: (handle, extension) and returns one fileName string. Default None
- **pickleData** (*bool, optional*) – If true the data for each model, task and participant is recorded. Default is False
- **saveFittingProgress** (*bool, optional*) – Specifies if the results from each iteration of the fitting process should be returned. Default False
- **expData** (*dict, optional*) – The data from the task. Default None

**Returns** **participantFits** – A dictionary to be filled with the summary of the previous and current participant fits

**Return type** defaultdict of lists

See also:

`outputting.pickleLog()` records the picked data

## run

```
dataFitting.run(data_folder=u'./', data_format=u'csv', data_file_filter=None,
                data_file_terminal_ID=True, data_read_options=None, data_split_by=None,
                data_group_by=None, data_extra_processing=None, model_name=u'QLearn',
                model_changing_properties=None, model_constant_properties=None, participantID=u'Name',
                participant_choices=u'Actions', participant_rewards=u'Rewards',
                model_fit_value=u'ActionProb', fit_subset=None, task_stimuli=None,
                participant_action_options=None, fit_method=u'Evolutionary',
                fit_method_args=None, fit_measure=u'-loge', fit_measure_args=None,
                fit_extra_measures=None, participant_varying_model_parameters=None, label=None,
                save_fitting_progress=False, config_file=None, output_path=None,
                pickle=False, boundary_excess_cost_function=None, min_log_level=u'INFO',
                numpy_error_level=u'log', fit_float_error_response_value=1e-100, calculate_covariance=False)
```

A framework for fitting models to data for tasks, along with recording the data associated with the fits.

### Parameters

- **data\_folder** (*string or list of strings, optional*) – The folder where the data can be found. Default is the current folder.
- **data\_format** (*string, optional*) – The file type of the data, from mat, csv, xlsx and pkl. Default is csv
- **data\_file\_filter** (*callable, string, list of strings or None, optional*) – A function to process the file names or a list of possible prefixes as strings or a single string. Default None, no file names removed
- **data\_file\_terminal\_ID** (*bool, optional*) – Is there an ID number at the end of the filename? If not then a more general search will be performed. Default True
- **data\_read\_options** (*dict, optional*) – The keyword arguments for the data importing method chosen
- **data\_split\_by** (*string or list of strings, optional*) – If multiple participant datasets are in one file sheet, this specifies the column or columns that can distinguish and identify the rows for each participant. Default None
- **data\_group\_by** (*list of strings, optional*) – A list of parts of filenames that are repeated across participants, identifying all the files that should be grouped together to form one participants data. The rest of the filename is assumed to identify the participant. Default is None
- **data\_extra\_processing** (*callable, optional*) – A function that modifies the dictionary of data read for each participant in such that it is appropriate for fitting. Default is None
- **model\_name** (*string, optional*) – The name of the file where a model.modelTemplate.Model class can be found. Default QLearn
- **model\_changing\_properties** (*dictionary with values of tuple of two floats, optional*) – Parameters are the options that you allow to vary across model fits. Each model parameter is specified as a dict key. The value is a tuple containing the upper and lower search bounds, e.g. alpha has the bounds (0, 1). Default None
- **model\_constant\_properties** (*dictionary of float, string or binary valued elements, optional*) – These contain all the the model options that define the version of the model being studied. Default None
- **participantID** (*basestring, optional*) – The key (label) used to identify each participant. Default Name

- **participant\_choices** (*string, optional*) – The participant data key of their action choices. Default 'Actions'
- **participant\_rewards** (*string, optional*) – The participant data key of the participant reward data. Default 'Rewards'
- **model\_fit\_value** (*string, optional*) – The key to be compared in the model data. Default 'ActionProb'
- **fit\_subset** (*float('Nan'), None, "rewarded", "unrewarded", "all" or list of int, optional*) – Describes which, if any, subset of trials will be used to evaluate the performance of the model. This can either be described as a list of trial numbers or, by passing - "all" for fitting all trials - float('Nan') or "unrewarded" for all those trials whose feedback was float('Nan') - "rewarded" for those who had feedback that was not float('Nan') Default None, which means all trials will be used.
- **task\_stimuli** (*list of strings or None, optional*) – The keys containing the observational parameters seen by the participant before taking a decision on an action. Default None
- **participant\_action\_options** (*string or list of strings or None or one element list with a list, optional*) – If a string or list of strings these are treated as dict keys where the valid actions for each trial can be found. If None then all trials will use all available actions. If the list contains one list then it will be treated as a list of valid actions for each trialstep. Default 'None'
- **fit\_method** (*string, optional*) – The fitting method to be used. The names accepted are those of the modules in the folder fitAlgs containing a FitAlg class. Default 'evolutionary'
- **fit\_method\_args** (*dict, optional*) – A dictionary of arguments specific to the fitting method. Default None
- **fit\_measure** (*string, optional*) – The name of the function used to calculate the quality of the fit. The value it returns provides the fitter with its fitting guide. Default -loge
- **fit\_measure\_args** (*dict, optional*) – The parameters used to initialise fit-Measure and extraFitMeasures. Default None
- **fit\_extra\_measures** (*list of strings, optional*) – List of fit measures not used to fit the model, but to provide more information. Any arguments needed for these measures should be placed in fitMeasureArgs. Default None
- **participant\_varying\_model\_parameters** (*dict of string, optional*) – A dictionary of model settings whose values should vary from participant to participant based on the values found in the imported participant data files. The key is the label given in the participant data file, as a string, and the value is the associated label in the model, also as a string. Default { }
- **label** (*string, optional*) – The label for the data fitting. Default None will mean no data is saved to files.
- **save\_fitting\_progress** (*bool, optional*) – Specifies if the results from each iteration of the fitting process should be returned. Default False
- **config\_file** (*string, optional*) – The file name and path of a .yaml configuration file. Overrides all other parameters if found. Default None
- **output\_path** (*string, optional*) – The path that will be used for the run output. Default None
- **pickle** (*bool, optional*) – If true the data for each model, and participant is recorded. Default is False

- **boundary\_excess\_cost\_function** (*basestring or callable returning a function, optional*) – The function is used to calculate the penalty for exceeding the boundaries. Default is `boundFunc.scalarBound()`
- **min\_log\_level** (*basestring, optional*) – Defines the level of the log from (DEBUG, INFO, WARNING, ERROR, CRITICAL). Default INFO
- **numpy\_error\_level** (`{'log', 'raise'}`) – Defines the response to numpy errors. Default log. See `numpy.seterr`
- **fit\_float\_error\_response\_value** (*float, optional*) – If a floating point error occurs when running a fit the fitter function will return a value for each element of `fpRespVal`. Default is “1/1e100”
- **calculate\_covariance** (*bool, optional*) – Is the covariance calculated. Default False

See also:

`modelGenerator()` The model factory

`outputting()` The outputting functions

`fitAlgs.fitAlg.FitAlg()` General class for a method of fitting data

`fitAlgs.fitSims.fitSim()` General class for a method of simulating the fitting of data

`data.Data()` Data import class

## xlsx\_fitting\_data

`dataFitting.xlsx_fitting_data(fitting_data, label, participant, file_name_generator)`

Saves the fitting data to an XLSX file

### Parameters

- **fitting\_data** (*dict, optional*) – Dictionary of details of the different fits, including an ordered dictionary containing the parameter values tested, in the order they were tested, and a list of the fit qualities of these parameters.
- **label** (*basestring*) – The label used to identify the fit in the file names
- **participant** (*dict*) – The participant data
- **file\_name\_generator** (*function*) – Creates a new file with the name <handle> and the extension <extension>. It takes two string parameters: (handle, extension) and returns one `fileName` string

## 6.2.1.2 Classes

<code>FitAlg([fit_sim, fit_measure, ...])</code>	The abstract class for fitting data
<code>FitSim([participant_choice_property, ...])</code>	A class for fitting data by passing the participant data through the model.
<i>LengthError</i>	
<code>ModelGen(model_name[, parameters, other_options])</code>	Generates model class instances based on a model and a set of varying parameters
<i>OrderError</i>	

## LengthError

**exception** `dataFitting.LengthError`

## OrderError

**exception** dataFitting.OrderError

### 6.2.1.3 Class Inheritance Diagram

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**exception** dataFitting.LengthError

Bases: exceptions.Exception

**exception** dataFitting.OrderError

Bases: exceptions.Exception

dataFitting.fit\_record(*participant\_fits*, *file\_name\_generator*)

Returns the participant fits summary as a csv file

#### Parameters

- **participant\_fits** (*dict*) – A summary of the recovered parameters
- **file\_name\_generator** (*function*) – Creates a new file with the name <handle> and the extension <extension>. It takes two string parameters: (handle, extension) and returns one fileName string

dataFitting.log\_fitting\_parameters(*fit\_info*)

Records and outputs to the log the parameters associated with the fitting algorithms

**Parameters** **fit\_info** (*dict*) – The details of the fitting

dataFitting.log\_model\_fitted\_parameters(*model\_fit\_variables*, *model\_parameters*, *fit\_quality*, *participant\_name*)

Logs the model and task parameters that used as initial fitting conditions

#### Parameters

- **model\_fit\_variables** (*dict*) – The model parameters that have been fitted over and varied.
- **model\_parameters** (*dict*) – The model parameters for the fitted model
- **fit\_quality** (*float*) – The value of goodness of fit
- **participant\_name** (*int or string*) – The identifier for each participant

dataFitting.log\_model\_fitting\_parameters(*model*, *model\_fit\_variables*, *model\_other\_args*)

Logs the model and task parameters that used as initial fitting conditions

#### Parameters

- **model** (*string*) – The name of the model
- **model\_fit\_variables** (*dict*) – The model parameters that will be fitted over and varied.
- **model\_other\_args** (*dict*) – The other parameters used in the model whose attributes have been modified by the user

dataFitting.record\_fitting(*fitting\_data*, *label*, *participant*, *participant\_model\_variables*, *participant\_fits*, *file\_name\_generator*, *save\_fitting\_progress=False*)

Records formatted versions of the fitting data

#### Parameters

- **fitting\_data** (*dict, optional*) – Dictionary of details of the different fits, including an ordered dictionary containing the parameter values tested, in the order they were tested, and a list of the fit qualities of these parameters.
- **label** (*basestring*) – The label used to identify the fit in the file names
- **participant** (*dict*) – The participant data
- **participant\_model\_variables** (*dict of string*) – A dictionary of model settings whose values should vary from participant to participant based on the values found in the imported participant data files. The key is the label given in the participant data file, as a string, and the value is the associated label in the model, also as a string.
- **participant\_fits** (*defaultdict of lists*) – A dictionary to be filled with the summary of the participant fits
- **file\_name\_generator** (*function*) – Creates a new file with the name <handle> and the extension <extension>. It takes two string parameters: (handle, extension) and returns one fileName string
- **save\_fitting\_progress** (*bool, optional*) – Specifies if the results from each iteration of the fitting process should be returned. Default False

**Returns** **participant\_fits** – A dictionary to be filled with the summary of the previous and current participant fits

**Return type** defaultdict of lists

```
dataFitting.record_participant_fit(participant, part_name, model_data, model_name,
                                   fitting_data, partModelVars, participantFits, file-
                                   NameGen=None, pickleData=False, saveFitting-
                                   Progress=False, expData=None)
```

Record the data relevant to the participant fitting

#### Parameters

- **participant** (*dict*) – The participant data
- **part\_name** (*int or string*) – The identifier for each participant
- **model\_data** (*dict*) – The data from the model
- **model\_name** (*basestring*) – The label given to the model
- **fitting\_data** (*dict*) – Dictionary of details of the different fits, including an ordered dictionary containing the parameter values tested, in the order they were tested, and a list of the fit qualities of these parameters
- **partModelVars** (*dict of string*) – A dictionary of model settings whose values should vary from participant to participant based on the values found in the imported participant data files. The key is the label given in the participant data file, as a string, and the value is the associated label in the model, also as a string.
- **participantFits** (*defaultdict of lists*) – A dictionary to be filled with the summary of the participant fits
- **fileNameGen** (*function or None*) – Creates a new file with the name <handle> and the extension <extension>. It takes two string parameters: (handle, extension) and returns one fileName string. Default None
- **pickleData** (*bool, optional*) – If true the data for each model, task and participant is recorded. Default is False
- **saveFittingProgress** (*bool, optional*) – Specifies if the results from each iteration of the fitting process should be returned. Default False
- **expData** (*dict, optional*) – The data from the task. Default None

**Returns** `participantFits` – A dictionary to be filled with the summary of the previous and current participant fits

**Return type** `defaultdict` of lists

**See also:**

`outputting.pickleLog()` records the picked data

```
dataFitting.run(data_folder=u'./', data_format=u'csv', data_file_filter=None,
               data_file_terminal_ID=True, data_read_options=None, data_split_by=None,
               data_group_by=None, data_extra_processing=None, model_name=u'QLearn',
               model_changing_properties=None, model_constant_properties=None, participantID=u'Name',
               participant_choices=u'Actions', participant_rewards=u'Rewards',
               model_fit_value=u'ActionProb', fit_subset=None, task_stimuli=None,
               participant_action_options=None, fit_method=u'Evolutionary',
               fit_method_args=None, fit_measure=u'-loge', fit_measure_args=None,
               fit_extra_measures=None, participant_varying_model_parameters=None, label=None,
               save_fitting_progress=False, config_file=None, output_path=None,
               pickle=False, boundary_excess_cost_function=None, min_log_level=u'INFO',
               numpy_error_level=u'log', fit_float_error_response_value=1e-100, calculate_covariance=False)
```

A framework for fitting models to data for tasks, along with recording the data associated with the fits.

#### Parameters

- **data\_folder** (*string or list of strings, optional*) – The folder where the data can be found. Default is the current folder.
- **data\_format** (*string, optional*) – The file type of the data, from mat, csv, xlsx and pkl. Default is csv
- **data\_file\_filter** (*callable, string, list of strings or None, optional*) – A function to process the file names or a list of possible prefixes as strings or a single string. Default None, no file names removed
- **data\_file\_terminal\_ID** (*bool, optional*) – Is there an ID number at the end of the filename? If not then a more general search will be performed. Default True
- **data\_read\_options** (*dict, optional*) – The keyword arguments for the data importing method chosen
- **data\_split\_by** (*string or list of strings, optional*) – If multiple participant datasets are in one file sheet, this specifies the column or columns that can distinguish and identify the rows for each participant. Default None
- **data\_group\_by** (*list of strings, optional*) – A list of parts of filenames that are repeated across participants, identifying all the files that should be grouped together to form one participants data. The rest of the filename is assumed to identify the participant. Default is None
- **data\_extra\_processing** (*callable, optional*) – A function that modifies the dictionary of data read for each participant in such that it is appropriate for fitting. Default is None
- **model\_name** (*string, optional*) – The name of the file where a `model.modelTemplate.Model` class can be found. Default QLearn
- **model\_changing\_properties** (*dictionary with values of tuple of two floats, optional*) – Parameters are the options that you allow to vary across model fits. Each model parameter is specified as a dict key. The value is a tuple containing the upper and lower search bounds, e.g. alpha has the bounds (0, 1). Default None



- **model\_constant\_properties** (*dictionary of float, string or binary valued elements, optional*) – These contain all the the model options that define the version of the model being studied. Default None
- **participantID** (*basestring, optional*) – The key (label) used to identify each participant. Default Name
- **participant\_choices** (*string, optional*) – The participant data key of their action choices. Default 'Actions'
- **participant\_rewards** (*string, optional*) – The participant data key of the participant reward data. Default 'Rewards'
- **model\_fit\_value** (*string, optional*) – The key to be compared in the model data. Default 'ActionProb'
- **fit\_subset** (*float ('Nan'), None, "rewarded", "unrewarded", "all" or list of int, optional*) – Describes which, if any, subset of trials will be used to evaluate the performance of the model. This can either be described as a list of trial numbers or, by passing - "all" for fitting all trials - float ('Nan') or "unrewarded" for all those trials whose feedback was float ('Nan') - "rewarded" for those who had feedback that was not float ('Nan') Default None, which means all trials will be used.
- **task\_stimuli** (*list of strings or None, optional*) – The keys containing the observational parameters seen by the participant before taking a decision on an action. Default None
- **participant\_action\_options** (*string or list of strings or None or one element list with a list, optional*) – If a string or list of strings these are treated as dict keys where the valid actions for each trial can be found. If None then all trials will use all available actions. If the list contains one list then it will be treated as a list of valid actions for each trialstep. Default 'None'
- **fit\_method** (*string, optional*) – The fitting method to be used. The names accepted are those of the modules in the folder fitAlgs containing a FitAlg class. Default 'evolutionary'
- **fit\_method\_args** (*dict, optional*) – A dictionary of arguments specific to the fitting method. Default None
- **fit\_measure** (*string, optional*) – The name of the function used to calculate the quality of the fit. The value it returns provides the fitter with its fitting guide. Default -loge
- **fit\_measure\_args** (*dict, optional*) – The parameters used to initialise fit-Measure and extraFitMeasures. Default None
- **fit\_extra\_measures** (*list of strings, optional*) – List of fit measures not used to fit the model, but to provide more information. Any arguments needed for these measures should be placed in fitMeasureArgs. Default None
- **participant\_varying\_model\_parameters** (*dict of string, optional*) – A dictionary of model settings whose values should vary from participant to participant based on the values found in the imported participant data files. The key is the label given in the participant data file, as a string, and the value is the associated label in the model, also as a string. Default { }
- **label** (*string, optional*) – The label for the data fitting. Default None will mean no data is saved to files.
- **save\_fitting\_progress** (*bool, optional*) – Specifies if the results from each iteration of the fitting process should be returned. Default False
- **config\_file** (*string, optional*) – The file name and path of a .yaml configuration file. Overrides all other parameters if found. Default None



- **output\_path** (*string, optional*) – The path that will be used for the run output. Default None
- **pickle** (*bool, optional*) – If true the data for each model, and participant is recorded. Default is False
- **boundary\_excess\_cost\_function** (*basestring or callable returning a function, optional*) – The function is used to calculate the penalty for exceeding the boundaries. Default is `boundFunc.scalarBound()`
- **min\_log\_level** (*basestring, optional*) – Defines the level of the log from (DEBUG, INFO, WARNING, ERROR, CRITICAL). Default INFO
- **numpy\_error\_level** (*{'log', 'raise'}*) – Defines the response to numpy errors. Default log. See `numpy.seterr`
- **fit\_float\_error\_response\_value** (*float, optional*) – If a floating point error occurs when running a fit the fitter function will return a value for each element of `fpRespVal`. Default is “1/1e100”
- **calculate\_covariance** (*bool, optional*) – Is the covariance calculated. Default False

See also:

`modelGenerator()` The model factory

`outputting()` The outputting functions

`fitAlgs.fitAlg.FitAlg()` General class for a method of fitting data

`fitAlgs.fitSims.fitSim()` General class for a method of simulating the fitting of data

`data.Data()` Data import class

`dataFitting.xlsx_fitting_data(fitting_data, label, participant, file_name_generator)`  
Saves the fitting data to an XLSX file

#### Parameters

- **fitting\_data** (*dict, optional*) – Dictionary of details of the different fits, including an ordered dictionary containing the parameter values tested, in the order they were tested, and a list of the fit qualities of these parameters.
- **label** (*basestring*) – The label used to identify the fit in the file names
- **participant** (*dict*) – The participant data
- **file\_name\_generator** (*function*) – Creates a new file with the name <handle> and the extension <extension>. It takes two string parameters: (handle, extension) and returns one `fileName` string

## 6.3 data module

### 6.3.1 data Module

This module allows for the importing of participant data for use in fitting

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#### 6.3.1.1 Functions

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`sort_by_last_number(dataFiles)`


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## sort\_by\_last\_number

`data.sort_by_last_number(dataFiles)`

### 6.3.1.2 Classes

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`Data(participants[, participantID, choices, ...])`


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`DimentionError`


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`FileError`


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`FileFilterError`


---

`FileTypeError`


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`FoldersError`


---

`IDError`


---

`LengthError`


---

`ProcessingError`


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## Data

```
class data.Data (participants, participantID=u'ID', choices=u'actions', feedbacks=u'feedbacks',
stimuli=None, action_options=None, process_data_function=None)
```

Bases: `list`

### Methods Summary

<code>extend(iterable)</code>	Combines two Data instances into one
<code>from_csv([folder, file_name_filter, ...])</code>	Import data from a folder full of .csv files, where each file contains the information of one participant
<code>from_mat([folder, file_name_filter, ...])</code>	Import data from a folder full of .mat files, where each file contains the information of one participant
<code>from_pkl([folder, file_name_filter, ...])</code>	Import data from a folder full of .pkl files, where each file contains the information of one participant.
<code>from_xlsx([folder, file_name_filter, ...])</code>	Import data from a folder full of .xlsx files, where each file contains the information of one participant
<code>load_data([file_type, folders, ...])</code>	Import data from a folder.

### Methods Documentation

**extend** (*iterable*)

Combines two Data instances into one

**Parameters** *iterable* (*Data instance or list of participant dicts*)

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```
classmethod from_csv (folder=u'/', file_name_filter=None, terminal_ID=True,
split_by=None, participantID=None, choices=u'actions', feed-
backs=u'feedbacks', stimuli=None, action_options=None,
group_by=None, extra_processing=None, csv_read_options=None)
```

Import data from a folder full of .csv files, where each file contains the information of one participant

### Parameters

- **folder** (*string, optional*) – The folder where the data can be found. Default is the current folder.
- **file\_name\_filter** (*callable, string, list of strings or None, optional*) – A function to process the file names or a list of possible prefixes as strings or a single string. Default `None`, no file names removed
- **terminal\_ID** (*bool, optional*) – Is there an ID number at the end of the filename? If not then a more general search will be performed. Default `True`
- **split\_by** (*string or list of strings, optional*) – If multiple participants datasets are in one file sheet, this specifies the column or columns that can distinguish and identify the rows for each participant. Default `None`
- **participantID** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the participant ID can be found. Default `None`, which results in the file name being used.
- **choices** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the participant choices can be found. Default `'actions'`
- **feedbacks** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the feedbacks the participant received can be found. Default `'feedbacks'`
- **stimuli** (*string or list of strings, optional*) – The dict keys where the stimulus cues for each trial can be found. Default `'None'`
- **action\_options** (*string or list of strings or None or one element list with a list, optional*) – If a string or list of strings these are treated as dict keys where the valid actions for each trial can be found. If `None` then all trials will use all available actions. If the list contains one list then it will be treated as a list of valid actions for each trialstep. Default `'None'`
- **group\_by** (*list of strings, optional*) – A list of parts of filenames that are repeated across participants, identifying all the files that should be grouped together to form one participants data. The rest of the filename is assumed to identify the participant. Default is `None`
- **extra\_processing** (*callable, optional*) – A function that modifies the dictionary of data read for each participant in such that it is appropriate for fitting. Default is `None`
- **csv\_read\_options** (*dict, optional*) – The keyword arguments for `pandas.read_csv`. Default `{}`

### Returns Data

**Return type** Data class instance

**See also:**

`pandas.read_csv()`

```
classmethod from_mat (folder=u'./', file_name_filter=None, terminal_ID=True, participantID=None, choices=u'actions', feedbacks=u'feedbacks', stimuli=None, action_options=None, group_by=None, extra_processing=None)
```

Import data from a folder full of .mat files, where each file contains the information of one participant

### Parameters

- **folder** (*string, optional*) – The folder where the data can be found. Default is the current folder.
- **file\_name\_filter** (*callable, string, list of strings or None, optional*) – A function to process the file names or a list of possible prefixes as strings or a single string. Default `None`, no file names removed

- **terminal\_ID** (*bool, optional*) – Is there an ID number at the end of the filename? If not then a more general search will be performed. Default `True`
- **participantID** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the participant ID can be found. Default `None`, which results in the file name being used.
- **choices** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the participant choices can be found. Default `'actions'`
- **feedbacks** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the feedbacks the participant received can be found. Default `'feedbacks'`
- **stimuli** (*string or list of strings, optional*) – The dict keys where the stimulus cues for each trial can be found. Default `'None'`
- **action\_options** (*string or list of strings or `None` or one element list with a list, optional*) – If a string or list of strings these are treated as dict keys where the valid actions for each trial can be found. If `None` then all trials will use all available actions. If the list contains one list then it will be treated as a list of valid actions for each trialstep. Default `'None'`
- **group\_by** (*list of strings, optional*) – A list of parts of filenames that are repeated across participants, identifying all the files that should be grouped together to form one participants data. The rest of the filename is assumed to identify the participant. Default is `None`
- **extra\_processing** (*callable, optional*) – A function that modifies the dictionary of data read for each participant in such that it is appropriate for fitting. Default is `None`

#### Returns Data

**Return type** Data class instance

See also:

`scipy.io.loadmat()`

```
classmethod from_pkl (folder=u'./', file_name_filter=None, terminal_ID=True, participantID=None, choices=u'actions', feedbacks=u'feedbacks', stimuli=None, action_options=None, group_by=None, extra_processing=None)
```

Import data from a folder full of .pkl files, where each file contains the information of one participant. This will principally be used to import data stored by task simulations

#### Parameters

- **folder** (*string, optional*) – The folder where the data can be found. Default is the current folder.
- **file\_name\_filter** (*callable, string, list of strings or `None`, optional*) – A function to process the file names or a list of possible prefixes as strings or a single string. Default `None`, no file names removed
- **terminal\_ID** (*bool, optional*) – Is there an ID number at the end of the filename? If not then a more general search will be performed. Default `True`
- **participantID** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the participant ID can be found. Default `None`, which results in the file name being used.
- **choices** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the participant choices can be found. Default `'actions'`
- **feedbacks** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the feedbacks the participant received can be found. Default `'feedbacks'`
- **stimuli** (*string or list of strings, optional*) – The dict keys where the stimulus cues for each trial can be found. Default `'None'`

- **action\_options** (*string or list of strings or None or one element list with a list, optional*) – If a string or list of strings these are treated as dict keys where the valid actions for each trial can be found. If None then all trials will use all available actions. If the list contains one list then it will be treated as a list of valid actions for each trialstep. Default 'None'
- **group\_by** (*list of strings, optional*) – A list of parts of filenames that are repeated across participants, identifying all the files that should be grouped together to form one participants data. The rest of the filename is assumed to identify the participant. Default is None
- **extra\_processing** (*callable, optional*) – A function that modifies the dictionary of data read for each participant in such that it is appropriate for fitting. Default is None

### Returns Data

**Return type** Data class instance

```
classmethod from_xlsx(folder=u'./', file_name_filter=None, terminal_ID=True,
                    split_by=None, participantID=None, choices=u'actions',
                    feedbacks=u'feedbacks', stimuli=None, action_options=None,
                    group_by=None, extra_processing=None, xlsx_read_options=None)
```

Import data from a folder full of .xlsx files, where each file contains the information of one participant

### Parameters

- **folder** (*string, optional*) – The folder where the data can be found. Default is the current folder.
- **file\_name\_filter** (*callable, string, list of strings or None, optional*) – A function to process the file names or a list of possible prefixes as strings or a single string. Default None, no file names removed
- **terminal\_ID** (*bool, optional*) – Is there an ID number at the end of the filename? If not then a more general search will be performed. Default True
- **split\_by** (*string or list of strings, optional*) – If multiple participants datasets are in one file sheet, this specifies the column or columns that can distinguish and identify the rows for each participant. Default None
- **participantID** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the participant ID can be found. Default None, which results in the file name being used.
- **choices** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the participant choices can be found. Default 'actions'
- **feedbacks** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the feedbacks the participant received can be found. Default 'feedbacks'
- **stimuli** (*string or list of strings, optional*) – The dict keys where the stimulus cues for each trial can be found. Default 'None'
- **action\_options** (*string or list of strings or None or one element list with a list, optional*) – If a string or list of strings these are treated as dict keys where the valid actions for each trial can be found. If None then all trials will use all available actions. If the list contains one list then it will be treated as a list of valid actions for each trialstep. Default 'None'
- **group\_by** (*list of strings, optional*) – A list of parts of filenames that are repeated across participants, identifying all the files that should be grouped together to form one participants data. The rest of the filename is assumed to identify the participant. Default is None

- **extra\_processing** (*callable, optional*) – A function that modifies the dictionary of data read for each participant in such that it is appropriate for fitting. Default is `None`
- **xlsx\_read\_options** (*dict, optional*) – The keyword arguments for `pandas.read_excel`

#### Returns Data

**Return type** Data class instance

See also:

```
pandas.read_excel()
```

```
classmethod load_data(file_type=u'csv', folders=u'./', file_name_filter=None, terminal_ID=True, split_by=None, participantID=None, choices=u'actions', feedbacks=u'feedbacks', stimuli=None, action_options=None, group_by=None, extra_processing=None, data_read_options=None)
```

Import data from a folder. This is a wrapper function for the other import methods

#### Parameters

- **file\_type** (*string, optional*) – The file type of the data, from `mat`, `csv`, `xlsx` and `pkl`. Default is `csv`
- **folders** (*string or list of strings, optional*) – The folder or folders where the data can be found. Default is the current folder.
- **file\_name\_filter** (*callable, string, list of strings or None, optional*) – A function to process the file names or a list of possible prefixes as strings or a single string. Default `None`, no file names removed
- **terminal\_ID** (*bool, optional*) – Is there an ID number at the end of the filename? If not then a more general search will be performed. Default `True`
- **split\_by** (*string or list of strings, optional*) – If multiple participant datasets are in one file sheet, this specifies the column or columns that can distinguish and identify the rows for each participant. Default `None`
- **participantID** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the participant ID can be found. Default `None`, which results in the file name being used.
- **choices** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the participant choices can be found. Default `'actions'`
- **feedbacks** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the feedbacks the participant received can be found. Default `'feedbacks'`
- **stimuli** (*string or list of strings, optional*) – The dict keys where the stimulus cues for each trial can be found. Default `'None'`
- **action\_options** (*string or list of strings or None or one element list with a list, optional*) – If a string or list of strings these are treated as dict keys where the valid actions for each trial can be found. If `None` then all trials will use all available actions. If the list contains one list then it will be treated as a list of valid actions for each trialstep. Default `'None'`
- **group\_by** (*list of strings, optional*) – A list of parts of filenames that are repeated across participants, identifying all the files that should be grouped together to form one participants data. The rest of the filename is assumed to identify the participant. Default is `None`
- **extra\_processing** (*callable, optional*) – A function that modifies the dictionary of data read for each participant in such that it is appropriate for fitting. Default is `None`

- **data\_read\_options** (*dict*, *optional*) – The keyword arguments for the data importing method chosen

**Returns** Data

**Return type** Data class instance

### DimentionError

**exception** data.DimentionError

### FileError

**exception** data.FileError

### FileFilterError

**exception** data.FileFilterError

### FileTypeError

**exception** data.FileTypeError

### FoldersError

**exception** data.FoldersError

### IDError

**exception** data.IDError

### LengthError

**exception** data.LengthError

### ProcessingError

**exception** data.ProcessingError

#### 6.3.1.3 Class Inheritance Diagram

This module allows for the importing of participant data for use in fitting

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```
class data.Data (participants, participantID=u'ID', choices=u'actions', feedbacks=u'feedbacks',  
                  stimuli=None, action_options=None, process_data_function=None)
```

```
Bases: list
```

```
extend (iterable)
```

Combines two Data instances into one

Parameters **iterable** (*Data instance or list of participant dicts*)

—  
**classmethod from\_csv** (*folder=u'./', file\_name\_filter=None, terminal\_ID=True, split\_by=None, participantID=None, choices=u'actions', feedbacks=u'feedbacks', stimuli=None, action\_options=None, group\_by=None, extra\_processing=None, csv\_read\_options=None*)

Import data from a folder full of .csv files, where each file contains the information of one participant

#### Parameters

- **folder** (*string, optional*) – The folder where the data can be found. Default is the current folder.
- **file\_name\_filter** (*callable, string, list of strings or None, optional*) – A function to process the file names or a list of possible prefixes as strings or a single string. Default None, no file names removed
- **terminal\_ID** (*bool, optional*) – Is there an ID number at the end of the filename? If not then a more general search will be performed. Default True
- **split\_by** (*string or list of strings, optional*) – If multiple participants datasets are in one file sheet, this specifies the column or columns that can distinguish and identify the rows for each participant. Default None
- **participantID** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the participant ID can be found. Default None, which results in the file name being used.
- **choices** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the participant choices can be found. Default 'actions'
- **feedbacks** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the feedbacks the participant received can be found. Default 'feedbacks'
- **stimuli** (*string or list of strings, optional*) – The dict keys where the stimulus cues for each trial can be found. Default 'None'
- **action\_options** (*string or list of strings or None or one element list with a list, optional*) – If a string or list of strings these are treated as dict keys where the valid actions for each trial can be found. If None then all trials will use all available actions. If the list contains one list then it will be treated as a list of valid actions for each trialstep. Default 'None'
- **group\_by** (*list of strings, optional*) – A list of parts of filenames that are repeated across participants, identifying all the files that should be grouped together to form one participants data. The rest of the filename is assumed to identify the participant. Default is None
- **extra\_processing** (*callable, optional*) – A function that modifies the dictionary of data read for each participant in such that it is appropriate for fitting. Default is None
- **csv\_read\_options** (*dict, optional*) – The keyword arguments for pandas.read\_csv. Default { }

#### Returns Data

**Return type** Data class instance

See also:

`pandas.read_csv()`

**classmethod from\_mat** (*folder=u'./', file\_name\_filter=None, terminal\_ID=True, participantID=None, choices=u'actions', feedbacks=u'feedbacks', stimuli=None, action\_options=None, group\_by=None, extra\_processing=None*)

Import data from a folder full of .mat files, where each file contains the information of one participant



### Parameters

- **folder** (*string, optional*) – The folder where the data can be found. Default is the current folder.
- **file\_name\_filter** (*callable, string, list of strings or None, optional*) – A function to process the file names or a list of possible prefixes as strings or a single string. Default *None*, no file names removed
- **terminal\_ID** (*bool, optional*) – Is there an ID number at the end of the filename? If not then a more general search will be performed. Default *True*
- **participantID** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the participant ID can be found. Default *None*, which results in the file name being used.
- **choices** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the participant choices can be found. Default 'actions'
- **feedbacks** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the feedbacks the participant received can be found. Default 'feedbacks'
- **stimuli** (*string or list of strings, optional*) – The dict keys where the stimulus cues for each trial can be found. Default 'None'
- **action\_options** (*string or list of strings or None or one element list with a list, optional*) – If a string or list of strings these are treated as dict keys where the valid actions for each trial can be found. If *None* then all trials will use all available actions. If the list contains one list then it will be treated as a list of valid actions for each trialstep. Default 'None'
- **group\_by** (*list of strings, optional*) – A list of parts of filenames that are repeated across participants, identifying all the files that should be grouped together to form one participants data. The rest of the filename is assumed to identify the participant. Default is *None*
- **extra\_processing** (*callable, optional*) – A function that modifies the dictionary of data read for each participant in such that it is appropriate for fitting. Default is *None*

### Returns Data

**Return type** Data class instance

**See also:**

`scipy.io.loadmat()`

```
classmethod from_pkl (folder=u'./', file_name_filter=None, terminal_ID=True, participantID=None, choices=u'actions', feedbacks=u'feedbacks', stimuli=None, action_options=None, group_by=None, extra_processing=None)
```

Import data from a folder full of .pkl files, where each file contains the information of one participant. This will principally be used to import data stored by task simulations

### Parameters

- **folder** (*string, optional*) – The folder where the data can be found. Default is the current folder.
- **file\_name\_filter** (*callable, string, list of strings or None, optional*) – A function to process the file names or a list of possible prefixes as strings or a single string. Default *None*, no file names removed
- **terminal\_ID** (*bool, optional*) – Is there an ID number at the end of the filename? If not then a more general search will be performed. Default *True*
- **participantID** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the participant ID can be found. Default *None*, which results in the file name being used.

- **choices** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the participant choices can be found. Default 'actions'
- **feedbacks** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the feedbacks the participant received can be found. Default 'feedbacks'
- **stimuli** (*string or list of strings, optional*) – The dict keys where the stimulus cues for each trial can be found. Default 'None'
- **action\_options** (*string or list of strings or None or one element list with a list, optional*) – If a string or list of strings these are treated as dict keys where the valid actions for each trial can be found. If None then all trials will use all available actions. If the list contains one list then it will be treated as a list of valid actions for each trialstep. Default 'None'
- **group\_by** (*list of strings, optional*) – A list of parts of filenames that are repeated across participants, identifying all the files that should be grouped together to form one participants data. The rest of the filename is assumed to identify the participant. Default is None
- **extra\_processing** (*callable, optional*) – A function that modifies the dictionary of data read for each participant in such that it is appropriate for fitting. Default is None

#### Returns Data

**Return type** Data class instance

```
classmethod from_xlsx(folder=u'./', file_name_filter=None, terminal_ID=True,
                    split_by=None, participantID=None, choices=u'actions',
                    feedbacks=u'feedbacks', stimuli=None, action_options=None,
                    group_by=None, extra_processing=None,
                    xlsx_read_options=None)
```

Import data from a folder full of .xlsx files, where each file contains the information of one participant

#### Parameters

- **folder** (*string, optional*) – The folder where the data can be found. Default is the current folder.
- **file\_name\_filter** (*callable, string, list of strings or None, optional*) – A function to process the file names or a list of possible prefixes as strings or a single string. Default None, no file names removed
- **terminal\_ID** (*bool, optional*) – Is there an ID number at the end of the filename? If not then a more general search will be performed. Default True
- **split\_by** (*string or list of strings, optional*) – If multiple participants datasets are in one file sheet, this specifies the column or columns that can distinguish and identify the rows for each participant. Default None
- **participantID** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the participant ID can be found. Default None, which results in the file name being used.
- **choices** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the participant choices can be found. Default 'actions'
- **feedbacks** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the feedbacks the participant received can be found. Default 'feedbacks'
- **stimuli** (*string or list of strings, optional*) – The dict keys where the stimulus cues for each trial can be found. Default 'None'
- **action\_options** (*string or list of strings or None or one element list with a list, optional*) – If a string or list of strings these are treated as dict keys where the valid actions for each trial can be found. If

None then all trials will use all available actions. If the list contains one list then it will be treated as a list of valid actions for each trialstep. Default 'None'

- **group\_by** (*list of strings, optional*) – A list of parts of filenames that are repeated across participants, identifying all the files that should be grouped together to form one participants data. The rest of the filename is assumed to identify the participant. Default is None
- **extra\_processing** (*callable, optional*) – A function that modifies the dictionary of data read for each participant in such that it is appropriate for fitting. Default is None
- **xlsx\_read\_options** (*dict, optional*) – The keyword arguments for pandas.read\_excel

### Returns Data

**Return type** Data class instance

See also:

`pandas.read_excel()`

```
classmethod load_data (file_type=u'csv', folders=u'./', file_name_filter=None, terminal_ID=True, split_by=None, participantID=None, choices=u'actions', feedbacks=u'feedbacks', stimuli=None, action_options=None, group_by=None, extra_processing=None, data_read_options=None)
```

Import data from a folder. This is a wrapper function for the other import methods

### Parameters

- **file\_type** (*string, optional*) – The file type of the data, from mat, csv, xlsx and pkl. Default is csv
- **folders** (*string or list of strings, optional*) – The folder or folders where the data can be found. Default is the current folder.
- **file\_name\_filter** (*callable, string, list of strings or None, optional*) – A function to process the file names or a list of possible prefixes as strings or a single string. Default None, no file names removed
- **terminal\_ID** (*bool, optional*) – Is there an ID number at the end of the filename? If not then a more general search will be performed. Default True
- **split\_by** (*string or list of strings, optional*) – If multiple participant datasets are in one file sheet, this specifies the column or columns that can distinguish and identify the rows for each participant. Default None
- **participantID** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the participant ID can be found. Default None, which results in the file name being used.
- **choices** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the participant choices can be found. Default 'actions'
- **feedbacks** (*string, optional*) – The dict key where the feedbacks the participant received can be found. Default 'feedbacks'
- **stimuli** (*string or list of strings, optional*) – The dict keys where the stimulus cues for each trial can be found. Default 'None'
- **action\_options** (*string or list of strings or None or one element list with a list, optional*) – If a string or list of strings these are treated as dict keys where the valid actions for each trial can be found. If None then all trials will use all available actions. If the list contains one list then it will be treated as a list of valid actions for each trialstep. Default 'None'

- **group\_by** (*list of strings, optional*) – A list of parts of filenames that are repeated across participants, identifying all the files that should be grouped together to form one participants data. The rest of the filename is assumed to identify the participant. Default is None
- **extra\_processing** (*callable, optional*) – A function that modifies the dictionary of data read for each participant in such that it is appropriate for fitting. Default is None
- **data\_read\_options** (*dict, optional*) – The keyword arguments for the data importing method chosen

#### Returns Data

**Return type** Data class instance

**exception** `data.DimentionError`

Bases: `exceptions.Exception`

**exception** `data.FileError`

Bases: `exceptions.Exception`

**exception** `data.FileFilterError`

Bases: `exceptions.Exception`

**exception** `data.FileTypeError`

Bases: `exceptions.Exception`

**exception** `data.FoldersError`

Bases: `exceptions.Exception`

**exception** `data.IDError`

Bases: `exceptions.Exception`

**exception** `data.LengthError`

Bases: `exceptions.Exception`

**exception** `data.ProcessingError`

Bases: `exceptions.Exception`

`data.sort_by_last_number` (*dataFiles*)

## 6.4 taskGenerator module

### 6.4.1 taskGenerator Module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

#### 6.4.1.1 Classes

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<code>Task()</code>	The abstract tasks class from which all others inherit
<code>TaskGeneration</code> ( <i>task_name[, parameters, ...]</i> )	Generates task class instances based on a task and a set of varying parameters

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#### TaskGeneration

**class** `taskGenerator.TaskGeneration` (*task\_name, parameters=None, other\_options=None*)

Bases: `object`

Generates task class instances based on a task and a set of varying parameters

#### Parameters

- **task\_name** (*string*) – The name of the file where a `tasks.taskTemplate.Task` class can be found
- **parameters** (*dictionary of floats or lists of floats*) – Parameters are the options that you are or are likely to change across task instances. When a parameter contains a list, an instance of the task will be created for every combination of this parameter with all the others. Default `None`
- **other\_options** (*dictionary of float, string or binary valued elements*) – These contain all the task options that describe the task being studied but do not vary across task instances. Default `None`

## Methods Summary

<code>iter_task_ID()</code>	Yields the tasks IDs.
<code>new_task(task_number)</code>	Produces the next tasks instance
<code>next()</code>	Produces the next task instance for the iterator

## Methods Documentation

### `iter_task_ID()`

Yields the tasks IDs. To be used with `self.new_task(expID)` to receive the next tasks instance

**Returns** `expID` – The ID number that refers to the next tasks parameter combination.

**Return type** `int`

### `new_task(task_number)`

Produces the next tasks instance

**Parameters** `task_number` (`int`) – The number of the tasks instance to be initialised

**Returns** `instance`

**Return type** `tasks.taskTemplate.Task` instance

### `next()`

Produces the next task instance for the iterator

**Returns** `instance`

**Return type** `tasks.taskTemplate.Task` instance

## 6.4.1.2 Class Inheritance Diagram

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**class** `taskGenerator.TaskGeneration` (`task_name`, `parameters=None`, `other_options=None`)

Bases: `object`

Generates task class instances based on a task and a set of varying parameters

### Parameters

- **task\_name** (*string*) – The name of the file where a `tasks.taskTemplate.Task` class can be found
- **parameters** (*dictionary of floats or lists of floats*) – Parameters are the options that you are or are likely to change across task instances. When a parameter contains a list, an instance of the task will be created for every combination of this parameter with all the others. Default `None`

- **other\_options** (*dictionary of float, string or binary valued elements*) – These contain all the the task options that describe the task being studied but do not vary across task instances. Default `None`

**iter\_task\_ID** ()

Yields the tasks IDs. To be used with `self.new_task(expID)` to receive the next tasks instance

**Returns** **expID** – The ID number that refers to the next tasks parameter combination.

**Return type** `int`

**new\_task** (*task\_number*)

Produces the next tasks instance

**Parameters** **task\_number** (*int*) – The number of the tasks instance to be initialised

**Returns** **instance**

**Return type** `tasks.taskTemplate.Task` instance

**next** ()

Produces the next task instance for the iterator

**Returns** **instance**

**Return type** `tasks.taskTemplate.Task` instance

## 6.5 tasks package

### 6.5.1 tasks Package

### 6.5.2 Submodules

#### 6.5.2.1 tasks.balltask module

pyhpdn version of the balltask task TODO: describe tasks

```
class tasks.balltask.Balltask (nbr_of_bags=6, bag_colors=[u'red', u'green', u'blue'],  
                                balls_per_bag=3)
```

Bases: `tasks.taskTemplate.Task`

**feedback** ()

Responds to the action from the participant balltask has no rewards so we return `None`

**next** ()

Produces the next stimulus for the iterator

**Returns**

- **stimulus** (*None*)
- **nextValidActions** (*((0, 1, 2) representing red, green, blue in default case)*) – but can be many colors. it's assumed this always goes in same order left to right as `bag_colors` parameter

**Raises** `StopIteration`

**proceed** ()

Updates the task after feedback

**receiveAction** (*action*)

Receives the next action from the participant

**Parameters** **action** (*int or string*) – The action taken by the model

**returnTaskState ()**

Returns all the relevant data for this task run

**Returns history** – A dictionary containing the class parameters as well as the other useful data

**Return type** dictionary

**storeState ()**

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be output later

**class** `tasks.balltask.RewardBalltaskDirect` (*\*\*kwargs*)

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Rewards`

Processes the reward for models expecting just the reward

**processFeedback** (*feedback, lastAction, stimuli*)

**Returns**

**Return type** `modelFeedback`

**class** `tasks.balltask.StimulusBalltaskSimple` (*\*\*kwargs*)

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Stimulus`

Processes the stimulus cues for models expecting just the event

**processStimulus** (*observation*)

Processes the decks stimuli for models expecting just the event

**Returns**

- **stimuliPresent** (*int or list of int*) – The elements present of the stimulus
- **stimuliActivity** (*float or list of float*) – The activity of each of the elements

### 6.5.2.2 tasks.basic module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**Note** A simple example of a task class with all the necessary components

**class** `tasks.basic.Basic` (*trials=100*)

Bases: `tasks.taskTemplate.Task`

An example of a task with all the necessary components, but nothing changing

**Parameters trials** (*int*) – The number of trials in the task

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** string

**feedback** ()

Responds to the action from the participant

**next** ()

the task class is an iterator [link to iterator documentation] this function produces the next stimulus for the task iterator

**Returns**

- **stimulus** (*None*)
- **nextValidActions** (Tuple of ints or None) – The list of valid actions that the model can respond with. Set to (0,1), as they never vary.

**Raises** `StopIteration`

**proceed()**

Updates the task after feedback

**receiveAction(action)**

Receives the next action from the participant

**Parameters** *action* (*int* or *string*) – The action taken by the model

**returnTaskState()**

Returns all the relevant data for this task run

**Returns** **results** – A dictionary containing the class parameters as well as the other useful data

**Return type** dictionary

**storeState()**

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be output later

**class** `tasks.basic.RewardBasicDirect` (*\*\*kwargs*)

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Rewards`

Processes the reward for models expecting just the reward

**processFeedback** (*feedback*, *lastAction*, *stimuli*)

**Returns**

**Return type** `modelFeedback`

**class** `tasks.basic.StimulusBasicSimple` (*\*\*kwargs*)

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Stimulus`

Processes the stimulus cues for models expecting just the event

**processStimulus** (*observation*)

Processes the decks stimuli for models expecting just the event

**Returns**

- **stimuliPresent** (*int* or *list of int*) – The elements present of the stimulus
- **stimuliActivity** (*float* or *list of float*) – The activity of each of the elements

### 6.5.2.3 tasks.beads module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**Reference** Jumping to conclusions: a network model predicts schizophrenic patients' performance on a probabilistic reasoning task. *Moore, S. C., & Sellen, J. L. (2006).* Cognitive, Affective & Behavioral Neuroscience, 6(4), 261–9. Retrieved from <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/17458441>

**class** `tasks.beads.Beads` (*N=None*, *beadSequence=[1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0]*)

Bases: `tasks.taskTemplate.Task`

Based on the Moore & Sellen Beads task

Many methods are inherited from the `tasks.taskTemplate.Task` class. Refer to its documentation for missing methods.

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** `string`

**Parameters**

- **N** (*int*, *optional*) – Number of beads that could potentially be shown



- **beadSequence** (*list or array of {0,1}, optional*) – The sequence of beads to be shown. Bead sequences can also be embedded in the code and then referred to by name. The only current one is *MooreSellen*, the default sequence.

**next** ()

Produces the next bead for the iterator

**Returns**

- **bead** (*{0,1}*)
- **nextValidActions** (Tuple of ints or None) – The list of valid actions that the model can respond with. Set to (0,1), as they never vary.

**Raises** *StopIteration*

**receiveAction** (*action*)

Receives the next action from the participant

**Parameters** **action** (*int or string*) – The action taken by the model

**returnTaskState** ()

Returns all the relevant data for this task run

**Returns** **results** – A dictionary containing the class parameters as well as the other useful data

**Return type** dictionary

**storeState** ()

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be output later

**class** `tasks.beads.RewardBeadDirect` (*\*\*kwargs*)

Bases: *model.modelTemplate.Rewards*

Processes the beads reward for models expecting just the reward

**processFeedback** (*feedback, lastAction, stimuli*)

**Returns**

**Return type** modelFeedback

**class** `tasks.beads.StimulusBeadDirect` (*\*\*kwargs*)

Bases: *model.modelTemplate.Stimulus*

Processes the beads stimuli for models expecting just the event

**processStimulus** (*observation*)

Processes the decks stimuli for models expecting just the event

**Returns**

- **stimuliPresent** (*int or list of int*)
- **stimuliActivity** (*float or list of float*)

**class** `tasks.beads.StimulusBeadDualDirect` (*\*\*kwargs*)

Bases: *model.modelTemplate.Stimulus*

Processes the beads stimuli for models expecting a tuple of [event, 1-event]

**processStimulus** (*observation*)

Processes the decks stimuli for models expecting just the event

**Returns**

- **stimuliPresent** (*int or list of int*) – The elements present of the stimulus
- **stimuliActivity** (*float or list of float*) – The activity of each of the elements

```
class tasks.beads.StimulusBeadDualInfo (**kwargs)
```

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Stimulus`

Processes the beads stimuli for models expecting the reward information from two possible actions

**Parameters** **oneProb** (float in `[0, 1]`) – The probability of a 1 from the first jar. This is also the probability of a 0 from the second jar. `event_info` is calculated as `oneProb*event + (1-oneProb)*(1-event)`

**oneProb** = `[0, 1]`

```
processStimulus (observation)
```

Processes the decks stimuli for models expecting just the event

**Returns**

- **stimuliPresent** (*int or list of int*) – The elements present of the stimulus
- **stimuliActivity** (*float or list of float*) – The activity of each of the elements

```
tasks.beads.generateSequence (numBeads, oneProb, switchProb)
```

Designed to generate a sequence of beads with a probability of switching jar at any time.

**Parameters**

- **numBeads** (*int*) – The number of beads in the sequence
- **oneProb** (float in `[0, 1]`) – The probability of a 1 from the first jar. This is also the probability of a 0 from the second jar.
- **switchProb** (float in `[0, 1]`) – The probability that the drawn beads change the jar they are being drawn from

**Returns** **sequence** – The generated sequence of beads

**Return type** list of `{0, 1}`

#### 6.5.2.4 tasks.decks module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**Reference** Regulatory fit effects in a choice task Worthy, D. a, Maddox, W. T., & Markman, A. B. (2007). Psychonomic Bulletin & Review, 14(6), 1125–32. Retrieved from <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/18229485>

```
class tasks.decks.Decks (draws=None, decks=array([[ 2,  2,  1,  1,  2,  1,  1,  3,  2,  6,  2,  8,  1,  6,  2,  1,
  1,  5,  8,  5, 10, 10,  8,  3, 10,  7, 10,  8,  3,  4,  9, 10,  3,  6,  3,  5, 10, 10, 10,  7,  3,
  8,  5,  8,  6,  9,  4,  4,  4, 10,  6,  4, 10,  3, 10,  5, 10,  3, 10, 10,  5,  4,  6, 10,  7,  7,
 10, 10, 10,  3,  1,  4,  1,  3,  1,  7,  1,  3,  1,  8], [ 7, 10,  5, 10,  6,  6, 10, 10, 10,
  8,  4,  8, 10,  4,  9, 10,  8,  6, 10, 10, 10,  4,  7, 10,  5, 10,  4, 10, 10,  9,  2,  9,  8,
 10,  7,  7,  1, 10,  2,  6,  4,  7,  2,  1,  1,  1,  7, 10,  1,  4,  2,  1,  1,  1,  4,  1,  4,  1,  1,
  1,  3,  1,  4,  1,  1,  1,  5,  1,  1,  1,  7,  2,  1,  2,  1,  4,  1,  4,  1])), discard=False)
```

Bases: `tasks.taskTemplate.Task`

Based on the Worthy&Maddox 2007 paper “Regulatory fit effects in a choice task.

Many methods are inherited from the `tasks.taskTemplate.Task` class. Refer to its documentation for missing methods.

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** string

**Parameters**

- **draws** (*int, optional*) – Number of cards drawn by the participant
- **decks** (*array of floats, optional*) – The decks of cards

- **discard** (*bool*) – Defines if you discard the card not chosen or if you keep it.

**feedback** ()

Responds to the action from the participant

**next** ()

Produces the next stimulus for the iterator

**Returns**

- **stimulus** (*None*)
- **nextValidActions** (Tuple of ints or *None*) – The list of valid actions that the model can respond with. Set to (0,1), as they never vary.

**Raises** *StopIteration*

**proceed** ()

Updates the task after feedback

**receiveAction** (*action*)

Receives the next action from the participant

**Parameters** **action** (*int* or *string*) – The action taken by the model

**returnTaskState** ()

Returns all the relevant data for this task run

**Returns** **results** – A dictionary containing the class parameters as well as the other useful data

**Return type** dictionary

**storeState** ()

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be output later

**class** `tasks.decks.RewardDecksAllInfo` (*\*\*kwargs*)

Bases: *model.modelTemplate.Rewards*

Processes the decks reward for models expecting the reward information from all possible actions

**Parameters**

- **maxRewardVal** (*int*) – The highest value a reward can have
- **minRewardVal** (*int*) – The lowest value a reward can have
- **number\_actions** (*int*) – The number of actions the participant can perform. Assumes the lowest valued action is 0

**Returns** **deckRew** – The function expects to be passed a tuple containing the reward and the last action. The reward that is a float and action is {0,1}. The function returns a array of length (maxRewardVal-minRewardVal)\*number\_actions.

**Return type** function

**Name**

The identifier of the function

**Type** string

## Examples

```
>>> rew = RewardDecksAllInfo(maxRewardVal=10, minRewardVal=1, number_actions=2)
>>> rew.processFeedback(6, 0, 1)
array([1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 2., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1.,
↪ 1., 1.])
```

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```
>>> rew.processFeedback(6, 1, 1)
array([1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 2., 1., 1.,
↪1., 1.])
```

**maxRewardVal** = 10

**minRewardVal** = 1

**number\_actions** = 2

**processFeedback** (*reward, action, stimuli*)

**Returns**

**Return type** modelFeedback

**class** tasks.decks.**RewardDecksDualInfo** (*\*\*kwargs*)

Bases: [model.modelTemplate.Rewards](#)

Processes the decks reward for models expecting the reward information from two possible actions.

**epsilon** = 1

**maxRewardVal** = 10

**processFeedback** (*reward, action, stimuli*)

**Returns**

**Return type** modelFeedback

**class** tasks.decks.**RewardDecksDualInfoLogistic** (*\*\*kwargs*)

Bases: [model.modelTemplate.Rewards](#)

Processes the decks rewards for models expecting the reward information from two possible actions.

**epsilon** = 0.3

**maxRewardVal** = 10

**minRewardVal** = 1

**processFeedback** (*reward, action, stimuli*)

**Returns**

**Return type** modelFeedback

**class** tasks.decks.**RewardDecksLinear** (*\*\*kwargs*)

Bases: [model.modelTemplate.Rewards](#)

Processes the decks reward for models expecting just the reward

**processFeedback** (*feedback, lastAction, stimuli*)

**Returns**

**Return type** modelFeedback

**class** tasks.decks.**RewardDecksNormalised** (*\*\*kwargs*)

Bases: [model.modelTemplate.Rewards](#)

Processes the decks reward for models expecting just the reward, but in range [0,1]

**Parameters** **maxReward** (*int, optional*) – The highest value a reward can have. Default 10

**See also:**

[model.OpAL](#)

**maxReward** = 10

**processFeedback** (*feedback, lastAction, stimuli*)

**Returns**

**Return type** modelFeedback

**class** tasks.decks.**RewardDecksPhi** (*\*\*kwargs*)

Bases: *model.modelTemplate.Rewards*

Processes the decks reward for models expecting just the reward, but in range [0, 1]

**Parameters** **phi** (*float*) – The scaling value of the reward

**phi** = 1

**processFeedback** (*feedback, lastAction, stimuli*)

**Returns**

**Return type** modelFeedback

**class** tasks.decks.**StimulusDecksLinear** (*\*\*kwargs*)

Bases: *model.modelTemplate.Stimulus*

**processStimulus** (*observation*)

Processes the decks stimuli for models expecting just the event

**Returns**

- **stimuliPresent** (*int or list of int*) – The elements present of the stimulus
- **stimuliActivity** (*float or list of float*) – The activity of each of the elements

#### 6.5.2.5 tasks.taskTemplate module

##### tasks.taskTemplate Module

**Author** Dominic

##### Classes

<i>Task()</i>	The abstract tasks class from which all others inherit
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##### Task

**class** tasks.taskTemplate.**Task**

Bases: *object*

The abstract tasks class from which all others inherit

Many general methods for tasks are found only here

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** string

##### Methods Summary

<i>feedback()</i>	Responds to the action from the participant
<i>get_name()</i>	Returns the name of the class

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<code>next()</code>	Produces the next stimulus for the iterator
<code>params()</code>	Returns the parameters of the task as a dictionary
<code>proceed()</code>	Updates the task before the next trialstep
<code>receiveAction(action)</code>	Receives the next action from the participant
<code>returnTaskState()</code>	Returns all the relevant data for this task run
<code>standardResultOutput()</code>	
<code>storeState()</code>	Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be output later

## Methods Documentation

### **feedback()**

Responds to the action from the participant

**Returns** **feedback**

**Return type** `None`, `int` or `float`

### **classmethod get\_name()**

Returns the name of the class

### **next()**

Produces the next stimulus for the iterator

**Returns**

- **stimulus** (*None*)
- **nextValidActions** (*Tuple of ints*) – The list of valid actions that the model can respond with. Set to `None`, as they never vary.

**Raises** `StopIteration`

### **params()**

Returns the parameters of the task as a dictionary

**Returns** **parameters** – The parameters of the task

**Return type** `dict`

### **proceed()**

Updates the task before the next trialstep

### **receiveAction(action)**

Receives the next action from the participant

**Parameters** **action** (*int or string*) – The action taken by the model

### **returnTaskState()**

Returns all the relevant data for this task run

**Returns** **results** – A dictionary containing the class parameters as well as the other useful data

**Return type** `dictionary`

### **standardResultOutput()**

### **storeState()**

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be output later

## Class Inheritance Diagram

**Author** Dominic

**class** `tasks.taskTemplate.Task`

Bases: `object`

The abstract tasks class from which all others inherit

Many general methods for tasks are found only here

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** `string`

**feedback()**

Responds to the action from the participant

**Returns** `feedback`

**Return type** `None, int or float`

**classmethod** `get_name()`

Returns the name of the class

**next()**

Produces the next stimulus for the iterator

**Returns**

- **stimulus** (*None*)
- **nextValidActions** (*Tuple of ints*) – The list of valid actions that the model can respond with. Set to `None`, as they never vary.

**Raises** `StopIteration`

**params()**

Returns the parameters of the task as a dictionary

**Returns** `parameters` – The parameters of the task

**Return type** `dict`

**proceed()**

Updates the task before the next trialstep

**receiveAction(action)**

Receives the next action from the participant

**Parameters** `action(int or string)` – The action taken by the model

**returnTaskState()**

Returns all the relevant data for this task run

**Returns** `results` – A dictionary containing the class parameters as well as the other useful data

**Return type** `dictionary`

**standardResultOutput()**

**storeState()**

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be output later

### 6.5.2.6 tasks.pavlov module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**Reference** Value and prediction error in medial frontal cortex: integrating the single-unit and systems levels of analysis. *Silvetti, M., Seurinck, R., & Verguts, T. (2011). Frontiers in Human Neuroscience, 5(August), 75. doi:10.3389/fnhum.2011.00075*

```
class tasks.pavlov.Pavlov(rewMag=4, rewProb=array([0.87, 0.33]), stimMag=1, stimDur=20, rewDur=4, simDur=30, stimRepeats=7)
```

Bases: `tasks.taskTemplate.Task`

Based on the Silvetti et al 2011 paper “Value and prediction error in medial frontal cortex: integrating the single-unit and systems levels of analysis.”

Many methods are inherited from the `tasks.taskTemplate.Task` class. Refer to its documentation for missing methods.

#### **Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** string

#### **Parameters**

- **rewMag** (*float, optional*) – The size of the stimulus. Default 4
- **rewProb** (*array of floats, optional*) – The probabilities of each stimulus producing a reward. Default [0.85,0.33]
- **stimMag** (*float, optional*) – The size of the stimulus. Default 1
- **stimDur** (*int, optional*) – The duration, in tens of ms, that the stimulus is produced for. This should be longer than `rewDur` since `rewDur` is set to end when `stimDur` ends. Default 200
- **rewDur** (*int, optional*) – The duration, in tens of ms, that the reward is produced for. Default 40
- **simDur** (*int, optional*) – The duration, in tens of ms, that each stimulus event is run for. Default 300
- **stimRepeats** (*int, optional*) – The number of times a stimulus is introduced. Default 72

#### **feedback()**

Responds to the action from the participant

#### **next()**

Produces the next stimulus for the iterator

#### **Returns**

- **nextStim** (*tuple of c, rewSig and stimDur, described below*)
- **c** (*list of floats*) – Contains the inputs for each of the stimuli
- **rewSig** (*list of lists of floats*) – Each list contains the rewards at each time
- **stimDur** (*int*)
- **nextValidActions** (*Tuple of ints*) – The list of valid actions that the model can respond with. Set to `None`, as there are no actions.

**Raises** `StopIteration`

#### **proceed()**

Updates the task after feedback

#### **receiveAction(action)**

Receives the next action from the participant

**Parameters** **action** (*int or string*) – The action taken by the model

#### **returnTaskState()**

Returns all the relevant data for this task run



**Returns results** – A dictionary containing the class parameters as well as the other useful data

**Return type** dictionary

**storeState()**

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be output later

`tasks.pavlov.pavlovStimTemporal()`

Passes the pavlov stimuli to models that cope with stimuli and rewards that have a duration.

**Returns pavlovStim** – The function expects to be passed an event with three components: `(stim,rew,stimDur)` and an action (unused) and yield a series of events `((t,c,r)`. `stim` is the value of the stimulus. It is expected to be a list-like object. `rew` is a list containing the reward for each trialstep. The reward is expected to be a float. `stimDur` is the duration of the stimulus, an `int`. This should be less than the length of `rew`. `c` the stimulus. `r` the reward. `t` is the time

**Return type** function

`tasks.pavlov.Name`

The identifier of the function

**Type** string

### 6.5.2.7 tasks.probSelect module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**Reference** Genetic triple dissociation reveals multiple roles for dopamine in reinforcement learning. Frank, M. J., Moustafa, A. a, Haughey, H. M., Curran, T., & Hutchison, K. E. (2007). Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America, 104(41), 16311–16316. doi:10.1073/pnas.0706111104

**class** `tasks.probSelect.ProbSelect` (*reward\_probability=0.7, learning\_action\_pairs=None, action\_reward\_probabilities=None, learning\_length=240, test\_length=60, number\_actions=None, reward\_size=1*)

Bases: `tasks.taskTemplate.Task`

**Probabilistic selection task based on Genetic triple dissociation reveals multiple roles for dopamine in reinforcement learning**

Frank, M. J., Moustafa, A. a, Haughey, H. M., Curran, T., & Hutchison, K. E. (2007). Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America, 104(41), 16311–16316. doi:10.1073/pnas.0706111104

Many methods are inherited from the `tasks.taskTemplate.Task` class. Refer to its documentation for missing methods.

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** string

**Parameters**

- **reward\_probability** (*float in range [0,1], optional*) – The probability that a reward is given for choosing action A. Default is 0.7
- **action\_reward\_probabilities** (*dictionary, optional*) – A dictionary of the potential actions that can be taken and the probability of a reward. Default {0:rewardProb, 1:1-rewardProb, 2:0.5, 3:0.5}
- **learning\_action\_pairs** (*list of tuples, optional*) – The pairs of actions shown together in the learning phase.

- **learning\_length** (*int*, *optional*) – The number of trials in the learning phase. Default is 240
- **test\_length** (*int*, *optional*) – The number of trials in the test phase. Default is 60
- **reward\_size** (*float*, *optional*) – The size of reward given if successful. Default 1
- **number\_actions** (*int*, *optional*) – The number of actions that can be chosen at any given time, chosen at random from actRewardProb. Default 4

## Notes

The task is broken up into two sections: a learning phase and a transfer phase. Participants choose between pairs of four actions: A, B, M1 and M2. Each provides a reward with a different probability: A:P>0.5, B:1-P<0.5, M1=M2=0.5. The transfer phase has all the action pairs but no feedback. This class only covers the learning phase, but models are expected to be implemented as if there is a transfer phase.

### **feedback** ()

Responds to the action from the participant

### **next** ()

Produces the next stimulus for the iterator

### **Returns**

- **stimulus** (*None*)
- **next\_valid\_actions** (*Tuple of length 2 of ints*) – The list of valid actions that the model can respond with.

**Raises** `StopIteration`

### **proceed** ()

Updates the task after feedback

### **receiveAction** (*action*)

Receives the next action from the participant

**Parameters** **action** (*int or string*) – The action taken by the model

### **returnTaskState** ()

Returns all the relevant data for this task run

**Returns** **results** – A dictionary containing the class parameters as well as the other useful data

**Return type** dictionary

### **storeState** ()

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be output later

**class** `tasks.probSelect.RewardProbSelectDirect` (*\*\*kwargs*)

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Rewards`

Processes the probabilistic selection reward for models expecting just the reward

**processFeedback** (*reward, action, stimuli*)

### **Returns**

**Return type** modelFeedback

**class** `tasks.probSelect.StimulusProbSelectDirect` (*\*\*kwargs*)

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Stimulus`

Processes the selection stimuli for models expecting just the event

## Examples

```
>>> stim = StimulusProbSelectDirect()
>>> stim.processStimulus(1)
(1, 1)
>>> stim.processStimulus(0)
(1, 1)
```

**processStimulus** (*observation*)

Processes the decks stimuli for models expecting just the event

### Returns

- **stimuliPresent** (*int or list of int*)
- **stimuliActivity** (*float or list of float*)

### 6.5.2.8 tasks.probStim module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**class** tasks.probStim.**Probstim**(*cues=None, actualities=None, trialsteps=100, numStimuli=4, correctProb=0.8, correctProbabilities=None, rewardlessT=None*)

Bases: *tasks.taskTemplate.Task*

Basic probabilistic

Many methods are inherited from the tasks.taskTemplate.Task class. Refer to its documentation for missing methods.

### Name

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** string

### Parameters

- **actualities** (*int, optional*) – The actual reality the cues pointed to. The correct response the participant is trying to get correct
- **cues** (*array of floats, optional*) – The cues used to guess the actualities
- **trialsteps** (*int, optional*) – If no provided cues, it is the number of trialsteps for the generated set of cues. Default 100
- **numStimuli** (*int, optional*) – If no provided cues, it is the number of distinct stimuli for the generated set of cues. Default 4
- **correctProb** (*float in [0,1], optional*) – If no actualities provided, it is the probability of the correct answer being answer 1 rather than answer 0. The default is 0.8
- **correctProbs** (*list or array of floats in [0,1], optional*) – If no actualities provided, it is the probability of the correct answer being answer 1 rather than answer 0 for each of the different stimuli. Default `[corrProb, 1-corrProb] * (numStimuli//2) + [corrProb] * (numStimuli%2)`
- **rewardlessT** (*int, optional*) – If no actualities provided, it is the number of actualities at the end of the tasks that will have a None reward. Default `2*numStimuli`

**feedback** ()

Feedback to the action from the participant

**next ()**

Produces the next stimulus for the iterator

**Returns**

- **stimulus** (*Tuple*) – The current cues
- **nextValidActions** (Tuple of ints or None) – The list of valid actions that the model can respond with. Set to (0,1), as they never vary.

**Raises** `StopIteration`

**proceed ()**

Updates the task after feedback

**receiveAction** (*action*)

Receives the next action from the participant

**Parameters** **action** (*int or string*) – The action taken by the model

**returnTaskState ()**

Returns all the relevant data for this task run

**Returns** **results** – A dictionary containing the class parameters as well as the other useful data

**Return type** dictionary

**storeState ()**

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be output later

**class** `tasks.probStim.RewardProbStimDiff` (*\*\*kwargs*)

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Rewards`

Processes the reward for models expecting reward corrections

**processFeedback** (*feedback, lastAction, stimuli*)

**Returns**

**Return type** modelFeedback

**class** `tasks.probStim.RewardProbStimDualCorrection` (*\*\*kwargs*)

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Rewards`

Processes the reward for models expecting the reward correction from two possible actions.

**epsilon** = 1

**processFeedback** (*feedback, lastAction, stimuli*)

**Returns**

**Return type** modelFeedback

**class** `tasks.probStim.StimulusProbStimDirect` (*\*\*kwargs*)

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Stimulus`

Processes the stimuli for models expecting just the event

**processStimulus** (*observation*)

Processes the decks stimuli for models expecting just the event

**Returns**

- **stimuliPresent** (*int or list of int*) – The elements present of the stimulus
- **stimuliActivity** (*float or list of float*) – The activity of each of the elements

### 6.5.2.9 tasks.weather module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**Reference** Probabilistic classification learning in amnesia. Knowlton, B. J., Squire, L. R., & Gluck, M. a. (1994). Learning & Memory(Cold Spring Harbor, N.Y.), 1(2), 106–120. <http://doi.org/10.1101/lm.1.2.106>

**class** tasks.weather.**RewardWeatherDiff** (\*\*kwargs)

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Rewards`

Processes the weather reward for models expecting reward corrections

**processFeedback** (*feedback, lastAction, stimuli*)

**Returns**

**Return type** modelFeedback

**class** tasks.weather.**RewardWeatherDualCorrection** (\*\*kwargs)

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Rewards`

Processes the decks reward for models expecting the reward correction from two possible actions.

**epsilon** = 1

**processFeedback** (*feedback, lastAction, stimuli*)

**Returns**

**Return type** modelFeedback

**class** tasks.weather.**RewardsWeatherDirect** (\*\*kwargs)

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Rewards`

Processes the weather reward for models expecting the reward feedback

**processFeedback** (*feedback, lastAction, stimuli*)

**Returns**

**Return type** modelFeedback

**class** tasks.weather.**StimulusWeatherDirect** (\*\*kwargs)

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Stimulus`

Processes the weather stimuli for models expecting just the event

**processStimulus** (*observation*)

Processes the decks stimuli for models expecting just the event

**Returns**

- **stimuliPresent** (*int or list of int*) – The elements present of the stimulus
- **stimuliActivity** (*float or list of float*) – The activity of each of the elements

**class** tasks.weather.**Weather** (*cueProbs=[[0.2, 0.8, 0.2, 0.8], [0.8, 0.2, 0.8, 0.2]], learningLen=200, testLen=100, number\_cues=None, cues=None, actualities=None*)

Bases: `tasks.taskTemplate.Task`

Based on the 1994 paper “Probabilistic classification learning in amnesia.”

Many methods are inherited from the tasks.taskTemplate.Task class. Refer to its documentation for missing methods.

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** string

**Parameters**

- **cueProbs** (*array of int, optional*) – If generating data, the likelihood of each cue being associated with each actuality. Each row of the array describes one actuality, with each column representing one cue. Each column is assumed sum to 1
- **number\_cues** (*int, optional*) – The number of cues
- **learningLen** (*int, optional*) – The number of trials in the learning phase. Default is 200
- **testLen** (*int, optional*) – The number of trials in the test phase. Default is 100
- **actualities** (*array of int, optional*) – The actual reality the cues pointed to; the correct response the participant is trying to get correct
- **cues** (*array of floats, optional*) – The stimulus cues used to guess the actualities

```
defaultCueProbs = [[0.2, 0.8, 0.2, 0.8], [0.8, 0.2, 0.8, 0.2]]
```

**feedback()**

Feedback to the action from the participant

**next()**

Produces the next stimulus for the iterator

**Returns**

- **stimulus** (*Tuple*) – The current cues
- **nextValidActions** (*Tuple of ints or None*) – The list of valid actions that the model can respond with. Set to (0,1), as they never vary.

**Raises** `StopIteration`

**proceed()**

Updates the task after feedback

**receiveAction(action)**

Receives the next action from the participant

**Parameters** **action** (*int or string*) – The action taken by the model

**returnTaskState()**

Returns all the relevant data for this task run

**Returns** **results** – A dictionary containing the class parameters as well as the other useful data

**Return type** dictionary

**storeState()**

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be output later

`tasks.weather.genActualities(cueProbs, cues, learningLen, testLen)`

**Parameters**

- **cueProbs** –
- **cues** –
- **learningLen** –
- **testLen** –

**Returns**

**Return type** actions

`tasks.weather.genCues(number_cues, taskLen)`

**Parameters**

- **cueProbs** –
- **taskLen** –

**Returns**

**Return type** cues

## 6.6 modelGenerator module

### 6.6.1 modelGenerator Module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

#### 6.6.1.1 Classes

<code>Model([number_actions, number_cues, ...])</code>	The model class is a general template for a model.
<code>ModelGen(model_name[, parameters, other_options])</code>	Generates model class instances based on a model and a set of varying parameters
<code>Rewards(**kwargs)</code>	This acts as an interface between the feedback from a task and the feedback a model can process
<code>Stimulus(**kwargs)</code>	Stimulus processor class.

#### ModelGen

**class** `modelGenerator.ModelGen(model_name, parameters=None, other_options=None)`

Bases: `object`

Generates model class instances based on a model and a set of varying parameters

**Parameters**

- **model\_name** (*string*) – The name of the file where a `model.modelTemplate.Model` class can be found
- **parameters** (*dictionary containing floats or lists of floats, optional*) – Parameters are the options that you are or are likely to change across model instances. When a parameter contains a list, an instance of the model will be created for every combination of this parameter with all the others. Default `None`
- **other\_options** (*dictionary of float, string or binary valued elements, optional*) – These contain all the the model options that define the version of the model being studied. Default `None`

#### Methods Summary

<code>iter_details()</code>	Yields a list containing a model object and parameters to initialise them
<code>next()</code>	Produces the next item for the iterator

#### Methods Documentation

**iter\_details()**

Yields a list containing a model object and parameters to initialise them

**Returns**

- **model** (*model.modelTemplate.Model*) – The model to be initialised
- **parameters** (*ordered dictionary of floats or bools*) – The model instance parameters
- **other\_options** (*dictionary of floats, strings and binary values*)

**next** ()

Produces the next item for the iterator

**Returns models****Return type** list of model.model.model instances

### 6.6.1.2 Class Inheritance Diagram

**Author** Dominic Hunt**class** modelGenerator.**ModelGen** (*model\_name, parameters=None, other\_options=None*)Bases: `object`

Generates model class instances based on a model and a set of varying parameters

**Parameters**

- **model\_name** (*string*) – The name of the file where a model.modelTemplate.Model class can be found
- **parameters** (*dictionary containing floats or lists of floats, optional*) – Parameters are the options that you are or are likely to change across model instances. When a parameter contains a list, an instance of the model will be created for every combination of this parameter with all the others. Default None
- **other\_options** (*dictionary of float, string or binary valued elements, optional*) – These contain all the the model options that define the version of the model being studied. Default None

**iter\_details** ()

Yields a list containing a model object and parameters to initialise them

**Returns**

- **model** (*model.modelTemplate.Model*) – The model to be initialised
- **parameters** (*ordered dictionary of floats or bools*) – The model instance parameters
- **other\_options** (*dictionary of floats, strings and binary values*)

**next** ()

Produces the next item for the iterator

**Returns models****Return type** list of model.model.model instances

## 6.7 model package

### 6.7.1 Subpackages

#### 6.7.1.1 model.decision package



## Submodules

### model.decision.binary module

### model.decision.binary Module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

A collection of decision making functions where there are only two possible actions

## Functions

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<code>single([task_responses])</code>	Decisions using a switching probability
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### single

`model.decision.binary.single(task_responses=(0, 1))`

Decisions using a switching probability

**Parameters** `task_responses` (*tuple of length two, optional*) – Provides the two action responses expected by the task

#### Returns

- **decision\_function** (*function*) – Calculates the decisions based on the probabilities and returns the decision and the probability of that decision
- **decision** (*int or None*) – The action to be taken by the model
- **probabilities** (*OrderedDict of valid responses*) – A dictionary of considered actions as keys and their associated probabilities as values

## Examples

```
>>> np.random.seed(100)
>>> dec = single()
>>> dec(0.23)
(0, OrderedDict([(0, 0.77), (1, 0.23)]))
>>> dec(0.23, 0)
(0, OrderedDict([(0, 0.77), (1, 0.23)]))
```

**Author** Dominic Hunt

A collection of decision making functions where there are only two possible actions

`model.decision.binary.single(task_responses=(0, 1))`

Decisions using a switching probability

**Parameters** `task_responses` (*tuple of length two, optional*) – Provides the two action responses expected by the task

#### Returns

- **decision\_function** (*function*) – Calculates the decisions based on the probabilities and returns the decision and the probability of that decision
- **decision** (*int or None*) – The action to be taken by the model
- **probabilities** (*OrderedDict of valid responses*) – A dictionary of considered actions as keys and their associated probabilities as values

## Examples

```
>>> np.random.seed(100)
>>> dec = single()
>>> dec(0.23)
(0, OrderedDict([(0, 0.77), (1, 0.23)]))
>>> dec(0.23, 0)
(0, OrderedDict([(0, 0.77), (1, 0.23)]))
```

## model.decision.discrete module

## model.decision.discrete Module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

A collection of decision making functions where there are no limits on the number of actions, but they are countable.

## Functions

<code>maxProb([task_responses])</code>	Decisions for an arbitrary number of choices
<code>probThresh([task_responses, eta])</code>	Decisions for an arbitrary number of choices
<code>weightProb([task_responses])</code>	Decisions for an arbitrary number of choices

## maxProb

`model.decision.discrete.maxProb(task_responses=(0, 1))`

Decisions for an arbitrary number of choices

Choice made by choosing the most likely

**Parameters** `task_responses` (*tuple*) – Provides the action responses expected by the tasks for each probability estimate.

### Returns

- **decision\_function** (*function*) – Calculates the decisions based on the probabilities and returns the decision and the probability of that decision
- **decision** (*int or None*) – The action to be taken by the model
- **probDict** (*OrderedDict of valid responses*) – A dictionary of considered actions as keys and their associated probabilities as values

### See also:

`models.QLearn()`, `models.QLearn2()`, `models.OpAL()`

## Examples

```
>>> np.random.seed(100)
>>> d = maxProb([1, 2, 3])
>>> d([0.6, 0.3, 0.5])
(1, OrderedDict([(1, 0.6), (2, 0.3), (3, 0.5)]))
>>> d([0.2, 0.3, 0.5], trial_responses=[1, 2])
(2, OrderedDict([(1, 0.2), (2, 0.3), (3, 0.5)]))
>>> d([0.2, 0.3, 0.5], trial_responses=[])
```

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```
(None, OrderedDict([(1, 0.2), (2, 0.3), (3, 0.5)]))
>>> d = maxProb(["A", "B", "C"])
>>> d([0.6, 0.3, 0.5], trial_responses=["A", "B"])
('A', OrderedDict([('A', 0.6), ('B', 0.3), ('C', 0.5)]))
```

## probThresh

`model.decision.discrete.probThresh(task_responses=(0, 1), eta=0.8)`

Decisions for an arbitrary number of choices

Choice made by choosing when certain (when probability above a certain value), otherwise randomly

### Parameters

- **task\_responses** (*tuple*) – Provides the action responses expected by the tasks for each probability estimate.
- **eta** (*float, optional*) – The value above which a non-random decision is made. Default value is 0.8

### Returns

- **decision\_function** (*function*) – Calculates the decisions based on the probabilities and returns the decision and the probability of that decision
- **decision** (*int or None*) – The action to be taken by the model
- **probDict** (*OrderedDict of valid responses*) – A dictionary of considered actions as keys and their associated probabilities as values

## Examples

```
>>> np.random.seed(100)
>>> d = probThresh(task_responses=[0, 1, 2, 3], eta=0.8)
>>> d([0.2, 0.8, 0.3, 0.5])
(1, OrderedDict([(0, 0.2), (1, 0.8), (2, 0.3), (3, 0.5)]))
>>> d([0.2, 0.8, 0.3, 0.5], trial_responses=[0, 2])
(0, OrderedDict([(0, 0.2), (1, 0.8), (2, 0.3), (3, 0.5)]))
>>> d([0.2, 0.8, 0.3, 0.5], trial_responses=[])
(None, OrderedDict([(0, 0.2), (1, 0.8), (2, 0.3), (3, 0.5)]))
>>> d = probThresh(["A", "B", "C"])
>>> d([0.2, 0.3, 0.8], trial_responses=["A", "B"])
('A', OrderedDict([('A', 0.2), ('B', 0.3), ('C', 0.8)]))
```

## weightProb

`model.decision.discrete.weightProb(task_responses=(0, 1))`

Decisions for an arbitrary number of choices

Choice made by choosing randomly based on which are valid and what their associated probabilities are

**Parameters** **task\_responses** (*tuple*) – Provides the action responses expected by the task for each probability estimate.

### Returns

- **decision\_function** (*function*) – Calculates the decisions based on the probabilities and returns the decision and the probability of that decision
- **decision** (*int or None*) – The action to be taken by the model

- **probDict** (*OrderedDict of valid responses*) – A dictionary of considered actions as keys and their associated probabilities as values

See also:

`models.QLearn()`, `models.QLearn2()`, `models.OpAL()`

## Examples

```
>>> np.random.seed(100)
>>> d = weightProb([0, 1, 2, 3])
>>> d([0.4, 0.8, 0.3, 0.5])
(1, OrderedDict([(0, 0.2), (1, 0.4), (2, 0.15), (3, 0.25)]))
>>> d([0.1, 0.3, 0.4, 0.2])
(1, OrderedDict([(0, 0.1), (1, 0.3), (2, 0.4), (3, 0.2)]))
>>> d([0.2, 0.5, 0.3, 0.5], trial_responses=[0, 2])
(2, OrderedDict([(0, 0.4), (1, 0), (2, 0.6), (3, 0)]))
>>> d = weightProb(["A", "B", "C"])
>>> d([0.2, 0.3, 0.5], trial_responses=["A", "B"])
(u'B', OrderedDict([(u'A', 0.4), (u'B', 0.6), (u'C', 0)]))
>>> d([0.2, 0.3, 0.5], trial_responses=[])
(None, OrderedDict([(u'A', 0.2), (u'B', 0.3), (u'C', 0.5)]))
```

**Author** Dominic Hunt

A collection of decision making functions where there are no limits on the number of actions, but they are countable.

`model.decision.discrete.maxProb(task_responses=(0, 1))`

Decisions for an arbitrary number of choices

Choice made by choosing the most likely

**Parameters** `task_responses` (*tuple*) – Provides the action responses expected by the tasks for each probability estimate.

**Returns**

- **decision\_function** (*function*) – Calculates the decisions based on the probabilities and returns the decision and the probability of that decision
- **decision** (*int or None*) – The action to be taken by the model
- **probDict** (*OrderedDict of valid responses*) – A dictionary of considered actions as keys and their associated probabilities as values

See also:

`models.QLearn()`, `models.QLearn2()`, `models.OpAL()`

## Examples

```
>>> np.random.seed(100)
>>> d = maxProb([1, 2, 3])
>>> d([0.6, 0.3, 0.5])
(1, OrderedDict([(1, 0.6), (2, 0.3), (3, 0.5)]))
>>> d([0.2, 0.3, 0.5], trial_responses=[1, 2])
(2, OrderedDict([(1, 0.2), (2, 0.3), (3, 0.5)]))
>>> d([0.2, 0.3, 0.5], trial_responses=[])
(None, OrderedDict([(1, 0.2), (2, 0.3), (3, 0.5)]))
>>> d = maxProb(["A", "B", "C"])
>>> d([0.6, 0.3, 0.5], trial_responses=["A", "B"])
('A', OrderedDict([('A', 0.6), ('B', 0.3), ('C', 0.5)]))
```

```
model.decision.discrete.probThresh(task_responses=(0, 1), eta=0.8)
```

Decisions for an arbitrary number of choices

Choice made by choosing when certain (when probability above a certain value), otherwise randomly

#### Parameters

- **task\_responses** (*tuple*) – Provides the action responses expected by the tasks for each probability estimate.
- **eta** (*float, optional*) – The value above which a non-random decision is made. Default value is 0.8

#### Returns

- **decision\_function** (*function*) – Calculates the decisions based on the probabilities and returns the decision and the probability of that decision
- **decision** (*int or None*) – The action to be taken by the model
- **probDict** (*OrderedDict of valid responses*) – A dictionary of considered actions as keys and their associated probabilities as values

#### Examples

```
>>> np.random.seed(100)
>>> d = probThresh(task_responses=[0, 1, 2, 3], eta=0.8)
>>> d([0.2, 0.8, 0.3, 0.5])
(1, OrderedDict([(0, 0.2), (1, 0.8), (2, 0.3), (3, 0.5)]))
>>> d([0.2, 0.8, 0.3, 0.5], trial_responses=[0, 2])
(0, OrderedDict([(0, 0.2), (1, 0.8), (2, 0.3), (3, 0.5)]))
>>> d([0.2, 0.8, 0.3, 0.5], trial_responses=[])
(None, OrderedDict([(0, 0.2), (1, 0.8), (2, 0.3), (3, 0.5)]))
>>> d = probThresh(["A", "B", "C"])
>>> d([0.2, 0.3, 0.8], trial_responses=["A", "B"])
('A', OrderedDict([('A', 0.2), ('B', 0.3), ('C', 0.8)]))
```

```
model.decision.discrete.weightProb(task_responses=(0, 1))
```

Decisions for an arbitrary number of choices

Choice made by choosing randomly based on which are valid and what their associated probabilities are

**Parameters** **task\_responses** (*tuple*) – Provides the action responses expected by the task for each probability estimate.

#### Returns

- **decision\_function** (*function*) – Calculates the decisions based on the probabilities and returns the decision and the probability of that decision
- **decision** (*int or None*) – The action to be taken by the model
- **probDict** (*OrderedDict of valid responses*) – A dictionary of considered actions as keys and their associated probabilities as values

See also:

```
models.QLearn(), models.QLearn2(), models.OpAL()
```

#### Examples

```
>>> np.random.seed(100)
>>> d = weightProb([0, 1, 2, 3])
>>> d([0.4, 0.8, 0.3, 0.5])
```

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```

(1, OrderedDict([(0, 0.2), (1, 0.4), (2, 0.15), (3, 0.25)]))
>>> d([0.1, 0.3, 0.4, 0.2])
(1, OrderedDict([(0, 0.1), (1, 0.3), (2, 0.4), (3, 0.2)]))
>>> d([0.2, 0.5, 0.3, 0.5], trial_responses=[0, 2])
(2, OrderedDict([(0, 0.4), (1, 0), (2, 0.6), (3, 0)]))
>>> d = weightProb(["A", "B", "C"])
>>> d([0.2, 0.3, 0.5], trial_responses=["A", "B"])
(u'B', OrderedDict([(u'A', 0.4), (u'B', 0.6), (u'C', 0)]))
>>> d([0.2, 0.3, 0.5], trial_responses=[])
(None, OrderedDict([(u'A', 0.2), (u'B', 0.3), (u'C', 0.5)]))

```

## 6.7.2 Submodules

### 6.7.2.1 model.ACBasic module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**Reference** Based on ideas we had.

**class** `model.ACBasic.ACBasic(alpha=0.3, beta=4, invBeta=None, alphaE=None, alphaA=None, expect=None, actorExpect=None, **kwargs)`  
 Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Model`

A basic, complete actor-critic model

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** string

**Parameters**

- **alpha** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter
- **alphaE** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter for the update of the expectations. Default 1pha
- **alphaA** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter for the update of the actor. Default 1pha
- **beta** (*float, optional*) – Sensitivity parameter for probabilities
- **invBeta** (*float, optional*) – Inverse of sensitivity parameter. Defined as  $\frac{1}{\beta+1}$ . Default 0.2
- **number\_actions** (*integer, optional*) – The maximum number of valid actions the model can expect to receive. Default 2.
- **number\_cues** (*integer, optional*) –

**The initial maximum number of stimuli the model can expect to receive.** Default 1.

- **number\_critics** (*integer, optional*) – The number of different reaction learning sets. Default `number_actions*number_cues`
- **action\_codes** (*dict with string or int as keys and int values, optional*) – A dictionary used to convert between the action references used by the task or dataset and references used in the models to describe the order in which the action information is stored.
- **prior** (array of floats in [0, 1], optional) – The prior probability of of the states being the correct one. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`

- **expect** (*array of floats, optional*) – The initialisation of the expected reward. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) * 5 / number_cues`
- **stimFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. Default is `blankStim`
- **rewFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. Default is `blankRew`
- **decFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. Default is `model.decision.discrete.weightProb`

**actorStimulusProbs()**

Calculates in the model-appropriate way the probability of each action.

**Returns probabilities** – The probabilities associated with the action choices

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**calcProbabilities(actionValues)**

Calculate the probabilities associated with the actions

**Parameters actionValues** (*1D ndarray of floats*) –

**Returns probArray** – The probabilities associated with the actionValues

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**delta(reward, expectation, action, stimuli)**

Calculates the comparison between the reward and the expectation

**Parameters**

- **reward** (*float*) – The reward value
- **expectation** (*float*) – The expected reward value
- **action** (*int*) – The chosen action
- **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple | None}*) – The stimuli received

**Returns**

**Return type** delta

**returnTaskState()**

Returns all the relevant data for this model

**Returns results** – The dictionary contains a series of keys including Name, Probabilities, Actions and Events.

**Return type** dict

**rewardExpectation(observation)**

Calculate the estimated reward based on the action and stimuli

This contains parts that are task dependent

**Parameters observation** (*{int | float | tuple}*) – The set of stimuli

**Returns**

- **actionExpectations** (*array of floats*) – The expected rewards for each action
- **stimuli** (*list of floats*) – The processed observations
- **activeStimuli** (*list of [0, 1] mapping to [False, True]*) – A list of the stimuli that were or were not present

**storeState()**

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be accessed later

**updateModel** (*delta, action, stimuli, stimuliFilter*)

**Parameters**

- **delta** (*float*) – The difference between the reward and the expected reward
- **action** (*int*) – The action chosen by the model in this trialstep
- **stimuli** (*list of float*) – The weights of the different stimuli in this trialstep
- **stimuliFilter** (*list of bool*) – A list describing if a stimulus cue is present in this trialstep

### 6.7.2.2 model.ACE module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**Reference** Based on ideas we had.

**class** `model.ACE.ACE` (*alpha=0.3, epsilon=0.1, alphaE=None, alphaA=None, expect=None, actor-Expect=None, \*\*kwargs*)

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Model`

A basic, complete actor-critic model with decision making based on QLearnE

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** string

**Parameters**

- **alpha** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter
- **alphaE** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter for the update of the expectations. Default 1pha
- **alphaA** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter for the update of the actor. Default 1pha
- **epsilon** (*float, optional*) – Noise parameter. The larger it is the less likely the model is to choose the highest expected reward
- **number\_actions** (*integer, optional*) – The maximum number of valid actions the model can expect to receive. Default 2.
- **number\_cues** (*integer, optional*) –  
The initial maximum number of stimuli the model can expect to receive. Default 1.
- **number\_critics** (*integer, optional*) – The number of different reaction learning sets. Default `number_actions*number_cues`
- **action\_codes** (*dict with string or int as keys and int values, optional*) – A dictionary used to convert between the action references used by the task or dataset and references used in the models to describe the order in which the action information is stored.
- **prior** (*array of floats in [0, 1], optional*) – The prior probability of of the states being the correct one. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`
- **expect** (*array of floats, optional*) – The initialisation of the expected reward. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) * 5 / number_cues`



- **stimFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. Default is blankStim
- **rewFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. Default is blankRew
- **decFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. Default is model.decision.discrete.weightProb

**actorStimulusProbs** ()

Calculates in the model-appropriate way the probability of each action.

**Returns probabilities** – The probabilities associated with the action choices

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**calcProbabilities** (*actionValues*)

Calculate the probabilities associated with the actions

**Parameters actionValues** (*1D ndarray of floats*) –

**Returns probArray** – The probabilities associated with the actionValues

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**delta** (*reward, expectation, action, stimuli*)

Calculates the comparison between the reward and the expectation

**Parameters**

- **reward** (*float*) – The reward value
- **expectation** (*float*) – The expected reward value
- **action** (*int*) – The chosen action
- **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple | None}*) – The stimuli received

**Returns**

**Return type** delta

**returnTaskState** ()

Returns all the relevant data for this model

**Returns results** – The dictionary contains a series of keys including Name, Probabilities, Actions and Events.

**Return type** dict

**rewardExpectation** (*observation*)

Calculate the estimated reward based on the action and stimuli

This contains parts that are task dependent

**Parameters observation** (*{int | float | tuple}*) – The set of stimuli

**Returns**

- **actionExpectations** (*array of floats*) – The expected rewards for each action
- **stimuli** (*list of floats*) – The processed observations
- **activeStimuli** (*list of [0, 1] mapping to [False, True]*) – A list of the stimuli that were or were not present

**storeState** ()

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be accessed later

**updateModel** (*delta, action, stimuli, stimuliFilter*)

**Parameters**

- **delta** (*float*) – The difference between the reward and the expected reward
- **action** (*int*) – The action chosen by the model in this trialstep
- **stimuli** (*list of float*) – The weights of the different stimuli in this trialstep
- **stimuliFilter** (*list of bool*) – A list describing if a stimulus cue is present in this trialstep

**6.7.2.3 model.ACES module**

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**Reference** Based on ideas we had.

**class** `model.ACES.ACES` (*alpha=0.3, epsilon=0.1, expect=None, actorExpect=None, \*\*kwargs*)

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Model`

A basic, complete actor-critic model with decision making based on QLearnE

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** string

**Parameters**

- **alpha** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter
- **epsilon** (*float, optional*) – Noise parameter. The larger it is the less likely the model is to choose the highest expected reward
- **number\_actions** (*integer, optional*) – The maximum number of valid actions the model can expect to receive. Default 2.
- **number\_cues** (*integer, optional*) –  
The initial maximum number of stimuli the model can expect to receive. Default 1.
- **number\_critics** (*integer, optional*) – The number of different reaction learning sets. Default `number_actions*number_cues`
- **action\_codes** (*dict with string or int as keys and int values, optional*) – A dictionary used to convert between the action references used by the task or dataset and references used in the models to describe the order in which the action information is stored.
- **prior** (*array of floats in [0, 1], optional*) – The prior probability of of the states being the correct one. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`
- **expect** (*array of floats, optional*) – The initialisation of the expected reward. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) * 5 / number_cues`
- **stimFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. Default is `blankStim`
- **rewFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. Default is `blankRew`
- **decFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. Default is `model.decision.discrete.weightProb`

**actorStimulusProbs ()**

Calculates in the model-appropriate way the probability of each action.

**Returns probabilities** – The probabilities associated with the action choices

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**calcProbabilities (actionValues)**

Calculate the probabilities associated with the actions

**Parameters actionValues** (1D ndarray of floats) –

**Returns probArray** – The probabilities associated with the actionValues

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**delta (reward, expectation, action, stimuli)**

Calculates the comparison between the reward and the expectation

**Parameters**

- **reward** (*float*) – The reward value
- **expectation** (*float*) – The expected reward value
- **action** (*int*) – The chosen action
- **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple | None}*) – The stimuli received

**Returns**

**Return type** delta

**returnTaskState ()**

Returns all the relevant data for this model

**Returns results** – The dictionary contains a series of keys including Name, Probabilities, Actions and Events.

**Return type** dict

**rewardExpectation (observation)**

Calculate the estimated reward based on the action and stimuli

This contains parts that are task dependent

**Parameters observation** (*{int | float | tuple}*) – The set of stimuli

**Returns**

- **actionExpectations** (*array of floats*) – The expected rewards for each action
- **stimuli** (*list of floats*) – The processed observations
- **activeStimuli** (*list of [0, 1] mapping to [False, True]*) – A list of the stimuli that were or were not present

**storeState ()**

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be accessed later

**updateModel (delta, action, stimuli, stimuliFilter)****Parameters**

- **delta** (*float*) – The difference between the reward and the expected reward
- **action** (*int*) – The action chosen by the model in this trialstep
- **stimuli** (*list of float*) – The weights of the different stimuli in this trialstep
- **stimuliFilter** (*list of bool*) – A list describing if a stimulus cue is present in this trialstep

#### 6.7.2.4 model.BP module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

```
class model.BP.BP(alpha=0.3, beta=4, dirichletInit=1, validRewards=array([0, 1]), invBeta=None, **kwargs)
```

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Model`

The Bayesian predictor model

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** string

**Parameters**

- **alpha** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter
- **beta** (*float, optional*) – Sensitivity parameter for probabilities. Default 4
- **invBeta** (*float, optional*) – Inverse of sensitivity parameter. Defined as  $\frac{1}{\beta+1}$ . Default 0.2
- **number\_actions** (*integer, optional*) – The maximum number of valid actions the model can expect to receive. Default 2.
- **number\_cues** (*integer, optional*) –  
The initial maximum number of stimuli the model can expect to receive. Default 1.
- **number\_critics** (*integer, optional*) – The number of different reaction learning sets. Default `number_actions*number_cues`
- **validRewards** (*list, np.ndarray, optional*) – The different reward values that can occur in the task. Default `array([0, 1])`
- **action\_codes** (*dict with string or int as keys and int values, optional*) – A dictionary used to convert between the action references used by the task or dataset and references used in the models to describe the order in which the action information is stored.
- **dirichletInit** (*float, optional*) – The initial values for values of the dirichlet distribution. Normally 0, 1/2 or 1. Default 1
- **prior** (array of floats in `[0, 1]`, optional) – Ignored in this case
- **stimFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. Default is `blankStim`
- **rewFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. Default is `blankRew`
- **decFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. Default is `model.decision.discrete.weightProb`

**actStimMerge** (*dirichletVals, stimuli*)

**actorStimulusProbs** ()

Calculates in the model-appropriate way the probability of each action.

**Returns probabilities** – The probabilities associated with the action choices

**Return type** 1D np.ndarray of floats

**calcActExpectations** (*dirichletVals*)

**calcProbabilities** (*actionValues*)

Calculate the probabilities associated with the actions

**Parameters** **actionValues** (*1D np.ndarray of floats*) –

**Returns** **probArray** – The probabilities associated with the actionValues

**Return type** 1D np.ndarray of floats

**delta** (*reward, expectation, action, stimuli*)

Calculates the comparison between the reward and the expectation

**Parameters**

- **reward** (*float*) – The reward value
- **expectation** (*float*) – The expected reward value
- **action** (*int*) – The chosen action
- **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple | None}*) – The stimuli received

**Returns**

**Return type** delta

**returnTaskState** ()

Returns all the relevant data for this model

**Returns** **results** – The dictionary contains a series of keys including Name, Probabilities, Actions and Events.

**Return type** dict

**rewardExpectation** (*observation*)

Calculate the estimated reward based on the action and stimuli

This contains parts that are task dependent

**Parameters** **observation** (*{int | float | tuple}*) – The set of stimuli

**Returns**

- **actionExpectations** (*array of floats*) – The expected rewards for each action
- **stimuli** (*list of floats*) – The processed observations
- **activeStimuli** (*list of [0, 1] mapping to [False, True]*) – A list of the stimuli that were or were not present

**storeState** ()

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be accessed later

**updateExpectations** (*dirichletVals*)

**updateModel** (*delta, action, stimuli, stimuliFilter*)

**Parameters**

- **delta** (*float*) – The difference between the reward and the expected reward
- **action** (*int*) – The action chosen by the model in this trialstep
- **stimuli** (*list of float*) – The weights of the different stimuli in this trialstep
- **stimuliFilter** (*list of bool*) – A list describing if a stimulus cue is present in this trialstep

### 6.7.2.5 model.BPE module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

```
class model.BPE.BPE(alpha=0.3, epsilon=0.1, dirichletInit=1, validRewards=array([0, 1]),  
                    **kwargs)
```

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Model`

The Bayesian predictor model

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** string

**Parameters**

- **alpha** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter
- **epsilon** (*float, optional*) – Noise parameter. The larger it is the less likely the model is to choose the highest expected reward
- **number\_actions** (*integer, optional*) – The maximum number of valid actions the model can expect to receive. Default 2.
- **number\_cues** (*integer, optional*) –  
The initial maximum number of stimuli the model can expect to receive. Default 1.
- **number\_critics** (*integer, optional*) – The number of different reaction learning sets. Default `number_actions*number_cues`
- **validRewards** (*list, np.ndarray, optional*) – The different reward values that can occur in the task. Default `array([0, 1])`
- **action\_codes** (*dict with string or int as keys and int values, optional*) – A dictionary used to convert between the action references used by the task or dataset and references used in the models to describe the order in which the action information is stored.
- **dirichletInit** (*float, optional*) – The initial values for values of the dirichlet distribution. Normally 0, 1/2 or 1. Default 1
- **prior** (array of floats in `[0, 1]`, optional) – Ignored in this case
- **stimFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. Default is `blankStim`
- **rewFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. Default is `blankRew`
- **decFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. Default is `model.decision.discrete.weightProb`

**See also:**

`model.BP` This model is heavily based on that one

**actStimMerge** (*dirichletVals, stimuli*)

**actorStimulusProbs** ()

Calculates in the model-appropriate way the probability of each action.

**Returns probabilities** – The probabilities associated with the action choices

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**calcActExpectations** (*dirichletVals*)

**calcProbabilities** (*actionValues*)

Calculate the probabilities associated with the actions

**Parameters** **actionValues** (*1D ndarray of floats*) –

**Returns** **probArray** – The probabilities associated with the actionValues

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**delta** (*reward, expectation, action, stimuli*)

Calculates the comparison between the reward and the expectation

**Parameters**

- **reward** (*float*) – The reward value
- **expectation** (*float*) – The expected reward value
- **action** (*int*) – The chosen action
- **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple | None}*) – The stimuli received

**Returns**

**Return type** delta

**returnTaskState** ()

Returns all the relevant data for this model

**Returns** **results** – The dictionary contains a series of keys including Name, Probabilities, Actions and Events.

**Return type** dict

**rewardExpectation** (*observation*)

Calculate the estimated reward based on the action and stimuli

This contains parts that are task dependent

**Parameters** **observation** (*{int | float | tuple}*) – The set of stimuli

**Returns**

- **actionExpectations** (*array of floats*) – The expected rewards for each action
- **stimuli** (*list of floats*) – The processed observations
- **activeStimuli** (*list of [0, 1] mapping to [False, True]*) – A list of the stimuli that were or were not present

**storeState** ()

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be accessed later

**updateExpectations** (*dirichletVals*)

**updateModel** (*delta, action, stimuli, stimuliFilter*)

**Parameters**

- **delta** (*float*) – The difference between the reward and the expected reward
- **action** (*int*) – The action chosen by the model in this trialstep
- **stimuli** (*list of float*) – The weights of the different stimuli in this trialstep
- **stimuliFilter** (*list of bool*) – A list describing if a stimulus cue is present in this trialstep

### 6.7.2.6 model.BPV module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**class** `model.BPV.BPV` (*alpha=0.3, dirichletInit=1, validRewards=array([0, 1]), \*\*kwargs*)

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Model`

The Bayesian predictor model

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** string

**Parameters**

- **alpha** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter
- **number\_actions** (*integer, optional*) – The maximum number of valid actions the model can expect to receive. Default 2.
- **number\_cues** (*integer, optional*) –  
The initial maximum number of stimuli the model can expect to receive. Default 1.
- **number\_critics** (*integer, optional*) – The number of different reaction learning sets. Default `number_actions*number_cues`
- **validRewards** (*list, np.ndarray, optional*) – The different reward values that can occur in the task. Default `array([0, 1])`
- **action\_codes** (*dict with string or int as keys and int values, optional*) – A dictionary used to convert between the action references used by the task or dataset and references used in the models to describe the order in which the action information is stored.
- **dirichletInit** (*float, optional*) – The initial values for values of the dirichlet distribution. Normally 0, 1/2 or 1. Default 1
- **prior** (array of floats in `[0, 1]`, optional) – Ignored in this case
- **stimFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. Default is `blankStim`
- **rewFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. Default is `blankRew`
- **decFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. Default is `model.decision.discrete.weightProb`

**actStimMerge** (*dirichletVals, stimuli*)

**actorStimulusProbs** ()

Calculates in the model-appropriate way the probability of each action.

**Returns probabilities** – The probabilities associated with the action choices

**Return type** 1D `np.ndarray` of floats

**calcActExpectations** (*dirichletVals*)

**calcProbabilities** (*actionValues*)

Calculate the probabilities associated with the actions

**Parameters actionValues** (1D `np.ndarray` of floats) –

**Returns probArray** – The probabilities associated with the actionValues



**Return type** 1D np.ndarray of floats

**delta** (*reward, expectation, action, stimuli*)

Calculates the comparison between the reward and the expectation

**Parameters**

- **reward** (*float*) – The reward value
- **expectation** (*float*) – The expected reward value
- **action** (*int*) – The chosen action
- **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple | None}*) – The stimuli received

**Returns**

**Return type** delta

**returnTaskState** ()

Returns all the relevant data for this model

**Returns results** – The dictionary contains a series of keys including Name, Probabilities, Actions and Events.

**Return type** dict

**rewardExpectation** (*observation*)

Calculate the estimated reward based on the action and stimuli

This contains parts that are task dependent

**Parameters** **observation** (*{int | float | tuple}*) – The set of stimuli

**Returns**

- **actionExpectations** (*array of floats*) – The expected rewards for each action
- **stimuli** (*list of floats*) – The processed observations
- **activeStimuli** (*list of [0, 1] mapping to [False, True]*) – A list of the stimuli that were or were not present

**storeState** ()

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be accessed later

**updateExpectations** (*dirichletVals*)

**updateModel** (*delta, action, stimuli, stimuliFilter*)

**Parameters**

- **delta** (*float*) – The difference between the reward and the expected reward
- **action** (*int*) – The action chosen by the model in this trialstep
- **stimuli** (*list of float*) – The weights of the different stimuli in this trialstep
- **stimuliFilter** (*list of bool*) – A list describing if a stimulus cue is present in this trialstep

### 6.7.2.7 model.OpAL module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**Reference** Based on the paper Opponent actor learning (OpAL): Modeling interactive effects of striatal dopamine on reinforcement learning and choice incentive. Collins, A. G. E., & Frank, M. J. (2014). Psychological Review, 121(3), 337–66. doi:10.1037/a0037015

```
class model.OpAL.OpAL(alpha=0.3, beta=4, rho=0, invBeta=None, alphaCrit=None, betaGo=None, betaNogo=None, alphaGo=None, alphaNogo=None, alphaGoDiff=None, alphaNogoDiff=None, alphaGoNogoDiff=None, expect=None, expectGo=None, **kwargs)
```

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Model`

The Opponent actor learning model

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** string

**currAction**

The current action chosen by the model. Used to pass participant action to model when fitting

**Type** int

**Parameters**

- **alpha** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter, used as either the
- **alphaGoNogoDiff** (*float, optional*) – The difference between alphaGo and alphaNogo. Default is None. If not None will overwrite alphaNogo  $\alpha_N = \alpha_G - \alpha_\delta$
- **alphaCrit** (*float, optional*) – The critic learning rate. Default is alpha
- **alphaGo** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter for Go, the positive part of the actor learning Default is alpha
- **alphaNogo** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter for Nogo, the negative part of the actor learning Default is alpha
- **alphaGoDiff** (*float, optional*) – The difference between alphaCrit and alphaGo. The default is None If not None and alphaNogoDiff is also not None, it will overwrite the alphaGo parameter  $\alpha_G = \alpha_C + \alpha$
- **alphaNogoDiff** (*float, optional*) – The difference between alphaCrit and alphaNogo. The default is None If not None and alphaGoDiff is also not None, it will overwrite the alphaNogo parameter  $\alpha_N = \alpha_C + \alpha$
- **beta** (*float, optional*) – Sensitivity parameter for probabilities. Also known as an exploration- exploitation parameter. Defined as  $\beta$  in the paper
- **invBeta** (*float, optional*) – Inverse of sensitivity parameter for the probabilities. Defined as  $\frac{1}{\beta+1}$ . Default 0.2
- **rho** (*float, optional*) – The asymmetry between the actor weights.  $\rho = \beta_G - \beta = \beta_N + \beta$
- **number\_actions** (*integer, optional*) – The maximum number of valid actions the model can expect to receive. Default 2.
- **number\_cues** (*integer, optional*) –

The initial maximum number of stimuli the model can expect to receive. Default 1.

- **number\_critics** (*integer, optional*) – The number of different reaction learning sets. Default number\_actions\*number\_cues
- **action\_codes** (*dict with string or int as keys and int values, optional*) – A dictionary used to convert between the action references used by the task or dataset and references used in the models to describe the order in which the action information is stored.

- **prior** (array of floats in [0, 1], optional) – The prior probability of of the states being the correct one. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`
- **expect** (array of floats, optional) – The initialisation of the the expected reward. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`
- **expectGo** (array of floats, optional) – The initialisation of the the expected go and nogo. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`
- **stimFunc** (function, optional) – The function that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. Default is `blankStim`
- **rewFunc** (function, optional) – The function that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. Default is `blankRew`
- **decFunc** (function, optional) – The function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. Default is `model.decision.discrete.weightProb`

## Notes

Actor: The chosen action is updated with

$$\begin{aligned}\delta_{d,t} &= r_t - E_{d,t} \\ E_{d,t+1} &= E_{d,t} + \alpha_E \delta_{d,t}\end{aligned}$$

Critic: The chosen action is updated with

$$\begin{aligned}G_{d,t+1} &= G_{d,t} + \alpha_G G_{d,t} \delta_{d,t} \\ N_{d,t+1} &= N_{d,t} - \alpha_N N_{d,t} \delta_{d,t}\end{aligned}$$

Probabilities: The probabilities for all actions are calculated using

$$\begin{aligned}A_{d,t} &= (1 + \rho)G_{d,t} - (1 - \rho)N_{d,t} \\ P_{d,t} &= \frac{e^{\beta A_{d,t}}}{\sum_{d \in D} e^{\beta A_{d,t}}}\end{aligned}$$

### **actorStimulusProbs()**

Calculates in the model-appropriate way the probability of each action.

**Returns probabilities** – The probabilities associated with the action choices

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

### **calcProbabilities(actionValues)**

Calculate the probabilities associated with the actions

**Parameters actionValues** (1D ndarray of floats) –

**Returns probArray** – The probabilities associated with the actionValues

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

### **delta(reward, expectation, action, stimuli)**

Calculates the comparison between the reward and the expectation

**Parameters**

- **reward** (float) – The reward value
- **expectation** (float) – The expected reward value

- **action** (*int*) – The chosen action
- **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple | None}*) – The stimuli received

**Returns**

**Return type** *delta*

**returnTaskState** ()

Returns all the relevant data for this model

**Returns results** – The dictionary contains a series of keys including Name, Probabilities, Actions and Events.

**Return type** *dict*

**rewardExpectation** (*observation*)

Calculate the estimated reward based on the action and stimuli

This contains parts that are task dependent

**Parameters observation** (*{int | float | tuple}*) – The set of stimuli

**Returns**

- **actionExpectations** (*array of floats*) – The expected rewards for each action
- **stimuli** (*list of floats*) – The processed observations
- **activeStimuli** (*list of [0, 1] mapping to [False, True]*) – A list of the stimuli that were or were not present

**storeState** ()

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be accessed later

**updateModel** (*delta, action, stimuli, stimuliFilter*)

**Parameters**

- **delta** (*float*) – The difference between the reward and the expected reward
- **action** (*int*) – The action chosen by the model in this trialstep
- **stimuli** (*list of float*) – The weights of the different stimuli in this trialstep
- **stimuliFilter** (*list of bool*) – A list describing if a stimulus cue is present in this trialstep

### 6.7.2.8 model.OpALE module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**Reference** Based on the paper Opponent actor learning (OpAL): Modeling interactive effects of striatal dopamine on reinforcement learning and choice incentive. Collins, A. G. E., & Frank, M. J. (2014). Psychological Review, 121(3), 337–66. doi:10.1037/a0037015

```
class model.OpALE.OpALE(alpha=0.3, epsilon=0.3, rho=0, alphaCrit=None, alphaGo=None,
                        alphaNogo=None, alphaGoDiff=None, alphaNogoDiff=None, al-
                        phaGoNogoDiff=None, expect=None, expectGo=None, **kwargs)
```

Bases: *model.modelTemplate.Model*

The Opponent actor learning model

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** *string*

**currAction**

The current action chosen by the model. Used to pass participant action to model when fitting

Type `int`

### Parameters

- **alpha** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter, used as either the
- **alphaGoNogoDiff** (*float, optional*) – The difference between `alphaGo` and `alphaNogo`. Default is `None`. If not `None` will overwrite `alphaNogo`  $\alpha_N = \alpha_G - \alpha_\delta$
- **alphaCrit** (*float, optional*) – The critic learning rate. Default is `alpha`
- **alphaGo** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter for Go, the positive part of the actor learning Default is `alpha`
- **alphaNogo** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter for Nogo, the negative part of the actor learning Default is `alpha`
- **alphaGoDiff** (*float, optional*) – The difference between `alphaCrit` and `alphaGo`. The default is `None` If not `None` and `alphaNogoDiff` is also not `None`, it will overwrite the `alphaGo` parameter  $\alpha_G = \alpha_C + \alpha$
- **alphaNogoDiff** (*float, optional*) – The difference between `alphaCrit` and `alphaNogo`. The default is `None` If not `None` and `alphaGoDiff` is also not `None`, it will overwrite the `alphaNogo` parameter  $\alpha_N = \alpha_C + \alpha$
- **epsilon** (*float, optional*) – Sensitivity parameter for probabilities. Also known as an exploration- exploitation parameter. Defined as  $\epsilon$  in the paper
- **rho** (*float, optional*) – The asymmetry between the actor weights.  $\rho = \epsilon_G - \epsilon = \epsilon_N + \epsilon$
- **number\_actions** (*integer, optional*) – The maximum number of valid actions the model can expect to receive. Default 2.
- **number\_cues** (*integer, optional*) –  
The initial maximum number of stimuli the model can expect to receive. Default 1.
- **number\_critics** (*integer, optional*) – The number of different reaction learning sets. Default `number_actions*number_cues`
- **action\_codes** (*dict with string or int as keys and int values, optional*) – A dictionary used to convert between the action references used by the task or dataset and references used in the models to describe the order in which the action information is stored.
- **prior** (array of floats in `[0, 1]`, optional) – The prior probability of of the states being the correct one. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`
- **expect** (array of floats, optional) – The initialisation of the the expected reward. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`
- **expectGo** (array of floats, optional) – The initialisation of the the expected go and nogo. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`
- **stimFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. Default is `blankStim`
- **rewFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. Default is `blankRew`

- **decFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. Default is `model.decision.discrete.weightProb`

## Notes

Actor: The chosen action is updated with

$$\begin{aligned}\delta_{d,t} &= r_t - E_{d,t} \\ E_{d,t+1} &= E_{d,t} + \alpha_E \delta_{d,t}\end{aligned}$$

Critic: The chosen action is updated with

$$\begin{aligned}G_{d,t+1} &= G_{d,t} + \alpha_G G_{d,t} \delta_{d,t} \\ N_{d,t+1} &= N_{d,t} - \alpha_N N_{d,t} \delta_{d,t}\end{aligned}$$

Probabilities: The probabilities for all actions are calculated using

$$\begin{aligned}A_{d,t} &= (1 + \rho)G_{d,t} - (1 - \rho)N_{d,t} \\ P_{d,t} &= \frac{e^{\epsilon A_{d,t}}}{\sum_{d \in D} e^{\epsilon A_{d,t}}}\end{aligned}$$

**actorStimulusProbs** ()

Calculates in the model-appropriate way the probability of each action.

**Returns probabilities** – The probabilities associated with the action choices

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**calcProbabilities** (*actionValues*)

Calculate the probabilities associated with the actions

**Parameters actionValues** (*1D ndarray of floats*) –

**Returns probArray** – The probabilities associated with the actionValues

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**delta** (*reward, expectation, action, stimuli*)

Calculates the comparison between the reward and the expectation

**Parameters**

- **reward** (*float*) – The reward value
- **expectation** (*float*) – The expected reward value
- **action** (*int*) – The chosen action
- **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple | None}*) – The stimuli received

**Returns**

**Return type** delta

**returnTaskState** ()

Returns all the relevant data for this model

**Returns results** – The dictionary contains a series of keys including Name, Probabilities, Actions and Events.

**Return type** dict

**rewardExpectation** (*observation*)

Calculate the estimated reward based on the action and stimuli

This contains parts that are task dependent

**Parameters** `observation` (`{int | float | tuple}`) – The set of stimuli

**Returns**

- **actionExpectations** (*array of floats*) – The expected rewards for each action
- **stimuli** (*list of floats*) – The processed observations
- **activeStimuli** (*list of [0, 1] mapping to [False, True]*) – A list of the stimuli that were or were not present

**storeState** ()

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be accessed later

**updateModel** (*delta, action, stimuli, stimuliFilter*)

**Parameters**

- **delta** (*float*) – The difference between the reward and the expected reward
- **action** (*int*) – The action chosen by the model in this trialstep
- **stimuli** (*list of float*) – The weights of the different stimuli in this trialstep
- **stimuliFilter** (*list of bool*) – A list describing if a stimulus cue is present in this trialstep

#### 6.7.2.9 model.OpALS module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**Reference** Based on the paper Opponent actor learning (OpAL): Modeling interactive effects of striatal dopamine on reinforcement learning and choice incentive. Collins, A. G. E., & Frank, M. J. (2014). Psychological Review, 121(3), 337–66. doi:10.1037/a0037015

**class** `model.OpALS.OpALS` (*alpha=0.3, beta=4, rho=0, saturateVal=10, invBeta=None, alphaCrit=None, betaGo=None, betaNogo=None, alphaGo=None, alphaNogo=None, alphaGoDiff=None, alphaNogoDiff=None, alphaGoNogoDiff=None, expect=None, expectGo=None, \*\*kwargs*)

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Model`

The Opponent actor learning model modified to have saturation values

The saturation values are the same for the actor and critic learners

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** string

**currAction**

The current action chosen by the model. Used to pass participant action to model when fitting

**Type** int

**Parameters**

- **alpha** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter, used as either the
- **alphaGoNogoDiff** (*float, optional*) – The difference between alphaGo and alphaNogo. Default is None. If not None will overwrite alphaNogo  $\alpha_N = \alpha_G - \alpha_\delta$
- **alphaCrit** (*float, optional*) – The critic learning rate. Default is alpha
- **alphaGo** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter for Go, the positive part of the actor learning Default is alpha
- **alphaNogo** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter for Nogo, the negative part of the actor learning Default is alpha

- **alphaGoDiff** (*float, optional*) – The difference between `alphaCrit` and `alphaGo`. The default is `None`. If not `None` and `alphaNogoDiff` is also not `None`, it will overwrite the `alphaGo` parameter  $\alpha_G = \alpha_C + \alpha$
- **alphaNogoDiff** (*float, optional*) – The difference between `alphaCrit` and `alphaNogo`. The default is `None`. If not `None` and `alphaGoDiff` is also not `None`, it will overwrite the `alphaNogo` parameter  $\alpha_N = \alpha_C + \alpha$
- **beta** (*float, optional*) – Sensitivity parameter for probabilities. Also known as an exploration- exploitation parameter. Defined as  $\beta$  in the paper
- **invBeta** (*float, optional*) – Inverse of sensitivity parameter for the probabilities. Defined as  $\frac{1}{\beta+1}$ . Default 0.2
- **rho** (*float, optional*) – The asymmetry between the actor weights.  $\rho = \beta_G - \beta = \beta_N + \beta$
- **number\_actions** (*integer, optional*) – The maximum number of valid actions the model can expect to receive. Default 2.
- **number\_cues** (*integer, optional*) –  
The initial maximum number of stimuli the model can expect to receive. Default 1.
- **number\_critics** (*integer, optional*) – The number of different reaction learning sets. Default `number_actions*number_cues`
- **action\_codes** (*dict with string or int as keys and int values, optional*) – A dictionary used to convert between the action references used by the task or dataset and references used in the models to describe the order in which the action information is stored.
- **prior** (*array of floats in [0, 1], optional*) – The prior probability of of the states being the correct one. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`
- **expect** (*array of floats, optional*) – The initialisation of the the expected reward. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`
- **expectGo** (*array of floats, optional*) – The initialisation of the the expected go and nogo. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`
- **saturateVal** (*float, optional*) – The saturation value for the model. Default is 10
- **stimFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. Default is `blankStim`
- **rewFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. Default is `blankRew`
- **decFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. Default is `model.decision.discrete.weightProb`

## Notes

Actor: The chosen action is updated with

$$\begin{aligned}\delta_{d,t} &= r_t - E_{d,t} \\ E_{d,t+1} &= E_{d,t} + \alpha_E \delta_{d,t} \left(1 - \frac{E_{d,t}}{S}\right)\end{aligned}$$



Critic: The chosen action is updated with

$$G_{d,t+1} = G_{d,t} + \alpha_G G_{d,t} \delta_{d,t} (1 - \frac{G_{d,t}}{S})$$

$$N_{d,t+1} = N_{d,t} - \alpha_N N_{d,t} \delta_{d,t} (1 - \frac{N_{d,t}}{S})$$

Probabilities: The probabilities for all actions are calculated using

$$A_{d,t} = (1 + \rho)G_{d,t} - (1 - \rho)N_{d,t}$$

$$P_{d,t} = \frac{e^{\beta A_{d,t}}}{\sum_{d \in D} e^{\beta A_{d,t}}}$$

**actorStimulusProbs()**

Calculates in the model-appropriate way the probability of each action.

**Returns probabilities** – The probabilities associated with the action choices

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**calcProbabilities(actionValues)**

Calculate the probabilities associated with the actions

**Parameters actionValues** (1D ndarray of floats) –

**Returns probArray** – The probabilities associated with the actionValues

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**delta(reward, expectation, action, stimuli)**

Calculates the comparison between the reward and the expectation

**Parameters**

- **reward** (*float*) – The reward value
- **expectation** (*float*) – The expected reward value
- **action** (*int*) – The chosen action
- **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple | None}*) – The stimuli received

**Returns**

**Return type** delta

**returnTaskState()**

Returns all the relevant data for this model

**Returns results** – The dictionary contains a series of keys including Name, Probabilities, Actions and Events.

**Return type** dict

**rewardExpectation(observation)**

Calculate the estimated reward based on the action and stimuli

This contains parts that are task dependent

**Parameters observation** (*{int | float | tuple}*) – The set of stimuli

**Returns**

- **actionExpectations** (*array of floats*) – The expected rewards for each action
- **stimuli** (*list of floats*) – The processed observations
- **activeStimuli** (*list of [0, 1] mapping to [False, True]*) – A list of the stimuli that were or were not present

**storeState()**

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be accessed later

**updateModel** (*delta*, *action*, *stimuli*, *stimuliFilter*)

**Parameters**

- **delta** (*float*) – The difference between the reward and the expected reward
- **action** (*int*) – The action chosen by the model in this trialstep
- **stimuli** (*list of float*) – The weights of the different stimuli in this trialstep
- **stimuliFilter** (*list of bool*) – A list describing if a stimulus cue is present in this trialstep

### 6.7.2.10 model.OpALSE module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**Reference** Based on the paper Opponent actor learning (OpAL): Modeling interactive effects of striatal dopamine on reinforcement learning and choice incentive. Collins, A. G. E., & Frank, M. J. (2014). Psychological Review, 121(3), 337–66. doi:10.1037/a0037015

```
class model.OpALSE.OpALSE (alpha=0.3, epsilon=0.3, rho=0, saturateVal=10, alphaCrit=None,
                             alphaGo=None, alphaNogo=None, alphaGoDiff=None, alphaNogoDiff=None,
                             alphaGoNogoDiff=None, expect=None, expectGo=None, **kwargs)
```

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Model`

The Opponent actor learning model modified to have saturation values

The saturation values are the same for the actor and critic learners

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** string

**currAction**

The current action chosen by the model. Used to pass participant action to model when fitting

**Type** int

**Parameters**

- **alpha** (*float*, *optional*) – Learning rate parameter, used as either the
- **alphaGoNogoDiff** (*float*, *optional*) – The difference between `alphaGo` and `alphaNogo`. Default is None. If not None will overwrite `alphaNogo`  $\alpha_N = \alpha_G - \alpha_\delta$
- **alphaCrit** (*float*, *optional*) – The critic learning rate. Default is `alpha`
- **alphaGo** (*float*, *optional*) – Learning rate parameter for Go, the positive part of the actor learning Default is `alpha`
- **alphaNogo** (*float*, *optional*) – Learning rate parameter for Nogo, the negative part of the actor learning Default is `alpha`
- **alphaGoDiff** (*float*, *optional*) – The difference between `alphaCrit` and `alphaGo`. The default is None If not None and `alphaNogoDiff` is also not None, it will overwrite the `alphaGo` parameter  $\alpha_G = \alpha_C + \alpha$
- **alphaNogoDiff** (*float*, *optional*) – The difference between `alphaCrit` and `alphaNogo`. The default is None If not None and `alphaGoDiff` is also not None, it will overwrite the `alphaNogo` parameter  $\alpha_N = \alpha_C + \alpha$

- **epsilon** (*float, optional*) – Sensitivity parameter for probabilities. Also known as an exploration- exploitation parameter. Defined as  $\epsilon$  in the paper
- **rho** (*float, optional*) – The asymmetry between the actor weights.  $\rho = \epsilon_G - \epsilon = \epsilon_N + \epsilon$
- **number\_actions** (*integer, optional*) – The maximum number of valid actions the model can expect to receive. Default 2.
- **number\_cues** (*integer, optional*) –  
**The initial maximum number of stimuli the model can expect to receive.** Default 1.
- **number\_critics** (*integer, optional*) – The number of different reaction learning sets. Default `number_actions*number_cues`
- **action\_codes** (*dict with string or int as keys and int values, optional*) – A dictionary used to convert between the action references used by the task or dataset and references used in the models to describe the order in which the action information is stored.
- **prior** (*array of floats in [0, 1], optional*) – The prior probability of of the states being the correct one. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`
- **expect** (*array of floats, optional*) – The initialisation of the the expected reward. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`
- **expectGo** (*array of floats, optional*) – The initialisation of the the expected go and nogo. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`
- **saturateVal** (*float, optional*) – The saturation value for the model. Default is 10
- **stimFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. Default is `blankStim`
- **rewFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. Default is `blankRew`
- **decFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. Default is `model.decision.discrete.weightProb`

## Notes

Actor: The chosen action is updated with

$$\begin{aligned}\delta_{d,t} &= r_t - E_{d,t} \\ E_{d,t+1} &= E_{d,t} + \alpha_E \delta_{d,t} \left(1 - \frac{E_{d,t}}{S}\right)\end{aligned}$$

Critic: The chosen action is updated with

$$\begin{aligned}G_{d,t+1} &= G_{d,t} + \alpha_G G_{d,t} \delta_{d,t} \left(1 - \frac{G_{d,t}}{S}\right) \\ N_{d,t+1} &= N_{d,t} - \alpha_N N_{d,t} \delta_{d,t} \left(1 - \frac{N_{d,t}}{S}\right)\end{aligned}$$

Probabilities: The probabilities for all actions are calculated using

$$A_{d,t} = (1 + \rho)G_{d,t} - (1 - \rho)N_{d,t}$$
$$P_{d,t} = \frac{e^{\epsilon A_{d,t}}}{\sum_{d \in D} e^{\epsilon A_{d,t}}}$$

**actorStimulusProbs ()**

Calculates in the model-appropriate way the probability of each action.

**Returns probabilities** – The probabilities associated with the action choices

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**calcProbabilities (actionValues)**

Calculate the probabilities associated with the actions

**Parameters actionValues** (1D ndarray of floats) –

**Returns probArray** – The probabilities associated with the actionValues

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**delta (reward, expectation, action, stimuli)**

Calculates the comparison between the reward and the expectation

**Parameters**

- **reward** (*float*) – The reward value
- **expectation** (*float*) – The expected reward value
- **action** (*int*) – The chosen action
- **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple | None}*) – The stimuli received

**Returns**

**Return type** delta

**returnTaskState ()**

Returns all the relevant data for this model

**Returns results** – The dictionary contains a series of keys including Name, Probabilities, Actions and Events.

**Return type** dict

**rewardExpectation (observation)**

Calculate the estimated reward based on the action and stimuli

This contains parts that are task dependent

**Parameters observation** (*{int | float | tuple}*) – The set of stimuli

**Returns**

- **actionExpectations** (*array of floats*) – The expected rewards for each action
- **stimuli** (*list of floats*) – The processed observations
- **activeStimuli** (*list of [0, 1] mapping to [False, True]*) – A list of the stimuli that were or were not present

**storeState ()**

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be accessed later

**updateModel (delta, action, stimuli, stimuliFilter)**

**Parameters**

- **delta** (*float*) – The difference between the reward and the expected reward

- **action** (*int*) – The action chosen by the model in this trialstep
- **stimuli** (*list of float*) – The weights of the different stimuli in this trialstep
- **stimuliFilter** (*list of bool*) – A list describing if a stimulus cue is present in this trialstep

### 6.7.2.11 model.OpAL\_H module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**Reference** Based on the paper Opponent actor learning (OpAL): Modeling interactive effects of striatal dopamine on reinforcement learning and choice incentive. Collins, A. G. E., & Frank, M. J. (2014). Psychological Review, 121(3), 337–66. doi:10.1037/a0037015

```
class model.OpAL_H.OpAL_H(alpha=0.3, beta=4, rho=0, invBeta=None, alphaCrit=None, betaGo=None, betaNogo=None, alphaGo=None, alphaNogo=None, alphaGoDiff=None, alphaNogoDiff=None, alphaGoNogoDiff=None, expect=None, expectGo=None, **kwargs)
```

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Model`

The Opponent actor learning model without Hebbian learning

#### **Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** string

#### **currAction**

The current action chosen by the model. Used to pass participant action to model when fitting

**Type** int

#### **Parameters**

- **alpha** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter, used as either the
- **alphaGoNogoDiff** (*float, optional*) – The difference between alphaGo and alphaNogo. Default is None. If not None will overwrite alphaNogo  $\alpha_N = \alpha_G - \alpha_\delta$
- **alphaCrit** (*float, optional*) – The critic learning rate. Default is alpha
- **alphaGo** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter for Go, the positive part of the actor learning Default is alpha
- **alphaNogo** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter for Nogo, the negative part of the actor learning Default is alpha
- **alphaGoDiff** (*float, optional*) – The difference between alphaCrit and alphaGo. The default is None If not None and alphaNogoDiff is also not None, it will overwrite the alphaGo parameter  $\alpha_G = \alpha_C + \alpha$
- **alphaNogoDiff** (*float, optional*) – The difference between alphaCrit and alphaNogo. The default is None If not None and alphaGoDiff is also not None, it will overwrite the alphaNogo parameter  $\alpha_N = \alpha_C + \alpha$
- **beta** (*float, optional*) – Sensitivity parameter for probabilities. Also known as an exploration- exploitation parameter. Defined as  $\beta$  in the paper
- **invBeta** (*float, optional*) – Inverse of sensitivity parameter for the probabilities. Defined as  $\frac{1}{\beta+1}$ . Default 0.2
- **rho** (*float, optional*) – The asymmetry between the actor weights.  $\rho = \beta_G - \beta = \beta_N + \beta$
- **number\_actions** (*integer, optional*) – The maximum number of valid actions the model can expect to receive. Default 2.

- **number\_cues** (*integer, optional*) – The initial maximum number of stimuli the model can expect to receive. Default 1.
- **number\_critics** (*integer, optional*) – The number of different reaction learning sets. Default `number_actions*number_cues`
- **action\_codes** (*dict with string or int as keys and int values, optional*) – A dictionary used to convert between the action references used by the task or dataset and references used in the models to describe the order in which the action information is stored.
- **prior** (*array of floats in [0, 1], optional*) – The prior probability of of the states being the correct one. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`
- **expect** (*array of floats, optional*) – The initialisation of the the expected reward. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`
- **expectGo** (*array of floats, optional*) – The initialisation of the the expected go and nogo. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`
- **stimFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. Default is `blankStim`
- **rewFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. Default is `blankRew`
- **decFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. Default is `model.decision.discrete.weightProb`

## Notes

Actor: The chosen action is updated with

$$\begin{aligned}\delta_{d,t} &= r_t - E_{d,t} \\ E_{d,t+1} &= E_{d,t} + \alpha_E \delta_{d,t}\end{aligned}$$

Critic: The chosen action is updated with

$$\begin{aligned}G_{d,t+1} &= G_{d,t} + \alpha_G \delta_{d,t} \\ N_{d,t+1} &= N_{d,t} - \alpha_N \delta_{d,t}\end{aligned}$$

Probabilities: The probabilities for all actions are calculated using

$$\begin{aligned}A_{d,t} &= (1 + \rho)G_{d,t} - (1 - \rho)N_{d,t} \\ P_{d,t} &= \frac{e^{\beta A_{d,t}}}{\sum_{d \in D} e^{\beta A_{d,t}}}\end{aligned}$$

### **actorStimulusProbs()**

Calculates in the model-appropriate way the probability of each action.

**Returns probabilities** – The probabilities associated with the action choices

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

### **calcProbabilities(actionValues)**

Calculate the probabilities associated with the actions

**Parameters** `actionValues` (*1D ndArray of floats*) –

**Returns** `probArray` – The probabilities associated with the `actionValues`

**Return type** 1D ndArray of floats

**delta** (*reward, expectation, action, stimuli*)

Calculates the comparison between the reward and the expectation

**Parameters**

- **reward** (*float*) – The reward value
- **expectation** (*float*) – The expected reward value
- **action** (*int*) – The chosen action
- **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple | None}*) – The stimuli received

**Returns**

**Return type** `delta`

**returnTaskState** ()

Returns all the relevant data for this model

**Returns** `results` – The dictionary contains a series of keys including Name, Probabilities, Actions and Events.

**Return type** `dict`

**rewardExpectation** (*observation*)

Calculate the estimated reward based on the action and stimuli

This contains parts that are task dependent

**Parameters** `observation` (*{int | float | tuple}*) – The set of stimuli

**Returns**

- **actionExpectations** (*array of floats*) – The expected rewards for each action
- **stimuli** (*list of floats*) – The processed observations
- **activeStimuli** (*list of [0, 1] mapping to [False, True]*) – A list of the stimuli that were or were not present

**storeState** ()

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be accessed later

**updateModel** (*delta, action, stimuli, stimuliFilter*)

**Parameters**

- **delta** (*float*) – The difference between the reward and the expected reward
- **action** (*int*) – The action chosen by the model in this trialstep
- **stimuli** (*list of float*) – The weights of the different stimuli in this trialstep
- **stimuliFilter** (*list of bool*) – A list describing if a stimulus cue is present in this trialstep

#### 6.7.2.12 model.OpAL\_HE module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**Reference** Based on the paper Opponent actor learning (OpAL): Modeling interactive effects of striatal dopamine on reinforcement learning and choice incentive. Collins, A. G. E., & Frank, M. J. (2014). Psychological Review, 121(3), 337–66. doi:10.1037/a0037015

```
class model.OpAL_HE.OpAL_HE (alpha=0.3, epsilon=0.3, rho=0, alphaCrit=None, al-  
phaGo=None, alphaNogo=None, alphaGoDiff=None, al-  
phaNogoDiff=None, alphaGoNogoDiff=None, expect=None,  
expectGo=None, **kwargs)
```

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Model`

The Opponent actor learning model without Hebbian learning

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** string

**currAction**

The current action chosen by the model. Used to pass participant action to model when fitting

**Type** int

**Parameters**

- **alpha** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter, used as either the
- **alphaGoNogoDiff** (*float, optional*) – The difference between alphaGo and alphaNogo. Default is None. If not None will overwrite alphaNogo  $\alpha_N = \alpha_G - \alpha_\delta$
- **alphaCrit** (*float, optional*) – The critic learning rate. Default is alpha
- **alphaGo** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter for Go, the positive part of the actor learning Default is alpha
- **alphaNogo** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter for Nogo, the negative part of the actor learning Default is alpha
- **alphaGoDiff** (*float, optional*) – The difference between alphaCrit and alphaGo. The default is None If not None and alphaNogoDiff is also not None, it will overwrite the alphaGo parameter  $\alpha_G = \alpha_C + \alpha$
- **alphaNogoDiff** (*float, optional*) – The difference between alphaCrit and alphaNogo. The default is None If not None and alphaGoDiff is also not None, it will overwrite the alphaNogo parameter  $\alpha_N = \alpha_C + \alpha$
- **epsilon** (*float, optional*) – Sensitivity parameter for probabilities. Also known as an exploration- exploitation parameter. Defined as  $\epsilon$  in the paper
- **rho** (*float, optional*) – The asymmetry between the actor weights.  $\rho = \epsilon_G - \epsilon = \epsilon_N + \epsilon$
- **number\_actions** (*integer, optional*) – The maximum number of valid actions the model can expect to receive. Default 2.
- **number\_cues** (*integer, optional*) –  
The initial maximum number of stimuli the model can expect to receive. Default 1.
- **number\_critics** (*integer, optional*) – The number of different reaction learning sets. Default number\_actions\*number\_cues
- **action\_codes** (*dict with string or int as keys and int values, optional*) – A dictionary used to convert between the action references used by the task or dataset and references used in the models to describe the order in which the action information is stored.
- **prior** (array of floats in [0, 1], optional) – The prior probability of of the states being the correct one. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`



- **expect** (*array of floats, optional*) – The initialisation of the the expected reward. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`
- **expectGo** (*array of floats, optional*) – The initialisation of the the expected go and nogo. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`
- **stimFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. Default is `blankStim`
- **rewFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. Default is `blankRew`
- **decFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. Default is `model.decision.discrete.weightProb`

## Notes

Actor: The chosen action is updated with

$$\begin{aligned}\delta_{d,t} &= r_t - E_{d,t} \\ E_{d,t+1} &= E_{d,t} + \alpha_E \delta_{d,t}\end{aligned}$$

Critic: The chosen action is updated with

$$\begin{aligned}G_{d,t+1} &= G_{d,t} + \alpha_G \delta_{d,t} \\ N_{d,t+1} &= N_{d,t} - \alpha_N \delta_{d,t}\end{aligned}$$

Probabilities: The probabilities for all actions are calculated using

$$\begin{aligned}A_{d,t} &= (1 + \rho)G_{d,t} - (1 - \rho)N_{d,t} \\ P_{d,t} &= \frac{e^{\epsilon A_{d,t}}}{\sum_{d \in D} e^{\epsilon A_{d,t}}}\end{aligned}$$

### **actorStimulusProbs** ()

Calculates in the model-appropriate way the probability of each action.

**Returns probabilities** – The probabilities associated with the action choices

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

### **calcProbabilities** (*actionValues*)

Calculate the probabilities associated with the actions

**Parameters actionValues** (*1D ndarray of floats*) –

**Returns probArray** – The probabilities associated with the actionValues

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

### **delta** (*reward, expectation, action, stimuli*)

Calculates the comparison between the reward and the expectation

**Parameters**

- **reward** (*float*) – The reward value
- **expectation** (*float*) – The expected reward value
- **action** (*int*) – The chosen action
- **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple | None}*) – The stimuli received

**Returns****Return type** `delta`**returnTaskState** ()

Returns all the relevant data for this model

**Returns results** – The dictionary contains a series of keys including Name, Probabilities, Actions and Events.**Return type** `dict`**rewardExpectation** (*observation*)

Calculate the estimated reward based on the action and stimuli

This contains parts that are task dependent

**Parameters** **observation** (*{int | float | tuple}*) – The set of stimuli**Returns**

- **actionExpectations** (*array of floats*) – The expected rewards for each action
- **stimuli** (*list of floats*) – The processed observations
- **activeStimuli** (*list of [0, 1] mapping to [False, True]*) – A list of the stimuli that were or were not present

**storeState** ()

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be accessed later

**updateModel** (*delta, action, stimuli, stimuliFilter*)**Parameters**

- **delta** (*float*) – The difference between the reward and the expected reward
- **action** (*int*) – The action chosen by the model in this trialstep
- **stimuli** (*list of float*) – The weights of the different stimuli in this trialstep
- **stimuliFilter** (*list of bool*) – A list describing if a stimulus cue is present in this trialstep

### 6.7.2.13 model.modelTemplate module

#### model.modelTemplate Module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

#### Classes

<i>Model</i> ( <i>[number_actions, number_cues, ...]</i> )	The model class is a general template for a model.
<i>Rewards</i> ( <i>**kwargs</i> )	This acts as an interface between the feedback from a task and the feedback a model can process
<i>Stimulus</i> ( <i>**kwargs</i> )	Stimulus processor class.

## Model

```
class model.modelTemplate.Model (number_actions=2,          number_cues=1,          num-
                                ber_critics=None,          action_codes=None,
                                non_action=u'None',          prior=None,          stimu-
                                lus_shaper=None,          stimulus_shaper_name=None,
                                stimulus_shaper_properties=None,          re-
                                ward_shaper=None,          reward_shaper_name=None,
                                reward_shaper_properties=None,          deci-
                                sion_function=None,          decision_function_name=None,
                                decision_function_properties=None, **kwargs)
```

Bases: `object`

The model class is a general template for a model. It also contains universal methods used by all models.

### Name

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** `string`

### currAction

The current action chosen by the model. Used to pass participant action to model when fitting

**Type** `int`

### Parameters

- **number\_actions** (*integer, optional*) – The maximum number of valid actions the model can expect to receive. Default 2.
- **number\_cues** (*integer, optional*) –  
The initial maximum number of stimuli the model can expect to receive. Default 1.
- **number\_critics** (*integer, optional*) – The number of different reaction learning sets. Default `number_actions*number_cues`
- **action\_codes** (*dict with string or int as keys and int values, optional*) – A dictionary used to convert between the action references used by the task or dataset and references used in the models to describe the order in which the action information is stored.
- **prior** (array of floats in `[0,1]`, *optional*) – The prior probability of of the states being the correct one. Default `ones((self.number_actions, self.number_cues)) / self.number_critics`
- **stimulus\_shaper\_name** (*string, optional*) – The name of the function that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. `stimulus_shaper` takes priority
- **reward\_shaper\_name** (*string, optional*) – The name of the function that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. `rewards_shaper` takes priority
- **decision\_function\_name** (*string, optional*) – The name of the function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. `decision_function` takes priority
- **stimulus\_shaper** (*Stimulus class, optional*) – The class that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. Default is `Stimulus`
- **reward\_shaper** (*Rewards class, optional*) – The class that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. Default is `Rewards`

- **decision\_function** (*function, optional*) – The function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. Default is `weightProb(range(number_actions))`
- **stimulus\_shaper\_properties** (*list, optional*) – The valid parameters of the function. Used to filter the unlisted keyword arguments Default is `None`
- **reward\_shaper\_properties** (*list, optional*) – The valid parameters of the function. Used to filter the unlisted keyword arguments Default is `None`
- **decision\_function\_properties** (*list, optional*) – The valid parameters of the function. Used to filter the unlisted keyword arguments Default is `None`

## Methods Summary

<code>actStimMerge(actStimuliParam[, stimFilter])</code>	Takes the parameter to be merged by stimuli and filters it by the stimuli values
<code>action()</code>	Returns the action of the model
<code>actorStimulusProbs()</code>	Calculates in the model-appropriate way the probability of each action.
<code>calcProbabilities(actionValues)</code>	Calculate the probabilities associated with the action
<code>choiceReflection()</code>	Allows the model to update its state once an action has been chosen.
<code>chooseAction(probabilities, lastAction, ...)</code>	Chooses the next action and returns the associated probabilities
<code>delta(reward, expectation, action, stimuli)</code>	Calculates the comparison between the reward and the expectation
<code>feedback(response)</code>	Receives the reaction to the action and processes it
<code>get_name()</code>	
<code>lastChoiceReinforcement()</code>	Allows the model to update the reward expectation for the previous trialstep given the choice made in this trialstep
<code>observe(state)</code>	Receives the latest observation and decides what to do with it
<code>overrideActionChoice(action)</code>	Provides a method for overriding the model action choice.
<code>params()</code>	Returns the parameters of the model
<code>processEvent([action, response])</code>	Integrates the information from a stimulus, action, response set, regardless of which of the three elements are present.
<code>returnTaskState()</code>	Returns all the relevant data for this model
<code>rewardExpectation(stimuli)</code>	Calculate the expected reward for each action based on the stimuli
<code>setsimID(simID)</code>	
<b>param simID</b>	
<code>standardResultOutput()</code>	Returns the relevant data expected from a model as well as the parameters for the current model
<code>storeStandardResults()</code>	Updates the store of standard results found across models
<code>storeState()</code>	Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be accessed later

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`updateModel(delta, action, stimuli, ...)`**param delta** The difference between the reward and the expected reward

## Methods Documentation

**actStimMerge** (*actStimuliParam, stimFilter=1*)

Takes the parameter to be merged by stimuli and filters it by the stimuli values

**Parameters**

- **actStimuliParam** (*list of floats*) – The list of values representing each action stimuli pair, where the stimuli will have their filtered values merged together.
- **stimFilter** (*array of floats or a float, optional*) – The list of active stimuli with their weightings or one weight for all. Default 1

**Returns actionParams** – The parameter values associated with each action**Return type** list of floats**action** ()

Returns the action of the model

**Returns action****Return type** integer or `None`**actorStimulusProbs** ()

Calculates in the model-appropriate way the probability of each action.

**Returns probabilities** – The probabilities associated with the action choices**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats**calcProbabilities** (*actionValues*)

Calculate the probabilities associated with the action

**Parameters actionValues** (*1D ndarray of floats*) –**Returns probArray** – The probabilities associated with the actionValues**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats**choiceReflection** ()

Allows the model to update its state once an action has been chosen.

**chooseAction** (*probabilities, lastAction, events, validActions*)

Chooses the next action and returns the associated probabilities

**Parameters**

- **probabilities** (*list of floats*) – The probabilities associated with each combinations
- **lastAction** (*int*) – The last chosen action
- **events** (*list of floats*) – The stimuli. If probActions is True then this will be unused as the probabilities will already be
- **validActions** (*1D list or array*) – The actions permitted during this trial-step

**Returns**

- **newAction** (*int*) – The chosen action

- **decProbabilities** (*list of floats*) – The weights for the different actions

**delta** (*reward, expectation, action, stimuli*)

Calculates the comparison between the reward and the expectation

**Parameters**

- **reward** (*float*) – The reward value
- **expectation** (*float*) – The expected reward value
- **action** (*int*) – The chosen action
- **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple | None}*) – The stimuli received

**Returns**

**Return type** `delta`

**feedback** (*response*)

Receives the reaction to the action and processes it

**Parameters** **response** (*float*) – The response from the task after an action. Returns without doing anything if the value of response is *None*.

**classmethod** **get\_name** ()

**lastChoiceReinforcement** ()

Allows the model to update the reward expectation for the previous trialstep given the choice made in this trialstep

**observe** (*state*)

Receives the latest observation and decides what to do with it

There are five possible states: Observation Observation Action Observation Action Feedback Action Feedback Observation Feedback

**Parameters** **state** (*tuple of ({int | float | tuple}, {tuple of int | None})*) – The stimulus from the task followed by the tuple of valid actions. Passes the values onto a processing function, `self._updateObservation`.

**overrideActionChoice** (*action*)

Provides a method for overriding the model action choice. This is used when fitting models to participant actions.

**Parameters** **action** (*int*) – Action chosen by external source to same situation

**params** ()

Returns the parameters of the model

**Returns** **parameters**

**Return type** `dictionary`

**processEvent** (*action=None, response=None*)

Integrates the information from a stimulus, action, response set, regardless of which of the three elements are present.

**Parameters**

- **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple | None}*) – The stimuli received
- **action** (*int, optional*) – The chosen action of the model. Default *None*
- **response** (*float, optional*) – The response from the task after an action. Default *None*

**returnTaskState** ()

Returns all the relevant data for this model

**Returns** **results**

**Return type** dictionary

**rewardExpectation** (*stimuli*)

Calculate the expected reward for each action based on the stimuli

This contains parts that are task dependent

**Parameters** *stimuli* (*{int | float | tuple}*) – The set of stimuli

**Returns**

- **expectedRewards** (*float*) – The expected reward for each action
- **stimuli** (*list of floats*) – The processed observations
- **activeStimuli** (*list of [0, 1] mapping to [False, True]*) – A list of the stimuli that were or were not present

**setsimID** (*simID*)

**Parameters** *simID* (*float*) –

**standardResultOutput** ()

Returns the relevant data expected from a model as well as the parameters for the current model

**Returns** *results* – A dictionary of details about the

**Return type** dictionary

**storeStandardResults** ()

Updates the store of standard results found across models

**storeState** ()

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be accessed later

**updateModel** (*delta, action, stimuli, stimuliFilter*)

**Parameters**

- **delta** (*float*) – The difference between the reward and the expected reward
- **action** (*int*) – The action chosen by the model in this trialstep
- **stimuli** (*list of float*) – The weights of the different stimuli in this trialstep
- **stimuliFilter** (*list of bool*) – A list describing if a stimulus cue is present in this trialstep

## Rewards

**class** `model.modelTemplate.Rewards` (*\*\*kwargs*)

Bases: `object`

This acts as an interface between the feedback from a task and the feedback a model can process

**Name**

The identifier of the function

**Type** string

## Methods Summary

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`details()`

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`get_name()`

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<code>processFeedback</code> ( <i>feedback, lastAction, stimuli</i> )	Takes the feedback and turns it into a form to be processed by the model
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## Methods Documentation

**details()**

**classmethod** **get\_name()**

**processFeedback** (*feedback, lastAction, stimuli*)

Takes the feedback and turns it into a form to be processed by the model

### Parameters

- **feedback** –
- **lastAction** –
- **stimuli** –

### Returns

**Return type** `modelFeedback`

## Stimulus

**class** `model.modelTemplate.Stimulus` (*\*\*kwargs*)

Bases: `object`

Stimulus processor class. This acts as an interface between an observation and . Does nothing.

### Name

The identifier of the function

**Type** `string`

## Methods Summary

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<code>details()</code>	
<code>get_name()</code>	
<code>processStimulus(observation)</code>	Takes the observation and turns it into a form the model can use

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## Methods Documentation

**details()**

**classmethod** **get\_name()**

**processStimulus** (*observation*)

Takes the observation and turns it into a form the model can use

### Parameters

**observation** –

### Returns

- **stimuliPresent** (*int or list of int*)
- **stimuliActivity** (*float or list of float*)

## Class Inheritance Diagram

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```
class model.modelTemplate.Model (number_actions=2,          number_cues=1,          num-
                                ber_critics=None,          action_codes=None,
                                non_action=u'None',          prior=None,          stimu-
                                lus_shaper=None,          stimulus_shaper_name=None,
                                stimulus_shaper_properties=None,          re-
                                ward_shaper=None,          reward_shaper_name=None,
                                reward_shaper_properties=None,          deci-
                                sion_function=None,          decision_function_name=None,
                                decision_function_properties=None, **kwargs)
```

Bases: `object`

The model class is a general template for a model. It also contains universal methods used by all models.

#### Name

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

Type `string`

#### currAction

The current action chosen by the model. Used to pass participant action to model when fitting

Type `int`

#### Parameters

- **number\_actions** (*integer, optional*) – The maximum number of valid actions the model can expect to receive. Default 2.
- **number\_cues** (*integer, optional*) –  
The initial maximum number of stimuli the model can expect to receive. Default 1.
- **number\_critics** (*integer, optional*) – The number of different reaction learning sets. Default `number_actions*number_cues`
- **action\_codes** (*dict with string or int as keys and int values, optional*) – A dictionary used to convert between the action references used by the task or dataset and references used in the models to describe the order in which the action information is stored.
- **prior** (*array of floats in [0,1], optional*) – The prior probability of of the states being the correct one. Default `ones((self.number_actions, self.number_cues)) / self.number_critics`
- **stimulus\_shaper\_name** (*string, optional*) – The name of the function that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. `stimulus_shaper` takes priority
- **reward\_shaper\_name** (*string, optional*) – The name of the function that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. `rewards_shaper` takes priority
- **decision\_function\_name** (*string, optional*) – The name of the function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. `decision_function` takes priority
- **stimulus\_shaper** (*Stimulus class, optional*) – The class that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. Default is `Stimulus`
- **reward\_shaper** (*Rewards class, optional*) – The class that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. Default is `Rewards`
- **decision\_function** (*function, optional*) – The function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. Default is `weightProb(range(number_actions))`

- **stimulus\_shaper\_properties** (*list, optional*) – The valid parameters of the function. Used to filter the unlisted keyword arguments Default is `None`
- **reward\_shaper\_properties** (*list, optional*) – The valid parameters of the function. Used to filter the unlisted keyword arguments Default is `None`
- **decision\_function\_properties** (*list, optional*) – The valid parameters of the function. Used to filter the unlisted keyword arguments Default is `None`

**actStimMerge** (*actStimuliParam, stimFilter=1*)

Takes the parameter to be merged by stimuli and filters it by the stimuli values

**Parameters**

- **actStimuliParam** (*list of floats*) –  
The list of values representing each action stimuli pair, where the stimuli will have their filtered values merged together.
- **stimFilter** (*array of floats or a float, optional*) – The list of active stimuli with their weightings or one weight for all. Default 1

**Returns** **actionParams** – The parameter values associated with each action

**Return type** list of floats

**action** ()

Returns the action of the model

**Returns** **action**

**Return type** integer or `None`

**actorStimulusProbs** ()

Calculates in the model-appropriate way the probability of each action.

**Returns** **probabilities** – The probabilities associated with the action choices

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**calcProbabilities** (*actionValues*)

Calculate the probabilities associated with the action

**Parameters** **actionValues** (*1D ndarray of floats*) –

**Returns** **probArray** – The probabilities associated with the actionValues

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**choiceReflection** ()

Allows the model to update its state once an action has been chosen.

**chooseAction** (*probabilities, lastAction, events, validActions*)

Chooses the next action and returns the associated probabilities

**Parameters**

- **probabilities** (*list of floats*) – The probabilities associated with each combinations
- **lastAction** (*int*) – The last chosen action
- **events** (*list of floats*) – The stimuli. If `probActions` is `True` then this will be unused as the probabilities will already be
- **validActions** (*1D list or array*) – The actions permitted during this trial-step

**Returns**

- **newAction** (*int*) – The chosen action

- **decProbabilities** (*list of floats*) – The weights for the different actions

**delta** (*reward, expectation, action, stimuli*)

Calculates the comparison between the reward and the expectation

**Parameters**

- **reward** (*float*) – The reward value
- **expectation** (*float*) – The expected reward value
- **action** (*int*) – The chosen action
- **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple | None}*) – The stimuli received

**Returns**

**Return type** *delta*

**feedback** (*response*)

Receives the reaction to the action and processes it

**Parameters** **response** (*float*) – The response from the task after an action. Returns without doing anything if the value of response is *None*.

**classmethod** **get\_name** ()

**lastChoiceReinforcement** ()

Allows the model to update the reward expectation for the previous trialstep given the choice made in this trialstep

**observe** (*state*)

Receives the latest observation and decides what to do with it

There are five possible states: Observation Observation Action Observation Action Feedback Action Feedback Observation Feedback

**Parameters** **state** (*tuple of ({int | float | tuple}, {tuple of int | None})*) – The stimulus from the task followed by the tuple of valid actions. Passes the values onto a processing function, `self._updateObservation`.

**overrideActionChoice** (*action*)

Provides a method for overriding the model action choice. This is used when fitting models to participant actions.

**Parameters** **action** (*int*) – Action chosen by external source to same situation

**params** ()

Returns the parameters of the model

**Returns** **parameters**

**Return type** *dictionary*

**processEvent** (*action=None, response=None*)

Integrates the information from a stimulus, action, response set, regardless of which of the three elements are present.

**Parameters**

- **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple | None}*) – The stimuli received
- **action** (*int, optional*) – The chosen action of the model. Default *None*
- **response** (*float, optional*) – The response from the task after an action. Default *None*

**returnTaskState** ()

Returns all the relevant data for this model

**Returns** **results**

**Return type** dictionary

**rewardExpectation** (*stimuli*)

Calculate the expected reward for each action based on the stimuli

This contains parts that are task dependent

**Parameters** **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple}*) – The set of stimuli

**Returns**

- **expectedRewards** (*float*) – The expected reward for each action
- **stimuli** (*list of floats*) – The processed observations
- **activeStimuli** (*list of [0, 1] mapping to [False, True]*) – A list of the stimuli that were or were not present

**setsimID** (*simID*)

**Parameters** **simID** (*float*) –

**standardResultOutput** ()

Returns the relevant data expected from a model as well as the parameters for the current model

**Returns** **results** – A dictionary of details about the

**Return type** dictionary

**storeStandardResults** ()

Updates the store of standard results found across models

**storeState** ()

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be accessed later

**updateModel** (*delta, action, stimuli, stimuliFilter*)

**Parameters**

- **delta** (*float*) – The difference between the reward and the expected reward
- **action** (*int*) – The action chosen by the model in this trialstep
- **stimuli** (*list of float*) – The weights of the different stimuli in this trialstep
- **stimuliFilter** (*list of bool*) – A list describing if a stimulus cue is present in this trialstep

**class** `model.modelTemplate.Rewards` (*\*\*kwargs*)

Bases: `object`

This acts as an interface between the feedback from a task and the feedback a model can process

**Name**

The identifier of the function

**Type** string

**details** ()

**classmethod** `get_name` ()

**processFeedback** (*feedback, lastAction, stimuli*)

Takes the feedback and turns it into a form to be processed by the model

**Parameters**

- **feedback** –
- **lastAction** –
- **stimuli** –

**Returns**

**Return type** modelFeedback

**class** model.modelTemplate.Stimulus (\*\*kwargs)

Bases: object

Stimulus processor class. This acts as an interface between an observation and . Does nothing.

**Name**

The identifier of the function

**Type** string

**details** ()

**classmethod** get\_name ()

**processStimulus** (observation)

Takes the observation and turns it into a form the model can use

**Parameters** observation –

**Returns**

- **stimuliPresent** (int or list of int)
- **stimuliActivity** (float or list of float)

#### 6.7.2.14 model.qLearn module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**Reference** Based on the paper Regulatory fit effects in a choice task Worthy, D. a, Maddox, W. T., & Markman, A. B. (2007). Psychonomic Bulletin & Review, 14(6), 1125–32. Retrieved from <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/18229485>

**class** model.qLearn.QLearn (alpha=0.3, beta=4, invBeta=None, expect=None, \*\*kwargs)

Bases: model.modelTemplate.Model

The q-Learning algorithm

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** string

**currAction**

The current action chosen by the model. Used to pass participant action to model when fitting

**Type** int

**Parameters**

- **alpha** (float, optional) – Learning rate parameter
- **beta** (float, optional) – Sensitivity parameter for probabilities. Also known as an exploration- exploitation parameter. Defined as  $\beta$  in the paper
- **invBeta** (float, optional) – Inverse of sensitivity parameter. Defined as  $\frac{1}{\beta+1}$ . Default 0.2
- **number\_actions** (integer, optional) – The maximum number of valid actions the model can expect to receive. Default 2.
- **number\_cues** (integer, optional) –  
The initial maximum number of stimuli the model can expect to receive. Default 1.
- **number\_critics** (integer, optional) – The number of different reaction learning sets. Default number\_actions\*number\_cues

- **action\_codes** (*dict with string or int as keys and int values, optional*) – A dictionary used to convert between the action references used by the task or dataset and references used in the models to describe the order in which the action information is stored.
- **prior** (*array of floats in [0, 1], optional*) – The prior probability of of the states being the correct one. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`
- **expect** (*array of floats, optional*) – The initialisation of the expected reward. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) * 5 / number_cues`
- **stimFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. Default is `blankStim`
- **rewFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. Default is `blankRew`
- **decFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. Default is `model.decision.discrete.weightProb`

**actorStimulusProbs()**

Calculates in the model-appropriate way the probability of each action.

**Returns probabilities** – The probabilities associated with the action choices

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**calcProbabilities(actionValues)**

Calculate the probabilities associated with the actions

**Parameters actionValues** (*1D ndarray of floats*) –

**Returns probArray** – The probabilities associated with the actionValues

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**delta(reward, expectation, action, stimuli)**

Calculates the comparison between the reward and the expectation

**Parameters**

- **reward** (*float*) – The reward value
- **expectation** (*float*) – The expected reward value
- **action** (*int*) – The chosen action
- **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple | None}*) – The stimuli received

**Returns**

**Return type** delta

**returnTaskState()**

Returns all the relevant data for this model

**Returns results** – The dictionary contains a series of keys including Name, Probabilities, Actions and Events.

**Return type** dict

**rewardExpectation(observation)**

Calculate the estimated reward based on the action and stimuli

This contains parts that are task dependent

**Parameters observation** (*{int | float | tuple}*) – The set of stimuli

**Returns**

- **actionExpectations** (*array of floats*) – The expected rewards for each action
- **stimuli** (*list of floats*) – The processed observations
- **activeStimuli** (*list of [0, 1] mapping to [False, True]*) – A list of the stimuli that were or were not present

**storeState()**

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be accessed later

**updateModel** (*delta, action, stimuli, stimuliFilter*)**Parameters**

- **delta** (*float*) – The difference between the reward and the expected reward
- **action** (*int*) – The action chosen by the model in this trialstep
- **stimuli** (*list of float*) – The weights of the different stimuli in this trialstep
- **stimuliFilter** (*list of bool*) – A list describing if a stimulus cue is present in this trialstep

**6.7.2.15 model.qLearn2 module**

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**Reference** Modified version of that found in the paper The role of the ventromedial prefrontal cortex in abstract state-based inference during decision making in humans. Hampton, A. N., Bossaerts, P., & O’Doherty, J. P. (2006). The Journal of Neuroscience : The Official Journal of the Society for Neuroscience, 26(32), 8360–7. doi:10.1523/JNEUROSCI.1010-06.2006

**Notes** In the original paper this model used the Luce choice algorithm, rather than the logistic algorithm used here. This generalisation has meant that the variable nu is no longer possible to use.

**class** model.qLearn2.**QLearn2** (*alpha=0.3, beta=4, alphaPos=None, alphaNeg=None, invBeta=None, expect=None, \*\*kwargs*)

Bases: *model.modelTemplate.Model*

The q-Learning algorithm modified to have different positive and negative reward prediction errors

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** string

**currAction**

The current action chosen by the model. Used to pass participant action to model when fitting

**Type** int

**Parameters**

- **alpha** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter. For this model only used when setting alphaPos and alphaNeg to the same value. Default 0.3
- **alphaPos** (*float, optional*) – The positive learning rate parameter. Used when RPE is positive. Default is alpha
- **alphaNeg** (*float, optional*) – The negative learning rate parameter. Used when RPE is negative. Default is alpha
- **beta** (*float, optional*) – Sensitivity parameter for probabilities
- **invBeta** (*float, optional*) – Inverse of sensitivity parameter. Defined as  $\frac{1}{\beta+1}$ . Default 0.2

- **number\_actions** (*integer, optional*) – The maximum number of valid actions the model can expect to receive. Default 2.
- **number\_cues** (*integer, optional*) –  
The initial maximum number of stimuli the model can expect to receive. Default 1.
- **number\_critics** (*integer, optional*) – The number of different reaction learning sets. Default `number_actions*number_cues`
- **action\_codes** (*dict with string or int as keys and int values, optional*) – A dictionary used to convert between the action references used by the task or dataset and references used in the models to describe the order in which the action information is stored.
- **prior** (*array of floats in [0, 1], optional*) – The prior probability of of the states being the correct one. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`
- **expect** (*array of floats, optional*) – The initialisation of the the expected reward. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) * 5 / number_cues`
- **stimFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. Default is `blankStim`
- **rewFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. Default is `blankRew`
- **decFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. Default is `model.decision.discrete.weightProb`

See also:

**model.QLearn** This model is heavily based on that one

**actorStimulusProbs** ()

Calculates in the model-appropriate way the probability of each action.

**Returns probabilities** – The probabilities associated with the action choices

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**calcProbabilities** (*actionValues*)

Calculate the probabilities associated with the actions

**Parameters actionValues** (*1D ndarray of floats*) –

**Returns probArray** – The probabilities associated with the actionValues

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**delta** (*reward, expectation, action, stimuli*)

Calculates the comparison between the reward and the expectation

**Parameters**

- **reward** (*float*) – The reward value
- **expectation** (*float*) – The expected reward value
- **action** (*int*) – The chosen action
- **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple | None}*) – The stimuli received

**Returns**



**Return type** `delta`

**returnTaskState** ()

Returns all the relevant data for this model

**Returns results** – The dictionary contains a series of keys including Name, Probabilities, Actions and Events.

**Return type** `dict`

**rewardExpectation** (*observation*)

Calculate the estimated reward based on the action and stimuli

This contains parts that are task dependent

**Parameters** **observation** (*{int | float | tuple}*) – The set of stimuli

**Returns**

- **actionExpectations** (*array of floats*) – The expected rewards for each action
- **stimuli** (*list of floats*) – The processed observations
- **activeStimuli** (*list of [0, 1] mapping to [False, True]*) – A list of the stimuli that were or were not present

**storeState** ()

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be accessed later

**updateModel** (*delta, action, stimuli, stimuliFilter*)

**Parameters**

- **delta** (*float*) – The difference between the reward and the expected reward
- **action** (*int*) – The action chosen by the model in this trialstep
- **stimuli** (*list of float*) – The weights of the different stimuli in this trialstep
- **stimuliFilter** (*list of bool*) – A list describing if a stimulus cue is present in this trialstep

#### 6.7.2.16 model.qLearn2E module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**Reference** Modified version of that found in the paper The role of the ventromedial prefrontal cortex in abstract state-based inference during decision making in humans. Hampton, A. N., Bossaerts, P., & O’Doherty, J. P. (2006). The Journal of Neuroscience : The Official Journal of the Society for Neuroscience, 26(32), 8360–7. doi:10.1523/JNEUROSCI.1010-06.2006

**Notes** In the original paper this model used the Luce choice algorithm, rather than the logistic algorithm used here. This generalisation has meant that the variable *nu* is no longer possible to use.

**class** `model.qLearn2E.QLearn2E` (*alpha=0.3, epsilon=0.1, alphaPos=None, alphaNeg=None, expect=None, \*\*kwargs*)

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Model`

The q-Learning algorithm modified to have different positive and negative reward prediction errors and use the Epsilon greedy method for calculating probabilities

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** `string`

**currAction**

The current action chosen by the model. Used to pass participant action to model when fitting

Type `int`

#### Parameters

- **alpha** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter. For this model only used when setting `alphaPos` and `alphaNeg` to the same value. Default 0.3
- **alphaPos** (*float, optional*) – The positive learning rate parameter. Used when RPE is positive. Default is `alpha`
- **alphaNeg** (*float, optional*) – The negative learning rate parameter. Used when RPE is negative. Default is `alpha`
- **epsilon** (*float, optional*) – Noise parameter. The larger it is the less likely the model is to choose the highest expected reward
- **number\_actions** (*integer, optional*) – The maximum number of valid actions the model can expect to receive. Default 2.
- **number\_cues** (*integer, optional*) –  
The initial maximum number of stimuli the model can expect to receive. Default 1.
- **number\_critics** (*integer, optional*) – The number of different reaction learning sets. Default `number_actions*number_cues`
- **action\_codes** (*dict with string or int as keys and int values, optional*) – A dictionary used to convert between the action references used by the task or dataset and references used in the models to describe the order in which the action information is stored.
- **prior** (*array of floats in [0, 1], optional*) – The prior probability of of the states being the correct one. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`
- **expect** (*array of floats, optional*) – The initialisation of the the expected reward. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) * 5 / number_cues`
- **stimFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. Default is `blankStim`
- **rewFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. Default is `blankRew`
- **decFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. Default is `model.decision.discrete.weightProb`

See also:

**model.QLearn** This model is heavily based on that one

**actorStimulusProbs()**

Calculates in the model-appropriate way the probability of each action.

**Returns probabilities** – The probabilities associated with the action choices

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**calcProbabilities(actionValues)**

Calculate the probabilities associated with the actions

**Parameters actionValues** (1D ndarray of floats) –

**Returns probArray** – The probabilities associated with the actionValues

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**delta** (*reward, expectation, action, stimuli*)

Calculates the comparison between the reward and the expectation

**Parameters**

- **reward** (*float*) – The reward value
- **expectation** (*float*) – The expected reward value
- **action** (*int*) – The chosen action
- **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple | None}*) – The stimuli received

**Returns**

**Return type** *delta*

**returnTaskState** ()

Returns all the relevant data for this model

**Returns results** – The dictionary contains a series of keys including Name, Probabilities, Actions and Events.

**Return type** *dict*

**rewardExpectation** (*observation*)

Calculate the estimated reward based on the action and stimuli

This contains parts that are task dependent

**Parameters** **observation** (*{int | float | tuple}*) – The set of stimuli

**Returns**

- **actionExpectations** (*array of floats*) – The expected rewards for each action
- **stimuli** (*list of floats*) – The processed observations
- **activeStimuli** (*list of [0, 1] mapping to [False, True]*) – A list of the stimuli that were or were not present

**storeState** ()

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be accessed later

**updateModel** (*delta, action, stimuli, stimuliFilter*)

**Parameters**

- **delta** (*float*) – The difference between the reward and the expected reward
- **action** (*int*) – The action chosen by the model in this trialstep
- **stimuli** (*list of float*) – The weights of the different stimuli in this trialstep
- **stimuliFilter** (*list of bool*) – A list describing if a stimulus cue is present in this trialstep

#### 6.7.2.17 model.qLearnCorr module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**Reference** Based on the QLearn model and the choice autocorrelation equation in the paper Trial-by-trial data analysis using computational models. Daw, N. D. (2011). Decision Making, Affect, and Learning: Attention and Performance XXIII (pp. 3–38). <http://doi.org/10.1093/acprof:oso/9780199600434.003.0001>

```
class model.qLearnCorr.QLearnCorr(alpha=0.3, beta=4, kappa=0.1, invBeta=None, expect=None, **kwargs)
```

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Model`

The q-Learning algorithm

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** string

**currAction**

The current action chosen by the model. Used to pass participant action to model when fitting

**Type** int

**Parameters**

- **alpha** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter
- **beta** (*float, optional*) – Sensitivity parameter for probabilities
- **kappa** (*float, optional*) – The autocorelation parameter for which positive values promote sticking and negative values promote alternation
- **invBeta** (*float, optional*) – Inverse of sensitivity parameter. Defined as  $\frac{1}{\beta+1}$ . Default 0.2
- **number\_actions** (*integer, optional*) – The maximum number of valid actions the model can expect to receive. Default 2.
- **number\_cues** (*integer, optional*) –  
The initial maximum number of stimuli the model can expect to receive. Default 1.
- **number\_critics** (*integer, optional*) – The number of different reaction learning sets. Default number\_actions\*number\_cues
- **action\_codes** (*dict with string or int as keys and int values, optional*) – A dictionary used to convert between the action references used by the task or dataset and references used in the models to describe the order in which the action information is stored.
- **prior** (*array of floats in [0, 1], optional*) – The prior probability of of the states being the correct one. Default ones((number\_actions, number\_cues)) / number\_critics)
- **expect** (*array of floats, optional*) – The initialisation of the the expected reward. Default ones((number\_actions, number\_cues)) \* 5 / number\_cues
- **stimFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. Default is blankStim
- **rewFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. Default is blankRew
- **decFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. Default is model.decision.discrete.weightProb

See also:

**model.QLearn** This model is heavily based on that one

**actorStimulusProbs ()**

Calculates in the model-appropriate way the probability of each action.

**Returns probabilities** – The probabilities associated with the action choices

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**calcProbabilities (actionValues)**

Calculate the probabilities associated with the actions

**Parameters actionValues** (1D ndarray of floats) –

**Returns probArray** – The probabilities associated with the actionValues

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**delta (reward, expectation, action, stimuli)**

Calculates the comparison between the reward and the expectation

**Parameters**

- **reward** (*float*) – The reward value
- **expectation** (*float*) – The expected reward value
- **action** (*int*) – The chosen action
- **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple | None}*) – The stimuli received

**Returns**

**Return type** delta

**returnTaskState ()**

Returns all the relevant data for this model

**Returns results** – The dictionary contains a series of keys including Name, Probabilities, Actions and Events.

**Return type** dict

**rewardExpectation (observation)**

Calculate the estimated reward based on the action and stimuli

This contains parts that are task dependent

**Parameters observation** (*{int | float | tuple}*) – The set of stimuli

**Returns**

- **actionExpectations** (*array of floats*) – The expected rewards for each action
- **stimuli** (*list of floats*) – The processed observations
- **activeStimuli** (*list of [0, 1] mapping to [False, True]*) – A list of the stimuli that were or were not present

**storeState ()**

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be accessed later

**updateModel (delta, action, stimuli, stimuliFilter)****Parameters**

- **delta** (*float*) – The difference between the reward and the expected reward
- **action** (*int*) – The action chosen by the model in this trialstep
- **stimuli** (*list of float*) – The weights of the different stimuli in this trialstep
- **stimuliFilter** (*list of bool*) – A list describing if a stimulus cue is present in this trialstep

### 6.7.2.18 model.qLearnE module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**Reference** Based on the Epsilon-greedy method along with a past choice autocorrelation inspired by QLearnCorr

**class** model.qLearnE.**QLearnE**(*alpha=0.3, epsilon=0.1, expect=None, \*\*kwargs*)

Bases: *model.modelTemplate.Model*

The q-Learning algorithm

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** string

**currAction**

The current action chosen by the model. Used to pass participant action to model when fitting

**Type** int

**Parameters**

- **alpha** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter
- **epsilon** (*float, optional*) – Noise parameter. The larger it is the less likely the model is to choose the highest expected reward
- **number\_actions** (*integer, optional*) – The maximum number of valid actions the model can expect to receive. Default 2.
- **number\_cues** (*integer, optional*) –  
The initial maximum number of stimuli the model can expect to receive. Default 1.
- **number\_critics** (*integer, optional*) – The number of different reaction learning sets. Default number\_actions\*number\_cues
- **action\_codes** (*dict with string or int as keys and int values, optional*) – A dictionary used to convert between the action references used by the task or dataset and references used in the models to describe the order in which the action information is stored.
- **prior** (array of floats in [0, 1], optional) – The prior probability of of the states being the correct one. Default ones((number\_actions, number\_cues)) / number\_critics)
- **expect** (array of floats, optional) – The initialisation of the expected reward. Default ones((number\_actions, number\_cues)) \* 5 / number\_cues
- **stimFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. Default is blankStim
- **rewFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. Default is blankRew
- **decFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. Default is model.decision.discrete.weightProb

**See also:**

**model.QLearn** This model is heavily based on that one

**actorStimulusProbs ()**

Calculates in the model-appropriate way the probability of each action.

**Returns probabilities** – The probabilities associated with the action choices

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**calcProbabilities (actionValues)**

Calculate the probabilities associated with the actions

**Parameters actionValues** (1D ndarray of floats) –

**Returns probArray** – The probabilities associated with the actionValues

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**delta (reward, expectation, action, stimuli)**

Calculates the comparison between the reward and the expectation

**Parameters**

- **reward** (*float*) – The reward value
- **expectation** (*float*) – The expected reward value
- **action** (*int*) – The chosen action
- **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple | None}*) – The stimuli received

**Returns**

**Return type** delta

**returnTaskState ()**

Returns all the relevant data for this model

**Returns results** – The dictionary contains a series of keys including Name, Probabilities, Actions and Events.

**Return type** dict

**rewardExpectation (observation)**

Calculate the estimated reward based on the action and stimuli

This contains parts that are task dependent

**Parameters observation** (*{int | float | tuple}*) – The set of stimuli

**Returns**

- **actionExpectations** (*array of floats*) – The expected rewards for each action
- **stimuli** (*list of floats*) – The processed observations
- **activeStimuli** (*list of [0, 1] mapping to [False, True]*) – A list of the stimuli that were or were not present

**storeState ()**

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be accessed later

**updateModel (delta, action, stimuli, stimuliFilter)****Parameters**

- **delta** (*float*) – The difference between the reward and the expected reward
- **action** (*int*) – The action chosen by the model in this trialstep
- **stimuli** (*list of float*) – The weights of the different stimuli in this trialstep
- **stimuliFilter** (*list of bool*) – A list describing if a stimulus cue is present in this trialstep

### 6.7.2.19 model.qLearnECorr module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**Reference** Based on the Epsilon-greedy method along with a past choice autocorrelation inspired by QLearnCorr

**class** model.qLearnECorr.QLearnECorr (*alpha=0.3, epsilon=0.1, kappa=0.1, expect=None, \*\*kwargs*)

Bases: *model.modelTemplate.Model*

The q-Learning algorithm

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** string

**currAction**

The current action chosen by the model. Used to pass participant action to model when fitting

**Type** int

**Parameters**

- **alpha** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter
- **kappa** (*float, optional*) – The autocorrelation parameter for which positive values promote sticking and negative values promote alternation
- **epsilon** (*float, optional*) – Noise parameter. The larger it is the less likely the model is to choose the highest expected reward
- **number\_actions** (*integer, optional*) – The maximum number of valid actions the model can expect to receive. Default 2.
- **number\_cues** (*integer, optional*) –  
The initial maximum number of stimuli the model can expect to receive. Default 1.
- **number\_critics** (*integer, optional*) – The number of different reaction learning sets. Default number\_actions\*number\_cues
- **action\_codes** (*dict with string or int as keys and int values, optional*) – A dictionary used to convert between the action references used by the task or dataset and references used in the models to describe the order in which the action information is stored.
- **prior** (*array of floats in [0, 1], optional*) – The prior probability of of the states being the correct one. Default ones((number\_actions, number\_cues)) / number\_critics)
- **expect** (*array of floats, optional*) – The initialisation of the the expected reward. Default ones((number\_actions, number\_cues)) \* 5 / number\_cues
- **stimFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. Default is blankStim
- **rewFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. Default is blankRew
- **decFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. Default is model.decision.discrete.weightProb



See also:

**model.QLearnCorr** This model is heavily based on that one

**actorStimulusProbs ()**

Calculates in the model-appropriate way the probability of each action.

**Returns probabilities** – The probabilities associated with the action choices

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**calcProbabilities (actionValues)**

Calculate the probabilities associated with the actions

**Parameters actionValues** (1D ndarray of floats) –

**Returns probArray** – The probabilities associated with the actionValues

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**delta (reward, expectation, action, stimuli)**

Calculates the comparison between the reward and the expectation

**Parameters**

- **reward** (*float*) – The reward value
- **expectation** (*float*) – The expected reward value
- **action** (*int*) – The chosen action
- **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple | None}*) – The stimuli received

**Returns**

**Return type** *delta*

**returnTaskState ()**

Returns all the relevant data for this model

**Returns results** – The dictionary contains a series of keys including Name, Probabilities, Actions and Events.

**Return type** *dict*

**rewardExpectation (observation)**

Calculate the estimated reward based on the action and stimuli

This contains parts that are task dependent

**Parameters observation** (*{int | float | tuple}*) – The set of stimuli

**Returns**

- **actionExpectations** (*array of floats*) – The expected rewards for each action
- **stimuli** (*list of floats*) – The processed observations
- **activeStimuli** (*list of [0, 1] mapping to [False, True]*) – A list of the stimuli that were or were not present

**storeState ()**

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be accessed later

**updateModel (delta, action, stimuli, stimuliFilter)**

**Parameters**

- **delta** (*float*) – The difference between the reward and the expected reward
- **action** (*int*) – The action chosen by the model in this trialstep
- **stimuli** (*list of float*) – The weights of the different stimuli in this trialstep

- **stimuliFilter** (*list of bool*) – A list describing if a stimulus cue is present in this trialstep

#### 6.7.2.20 model.qLearnF module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**Reference** Based on the paper Regulatory fit effects in a choice task Worthy, D. a, Maddox, W. T., & Markman, A. B. (2007). Psychonomic Bulletin & Review, 14(6), 1125–32. Retrieved from <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/18229485>

```
class model.qLearnF.QLearnF(alpha=0.3, beta=4, gamma=0.3, invBeta=None, expect=None,
                             **kwargs)
```

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Model`

The q-Learning algorithm

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** string

**currAction**

The current action chosen by the model. Used to pass participant action to model when fitting

**Type** int

**Parameters**

- **alpha** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter
- **beta** (*float, optional*) – Sensitivity parameter for probabilities
- **gamma** (*float, optional*) – future expectation discounting
- **invBeta** (*float, optional*) – Inverse of sensitivity parameter. Defined as  $\frac{1}{\beta+1}$ . Default 0.2
- **number\_actions** (*integer, optional*) – The maximum number of valid actions the model can expect to receive. Default 2.
- **number\_cues** (*integer, optional*) –  
The initial maximum number of stimuli the model can expect to receive. Default 1.
- **number\_critics** (*integer, optional*) – The number of different reaction learning sets. Default number\_actions\*number\_cues
- **action\_codes** (*dict with string or int as keys and int values, optional*) – A dictionary used to convert the action references used by the task or dataset and references used in the models to describe the order in which the action information is stored.
- **prior** (array of floats in [0, 1], optional) – The prior probability of of the states being the correct one. Default ones((number\_actions, number\_cues)) / number\_critics)
- **expect** (array of floats, optional) – The initialisation of the expected reward. Default ones((number\_actions, number\_cues)) \* 5 / number\_cues
- **stimFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. Default is blankStim
- **rewFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. Default is blankRew

- **decFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. Default is `model.decision.discrete.weightProb`

See also:

**model.QLearn** This model is heavily based on that one

**actorStimulusProbs** ()

Calculates in the model-appropriate way the probability of each action.

**Returns probabilities** – The probabilities associated with the action choices

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**calcProbabilities** (*actionValues*)

Calculate the probabilities associated with the actions

**Parameters actionValues** (*1D ndarray of floats*) –

**Returns probArray** – The probabilities associated with the actionValues

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**delta** (*reward, expectation, action, stimuli*)

Calculates the comparison between the reward and the expectation

**Parameters**

- **reward** (*float*) – The reward value
- **expectation** (*float*) – The expected reward value
- **action** (*int*) – The chosen action
- **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple | None}*) – The stimuli received

**Returns**

**Return type** delta

**lastChoiceReinforcement** ()

Allows the model to update its expectations once the action has been chosen.

**returnTaskState** ()

Returns all the relevant data for this model

**Returns results** – The dictionary contains a series of keys including Name, Probabilities, Actions and Events.

**Return type** dict

**rewardExpectation** (*observation*)

Calculate the estimated reward based on the action and stimuli

This contains parts that are task dependent

**Parameters observation** (*{int | float | tuple}*) – The set of stimuli

**Returns**

- **actionExpectations** (*array of floats*) – The expected rewards for each action
- **stimuli** (*list of floats*) – The processed observations
- **activeStimuli** (*list of [0, 1] mapping to [False, True]*) – A list of the stimuli that were or were not present

**storeState** ()

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be accessed later

**updateModel** (*delta, action, stimuli, stimuliFilter*)

**Parameters**

- **delta** (*float*) – The difference between the reward and the expected reward
- **action** (*int*) – The action chosen by the model in this trialstep
- **stimuli** (*list of float*) – The weights of the different stimuli in this trialstep
- **stimuliFilter** (*list of bool*) – A list describing if a stimulus cue is present in this trialstep

**6.7.2.21 model.qLearnK module**

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**Reference** Based on the paper Cortical substrates for exploratory decisions in humans. Daw, N. D., O’Doherty, J. P., Dayan, P., Dolan, R. J., & Seymour, B. (2006). Nature, 441(7095), 876–9. <https://doi.org/10.1038/nature04766>

**class** model.qLearnK.**QLearnK**(*beta=4, sigma=1, sigmaG=1, drift=1, sigmaA=None, alphaA=None, invBeta=None, expect=None, \*\*kwargs*)

Bases: *model.modelTemplate.Model*

The q-Learning Kalman algorithm

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** string

**currAction**

The current action chosen by the model. Used to pass participant action to model when fitting

**Type** *int*

**Parameters**

- **sigma** (*float, optional*) – Uncertainty scale measure
- **sigmaG** (*float, optional*) – Uncertainty measure growth
- **drift** (*float, optional*) – The drift rate
- **beta** (*float, optional*) – Sensitivity parameter for probabilities. Also known as an exploration- exploitation parameter. Defined as  $\beta$  in the paper
- **invBeta** (*float, optional*) – Inverse of sensitivity parameter. Defined as  $\frac{1}{\beta+1}$ . Default 0.2
- **number\_actions** (*integer, optional*) – The maximum number of valid actions the model can expect to receive. Default 2.
- **number\_cues** (*integer, optional*) –  
The initial maximum number of stimuli the model can expect to receive. Default 1.
- **number\_critics** (*integer, optional*) – The number of different reaction learning sets. Default `number_actions*number_cues`
- **action\_codes** (*dict with string or int as keys and int values, optional*) – A dictionary used to convert between the action references used by the task or dataset and references used in the models to describe the order in which the action information is stored.
- **prior** (array of floats in [0, 1], optional) – The prior probability of of the states being the correct one. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`

- **expect** (*array of floats, optional*) – The initialisation of the expected reward. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) * 5 / number_cues`
- **sigmaA** (*array of floats, optional*) – The initialisation of the uncertainty measure
- **alphaA** (*array of floats, optional*) – The initialisation of the learning rates
- **stimFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. Default is `blankStim`
- **rewFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. Default is `blankRew`
- **decFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. Default is `model.decision.discrete.weightProb`

#### **actorStimulusProbs()**

Calculates in the model-appropriate way the probability of each action.

**Returns probabilities** – The probabilities associated with the action choices

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

#### **calcProbabilities(actionValues)**

Calculate the probabilities associated with the actions

**Parameters actionValues** (*1D ndarray of floats*) –

**Returns probArray** – The probabilities associated with the actionValues

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

#### **delta(reward, expectation, action, stimuli)**

Calculates the comparison between the reward and the expectation

##### **Parameters**

- **reward** (*float*) – The reward value
- **expectation** (*float*) – The expected reward value
- **action** (*int*) – The chosen action
- **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple | None}*) – The stimuli received

##### **Returns**

**Return type** delta

#### **returnTaskState()**

Returns all the relevant data for this model

**Returns results** – The dictionary contains a series of keys including Name, Probabilities, Actions and Events.

**Return type** dict

#### **rewardExpectation(observation)**

Calculate the estimated reward based on the action and stimuli

This contains parts that are task dependent

**Parameters observation** (*{int | float | tuple}*) – The set of stimuli

##### **Returns**

- **actionExpectations** (*array of floats*) – The expected rewards for each action

- **stimuli** (*list of floats*) – The processed observations
- **activeStimuli** (*list of [0, 1] mapping to [False, True]*) – A list of the stimuli that were or were not present

**storeState()**

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be accessed later

**updateModel** (*delta, action, stimuli, stimuliFilter*)

#### Parameters

- **delta** (*float*) – The difference between the reward and the expected reward
- **action** (*int*) – The action chosen by the model in this trialstep
- **stimuli** (*list of float*) – The weights of the different stimuli in this trialstep
- **stimuliFilter** (*list of bool*) – A list describing if a stimulus cue is present in this trialstep

### 6.7.2.22 model.qLearnMeta module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**Reference** Based on the model QLearn as well as the paper: Meta-learning in Reinforcement Learning

**class** model.qLearnMeta.**QLearnMeta** (*alpha=0.3, tau=0.2, rewardD=None, rewardDD=None, expect=None, \*\*kwargs*)

Bases: *model.modelTemplate.Model*

The q-Learning algorithm with a second-order adaptive beta

#### Name

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** string

#### currAction

The current action chosen by the model. Used to pass participant action to model when fitting

**Type** int

#### Parameters

- **alpha** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter
- **tau** (*float, optional*) – Beta rate Sensitivity parameter for probabilities
- **invBeta** (*float, optional*) – Inverse of sensitivity parameter. Defined as  $\frac{1}{\beta+1}$ . Default 0.2
- **number\_actions** (*integer, optional*) – The maximum number of valid actions the model can expect to receive. Default 2.
- **number\_cues** (*integer, optional*) –  
The initial maximum number of stimuli the model can expect to receive. Default 1.
- **number\_critics** (*integer, optional*) – The number of different reaction learning sets. Default number\_actions\*number\_cues
- **action\_codes** (*dict with string or int as keys and int values, optional*) – A dictionary used to convert between the action references used by the task or dataset and references used in the models to describe the order in which the action information is stored.

- **prior** (array of floats in [0, 1], optional) – The prior probability of of the states being the correct one. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`
- **expect** (array of floats, optional) – The initialisation of the the expected reward. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) * 5 / number_cues`
- **stimFunc** (function, optional) – The function that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. Default is `blankStim`
- **rewFunc** (function, optional) – The function that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. Default is `blankRew`
- **decFunc** (function, optional) – The function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. Default is `model.decision.binary.eta`

**actorStimulusProbs()**

Calculates in the model-appropriate way the probability of each action.

**Returns probabilities** – The probabilities associated with the action choices

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**calcProbabilities(actionValues)**

Calculate the probabilities associated with the actions

**Parameters actionValues** (1D ndarray of floats) –

**Returns probArray** – The probabilities associated with the actionValues

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**delta(reward, expectation, action, stimuli)**

Calculates the comparison between the reward and the expectation

**Parameters**

- **reward** (float) – The reward value
- **expectation** (float) – The expected reward value
- **action** (int) – The chosen action
- **stimuli** ({int | float | tuple | None}) – The stimuli received

**Returns**

**Return type** delta

**returnTaskState()**

Returns all the relevant data for this model

**Returns results** – The dictionary contains a series of keys including Name, Probabilities, Actions and Events.

**Return type** dict

**rewardExpectation(observation)**

Calculate the estimated reward based on the action and stimuli

This contains parts that are task dependent

**Parameters observation** ({int | float | tuple}) – The set of stimuli

**Returns**

- **actionExpectations** (array of floats) – The expected rewards for each action
- **stimuli** (list of floats) – The processed observations

- **activeStimuli** (*list of [0, 1] mapping to [False, True]*) – A list of the stimuli that were or were not present

**storeState()**

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be accessed later

**updateBeta** (*reward, action*)

**Parameters** **reward** (*float*) – The reward value

**updateModel** (*delta, action, stimuli, stimuliFilter*)

**Parameters**

- **delta** (*float*) – The difference between the reward and the expected reward
- **action** (*int*) – The action chosen by the model in this trialstep
- **stimuli** (*list of float*) – The weights of the different stimuli in this trialstep
- **stimuliFilter** (*list of bool*) – A list describing if a stimulus cue is present in this trialstep

### 6.7.2.23 model.randomBias module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**class** `model.randomBias.RandomBias` (*expect=None, \*\*kwargs*)

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Model`

A model replicating a participant who chooses randomly, but with a bias towards certain actions

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** string

**currAction**

The current action chosen by the model. Used to pass participant action to model when fitting

**Type** int

**Parameters**

- **number\_actions** (*integer, optional*) – The maximum number of valid actions the model can expect to receive. Default 2.
- **action\_codes** (*dict with string or int as keys and int values, optional*) – A dictionary used to convert between the action references used by the task or dataset and references used in the models to describe the order in which the action information is stored.
- **stimFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. Default is blankStim
- **rewFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. Default is blankRew
- **decFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. Default is `model.decision.discrete.weightProb`

**actorStimulusProbs()**

Calculates in the model-appropriate way the probability of each action.

**Returns** **probabilities** – The probabilities associated with the action choices



**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**calcProbabilities()**

Calculate the probabilities associated with the actions

**Parameters** **actionValues** (1D ndarray of floats) –

**Returns** **probArray** – The probabilities associated with the actionValues

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**delta** (*reward, expectation, action, stimuli*)

Calculates the comparison between the reward and the expectation

**Parameters**

- **reward** (*float*) – The reward value
- **expectation** (*float*) – The expected reward value
- **action** (*int*) – The chosen action
- **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple | None}*) – The stimuli received

**Returns**

**Return type** *delta*

**returnTaskState()**

Returns all the relevant data for this model

**Returns** **results** – The dictionary contains a series of keys including Name, Probabilities, Actions and Events.

**Return type** *dict*

**rewardExpectation** (*observation*)

Calculate the estimated reward based on the action and stimuli

This contains parts that are task dependent

**Parameters** **observation** (*{int | float | tuple}*) – The set of stimuli

**Returns**

- **actionExpectations** (*array of floats*) – The expected rewards for each action
- **stimuli** (*list of floats*) – The processed observations
- **activeStimuli** (*list of [0, 1] mapping to [False, True]*) – A list of the stimuli that were or were not present

**storeState()**

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be accessed later

**updateModel** (*delta, action, stimuli, stimuliFilter*)

**Parameters**

- **delta** (*float*) – The difference between the reward and the expected reward
- **action** (*int*) – The action chosen by the model in this trialstep
- **stimuli** (*list of float*) – The weights of the different stimuli in this trialstep
- **stimuliFilter** (*list of bool*) – A list describing if a stimulus cue is present in this trialstep

#### 6.7.2.24 model.td0 module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**Reference** Based on the description on p134-135 of Reinforcement Learning, Sutton & Barto 1998

**class** `model.td0.TD0` (*alpha=0.3, beta=4, gamma=0.3, invBeta=None, expect=None, \*\*kwargs*)

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Model`

The td-Learning algorithm

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** `string`

**currAction**

The current action chosen by the model. Used to pass participant action to model when fitting

**Type** `int`

**Parameters**

- **alpha** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter
- **beta** (*float, optional*) – Sensitivity parameter for probabilities
- **gamma** (*float, optional*) – future expectation discounting
- **invBeta** (*float, optional*) – Inverse of sensitivity parameter. Defined as  $\frac{1}{\beta+1}$ . Default 0.2
- **number\_actions** (*integer, optional*) – The maximum number of valid actions the model can expect to receive. Default 2.
- **number\_cues** (*integer, optional*) –  
The initial maximum number of stimuli the model can expect to receive. Default 1.
- **number\_critics** (*integer, optional*) – The number of different reaction learning sets. Default `number_actions*number_cues`
- **action\_codes** (*dict with string or int as keys and int values, optional*) – A dictionary used to convert between the action references used by the task or dataset and references used in the models to describe the order in which the action information is stored.
- **prior** (*array of floats in [0, 1], optional*) – The prior probability of of the states being the correct one. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`
- **expect** (*array of floats, optional*) – The initialisation of the expected reward. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) * 5 / number_cues`
- **stimFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. Default is `blankStim`
- **rewFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. Default is `blankRew`
- **decFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. Default is `model.decision.discrete.weightProb`

**actorStimulusProbs** ()

Calculates in the model-appropriate way the probability of each action.

**Returns probabilities** – The probabilities associated with the action choices

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**calcProbabilities** (*actionValues*)

Calculate the probabilities associated with the actions

**Parameters actionValues** (*1D ndarray of floats*) –

**Returns probArray** – The probabilities associated with the actionValues

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**delta** (*reward, expectation, action, stimuli*)

Calculates the comparison between the reward and the expectation

**Parameters**

- **reward** (*float*) – The reward value
- **expectation** (*float*) – The expected reward value
- **action** (*int*) – The chosen action
- **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple | None}*) – The stimuli received

**Returns**

**Return type** delta

**lastChoiceReinforcement** ()

Allows the model to update its expectations once the action has been chosen.

**returnTaskState** ()

Returns all the relevant data for this model

**Returns results** – The dictionary contains a series of keys including Name, Probabilities, Actions and Events.

**Return type** dict

**rewardExpectation** (*observation*)

Calculate the estimated reward based on the action and stimuli

This contains parts that are task dependent

**Parameters observation** (*{int | float | tuple}*) – The set of stimuli

**Returns**

- **actionExpectations** (*array of floats*) – The expected rewards for each action
- **stimuli** (*list of floats*) – The processed observations
- **activeStimuli** (*list of [0, 1] mapping to [False, True]*) – A list of the stimuli that were or were not present

**storeState** ()

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be accessed later

**updateModel** (*delta, action, stimuli, stimuliFilter*)

**Parameters**

- **delta** (*float*) – The difference between the reward and the expected reward
- **action** (*int*) – The action chosen by the model in this trialstep
- **stimuli** (*list of float*) – The weights of the different stimuli in this trialstep
- **stimuliFilter** (*list of bool*) – A list describing if a stimulus cue is present in this trialstep

### 6.7.2.25 model.tdE module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**Reference** Based on the description on p134-135 of Reinforcement Learning, Sutton & Barto 1998

**class** `model.tdE.TDE` (*alpha=0.3, epsilon=0.1, gamma=0.3, expect=None, \*\*kwargs*)

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Model`

The td-Learning algorithm

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** `string`

**currAction**

The current action chosen by the model. Used to pass participant action to model when fitting

**Type** `int`

**Parameters**

- **alpha** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter
- **epsilon** (*float, optional*) – Sensitivity parameter for probabilities
- **gamma** (*float, optional*) – future expectation discounting
- **number\_actions** (*integer, optional*) – The maximum number of valid actions the model can expect to receive. Default 2.
- **number\_cues** (*integer, optional*) –  
The initial maximum number of stimuli the model can expect to receive. Default 1.
- **number\_critics** (*integer, optional*) – The number of different reaction learning sets. Default `number_actions*number_cues`
- **action\_codes** (*dict with string or int as keys and int values, optional*) – A dictionary used to convert between the action references used by the task or dataset and references used in the models to describe the order in which the action information is stored.
- **prior** (*array of floats in [0, 1], optional*) – The prior probability of of the states being the correct one. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`
- **expect** (*array of floats, optional*) – The initialisation of the expected reward. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) * 5 / number_cues`
- **stimFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. Default is `blankStim`
- **rewFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. Default is `blankRew`
- **decFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. Default is `model.decision.discrete.weightProb`

**See also:**

**model.TD0** This model is heavily based on that one

**actorStimulusProbs ()**

Calculates in the model-appropriate way the probability of each action.

**Returns probabilities** – The probabilities associated with the action choices

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**calcProbabilities (actionValues)**

Calculate the probabilities associated with the actions

**Parameters actionValues** (1D ndarray of floats) –

**Returns probArray** – The probabilities associated with the actionValues

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**delta (reward, expectation, action, stimuli)**

Calculates the comparison between the reward and the expectation

**Parameters**

- **reward** (*float*) – The reward value
- **expectation** (*float*) – The expected reward value
- **action** (*int*) – The chosen action
- **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple | None}*) – The stimuli received

**Returns**

**Return type** delta

**lastChoiceReinforcement ()**

Allows the model to update its expectations once the action has been chosen.

**returnTaskState ()**

Returns all the relevant data for this model

**Returns results** – The dictionary contains a series of keys including Name, Probabilities, Actions and Events.

**Return type** dict

**rewardExpectation (observation)**

Calculate the estimated reward based on the action and stimuli

This contains parts that are task dependent

**Parameters observation** (*{int | float | tuple}*) – The set of stimuli

**Returns**

- **actionExpectations** (*array of floats*) – The expected rewards for each action
- **stimuli** (*list of floats*) – The processed observations
- **activeStimuli** (*list of [0, 1] mapping to [False, True]*) – A list of the stimuli that were or were not present

**storeState ()**

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be accessed later

**updateModel (delta, action, stimuli, stimuliFilter)**

**Parameters**

- **delta** (*float*) – The difference between the reward and the expected reward
- **action** (*int*) – The action chosen by the model in this trialstep
- **stimuli** (*list of float*) – The weights of the different stimuli in this trialstep

- **stimuliFilter** (*list of bool*) – A list describing if a stimulus cue is present in this trialstep

### 6.7.2.26 model.tdr module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**class** `model.tdr.TDR` (*alpha=0.3, beta=4, tau=0.3, invBeta=None, expect=None, avReward=None, \*\*kwargs*)

Bases: `model.modelTemplate.Model`

The td-Learning algorithm

**Name**

The name of the class used when recording what has been used.

**Type** `string`

**currAction**

The current action chosen by the model. Used to pass participant action to model when fitting

**Type** `int`

**Parameters**

- **alpha** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate parameter
- **beta** (*float, optional*) – Sensitivity parameter for probabilities
- **invBeta** (*float, optional*) – Inverse of sensitivity parameter. Defined as  $\frac{1}{\beta+1}$ . Default 0.2
- **tau** (*float, optional*) – Learning rate for average reward
- **number\_actions** (*integer, optional*) – The maximum number of valid actions the model can expect to receive. Default 2.
- **number\_cues** (*integer, optional*) –  
The initial maximum number of stimuli the model can expect to receive. Default 1.
- **number\_critics** (*integer, optional*) – The number of different reaction learning sets. Default `number_actions*number_cues`
- **action\_codes** (*dict with string or int as keys and int values, optional*) – A dictionary used to convert between the action references used by the task or dataset and references used in the models to describe the order in which the action information is stored.
- **prior** (*array of floats in [0, 1], optional*) – The prior probability of of the states being the correct one. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) / number_critics`
- **expect** (*array of floats, optional*) – The initialisation of the expected reward. Default `ones((number_actions, number_cues)) * 5 / number_cues`
- **stimFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the stimulus into a form the model can understand and a string to identify it later. Default is `blankStim`
- **rewFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that transforms the reward into a form the model can understand. Default is `blankRew`
- **decFunc** (*function, optional*) – The function that takes the internal values of the model and turns them in to a decision. Default is `model.decision.discrete.weightProb`

**actorStimulusProbs ()**

Calculates in the model-appropriate way the probability of each action.

**Returns probabilities** – The probabilities associated with the action choices

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**calcProbabilities (actionValues)**

Calculate the probabilities associated with the actions

**Parameters actionValues** (1D ndarray of floats) –

**Returns probArray** – The probabilities associated with the actionValues

**Return type** 1D ndarray of floats

**delta (reward, expectation, action, stimuli)**

Calculates the comparison between the reward and the expectation

**Parameters**

- **reward** (*float*) – The reward value
- **expectation** (*float*) – The expected reward value
- **action** (*int*) – The chosen action
- **stimuli** (*{int | float | tuple | None}*) – The stimuli received

**Returns**

**Return type** delta

**lastChoiceReinforcement ()**

Allows the model to update its expectations once the action has been chosen.

**returnTaskState ()**

Returns all the relevant data for this model

**Returns results** – The dictionary contains a series of keys including Name, Probabilities, Actions and Events.

**Return type** dict

**rewardExpectation (observation)**

Calculate the estimated reward based on the action and stimuli

This contains parts that are task dependent

**Parameters observation** (*{int | float | tuple}*) – The set of stimuli

**Returns**

- **actionExpectations** (*array of floats*) – The expected rewards for each action
- **stimuli** (*list of floats*) – The processed observations
- **activeStimuli** (*list of [0, 1] mapping to [False, True]*) – A list of the stimuli that were or were not present

**storeState ()**

Stores the state of all the important variables so that they can be accessed later

**updateModel (delta, action, stimuli, stimuliFilter)****Parameters**

- **delta** (*float*) – The difference between the reward and the expected reward
- **action** (*int*) – The action chosen by the model in this trialstep
- **stimuli** (*list of float*) – The weights of the different stimuli in this trialstep

- **stimuliFilter** (*list of bool*) – A list describing if a stimulus cue is present in this trialstep

## 6.8 fitAlgs package

### 6.8.1 fitAlgs Package

### 6.8.2 Submodules

#### 6.8.2.1 fitAlgs.basinhopping module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**class** fitAlgs.basinhopping.Basinhopping (*method=None, number\_start\_points=4, allow\_boundary\_fits=True, boundary\_fit\_sensitivity=5, \*\*kwargs*)

Bases: *fitAlgs.fitAlg.FitAlg*

The class for fitting data using `scipy.optimize.basinhopping`

#### Parameters

- **fit\_sim** (*fitAlgs.fitSims.FitSim instance, optional*) – An instance of one of the fitting simulation methods. Default `fitAlgs.fitSims.FitSim`
- **fit\_measure** (*string, optional*) – The name of the function used to calculate the quality of the fit. The value it returns provides the fitter with its fitting guide. Default `-loge`
- **fit\_measure\_args** (*dict, optional*) – The parameters used to initialise `fit_measure` and `extra_fit_measures`. Default `None`
- **extra\_fit\_measures** (*list of strings, optional*) – List of fit measures not used to fit the model, but to provide more information. Any arguments needed for these measures should be placed in `fit_measure_args`. Default `None`
- **bounds** (*dictionary of tuples of length two with floats, optional*) – The boundaries for methods that use bounds. If unbounded methods are specified then the bounds will be ignored. Default is `None`, which translates to boundaries of `(0, np.inf)` for each parameter.
- **boundary\_excess\_cost** (*basestring or callable returning a function, optional*) – The function is used to calculate the penalty for exceeding the boundaries. Default is `boundFunc.scalarBound()`
- **boundary\_excess\_cost\_properties** (*dict, optional*) – The parameters for the `boundary_excess_cost` function. Default `{}`
- **method** (*string or list of strings, optional*) – The name of the fitting method or list of names of fitting methods or name of list of fitting methods. Valid names found in the notes. Default `unconstrained`
- **number\_start\_points** (*int, optional*) – The number of starting points generated for each parameter. Default `4`
- **allow\_boundary\_fits** (*bool, optional*) – Defines if fits that reach a boundary should be considered the same way as those that do not. Default is `True`
- **boundSensitivity** (*int, optional*) – Defines the smallest number of decimal places difference (so the minimal difference) between a fit value and its related boundaries before a fit value is considered different from a boundary. The default is `5`. This is only valid if `allow_boundary_fits` is `False`



**Name**

The name of the fitting method

**Type** string

**unconstrained**

The list of valid unconstrained fitting methods

**Type** list

**constrained**

The list of valid constrained fitting methods

**Type** list

**Notes**

`unconstrained = ['Nelder-Mead', 'Powell', 'CG', 'BFGS']` `constrained = ['L-BFGS-B', 'TNC', 'SLSQP']` Custom fitting algorithms are also allowed in theory, but it has yet to be implemented.

For each fitting function a set of different starting parameters will be tried. These are the combinations of all the values of the different parameters. For each starting parameter provided a set of `number_start_points` starting points will be chosen, surrounding the starting point provided. If the starting point provided is less than one it will be assumed that the values cannot exceed 1, otherwise, unless otherwise told, it will be assumed that they can take any value and will be chosen to be evenly spaced around the provided value.

See also:

`fitAlgs.fitAlg.fitAlg` The general fitting method class, from which this one inherits

`fitAlgs.fitSims.fitSim` The general fitting class

`scipy.optimize.basinhopping` The fitting class this wraps around

`callback(x, f, accept)`

Used for storing the state after each stage of fitter

**Parameters**

- `x` (*coordinates of the trial minimum*) –
- `f` (*function value of the trial minimum*) –
- `accept` (*whether or not that minimum was accepted*) –

`constrained = [u'L-BFGS-B', u'TNC', u'SLSQP']`

`fit(simulator, model_parameter_names, model_initial_parameters)`

Runs the model through the fitting algorithms and starting parameters and returns the best one.

**Parameters**

- `simulator` (*function*) – The function used by a fitting algorithm to generate a fit for given model parameters. One example is `fitAlgs.fitAlg.fitness`
- `model_parameter_names` (*list of strings*) – The list of initial parameter names
- `model_initial_parameters` (*list of floats*) – The list of the initial parameters

**Returns**

- `best_fit_parameters` (*list of floats*) – The best fitting parameters
- `fit_quality` (*float*) – The quality of the fit as defined by the quality function chosen.

- **testedParams** (*tuple of two lists and a dictionary*) – The two lists are a list containing the parameter values tested, in the order they were tested, and the fit qualities of these parameters. The dictionary contains the coordinates of the trial minimum, the function value of the trial minimum and whether or not that minimum was accepted. Each is stored in a list.

See also:

```
fitAlgs.fitAlg.fitness()  
  
unconstrained = ['Nelder-Mead', 'Powell', 'CG', 'BFGS']
```

### 6.8.2.2 fitAlgs.boundFunc module

#### fitAlgs.boundFunc Module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

#### Functions

<code>infBound([base])</code>	Boundary excess of <code>inf</code> when over bounds
<code>scalarBound([base])</code>	Boundary excess calculated as a scalar increase based on difference with bounds

#### infBound

`fitAlgs.boundFunc.infBound(base=0)`  
Boundary excess of `inf` when over bounds

**Parameters** **base** (*float, optional*) – The cost at the boundary. Default 0

**Returns** **cost** – Calculates the cost of exceeding the boundary using the parameters and the boundaries, and returns the cost.

**Return type** function

#### Examples

```
>>> cst = infBound(base = 160)  
>>> cst([0.5, 2], [(0, 1), (0, 5)])  
160  
>>> cst([0.5, 7], [(0, 1), (0, 5)])  
inf
```

#### scalarBound

`fitAlgs.boundFunc.scalarBound(base=0)`  
Boundary excess calculated as a scalar increase based on difference with bounds

**Parameters** **base** (*float, optional*) – The cost at the boundary. Default 0

**Returns** **cost** – Calculates the cost of exceeding the boundary using the parameters and the boundaries, and returns the cost.

**Return type** function

## Examples

```
>>> cst = scalarBound(base=160)
>>> cst([0.5, 2], [(0, 1), (0, 5)])
160.0
>>> cst([0.5, 7], [(0, 1), (0, 5)])
162.0
```

**Author** Dominic Hunt

`fitAlgs.boundFunc.infBound(base=0)`  
Boundary excess of inf when over bounds

**Parameters** `base` (*float, optional*) – The cost at the boundary. Default 0

**Returns** `cost` – Calculates the cost of exceeding the boundary using the parameters and the boundaries, and returns the cost.

**Return type** function

## Examples

```
>>> cst = infBound(base = 160)
>>> cst([0.5, 2], [(0, 1), (0, 5)])
160
>>> cst([0.5, 7], [(0, 1), (0, 5)])
inf
```

`fitAlgs.boundFunc.scalarBound(base=0)`  
Boundary excess calculated as a scalar increase based on difference with bounds

**Parameters** `base` (*float, optional*) – The cost at the boundary. Default 0

**Returns** `cost` – Calculates the cost of exceeding the boundary using the parameters and the boundaries, and returns the cost.

**Return type** function

## Examples

```
>>> cst = scalarBound(base=160)
>>> cst([0.5, 2], [(0, 1), (0, 5)])
160.0
>>> cst([0.5, 7], [(0, 1), (0, 5)])
162.0
```

### 6.8.2.3 fitAlgs.evolutionary module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**class** `fitAlgs.evolutionary.Evolutionary(strategy=None, polish=False, population_size=20, tolerance=0.01, **kwargs)`

Bases: `fitAlgs.fitAlg.FitAlg`

The class for fitting data using `scipy.optimize.differential_evolution`

#### Parameters

- **fit\_sim** (`fitAlgs.fitSims.FitSim` instance, optional) – An instance of one of the fitting simulation methods. Default `fitAlgs.fitSims.FitSim`

- **fit\_measure** (*string, optional*) – The name of the function used to calculate the quality of the fit. The value it returns provides the fitter with its fitting guide. Default `-loge`
- **fit\_measure\_args** (*dict, optional*) – The parameters used to initialise `fit_measure` and `extra_fit_measures`. Default `None`
- **extra\_fit\_measures** (*list of strings, optional*) – List of fit measures not used to fit the model, but to provide more information. Any arguments needed for these measures should be placed in `fit_measure_args`. Default `None`
- **bounds** (*dictionary of tuples of length two with floats, optional*) – The boundaries for methods that use bounds. If unbounded methods are specified then the bounds will be ignored. Default is `None`, which translates to boundaries of `(0, np.inf)` for each parameter.
- **boundary\_excess\_cost** (*basestring or callable returning a function, optional*) – The function is used to calculate the penalty for exceeding the boundaries. Default is `boundFunc.scalarBound()`
- **boundary\_excess\_cost\_properties** (*dict, optional*) – The parameters for the `boundary_excess_cost` function. Default `{}`
- **strategy** (*string or list of strings, optional*) – The name of the fitting strategy or list of names of fitting strategies or name of a list of fitting strategies. Valid names found in the notes. Default `best1bin`
- **polish** (*bool, optional*) – If `True` (default), then `scipy.optimize.minimize` with the `L-BFGS-B` method is used to polish the best population member at the end, which can improve the minimization slightly. Default `False`
- **population\_size** (*int, optional*) – A multiplier for setting the total population size. The population has `popsize * len(x)` individuals. Default `20`
- **tolerance** (*float, optional*) – When the mean of the population energies, multiplied by `tol`, divided by the standard deviation of the population energies is greater than 1 the solving process terminates: `convergence = mean(pop) * tol / stdev(pop) > 1` Default `0.01`

**Name**

The name of the fitting strategies

**Type** `string`

**strategySet**

The list of valid fitting strategies. Currently these are: `'best1bin'`, `'best1exp'`, `'rand1exp'`, `'randtobest1exp'`, `'best2exp'`, `'rand2exp'`, `'randtobest1bin'`, `'best2bin'`, `'rand2bin'`, `'rand1bin'` For all strategies, use `'all'`

**Type** `list`

**See also:**

`fitAlgs.fitAlg.FitAlg` The general fitting strategy class, from which this one inherits

`fitAlgs.fitSims.FitSim` The general class for seeing how a parameter combination perform

`scipy.optimise.differential_evolution` The fitting method this wraps around

**callback** (*xk, convergence*)

Used for storing the state after each stage of fitting

**Parameters**

- **xk** (*coordinates of best fit*) –
- **convergence** (*the proportion of the points from the iteration that have converged*) –

**fit** (*simulator, model\_parameter\_names, model\_initial\_parameters*)

Runs the model through the fitting algorithms and starting parameters and returns the best one.

#### Parameters

- **simulator** (*function*) – The function used by a fitting algorithm to generate a fit for given model parameters. One example is `fitAlgs.fitSim.fitness`
- **model\_parameter\_names** (*list of strings*) – The list of initial parameter names
- **model\_initial\_parameters** (*list of floats*) – The list of the initial parameters

#### Returns

- **best\_fit\_parameters** (*list of floats*) – The best fitting parameters
- **fit\_quality** (*float*) – The quality of the fit as defined by the quality function chosen.
- **testedParams** (*tuple of two lists and a dictionary*) – The two lists are a list containing the parameter values tested, in the order they were tested, and the fit qualities of these parameters. The dictionary contains the parameters and convergence values from each iteration, stored in two lists.

See also:

```
fitAlgs.fitAlg.fitness()
```

```
validStrategySet = [u'best1bin', u'best1exp', u'rand1exp', u'randtobest1exp', u'best
```

### 6.8.2.4 fitAlgs.fitAlg module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

```
class fitAlgs.fitAlg.FitAlg (fit_sim=None, fit_measure=u'-loge',
                             fit_measure_args=None, extra_fit_measures=None,
                             bounds=None, boundary_excess_cost=None, bound-
                             ary_excess_cost_properties=None, bound_ratio=1e-06, cal-
                             culate_covariance=False, **kwargs)
```

Bases: `object`

The abstract class for fitting data

#### Parameters

- **fit\_sim** (*fitAlgs.fitSims.FitSim instance, optional*) – An instance of one of the fitting simulation methods. Default `fitAlgs.fitSims.FitSim`
- **fit\_measure** (*string, optional*) – The name of the function used to calculate the quality of the fit. The value it returns provides the fitter with its fitting guide. Default `-loge`
- **fit\_measure\_args** (*dict, optional*) – The parameters used to initialise `fit_measure` and `extra_fit_measures`. Default `None`
- **extra\_fit\_measures** (*list of strings, optional*) – List of fit measures not used to fit the model, but to provide more information. Any arguments needed for these measures should be placed in `fit_measure_args`. Default `None`
- **bounds** (*dictionary of tuples of length two with floats, optional*) – The boundaries for methods that use bounds. If unbounded methods are specified then the bounds will be ignored. Default is `None`, which translates to boundaries of `(0, np.inf)` for each parameter.

- **boundary\_excess\_cost** (*basestring or callable returning a function, optional*) – The function is used to calculate the penalty for exceeding the boundaries. Default is `boundFunc.scalarBound()`
- **boundary\_excess\_cost\_properties** (*dict, optional*) – The parameters for the `boundary_excess_cost` function. Default `{}`
- **calculate\_covariance** (*bool, optional*) – Is the covariance calculated. Default `False`

**Name**

The name of the fitting method

**Type** string

**See also:**

`fitAlgs.fitSims.fitSim` The general fitting class

**covariance** (*model\_parameter\_names, paramvals, fitinfo*)

The covariance at a point

**Parameters**

- **paramvals** (*array or list*) – The parameters at which the
- **fitinfo** (*dict*) – The

**Returns** **covariance** – The covariance at the point `paramvals`

**Return type** float

**extra\_measures** (*\*model\_parameter\_values*)

**Parameters** **\*model\_parameter\_values** (*array of floats*) – The parameters proposed by the fitting algorithm

**Returns** **fit\_quality** – The fit quality value calculated using the fit quality functions described in `extraMeasures`

**Return type** dict of float

**find\_name** ()

Returns the name of the class

**fit** (*simulator, model\_parameter\_names, model\_initial\_parameters*)

Runs the model through the fitting algorithms and starting parameters and returns the best one. This is the abstract version that always returns `(0, 0)`

**Parameters**

- **simulator** (*function*) – The function used by a fitting algorithm to generate a fit for given model parameters. One example is `fitAlgs.fitAlg.fitness`
- **model\_parameter\_names** (*list of strings*) – The list of initial parameter names
- **model\_initial\_parameters** (*list of floats*) – The list of the initial parameters

**Returns**

- **best\_fit\_parameters** (*list of floats*) – The best fitting parameters
- **fit\_quality** (*float*) – The quality of the fit as defined by the quality function chosen.
- **tested\_parameters** (*tuple of two lists*) – The two lists are a list containing the parameter values tested, in the order they were tested, and the fit qualities of these parameters.

See also:

```
fitAlgs.fitAlg.fitness()
```

**fitness** (\*params)

Generates a fit quality value used by the fitting function. This is the function passed to the fitting function.

**Parameters** \*params (*array of floats*) – The parameters proposed by the fitting algorithm

**Returns** fit\_quality – The fit quality value calculated using the fitQualFunc function

**Return type** float

See also:

[`fitAlgs.qualityFunc\(\)`](#) the module of fitQualFunc functions

[`fitAlg.invalidParams\(\)`](#) Checks if the parameters are valid and if not returns `inf`

[`fitAlgs.fitSims.fitSim.fitness\(\)`](#) Runs the model simulation and returns the values used to calculate the fit quality

**info** ()

The information relating to the fitting method used

Includes information on the fitting algorithm used

**Returns** info – The fitSims info and the fitAlgs.fitAlg info

**Return type** (dict,dict)

See also:

```
fitAlg.fitSims.fitSim.info()
```

**invalid\_parameters** (\*params)

Identifies if the parameters passed are within the bounds provided

If they are not returns `inf`

**Parameters** params (*list of floats*) – Parameters to be passed to the sim

**Returns** validity – If the parameters are valid or not

**Return type** Bool

## Notes

No note

## Examples

```
>>> a = FitAlg(bounds={1:(0,5), 2:(0,2), 3:(-1,1)})
>>> a.set_bounds([3, 1])
>>> a.invalid_parameters(0, 0)
False
>>> a.invalid_parameters(2, 0)
True
>>> a.invalid_parameters(0, -1)
True
>>> a.invalid_parameters(6, 6)
True
```

**participant** (*model, model\_parameters, model\_properties, participant\_data*)

Fit participant data to a model for a given task

#### Parameters

- **model** (*model.modelTemplate.Model inherited class*) – The model you wish to try and fit values to
- **model\_parameters** (*dict*) – The model initial parameters
- **model\_properties** (*dict*) – The model static properties
- **participant\_data** (*dict*) – The participant data

#### Returns

- **model** (*model.modelTemplate.Model inherited class instance*) – The model with the best fit parameters
- **fit\_quality** (*float*) – Specifies the fit quality for this participant to the model
- **fitting\_data** (*tuple of OrderedDict and list*) – They are an ordered dictionary containing the parameter values tested, in the order they were tested, and the fit qualities of these parameters.

**set\_bounds** (*model\_parameter\_names*)

Checks if the bounds have changed

Parameters **model\_parameter\_names** (*list of strings*) – An ordered list of the names of the parameters to be fitted

## Examples

```
>>> a = FitAlg(bounds={1: (0, 5), 2: (0, 2), 3: (-1, 1)})
>>> a.boundaries
{1: (0, 5), 2: (0, 2), 3: (-1, 1)}
>>> a.set_bounds([])
>>> a.boundaries
{1: (0, 5), 2: (0, 2), 3: (-1, 1)}
>>> a.boundary_names
[]
>>> a.set_bounds([3,1])
>>> a.boundary_values
[(-1, 1), (0, 5)]
>>> a.set_bounds([2,1])
>>> a.boundary_values
[(0, 2), (0, 5)]
```

**classmethod startParams** (*initial\_parameters, bounds=None, number\_starting\_points=3*)

Defines a list of different starting parameters to run the minimization over

#### Parameters

- **initial\_parameters** (*list of floats*) – The initial starting values proposed
- **bounds** (*list of tuples of length two with floats, optional*) – The boundaries for methods that use bounds. If unbounded methods are specified then the bounds will be ignored. Default is None, which translates to boundaries of (0,float('Inf')) for each parameter.
- **number\_starting\_points** (*int*) – The number of starting parameter values to be calculated around each initial point

**Returns** **startParamSet** – The generated starting parameter combinations

**Return type** list of list of floats



See also:

**`FitAlg.start_parameter_values()`** Used in this function

## Examples

```
>>> FitAlg.startParams([0.5,0.5], number_starting_points=2)
array([[0.33333333, 0.33333333],
       [0.66666667, 0.33333333],
       [0.33333333, 0.66666667],
       [0.66666667, 0.66666667]])
```

**`static start_parameter_values`** (*initial*, *boundary\_min=-inf*, *boundary\_max=inf*, *number\_starting\_points=3*)

Provides a set of starting points

### Parameters

- **`initial`** (*float*) – The initial starting value proposed
- **`boundary_min`** (*float*, *optional*) – The minimum value of the parameter. Default is `float('-Inf')`
- **`boundary_max`** (*float*, *optional*) – The maximum value of the parameter. Default is `float('Inf')`
- **`number_starting_points`** (*int*) – The number of starting parameter values to be calculated around the initial point

**Returns** `startParams` – The generated starting parameters

**Return type** list of floats

## Notes

For each starting parameter provided a set of numStartPoints starting points will be chosen, surrounding the starting point provided. If the starting point provided is less than one but greater than zero it will be assumed that the values cannot leave those bounds, otherwise, unless otherwise told, it will be assumed that they can take any positive value and will be chosen to be evenly spaced around the provided value.

## Examples

```
>>> FitAlg.start_parameter_values(0.5)
array([0.25, 0.5 , 0.75])
>>> FitAlg.start_parameter_values(5)
array([2.5, 5. , 7.5])
>>> FitAlg.start_parameter_values(-5)
array([2.5, 5. , 7.5])
>>> FitAlg.start_parameter_values(5, boundary_min = 0, boundary_max = 7)
array([4., 5., 6.])
>>> FitAlg.start_parameter_values(5, boundary_min = -3, boundary_max = 30)
array([1., 5., 9.])
>>> FitAlg.start_parameter_values(5, boundary_min = 0, boundary_max = 30)
array([2.5, 5. , 7.5])
>>> FitAlg.start_parameter_values(5, boundary_min = 3, boundary_max = 30,
↳number_starting_points = 7)
array([3.5, 4. , 4.5, 5. , 5.5, 6. , 6.5])
```

`fitAlgs.fitAlg.covariance(jac)`

Calculates the covariance based on the estimated jacobian

Inspired by how this is calculated in `scipy.optimize.curve_fit`, as found at <https://github.com/scipy/scipy/blob/2526df72e5d4ca8bad6e2f4b3cbdfbc33e805865/scipy/optimize/minpack.py#L739>

### 6.8.2.5 fitAlgs.fitSims module

#### fitAlgs.fitSims Module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

#### Classes

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*ActionError*

*FitSim*([participant\_choice\_property, ...])

A class for fitting data by passing the participant data through the model.

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*FitSubsetError*

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*StimuliError*

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#### ActionError

**exception** `fitAlgs.fitSims.ActionError`

#### FitSim

**class** `fitAlgs.fitSims.FitSim`(*participant\_choice\_property*=u'Actions',  
*participant\_reward\_property*=u'Rewards',  
*model\_fitting\_variable*=u'ActionProb',  
*task\_stimuli\_property*=None, *fit\_subset*=None, *action\_options\_property*=None, *float\_error\_response\_value*=1e-100)

Bases: `object`

A class for fitting data by passing the participant data through the model.

This has been setup for fitting action-response models

##### Parameters

- **participant\_choice\_property** (*string, optional*) – The participant data key of their action choices. Default 'Actions'
- **participant\_reward\_property** (*string, optional*) – The participant data key of the participant reward data. Default 'Rewards'
- **model\_fitting\_variable** (*string, optional*) – The key to be compared in the model data. Default 'ActionProb'
- **task\_stimuli\_property** (*list of strings or None, optional*) – The keys containing the stimuli seen by the participant before taking a decision on an action. Default None
- **action\_options\_property** (*string or None or list of ints, optional*) – The name of the key in `partData` where the list of valid actions can be found. If None then the action list is considered to stay constant. If a list then the list will be taken as the list of actions that can be taken at each instance. Default None

- **float\_error\_response\_value** (*float*, *optional*) – If a floating point error occurs when running a fit the fitter function will return a value for each element of fpRespVal. Default is 1/1e100
- **fit\_subset** (*float* ('Nan'), None, "rewarded", "unrewarded", "all" or list of int, optional) – Describes which, if any, subset of trials will be used to evaluate the performance of the model. This can either be described as a list of trial numbers or, by passing - "all" for fitting all trials - *float* ('Nan') or "unrewarded" for all those trials whose feedback was *float* ('Nan') - "rewarded" for those who had feedback that was not *float* ('Nan') Default None, which means all trials will be used.

**Name**

The name of the fitting type

**Type** string

**See also:**

*fitAlgs.fitAlg.FitAlg* The general fitting class

**Methods Summary**

<i>find_name()</i>	Returns the name of the class
<i>fitness</i> (*model_parameters)	Used by a fitter to generate the list of values characterising how well the model parameters describe the participants actions.
<i>fitted_model</i> (*model_parameters)	Simulating a model run with specific parameter values
<i>get_model_parameters</i> (*model_parameters)	Compiles the model parameter arguments based on the model parameters
<i>get_model_properties</i> (*model_parameters)	Compiles the kwarg model arguments based on the model_parameters and previously specified other parameters
<i>info()</i>	The dictionary describing the fitters algorithm chosen
<i>participant_sequence_generation</i> (...)	Finds the stimuli in the participant data and returns formatted observations
<i>prepare_sim</i> (model, model_parameters, ...)	Set up the simulation of a model following the behaviour of a participant

**Methods Documentation****find\_name()**

Returns the name of the class

**fitness** (\*model\_parameters)

Used by a fitter to generate the list of values characterising how well the model parameters describe the participants actions.

**Parameters** **model\_parameters** (*list of floats*) – A list of the parameters used by the model in the order previously defined

**Returns** **model\_performance** – The choices made by the model that will be used to characterise the quality of the fit.

**Return type** list of floats

**See also:**

**fitAlgs.fitSims.FitSim.participant()** Fits participant data

**fitAlgs.fitAlg.fitAlg()** The general fitting class

**fitAlgs.fitAlg.fitAlg.fitness()** The function that this one is called by

**fitted\_model** (\*model\_parameters)

Simulating a model run with specific parameter values

**Parameters** \*model\_parameters (*floats*) – The model parameters provided in the order defined in the model setup

**Returns** model\_instance

**Return type** model.modelTemplate.Model class instance

**get\_model\_parameters** (\*model\_parameters)

Compiles the model parameter arguments based on the model parameters

**Parameters** model\_parameters (*list of floats*) – The parameter values in the order extracted from the modelSetup parameter dictionary

**Returns** parameters – The kwarg model parameter arguments

**Return type** dict

**get\_model\_properties** (\*model\_parameters)

Compiles the kwarg model arguments based on the model\_parameters and previously specified other parameters

**Parameters** model\_parameters (*list of floats*) – The parameter values in the order extracted from the modelSetup parameter dictionary

**Returns** model\_properties – The kwarg model arguments

**Return type** dict

**info**()

The dictionary describing the fitters algorithm chosen

**Returns** fitInfo – The dictionary of fitters class information

**Return type** dict

**static participant\_sequence\_generation**(participant\_data, choice\_property, reward\_property, stimuli\_property, action\_options\_property)

Finds the stimuli in the participant data and returns formatted observations

**Parameters**

- **participant\_data** (*dict*) – The participant data
- **choice\_property** (*string*) – The participant data key of their action choices.
- **reward\_property** (*string*) – The participant data key of the participant reward data
- **stimuli\_property** (*string or None or list of strings*) – A list of the keys in partData representing participant stimuli
- **action\_options\_property** (*string or None or list of strings, ints or None*) – The name of the key in partData where the list of valid actions can be found. If None then the action list is considered to stay constant. If a list then the list will be taken as the list of actions that can be taken at every trialstep. If the list is shorter than the number of trialsteps, then it will be considered to be a list of valid actions for each trialstep.

**Returns** participant\_sequence – Each list element contains the observation, action and feedback for each trial taken by the participant

**Return type** list of three element tuples

**prepare\_sim**(*model, model\_parameters, model\_properties, participant\_data*)

Set up the simulation of a model following the behaviour of a participant

**Parameters**

- **model** (*model.modelTemplate.Model inherited class*) – The model you wish to try and fit values to
- **model\_parameters** (*dict*) – The model initial parameters
- **model\_properties** (*dict*) – The model static properties
- **participant\_data** (*dict*) – The participant data

**Returns**

**Return type** fitness

## FitSubsetError

**exception** fitAlgs.fitSims.**FitSubsetError**

## StimuliError

**exception** fitAlgs.fitSims.**StimuliError**

## Class Inheritance Diagram

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**exception** fitAlgs.fitSims.**ActionError**

Bases: `exceptions.Exception`

**class** fitAlgs.fitSims.**FitSim**(*participant\_choice\_property=u'Actions', participant\_reward\_property=u'Rewards', model\_fitting\_variable=u'ActionProb', task\_stimuli\_property=None, fit\_subset=None, action\_options\_property=None, float\_error\_response\_value=1e-100*)

Bases: `object`

A class for fitting data by passing the participant data through the model.

This has been setup for fitting action-response models

**Parameters**

- **participant\_choice\_property** (*string, optional*) – The participant data key of their action choices. Default 'Actions'
- **participant\_reward\_property** (*string, optional*) – The participant data key of the participant reward data. Default 'Rewards'
- **model\_fitting\_variable** (*string, optional*) – The key to be compared in the model data. Default 'ActionProb'
- **task\_stimuli\_property** (*list of strings or None, optional*) – The keys containing the stimuli seen by the participant before taking a decision on an action. Default None

- **action\_options\_property** (*string or None or list of ints, optional*) – The name of the key in `partData` where the list of valid actions can be found. If `None` then the action list is considered to stay constant. If a list then the list will be taken as the list of actions that can be taken at each instance. Default `None`
- **float\_error\_response\_value** (*float, optional*) – If a floating point error occurs when running a fit the fitter function will return a value for each element of `fpRespVal`. Default is `1/1e100`
- **fit\_subset** (*float('Nan'), None, "rewarded", "unrewarded", "all" or list of int, optional*) – Describes which, if any, subset of trials will be used to evaluate the performance of the model. This can either be described as a list of trial numbers or, by passing - "all" for fitting all trials - `float('Nan')` or "unrewarded" for all those trials whose feedback was `float('Nan')` - "rewarded" for those who had feedback that was not `float('Nan')` Default `None`, which means all trials will be used.

**Name**

The name of the fitting type

**Type** string

**See also:**

`fitAlgs.fitAlg.FitAlg` The general fitting class

**find\_name()**

Returns the name of the class

**fitness(\*model\_parameters)**

Used by a fitter to generate the list of values characterising how well the model parameters describe the participants actions.

**Parameters** `model_parameters` (*list of floats*) – A list of the parameters used by the model in the order previously defined

**Returns** `model_performance` – The choices made by the model that will be used to characterise the quality of the fit.

**Return type** list of floats

**See also:**

`fitAlgs.fitSims.FitSim.participant()` Fits participant data

`fitAlgs.fitAlg.fitAlg()` The general fitting class

`fitAlgs.fitAlg.fitAlg.fitness()` The function that this one is called by

**fitted\_model(\*model\_parameters)**

Simulating a model run with specific parameter values

**Parameters** `*model_parameters` (*floats*) – The model parameters provided in the order defined in the model setup

**Returns** `model_instance`

**Return type** `model.modelTemplate.Model` class instance

**get\_model\_parameters(\*model\_parameters)**

Compiles the model parameter arguments based on the model parameters

**Parameters** `model_parameters` (*list of floats*) – The parameter values in the order extracted from the `modelSetup` parameter dictionary

**Returns** `parameters` – The kwarg model parameter arguments

**Return type** `dict`

**get\_model\_properties** (\**model\_parameters*)

Compiles the kwarg model arguments based on the *model\_parameters* and previously specified other parameters

**Parameters** *model\_parameters* (*list of floats*) – The parameter values in the order extracted from the *modelSetup* parameter dictionary

**Returns** *model\_properties* – The kwarg model arguments

**Return type** *dict*

**info** ()

The dictionary describing the fitters algorithm chosen

**Returns** *fitInfo* – The dictionary of fitters class information

**Return type** *dict*

**static participant\_sequence\_generation** (*participant\_data*, *choice\_property*, *reward\_property*, *stimuli\_property*, *action\_options\_property*)

Finds the stimuli in the participant data and returns formatted observations

**Parameters**

- **participant\_data** (*dict*) – The participant data
- **choice\_property** (*string*) – The participant data key of their action choices.
- **reward\_property** (*string*) – The participant data key of the participant reward data
- **stimuli\_property** (*string or None or list of strings*) – A list of the keys in *partData* representing participant stimuli
- **action\_options\_property** (*string or None or list of strings, ints or None*) – The name of the key in *partData* where the list of valid actions can be found. If *None* then the action list is considered to stay constant. If a list then the list will be taken as the list of actions that can be taken at every trialstep. If the list is shorter than the number of trialsteps, then it will be considered to be a list of valid actions for each trialstep.

**Returns** *participant\_sequence* – Each list element contains the observation, action and feedback for each trial taken by the participant

**Return type** *list of three element tuples*

**prepare\_sim** (*model*, *model\_parameters*, *model\_properties*, *participant\_data*)

Set up the simulation of a model following the behaviour of a participant

**Parameters**

- **model** (*model.modelTemplate.Model inherited class*) – The model you wish to try and fit values to
- **model\_parameters** (*dict*) – The model initial parameters
- **model\_properties** (*dict*) – The model static properties
- **participant\_data** (*dict*) – The participant data

**Returns**

**Return type** *fitness*

**exception** *fitAlgs.fitSims.FitSubsetError*

Bases: *exceptions.Exception*

**exception** *fitAlgs.fitSims.StimuliError*

Bases: *exceptions.Exception*

### 6.8.2.6 fitAlgs.leastsq module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**class** `fitAlgs.leastsq.Leastsq` (*method=u'dogbox', jacobian\_method=u'3-point', \*\*kwargs*)  
Bases: `fitAlgs.fitAlg.FitAlg`

Fits data based on the least squared optimizer `scipy.optimize.least_squares`

Not properly developed and will not be documented until upgrade

#### Parameters

- **fit\_sim** (*fitAlgs.fitSims.FitSim instance, optional*) – An instance of one of the fitting simulation methods. Default `fitAlgs.fitSims.FitSim`
- **fit\_measure** (*string, optional*) – The name of the function used to calculate the quality of the fit. The value it returns provides the fitter with its fitting guide. Default `-loge`
- **fit\_measure\_args** (*dict, optional*) – The parameters used to initialise `fit_measure` and `extra_fit_measures`. Default `None`
- **extra\_fit\_measures** (*list of strings, optional*) – List of fit measures not used to fit the model, but to provide more information. Any arguments needed for these measures should be placed in `fit_measure_args`. Default `None`
- **bounds** (*dictionary of tuples of length two with floats, optional*) – The boundaries for methods that use bounds. If unbounded methods are specified then the bounds will be ignored. Default is `None`, which translates to boundaries of `(0, np.inf)` for each parameter.
- **boundary\_excess\_cost** (*basestring or callable returning a function, optional*) – The function is used to calculate the penalty for exceeding the boundaries. Default is `boundFunc.scalarBound()`
- **boundary\_excess\_cost\_properties** (*dict, optional*) – The parameters for the `boundary_excess_cost` function. Default `{}`
- **method** (*{ 'trf', 'dogbox', 'lm' }, optional*) – Algorithm to perform minimization. Default `dogbox`

#### Name

The name of the fitting method

**Type** string

#### See also:

**fitAlgs.fitAlg.fitAlg** The general fitting method class, from which this one inherits

**fitAlgs.fitSims.fitSim** The general fitting class

**scipy.optimize.least\_squares** The fitting class this wraps around

**fit** (*simulator, model\_parameter\_names, model\_initial\_parameters*)

Runs the model through the fitting algorithms and starting parameters and returns the best one.

#### Parameters

- **simulator** (*function*) – The function used by a fitting algorithm to generate a fit for given model parameters. One example is `fitAlg.fitness`
- **model\_parameter\_names** (*list of strings*) – The list of initial parameter names
- **model\_initial\_parameters** (*list of floats*) – The list of the initial parameters



**Returns**

- **fitParams** (*list of floats*) – The best fitting parameters
- **fit\_quality** (*float*) – The quality of the fit as defined by the quality function chosen.
- **testedParams** (*tuple of two lists*) – The two lists are a list containing the parameter values tested, in the order they were tested, and the fit qualities of these parameters.

**See also:**

`fitAlgs.fitAlg.fitness()`

**6.8.2.7 fitAlgs.minimize module**

**Author** Dominic Hunt

```
class fitAlgs.minimize.Minimize(method=None, number_start_points=4, allow_boundary_fits=True, boundary_fit_sensitivity=5, **kwargs)
```

Bases: `fitAlgs.fitAlg.FitAlg`

The class for fitting data using `scipy.optimize.minimize`

**Parameters**

- **fit\_sim** (*fitAlgs.fitSims.FitSim instance, optional*) – An instance of one of the fitting simulation methods. Default `fitAlgs.fitSims.FitSim`
- **fit\_measure** (*string, optional*) – The name of the function used to calculate the quality of the fit. The value it returns provides the fitter with its fitting guide. Default `-loge`
- **fit\_measure\_args** (*dict, optional*) – The parameters used to initialise `fit_measure` and `extra_fit_measures`. Default `None`
- **extra\_fit\_measures** (*list of strings, optional*) – List of fit measures not used to fit the model, but to provide more information. Any arguments needed for these measures should be placed in `fit_measure_args`. Default `None`
- **bounds** (*dictionary of tuples of length two with floats, optional*) – The boundaries for methods that use bounds. If unbounded methods are specified then the bounds will be ignored. Default is `None`, which translates to boundaries of `(0, np.inf)` for each parameter.
- **boundary\_excess\_cost** (*basestring or callable returning a function, optional*) – The function is used to calculate the penalty for exceeding the boundaries. Default is `boundFunc.scalarBound()`
- **boundary\_excess\_cost\_properties** (*dict, optional*) – The parameters for the `boundary_excess_cost` function. Default `{}`
- **method** (*string or list of strings, optional*) – The name of the fitting method or list of names of fitting methods or name of list of fitting methods. Valid names found in the notes. Default `unconstrained`
- **number\_start\_points** (*int, optional*) – The number of starting points generated for each parameter. Default `4`
- **allow\_boundary\_fits** (*bool, optional*) – Defines if fits that reach a boundary should be considered the same way as those that do not. Default is `True`
- **boundary\_fit\_sensitivity** (*int, optional*) – Defines the smallest number of decimal places difference (so the minimal difference) between a parameter value and its related boundaries before a parameter value is considered different from a boundary. The default is `5`. This is only valid if `allow_boundary_fits` is `False`

**Name**

The name of the fitting method

**Type** string

**unconstrained**

The list of valid unconstrained fitting methods

**Type** list

**constrained**

The list of valid constrained fitting methods

**Type** list

**Notes**

`unconstrained = ['Nelder-Mead', 'Powell', 'CG', 'BFGS']` `constrained = ['L-BFGS-B', 'TNC', 'SLSQP']` Custom fitting algorithms are also allowed in theory, but it has yet to be implemented.

For each fitting function a set of different starting parameters will be tried. These are the combinations of all the values of the different parameters. For each starting parameter provided a set of `number_start_points` starting points will be chosen, surrounding the starting point provided. If the starting point provided is less than one it will be assumed that the values cannot exceed 1, otherwise, unless otherwise told, it will be assumed that they can take any value and will be chosen to be evenly spaced around the provided value.

**See also:**

`fitAlgs.fitAlg.fitAlg` The general fitting method class, from which this one inherits

`fitAlgs.fitSims.fitSim` The general fitSim class

`scipy.optimize.minimize` The fitting class this wraps around

`constrained = [u'L-BFGS-B', u'TNC', u'SLSQP']`

`fit (simulator, model_parameter_names, model_initial_parameters)`

Runs the model through the fitting algorithms and starting parameters and returns the best one.

**Parameters**

- **simulator** (*function*) – The function used by a fitting algorithm to generate a fit for given model parameters. One example is `fitAlgs.fitAlg.fitness`
- **model\_parameter\_names** (*list of strings*) – The list of initial parameter names
- **model\_initial\_parameters** (*list of floats*) – The list of the initial parameters

**Returns**

- **best\_fit\_parameters** (*list of floats*) – The best fitting parameters
- **fit\_quality** (*float*) – The quality of the fit as defined by the quality function chosen.
- **testedParams** (*tuple of two lists*) – The two lists are a list containing the parameter values tested, in the order they were tested, and the fit qualities of these parameters.

**See also:**

`fitAlgs.fitAlg.fitness()`

`unconstrained = [u'Nelder-Mead', u'Powell', u'CG', u'BFGS']`

### 6.8.2.8 fitAlgs.qualityFunc module

#### fitAlgs.qualityFunc Module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

#### Functions

<i>BIC2</i> (**kwargs)	Generates a function that calculates the Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC)
<i>BIC2norm</i> (**kwargs)	<b>param numParams</b> The number of parameters used by the model used for the fits process. Default 2
<i>BIC2normBoot</i> (**kwargs)	An attempt at looking what would happen if the samples were resampled.
<i>WBIC2</i> (**kwargs)	Unfinished WBIC implementation
<i>bayesFactor</i> (**kwargs)	$2^{\{$
<i>bayesInv</i> (**kwargs)	<b>param numParams</b> The number of parameters used by the model used for the fitters process. Default 2
<i>bayesRand</i> (**kwargs)	
<i>logAverageProb</i> (modVals)	Generates a fit quality value based on $\sum -2\log_2(\vec{x})$
<i>logeprob</i> (modVals)	Generates a fit quality value based on $f_{\{\mathrm{mod}\}}(\mathrm{vec} \ x$
<i>logprob</i> (modVals)	Generates a fit quality value based on $f_{\{\mathrm{mod}\}}(\mathrm{vec} \ x$
<i>maxprob</i> (modVals)	Generates a fit quality value based on $\sum 1 - \vec{x}$
<i>qualFuncIdent</i> (value, **kwargs)	
<i>r2</i> (**kwargs)	
<i>simpleSum</i> (modVals)	Generates a fit quality value based on $\sum \vec{x}$

#### BIC2

`fitAlgs.qualityFunc.BIC2 (**kwargs)`

Generates a function that calculates the Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC)

$\lambda \log_2(T) + f_{\{\mathrm{mod}\}}(\mathrm{vec} \ x$

ight)

kwargs

#### BIC2norm

`fitAlgs.qualityFunc.BIC2norm (**kwargs)`

##### Parameters

- **numParams** (*int*, *optional*) – The number of parameters used by the model used for the fits process. Default 2

- **qualityThreshold** (*float, optional*) – The BIC minimum fit quality criterion used for determining if a fit is valid. Default 20.0
- **number\_actions** (*int or list of ints the length of the number of trials being fitted, optional*) – The number of actions the participant can choose between for each trialstep of the task. May need to be specified for each trial if the number of action choices varies between trials. Default 2
- **randActProb** (*float or list of floats the length of the number of trials being fitted. Optional*) – The prior probability of an action being randomly chosen. May need to be specified for each trial if the number of action choices varies between trials. Default 1/number\_actions

## BIC2normBoot

`fitAlgs.qualityFunc.BIC2normBoot (**kwargs)`

An attempt at looking what would happen if the samples were resampled. It was hoped that by doing this, the difference between different sample distributions would become more pronounced. This was not found to be true.

### Parameters

- **numParams** (*int, optional*) – The number of parameters used by the model used for the fits process. Default 2
- **qualityThreshold** (*float, optional*) – The BIC minimum fit quality criterion used for determining if a fit is valid. Default 20.0
- **number\_actions** (*int or list of ints the length of the number of trials being fitted, optional*) – The number of actions the participant can choose between for each trialstep of the task. May need to be specified for each trial if the number of action choices varies between trials. Default 2
- **randActProb** (*float or list of floats the length of the number of trials being fitted. Optional*) – The prior probability of an action being randomly chosen. May need to be specified for each trial if the number of action choices varies between trials. Default 1/number\_actions
- **numSamples** (*int, optional*) – The number of samples that will be randomly resampled from modVals. Default 100
- **sampleLen** (*int, optional*) – The length of the random sample. Default 1

## WBIC2

`fitAlgs.qualityFunc.WBIC2 (**kwargs)`

Unfinished WBIC implementation

## bayesFactor

`fitAlgs.qualityFunc.bayesFactor (**kwargs)`

```
:math: 2^{
```

$$\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

```
kwargs
```

## bayesInv

`fitAlgs.qualityFunc.bayesInv(**kwargs)`

### Parameters

- **numParams** (*int, optional*) – The number of parameters used by the model used for the fitters process. Default 2
- **qualityThreshold** (*float, optional*) – The BIC minimum fit quality criterion used for determining if a fit is valid. Default 20.0
- **number\_actions** (*int or list of ints the length of the number of trials being fitted, optional*) – The number of actions the participant can choose between for each trialstep of the task. May need to be specified for each trial if the number of action choices varies between trials. Default 2
- **randActProb** (*float or list of floats the length of the number of trials being fitted. Optional*) – The prior probability of an action being randomly chosen. May need to be specified for each trial if the number of action choices varies between trials. Default  $1/\text{number\_actions}$

## bayesRand

`fitAlgs.qualityFunc.bayesRand(**kwargs)`

## logAverageProb

`fitAlgs.qualityFunc.logAverageProb(modVals)`

Generates a fit quality value based on  $\sum -2\log_2(\vec{x})$

**Returns** **fit** – The sum of the model values returned

**Return type** `float`

## logeprob

`fitAlgs.qualityFunc.logprob(modVals)`

Generates a fit quality value based on  $f_{\{\mathrm{mod}\}}(\text{vec } x$

$\text{ight}) = \sum -\mathrm{log}_e(\text{vec } x)$

**fit** [float] The sum of the model values returned

## logprob

`fitAlgs.qualityFunc.logprob(modVals)`

Generates a fit quality value based on  $f_{\{\mathrm{mod}\}}(\text{vec } x$

$\text{ight}) = \sum -2\mathrm{log}_2(\text{vec } x)$

**fit** [float] The sum of the model values returned

## maxprob

`fitAlgs.qualityFunc.maxprob(modVals)`

Generates a fit quality value based on  $\sum 1 - \vec{x}$

**Returns** `fit` – The sum of the model values returned

**Return type** `float`

## qualFuncIdent

`fitAlgs.qualityFunc.qualFuncIdent(value, **kwargs)`

## r2

`fitAlgs.qualityFunc.r2(**kwargs)`

## simpleSum

`fitAlgs.qualityFunc.simpleSum(modVals)`

Generates a fit quality value based on  $\sum \vec{x}$

**Returns** `fit` – The sum of the model values returned

**Return type** `float`

**Author** Dominic Hunt

`fitAlgs.qualityFunc.BIC2(**kwargs)`

Generates a function that calculates the Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC)

$$:\text{math:}^{\text{lambda}} \text{mathrm\{log\}}_2(T) + f_{\text{mathrm\{mod\}}}(\text{vec } x$$
  
$$\text{ight})^{\text{kwargs}}$$

`kwargs`

`fitAlgs.qualityFunc.BIC2norm(**kwargs)`

### Parameters

- **numParams** (*int, optional*) – The number of parameters used by the model used for the fits process. Default 2
- **qualityThreshold** (*float, optional*) – The BIC minimum fit quality criterion used for determining if a fit is valid. Default 20.0
- **number\_actions** (*int or list of ints the length of the number of trials being fitted, optional*) – The number of actions the participant can choose between for each trialstep of the task. May need to be specified for each trial if the number of action choices varies between trials. Default 2
- **randActProb** (*float or list of floats the length of the number of trials being fitted. Optional*) – The prior probability of an action being randomly chosen. May need to be specified for each trial if the number of action choices varies between trials. Default  $1/\text{number\_actions}$

`fitAlgs.qualityFunc.BIC2normBoot(**kwargs)`

An attempt at looking what would happen if the samples were resampled. It was hoped that by doing this, the difference between different sample distributions would become more pronounced. This was not found to be true.

### Parameters

- **numParams** (*int, optional*) – The number of parameters used by the model used for the fits process. Default 2
- **qualityThreshold** (*float, optional*) – The BIC minimum fit quality criterion used for determining if a fit is valid. Default 20.0
- **number\_actions** (*int or list of ints the length of the number of trials being fitted, optional*) – The number of actions the participant can choose between for each trialstep of the task. May need to be specified for each trial if the number of action choices varies between trials. Default 2
- **randActProb** (*float or list of floats the length of the number of trials being fitted. Optional*) – The prior probability of an action being randomly chosen. May need to be specified for each trial if the number of action choices varies between trials. Default 1/number\_actions
- **numSamples** (*int, optional*) – The number of samples that will be randomly resampled from modVals. Default 100
- **sampleLen** (*int, optional*) – The length of the random sample. Default 1

```
fitAlgs.qualityFunc.WBIC2 (**kwargs)
```

Unfinished WBIC implementation

```
fitAlgs.qualityFunc.bayesFactor (**kwargs)
```

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kwargs
```

```
fitAlgs.qualityFunc.bayesInv (**kwargs)
```

#### Parameters

- **numParams** (*int, optional*) – The number of parameters used by the model used for the fitters process. Default 2
- **qualityThreshold** (*float, optional*) – The BIC minimum fit quality criterion used for determining if a fit is valid. Default 20.0
- **number\_actions** (*int or list of ints the length of the number of trials being fitted, optional*) – The number of actions the participant can choose between for each trialstep of the task. May need to be specified for each trial if the number of action choices varies between trials. Default 2
- **randActProb** (*float or list of floats the length of the number of trials being fitted. Optional*) – The prior probability of an action being randomly chosen. May need to be specified for each trial if the number of action choices varies between trials. Default 1/number\_actions

```
fitAlgs.qualityFunc.bayesRand (**kwargs)
```

```
fitAlgs.qualityFunc.logAverageProb (modVals)
```

Generates a fit quality value based on  $\sum -2\log_2(\vec{x})$

**Returns** **fit** – The sum of the model values returned

**Return type** **float**

```
fitAlgs.qualityFunc.logeprob (modVals)
```

Generates a fit quality value based on  $f_{\{\mathrm{mod}\}}(\mathrm{vec} \ x)$   
 $\mathrm{ight}) = \sum -\mathrm{mathrm}\{\log\}_e(\mathrm{vec} \ x)$

**fit** [float] The sum of the model values returned

```
fitAlgs.qualityFunc.logprob (modVals)
```

Generates a fit quality value based on  $f_{\mathrm{mod}}(\mathrm{vec} \ x$   
 $\mathrm{ight}) = \sum -2\mathrm{log}_2(\mathrm{vec} \ x)^{\prime}$

**fit** [float] The sum of the model values returned

`fitAlgs.qualityFunc.maxprob(modVals)`  
Generates a fit quality value based on  $\sum 1 - \vec{x}$

**Returns** **fit** – The sum of the model values returned

**Return type** float

`fitAlgs.qualityFunc.qualFuncIdent(value, **kwargs)`

`fitAlgs.qualityFunc.r2(**kwargs)`

`fitAlgs.qualityFunc.simpleSum(modVals)`  
Generates a fit quality value based on  $\sum \vec{x}$

**Returns** **fit** – The sum of the model values returned

**Return type** float

## 6.9 outputting module

### 6.9.1 outputting Module

**Author** Dominic Hunt

#### 6.9.1.1 Functions

<code>date()</code>	Calculate today's date as a string in the form <year>-<month>-<day> and returns it
<code>dictKeyGen(store[, maxListLen, returnList, ...])</code>	Identifies the columns necessary to convert a dictionary into a table
<code>fancy_logger([log_file, log_level, ...])</code>	Sets up the style of logging for all the simulations
<code>file_name_generator([output_folder])</code>	Keeps track of filenames that have been used and generates the next unused one
<code>flatDictKeySet(store[, selectKeys])</code>	Generates a dictionary of keys and identifiers for the new dictionary, including only the keys in the keys list.
<code>folder_path_cleaning(folder)</code>	Modifies string file names from Windows format to Unix format if necessary and makes sure there is a / at the end.
<code>folder_setup(label, date_string[, ...])</code>	Identifies and creates the folder the data will be stored in
<code>listKeyGen(data[, maxListLen, returnList, ...])</code>	Identifies the columns necessary to convert a list into a table
<code>listSelection(data, loc)</code>	Allows numpy array-like referencing of lists
<code>newFlatDict(store[, selectKeys, labelPrefix])</code>	Takes a list of dictionaries and returns a dictionary of 1D lists.
<code>newListDict(store[, labelPrefix, maxListLen])</code>	Takes a dictionary of numbers, strings, lists and arrays and returns a dictionary of 1D arrays.
<code>pad(values, maxListLen)</code>	Pads a list with None
<code>pickleLog(results, file_name_gen[, label])</code>	Stores the data in the appropriate pickle file in a Pickle subfolder of the outputting folder
<code>pickle_write(data, handle, file_name_gen)</code>	Writes the data to a pickle file



## date

outputting.**date**()

Calculate today's date as a string in the form <year>-<month>-<day> and returns it

**Returns** **todayDate** – The current date in the format <year>-<month>-<day>

**Return type** basestring

## dictKeyGen

outputting.**dictKeyGen**(store, maxListLen=None, returnList=False, abridge=False)

Identifies the columns necessary to convert a dictionary into a table

### Parameters

- **store** (*dict*) – The dictionary to be broken down into keys
- **maxListLen** (*int or float with no decimal places or None, optional*) – The length of the longest expected list. Only useful if returnList is True. Default None
- **returnList** (*bool, optional*) – Defines if the lists will be broken into 1D lists or values. Default False, lists will be broken into values
- **abridge** (*bool, optional*) – Defines if the final dataset will be a summary or the whole lot. If it is a summary, lists of more than 10 elements are removed. Default False, not abridged

### Returns

- **keySet** (*OrderedDict with values of OrderedDict, list or None*) – The dictionary of keys to be extracted
- **maxListLen** (*int or float with no decimal places or None, optional*) – If returnList is True this should be the length of the longest list. If returnList is False this should return its original value

## Examples

```
>>> store = {'string': 'string'}
>>> dictKeyGen(store)
(OrderedDict([('string', None)]), 1)
>>> store = {'num': 23.6}
>>> dictKeyGen(store)
(OrderedDict([('num', None)]), 1)
>>> store = {'array': np.array([[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6], [7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12]])}
>>> dictKeyGen(store, returnList=True, abridge=True)
(OrderedDict([(u'array', array([[0,
    [1]])))]), 6L)
>>> store = {'dict': {1: "a", 2: "b"}}
>>> dictKeyGen(store, maxListLen=7, returnList=True, abridge=True)
(OrderedDict([('dict', OrderedDict([(1, None), (2, None)])))]), 7)
```

## fancy\_logger

outputting.**fancy\_logger**(log\_file=None, log\_level=20, numpy\_error\_level=u'log')

Sets up the style of logging for all the simulations

### Parameters

- **date\_string** (*basestring*) – The date the log will start at
- **log\_file** (*string, optional*) – Provides the path the log will be written to. Default “./log.txt”
- **log\_level** (*{logging.DEBUG, logging.INFO, logging.WARNING, logging.ERROR, logging.CRITICAL}*) – Defines the level of the log. Default logging.INFO
- **numpy\_error\_level** (*{'log', 'raise'}*) – Defines the response to numpy errors. Default log. See `numpy.seterr`

**Returns** `close_loggers` – Closes the logging systems that have been set up

**Return type** function

**See also:**

**logging()** The Python standard logging library

**numpy.seterr()** The function `npErrResp` is passed to for defining the response to numpy errors

## file\_name\_generator

`outputting.file_name_generator(output_folder=None)`

Keeps track of filenames that have been used and generates the next unused one

**Parameters** `output_folder` (*string, optional*) – The folder into which the new file will be placed. Default is the current working directory

**Returns** `new_file_name` – Creates a new file with the name <handle> and the extension <extension>. It takes two string parameters: (handle, extension) and returns one `fileName` string

**Return type** function

## Examples

```
>>> file_name_gen = file_name_generator("./")
>>> file_name_gen("a", "b")
'./a.b'
>>> file_name_gen("a", "b")
'./a_1.b'
>>> file_name_gen("", "")
'./'
>>> file_name_gen = file_name_generator()
>>> fileName = file_name_gen("", "")
>>> fileName == os.getcwd()
False
```

## flatDictKeySet

`outputting.flatDictKeySet(store, selectKeys=None)`

Generates a dictionary of keys and identifiers for the new dictionary, including only the keys in the keys list. Any keys with lists will be split into a set of keys, one for each element in the original key.

These are named <key><location>

**Parameters**

- **store** (*list of dicts*) – The dictionaries would be expected to have many of the same keys. Any dictionary keys containing lists in the input have been split into multiple numbered keys
- **selectKeys** (*list of strings, optional*) – The keys whose data will be included in the return dictionary. Default `None`, which results in all keys being returned

**Returns** `keySet` – The dictionary of keys to be extracted

**Return type** `OrderedDict` with values of `OrderedDict`, `list` or `None`

**See also:**

`reframeListDicts()`, `newFlatDict()`

## folder\_path\_cleaning

`outputting.folder_path_cleaning(folder)`

Modifies string file names from Windows format to Unix format if necessary and makes sure there is a / at the end.

**Parameters** `folder` (*string*) – The folder path

**Returns** `folder_path` – The folder path

**Return type** `basestring`

## folder\_setup

`outputting.folder_setup(label, date_string, pickle_data=False, base_path=None)`

Identifies and creates the folder the data will be stored in

Folder will be created as “./Outputs/<sim\_label>\_<date>”. If that had previously been created then it is created as “./Outputs/<sim\_label>\_<date>\_no\_<#>”, where “<#>” is the first available integer.

A subfolder is also created with the name `Pickle` if `pickle` is true.

**Parameters**

- **label** (*basestring*) – The label for the simulation
- **date\_string** (*basestring*) – The date identifier
- **pickle\_data** (*bool, optional*) – If true the data for each model, task and participant is recorded. Default is `False`
- **base\_path** (*basestring, optional*) – The path into which the new folder will be placed. Default is current working directory

**Returns** `folder_name` – The folder path that has just been created

**Return type** `string`

**See also:**

`newFile()` Creates a new file

`saving()` Creates the log system

## listKeyGen

`outputting.listKeyGen(data, maxListLen=None, returnList=False, abridge=False)`

Identifies the columns necessary to convert a list into a table

**Parameters**

- **data** (*numpy.ndarray or list*) – The list to be broken down
- **maxListLen** (*int or float with no decimal places or None, optional*) – The length of the longest expected list. Only useful if returnList is True. Default None
- **returnList** (*bool, optional*) – Defines if the lists will be broken into 1D lists or values. Default False, lists will be broken into values
- **abridge** (*bool, optional*) – Defines if the final dataset will be a summary or the whole lot. If it is a summary, lists of more than 10 elements are removed. Default False, not abridged

#### Returns

- **returnList** (*None or list of tuples of ints or ints*) – The list of co-ordinates for the elements to be extracted from the data. If None the list is used as-is.
- **maxListLen** (*int or float with no decimal places or None, optional*) – If returnList is True this should be the length of the longest list. If returnList is False this should return its original value

#### Examples

```
>>> listKeyGen([[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6], [4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]], maxListLen=None,
↳returnList=False, abridge=False)
(array([[0, 0], [1, 0], [0, 1], [1, 1], [0, 2], [1, 2], [0, 3], [1, 3], [0, 4],
↳ [1, 4], [0, 5], [1, 5]]), 1)
>>> listKeyGen([[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6], [4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]], maxListLen=None,
↳returnList=False, abridge=True)
(None, None)
>>> listKeyGen([[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6], [4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]], maxListLen=None,
↳returnList=True, abridge=True)
(array([[0],
↳ [1]]), 6L)
```

#### listSelection

outputting.**listSelection** (*data, loc*)

Allows numpy array-like referencing of lists

##### Parameters

- **data** (*list*) – The data to be referenced
- **loc** (*tuple of integers*) – The location to be referenced

**Returns** **selection** – The referenced subset

**Return type** *list*

#### Examples

```
>>> listSelection([1, 2, 3], (0,))
1
>>> listSelection([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]], (0,))
[1, 2, 3]
>>> listSelection([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]], (0, 2))
3
```

## newFlatDict

outputting.**newFlatDict** (*store*, *selectKeys=None*, *labelPrefix=u''*)

Takes a list of dictionaries and returns a dictionary of 1D lists.

If a dictionary did not have that key or list element, then 'None' is put in its place

### Parameters

- **store** (*list of dicts*) – The dictionaries would be expected to have many of the same keys. Any dictionary keys containing lists in the input have been split into multiple numbered keys
- **selectKeys** (*list of strings, optional*) – The keys whose data will be included in the return dictionary. Default None, which results in all keys being returned
- **labelPrefix** (*string*) – An identifier to be added to the beginning of each key string.

**Returns newStore** – The new dictionary with the keys from the keySet and the values as 1D lists with 'None' if the keys, value pair was not found in the store.

**Return type** dict

### Examples

```
>>> store = [{'list': [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]}]
>>> newFlatDict(store)
OrderedDict([('list_[0]', [1]), ('list_[1]', [2]), ('list_[2]', [3]), ('list_
→ [3]', [4]), ('list_[4]', [5]), ('list_[5]', [6])])
>>> store = [{'string': 'string'}]
>>> newFlatDict(store)
OrderedDict([(u'string', [u'string'])])
>>> store = [{'dict': {1: {3: "a"}, 2: "b"}}]
>>> newFlatDict(store)
OrderedDict([(u'dict_1_3', [u'a']), (u'dict_2', [u'b'])])
```

## newListDict

outputting.**newListDict** (*store*, *labelPrefix=u''*, *maxListLen=0*)

Takes a dictionary of numbers, strings, lists and arrays and returns a dictionary of 1D arrays.

If there is a single value, then a list is created with that value repeated

### Parameters

- **store** (*dict*) – A dictionary of numbers, strings, lists, dictionaries and arrays
- **labelPrefix** (*string*) – An identifier to be added to the beginning of each key string. Default empty string

**Returns newStore** – The new dictionary with the keys from the keySet and the values as 1D lists.

**Return type** dict

### Examples

```
>>> store = {'list': [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]}
>>> newListDict(store)
OrderedDict([('list', [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6])])
>>> store = {'string': 'string'}
>>> newListDict(store)
OrderedDict([('string', ['string'])])
>>> store = {'dict': {1: {3: "a"}, 2: "b"}}
>>> newListDict(store)
OrderedDict([(u'dict_1_3', ['a']), (u'dict_2', ['b'])])
```

## pad

`outputting.pad(values, maxListLen)`

Pads a list with None

### Parameters

- **values** (*list*) – The list to be extended
- **maxListLen** (*int*) – The number of elements the list needs to have

## pickleLog

`outputting.pickleLog(results, file_name_gen, label=u'')`

Stores the data in the appropriate pickle file in a Pickle subfolder of the outputting folder

### Parameters

- **results** (*dict*) – The data to be stored
- **file\_name\_gen** (*function*) – Creates a new file with the name <handle> and the extension <extension>. It takes two string parameters: (handle, extension) and returns one fileName string
- **label** (*string, optional*) – A label for the results file

## pickle\_write

`outputting.pickle_write(data, handle, file_name_gen)`

Writes the data to a pickle file

### Parameters

- **data** (*object*) – Data to be written to the file
- **handle** (*string*) – The name of the file
- **file\_name\_gen** (*function*) – Creates a new file with the name <handle> and the extension <extension>. It takes two string parameters: (handle, extension) and returns one fileName string

### 6.9.1.2 Classes

<code>LoggerWriter(writer)</code>	Fake file-like stream object that redirects writes to a logger instance.
<code>Saving([label, output_path, config, ...])</code>	Creates the folder structure for the saved data and created the log file as <code>log.txt</code>

## LoggerWriter

**class** outputting.LoggerWriter (writer)

Bases: object

Fake file-like stream object that redirects writes to a logger instance. Taken from <https://stackoverflow.com/a/51612402>

**Parameters** *writer* (logging function) –

### Methods Summary

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*flush*()

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*write*(message)

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### Methods Documentation

**flush**()

**write**(message)

## Saving

**class** outputting.Saving (label=None, output\_path=None, config=None, con-  
fig\_file=None, pickle\_store=False, min\_log\_level=u'INFO',  
numpy\_error\_level=u'log')

Bases: object

Creates the folder structure for the saved data and created the log file as log.txt

### Parameters

- **label** (string, optional) – The label for the simulation. Default None will mean no data is saved to files.
- **output\_path** (string, optional) – The path that will be used for the run output. Default None
- **config** (dict, optional) – The parameters of the running simulation/fitting. This is used to create a YAML configuration file. Default None
- **config\_file** (string, optional) – The file name and path of a .yaml configuration file. Default None
- **pickle\_store** (bool, optional) – If true the data for each model, task and participant is recorded. Default is False
- **min\_log\_level** (basestring, optional) – Defines the level of the log from (DEBUG, INFO, WARNING, ERROR, CRITICAL). Default INFO See <https://docs.python.org/3/library/logging.html#levels>
- **numpy\_error\_level** ({'log', 'raise'}) – Defines the response to numpy errors. Default log. See numpy.seterr

**Returns** **file\_name\_gen** – Creates a new file with the name <handle> and the extension <extension>. It takes two string parameters: (handle, extension) and returns one fileName string

**Return type** function

See also:

**folderSetup** creates the folders

### 6.9.1.3 Class Inheritance Diagram

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**class** `outputting.LoggerWriter(writer)`

Bases: `object`

Fake file-like stream object that redirects writes to a logger instance. Taken from <https://stackoverflow.com/a/51612402>

**Parameters** `writer` (*logging function*) –

**flush** ()

**write** (*message*)

**class** `outputting.Saving(label=None, output_path=None, config=None, con-  
fig_file=None, pickle_store=False, min_log_level=u'INFO',  
numpy_error_level=u'log')`

Bases: `object`

Creates the folder structure for the saved data and created the log file as `log.txt`

**Parameters**

- **label** (*string, optional*) – The label for the simulation. Default `None` will mean no data is saved to files.
- **output\_path** (*string, optional*) – The path that will be used for the run output. Default `None`
- **config** (*dict, optional*) – The parameters of the running simulation/fitting. This is used to create a YAML configuration file. Default `None`
- **config\_file** (*string, optional*) – The file name and path of a `.yaml` configuration file. Default `None`
- **pickle\_store** (*bool, optional*) – If true the data for each model, task and participant is recorded. Default is `False`
- **min\_log\_level** (*basestring, optional*) – Defines the level of the log from (`DEBUG`, `INFO`, `WARNING`, `ERROR`, `CRITICAL`). Default `INFO` See <https://docs.python.org/3/library/logging.html#levels>
- **numpy\_error\_level** (`{'log', 'raise'}`) – Defines the response to numpy errors. Default `log`. See `numpy.seterr`

**Returns** `file_name_gen` – Creates a new file with the name `<handle>` and the extension `<extension>`. It takes two string parameters: (`handle`, `extension`) and returns one `fileName` string

**Return type** function

**See also:**

**folderSetup** creates the folders

`outputting.date()`

Calculate today's date as a string in the form `<year>-<month>-<day>` and returns it

**Returns** `todayDate` – The current date in the format `<year>-<month>-<day>`

**Return type** `basestring`

`outputting.dictKeyGen(store, maxListLen=None, returnList=False, abridge=False)`

Identifies the columns necessary to convert a dictionary into a table

**Parameters**



- **store** (*dict*) – The dictionary to be broken down into keys
- **maxListLen** (*int or float with no decimal places or None, optional*) – The length of the longest expected list. Only useful if returnList is True. Default None
- **returnList** (*bool, optional*) – Defines if the lists will be broken into 1D lists or values. Default False, lists will be broken into values
- **abridge** (*bool, optional*) – Defines if the final dataset will be a summary or the whole lot. If it is a summary, lists of more than 10 elements are removed. Default False, not abridged

#### Returns

- **keySet** (*OrderedDict with values of OrderedDict, list or None*) – The dictionary of keys to be extracted
- **maxListLen** (*int or float with no decimal places or None, optional*) – If returnList is True this should be the length of the longest list. If returnList is False this should return its original value

#### Examples

```
>>> store = {'string': 'string'}
>>> dictKeyGen(store)
(OrderedDict([('string', None)]), 1)
>>> store = {'num': 23.6}
>>> dictKeyGen(store)
(OrderedDict([('num', None)]), 1)
>>> store = {'array': np.array([[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6], [7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12]])}
>>> dictKeyGen(store, returnList=True, abridge=True)
(OrderedDict([(u'array', array([[0,
    [1]])))]), 6L)
>>> store = {'dict': {1: "a", 2: "b"}}
>>> dictKeyGen(store, maxListLen=7, returnList=True, abridge=True)
(OrderedDict([('dict', OrderedDict([(1, None), (2, None)]))]), 7)
```

outputting.**fancy\_logger** (*log\_file=None, log\_level=20, numpy\_error\_level=u'log'*)

Sets up the style of logging for all the simulations

#### Parameters

- **date\_string** (*basestring*) – The date the log will start at
- **log\_file** (*string, optional*) – Provides the path the log will be written to. Default “./log.txt”
- **log\_level** (*{logging.DEBUG, logging.INFO, logging.WARNING, logging.ERROR, logging.CRITICAL}*) – Defines the level of the log. Default logging.INFO
- **numpy\_error\_level** (*{'log', 'raise'}*) – Defines the response to numpy errors. Default log. See numpy.seterr

**Returns** **close\_loggers** – Closes the logging systems that have been set up

**Return type** function

See also:

**logging()** The Python standard logging library

**numpy.seterr()** The function npErrResp is passed to for defining the response to numpy errors

outputting.**file\_name\_generator** (*output\_folder=None*)

Keeps track of filenames that have been used and generates the next unused one

**Parameters** **output\_folder** (*string, optional*) – The folder into which the new file will be placed. Default is the current working directory

**Returns** **new\_file\_name** – Creates a new file with the name <handle> and the extension <extension>. It takes two string parameters: (handle, extension) and returns one fileName string

**Return type** function

### Examples

```
>>> file_name_gen = file_name_generator("./")
>>> file_name_gen("a", "b")
'./a.b'
>>> file_name_gen("a", "b")
'./a_1.b'
>>> file_name_gen("", "")
'./'
>>> file_name_gen = file_name_generator()
>>> fileName = file_name_gen("", "")
>>> fileName == os.getcwd()
False
```

outputting.**flatDictKeySet** (*store, selectKeys=None*)

Generates a dictionary of keys and identifiers for the new dictionary, including only the keys in the keys list. Any keys with lists will be split into a set of keys, one for each element in the original key.

These are named <key><location>

#### Parameters

- **store** (*list of dicts*) – The dictionaries would be expected to have many of the same keys. Any dictionary keys containing lists in the input have been split into multiple numbered keys
- **selectKeys** (*list of strings, optional*) – The keys whose data will be included in the return dictionary. Default None, which results in all keys being returned

**Returns** **keySet** – The dictionary of keys to be extracted

**Return type** OrderedDict with values of OrderedDict, list or None

See also:

`reframeListDicts()`, `newFlatDict()`

outputting.**folder\_path\_cleaning** (*folder*)

Modifies string file names from Windows format to Unix format if necessary and makes sure there is a / at the end.

**Parameters** **folder** (*string*) – The folder path

**Returns** **folder\_path** – The folder path

**Return type** basestring

outputting.**folder\_setup** (*label, date\_string, pickle\_data=False, base\_path=None*)

Identifies and creates the folder the data will be stored in

Folder will be created as “./Outputs/<sim\_label>\_<date>”. If that had previously been created then it is created as “./Outputs/<sim\_label>\_<date>\_no\_<#>”, where “<#>” is the first available integer.

A subfolder is also created with the name `Pickle` if `pickle` is true.

**Parameters**

- **label** (*basestring*) – The label for the simulation
- **date\_string** (*basestring*) – The date identifier
- **pickle\_data** (*bool, optional*) – If true the data for each model, task and participant is recorded. Default is `False`
- **base\_path** (*basestring, optional*) – The path into which the new folder will be placed. Default is current working directory

**Returns** **folder\_name** – The folder path that has just been created

**Return type** `string`

**See also:**

**newFile()** Creates a new file

**saving()** Creates the log system

`outputting.listKeyGen(data, maxListLen=None, returnList=False, abridge=False)`

Identifies the columns necessary to convert a list into a table

**Parameters**

- **data** (*numpy.ndarray or list*) – The list to be broken down
- **maxListLen** (*int or float with no decimal places or None, optional*) – The length of the longest expected list. Only useful if `returnList` is `True`. Default `None`
- **returnList** (*bool, optional*) – Defines if the lists will be broken into 1D lists or values. Default `False`, lists will be broken into values
- **abridge** (*bool, optional*) – Defines if the final dataset will be a summary or the whole lot. If it is a summary, lists of more than 10 elements are removed. Default `False`, not abridged

**Returns**

- **returnList** (*None or list of tuples of ints or ints*) – The list of co-ordinates for the elements to be extracted from the data. If `None` the list is used as-is.
- **maxListLen** (*int or float with no decimal places or None, optional*) – If `returnList` is `True` this should be the length of the longest list. If `returnList` is `False` this should return its original value

**Examples**

```
>>> listKeyGen([[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6], [4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]], maxListLen=None,
↳returnList=False, abridge=False)
(array([[0, 0], [1, 0], [0, 1], [1, 1], [0, 2], [1, 2], [0, 3], [1, 3], [0, 4],
↳ [1, 4], [0, 5], [1, 5]]), 1)
>>> listKeyGen([[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6], [4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]], maxListLen=None,
↳returnList=False, abridge=True)
(None, None)
>>> listKeyGen([[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6], [4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]], maxListLen=None,
↳returnList=True, abridge=True)
(array([[0],
      [1]]), 6L)
```

`outputting.listSelection(data, loc)`

Allows numpy array-like referencing of lists

**Parameters**

- **data** (*list*) – The data to be referenced
- **loc** (*tuple of integers*) – The location to be referenced

**Returns** **selection** – The referenced subset

**Return type** `list`

**Examples**

```
>>> listSelection([1, 2, 3], (0,))
1
>>> listSelection([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]], (0,))
[1, 2, 3]
>>> listSelection([[1, 2, 3], [4, 5, 6]], (0, 2))
3
```

`outputting.newFlatDict (store, selectKeys=None, labelPrefix=u")`

Takes a list of dictionaries and returns a dictionary of 1D lists.

If a dictionary did not have that key or list element, then 'None' is put in its place

**Parameters**

- **store** (*list of dicts*) – The dictionaries would be expected to have many of the same keys. Any dictionary keys containing lists in the input have been split into multiple numbered keys
- **selectKeys** (*list of strings, optional*) – The keys whose data will be included in the return dictionary. Default None, which results in all keys being returned
- **labelPrefix** (*string*) – An identifier to be added to the beginning of each key string.

**Returns** **newStore** – The new dictionary with the keys from the keySet and the values as 1D lists with 'None' if the keys, value pair was not found in the store.

**Return type** `dict`

**Examples**

```
>>> store = [{'list': [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]}]
>>> newFlatDict(store)
OrderedDict([('list_0', [1]), ('list_1', [2]), ('list_2', [3]), ('list_
→ [3]', [4]), ('list_4', [5]), ('list_5', [6])])
>>> store = [{'string': 'string'}]
>>> newFlatDict(store)
OrderedDict([(u'string', [u'string'])])
>>> store = [{'dict': {1: {3: "a"}, 2: "b"}}]
>>> newFlatDict(store)
OrderedDict([(u'dict_1_3', [u'a']), (u'dict_2', [u'b'])])
```

`outputting.newListDict (store, labelPrefix=u", maxListLen=0)`

Takes a dictionary of numbers, strings, lists and arrays and returns a dictionary of 1D arrays.

If there is a single value, then a list is created with that value repeated

**Parameters**

- **store** (*dict*) – A dictionary of numbers, strings, lists, dictionaries and arrays
- **labelPrefix** (*string*) – An identifier to be added to the beginning of each key string. Default empty string

**Returns** `newStore` – The new dictionary with the keys from the `keySet` and the values as 1D lists.

**Return type** `dict`

## Examples

```
>>> store = {'list': [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]}
>>> newListDict(store)
OrderedDict([('list', [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6])])
>>> store = {'string': 'string'}
>>> newListDict(store)
OrderedDict([('string', ['string'])])
>>> store = {'dict': {1: {3: "a"}, 2: "b"}}
>>> newListDict(store)
OrderedDict([(u'dict_1_3', ['a']), (u'dict_2', ['b'])])
```

`outputting.pad(values, maxListLen)`  
Pads a list with None

### Parameters

- **values** (*list*) – The list to be extended
- **maxListLen** (*int*) – The number of elements the list needs to have

`outputting.pickleLog(results, file_name_gen, label=u"")`  
Stores the data in the appropriate pickle file in a Pickle subfolder of the outputting folder

### Parameters

- **results** (*dict*) – The data to be stored
- **file\_name\_gen** (*function*) – Creates a new file with the name <handle> and the extension <extension>. It takes two string parameters: (handle, extension) and returns one `fileName` string
- **label** (*string, optional*) – A label for the results file

`outputting.pickle_write(data, handle, file_name_gen)`  
Writes the data to a pickle file

### Parameters

- **data** (*object*) – Data to be written to the file
- **handle** (*string*) – The name of the file
- **file\_name\_gen** (*function*) – Creates a new file with the name <handle> and the extension <extension>. It takes two string parameters: (handle, extension) and returns one `fileName` string

## 6.10 utils module

### 6.10.1 utils Module

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#### 6.10.1.1 Functions

<code>argProcess(**kwargs)</code>	
<code>callableDetails(item)</code>	Takes a callable item and extracts the details.
<code>callableDetailsString(item)</code>	Takes a callable item and returns a string detailing the function.
<code>date()</code>	Provides a string of today's date
<code>discountAverage(data, discount)</code>	An accumulating mean
<code>errorResp()</code>	Takes an error that has been caught and returns the details as a string
<code>find_class(class_name, class_folder, ..., ...)</code>	Finds and imports a class from a given folder.
<code>find_function(function_name, function_folder)</code>	Finds and imports a function from a given folder.
<code>flatten(data)</code>	Yields the elements in order from any N dimensional iterable
<code>getClassArgs(inspected_class[, arg_ignore])</code>	Finds the arguments that could be passed into the specified class
<code>getClassAttributes(inspected_class[, ignore])</code>	Finds the public attributes of the specified class
<code>getFuncArgs(inspected_function)</code>	Finds the arguments that could be passed into the specified function
<code>kendalw(data[, ranked])</code>	Calculates Kendall's W for a n*m array with n items and m 'judges'.
<code>kendalwt(data[, ranked])</code>	Calculates Kendall's W for a n*m array with n items and m 'judges'.
<code>kendalwts(data[, ranked])</code>	Calculates Kendall's W for a n*m array with n items and m 'judges'.
<code>kldivergence(m0, m1, c0, c1)</code>	Calculates the Kullback–Leibler divergence between two distributions using the means and covariances
<code>listMerge(*args)</code>	For merging lists with objects that are not solely numbers
<code>listMergeGen(*args)</code>	Fast merging of lists of numbers
<code>listMergeNP(*args)</code>	Fast merging of lists of numbers
<code>list_all_equal(data)</code>	Checks if all of the elements of a list are the same.
<code>mergeDatasetRepr(data[, dataLabel])</code>	Take a list of dictionaries and turn it into a dictionary of lists of strings
<code>mergeDatasets(data[, extend])</code>	Take a list of dictionaries and turn it into a dictionary of lists of objects
<code>mergeDicts(*args)</code>	Merges any number of dictionaries with different keys into a new dict
<code>mergeTwoDicts(x, y)</code>	Given two dicts, merge them into a new dict as a shallow copy
<code>movingaverage(data, windowSize[, edgeCorrection])</code>	Average over an array
<code>runningAverage(data)</code>	An accumulating mean
<code>runningMean(oldMean, newValue, numValues)</code>	A running mean
<code>runningSTD(oldSTD, oldMean, newMean, newValue)</code>	<b>param oldSTD</b> The old running average standard deviation
<code>unique(seq[, idfun])</code>	Finds the unique items in a list and returns them in order found.
<code>varyingParams(intObjects, params)</code>	Takes a list of models or tasks and returns a dictionary with only the parameters which vary and their values

## argProcess

`utils.argProcess (**kwargs)`

## callableDetails

`utils.callableDetails(item)`

Takes a callable item and extracts the details.

Currently only extracts things stored in `item.Name` and `item.Params`

**Parameters** `item` (callable item) –

**Returns** `details` – Contains the properties of the

**Return type** tuple pair with string and dictionary of strings

### Examples

```
>>> from utils import callableDetails
>>> def foo(): print("foo")
>>> foo.Name = "boo"
>>> callableDetails(foo)
('boo', None)
>>> foo.Params = {1: 2, 2: 3}
>>> callableDetails(foo)
('boo', {'1': '2', '2': '3'})
```

## callableDetailsString

`utils.callableDetailsString(item)`

Takes a callable item and returns a string detailing the function.

Currently only extracts things stored in `item.Name` and `item.Params`

**Parameters** `item` (callable item) –

**Returns** `description` – Contains the properties and name of the callable

**Return type** string

### Examples

```
>>> from utils import callableDetailsString
>>> def foo(): print("foo")
>>> foo.Name = "boo"
>>> callableDetailsString(foo)
'boo'
>>> foo.Params = {1: 2, 2: 3}
>>> callableDetailsString(foo)
'boo with 1 : 2, 2 : 3'
```

## date

`utils.date()`

Provides a string of today's date

**Returns** `date` – The string is of the form [year]-[month]-[day]

**Return type** string

## discountAverage

`utils.discountAverage(data, discount)`

An accumulating mean

### Parameters

- **data** (*list* or *1-D array of floats*) – The set of values to be averaged
- **discount** (*float*) – The value by which each previous value is discounted

**Returns** **results** – The values from the moving average

**Return type** `ndArray` of length `data`

## Examples

```
>>> discountAverage([1, 2, 3, 4], 1)
array([1. , 1.5, 2. , 2.5])
>>> discountAverage([1, 2, 3, 4], 0.25)
array([1.          , 1.8          , 2.71428571, 3.68235294])
```

## errorResp

`utils.errorResp()`

Takes an error that has been caught and returns the details as a string

**Returns** **description** – Contains the description of the error

**Return type** `string`

## find\_class

`utils.find_class(class_name, class_folder, inherited_class, excluded_files=None)`

Finds and imports a class from a given folder. Does not look in subfolders

### Parameters

- **class\_name** (*string*) – The name of the class to be used
- **class\_folder** (*basestring*) – The path where the class is likely to be found
- **inherited\_class** (*class*) – The class that the searched for class inherits from
- **excluded\_files** (*list, optional*) – A list of modules to be excluded from the search. Can be described using portions of file names.

**Returns** **sought\_class** – The uninstantiated class sought

**Return type** `inherited_class`

## find\_function

`utils.find_function(function_name, function_folder, excluded_files=None)`

Finds and imports a function from a given folder. Does not look in subfolders

### Parameters

- **function\_name** (*string*) – The name of the function to be used
- **function\_folder** (*basestring*) – The path where the function is likely to be found



- **excluded\_files** (*list*, *optional*) – A list of modules to be excluded from the search. Can be described using portions of file names.

**Returns** **sought\_class** – The uninstantiated class sought

**Return type** **inherited\_class**

## flatten

`utils.flatten(data)`

Yields the elements in order from any N dimensional iterable

**Parameters** **data** (*iterable*) –

**Yields** **ID** (*(string,list)*) – A pair containing the value at each location and the co-ordinates used to access them.

## Examples

```
>>> a = [[1, 2, 3],[4, 5, 6]]
>>> for i, loc in flatten(a): print(i,loc)
1 [0, 0]
2 [0, 1]
3 [0, 2]
4 [1, 0]
5 [1, 1]
6 [1, 2]
```

## getClassArgs

`utils.getClassArgs(inspected_class, arg_ignore=[u'self'])`

Finds the arguments that could be passed into the specified class

## getClassAttributes

`utils.getClassAttributes(inspected_class, ignore=[u'self'])`

Finds the public attributes of the specified class

## getFuncArgs

`utils.getFuncArgs(inspected_function)`

Finds the arguments that could be passed into the specified function

**Parameters** **inspected\_function** –

**Returns**

## kendalw

`utils.kendalw(data, ranked=False)`

Calculates Kendall's W for a n\*m array with n items and m 'judges'.

**Parameters**

- **data** (*list* or *np.ndarray*) – The data in the form of an n\*m array with n items and m 'judges'

- **ranked** (*bool*, *optional*) – If the data has already been ranked or not. Default `False`

**Returns** `w` – The Kendall's W

**Return type** `float`

### Notes

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### Examples

```
>>> data = np.array([[2., 0., 5., 1.], [3., 3., 3., 4.], [1., 5., 3., 5.], [1.,  
→ 1., 4., 2.], [2., 4., 5., 1.], [1., 0., 0., 2.]])
```

```
>>> kendalw(data)  
0.22857142857142856
```

```
>>> data = np.array([[1, 1, 1, 1], [2, 2, 2, 2], [3, 3, 3, 3], [4, 4, 4, 4],  
→ [5, 5, 5, 5], [6, 6, 6, 6]])
```

```
>>> kendalw(data)  
1.0
```

## kendalwt

`utils.kendalwt` (*data*, *ranked=False*)

Calculates Kendall's W for a *n\*m* array with *n* items and *m* 'judges'. Corrects for ties.

### Parameters

- **data** (*list* or *np.ndarray*) – The data in the form of an *n\*m* array with *n* items and *m* 'judges'
- **ranked** (*bool*, *optional*) – If the data has already been ranked or not. Default `False`

**Returns** `w` – The Kendall's W

**Return type** `float`

### Notes

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### Examples

```
>>> data = np.array([[2., 0., 5., 1.], [3., 3., 3., 4.], [1., 5., 3., 5.], [1.,  
→ 1., 4., 2.], [2., 4., 5., 1.], [1., 0., 0., 2.]])  
>>> kendalwt(data)  
0.24615384615384617
```

```
>>> data = np.array([[1, 1, 1, 1], [2, 2, 2, 2], [3, 3, 3, 3], [4, 4, 4, 4],
→ [5, 5, 5, 5], [6, 6, 6, 6]])
>>> kendalwt(data)
1.0
```

## kendalwts

`utils.kendalwts(data, ranked=False)`

Calculates Kendall's W for a  $n \times m$  array with  $n$  items and  $m$  'judges'. Corrects for ties.

### Parameters

- **data** (*list* or *np.ndarray*) – The data in the form of an  $n \times m$  array with  $n$  items and  $m$  'judges'
- **ranked** (*bool*, *optional*) – If the data has already been ranked or not. Default False

**Returns** **w** – The Kendall's W

**Return type** **float**

## Notes

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## Examples

```
>>> data = np.array([[2., 0., 5., 1.], [3., 3., 3., 4.], [1., 5., 3., 5.], [1.,
→ 1., 4., 2.], [2., 4., 5., 1.], [1., 0., 0., 2.]])
>>> kendalwts(data)
0.24615384615384617
```

```
>>> data = np.array([[1, 1, 1, 1], [2, 2, 2, 2], [3, 3, 3, 3], [4, 4, 4, 4],
→ [5, 5, 5, 5], [6, 6, 6, 6]])
>>> kendalwts(data)
1.0
```

## kldivergence

`utils.kldivergence(m0, m1, c0, c1)`

Calculates the Kullback–Leibler divergence between two distributions using the means and covariances

### Parameters

- **m0** (*array of N floats*) – The means of distribution 0
- **m1** (*array of N floats*) – The means of distribution 1
- **c0** (*NxN array of floats*) – The covariance matrix for distribution 0
- **c1** (*NxN array of floats*) – The covariance matrix for distribution 1

**Returns** **kl** – The Kullback–Leibler divergence

**Return type** **float**

## listMerge

`utils.listMerge(*args)`

For merging lists with objects that are not solely numbers

**Parameters** `args` (*list of lists*) – A list of 1D lists of objects

**Returns** `combinations` – An `np.array` with `len(args)` columns and a row for each combination

**Return type** `np.array`

### Examples

```
>>> listMerge([1, 2, 3], [5, 6, 7]).T
array([[1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 3],
       [5, 5, 5, 6, 6, 6, 7, 7, 7]])
```

## listMergeGen

`utils.listMergeGen(*args)`

Fast merging of lists of numbers

**Parameters** `args` (*list of lists of numbers*) – A list of 1D lists of numbers

**Yields** `combination` (*numpy.array of 1 x len(args)*) – Array of all combinations

### Examples

```
>>> for i in listMergeGen(0.7): print(repr(i))
array([0.7])
>>> for i in listMergeGen([0.7, 0.1]): print(repr(i))
array([0.7])
array([0.1])
>>> for i in listMergeGen([0.7, 0.1], [0.6]): print(repr(i))
array([0.7, 0.6])
array([0.1, 0.6])
>>> for i in listMergeGen([0.7, 0.1], []): print(repr(i))
```

```
>>> for i in listMergeGen([0.7, 0.1], 0.6): print(repr(i))
array([0.7, 0.6])
array([0.1, 0.6])
```

## listMergeNP

`utils.listMergeNP(*args)`

Fast merging of lists of numbers

**Parameters** `args` (*list of lists of numbers*) – A list of 1D lists of numbers

**Returns** `combinations` – An `np.array` with `len(args)` columns and a row for each combination

**Return type** `np.array`

### Examples

```
>>> listMergeNP([1, 2, 3], [5, 6, 7]).T
array([[1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 3], [5, 5, 5, 6, 6, 6, 7, 7, 7]])
```

## list\_all\_equal

`utils.list_all_equal(data)`

Checks if all of the elements of a list are the same.

**Parameters** `data` (*list of 1D*) – The list of elements to compare

**Returns** `equivalence` – True if the elements are all the same

**Return type** `bool`

## Notes

Based on <https://stackoverflow.com/questions/3844801>

## mergeDatasetRepr

`utils.mergeDatasetRepr(data, dataLabel=u'')`

Take a list of dictionaries and turn it into a dictionary of lists of strings

### Parameters

- **data** (*list of dicts containing strings, lists or numbers*) –
- **dataLabel** (*string, optional*) – This string will be appended to the front of each key in the new dataset Default blank

**Returns** `newStore` – For each key a list will be formed of the string representations of each of the former key values.

**Return type** dictionary of lists of strings

## mergeDatasets

`utils.mergeDatasets(data, extend=False)`

Take a list of dictionaries and turn it into a dictionary of lists of objects

### Parameters

- **data** (*list of dicts containing strings, lists or numbers*) –
- **extend** (*bool, optional*) – If lists should be extended rather than appended. Default False

**Returns** `newStore` – For each key a list will be formed of the former key values. If a data set did not contain a key a value of None will be entered for it.

**Return type** dictionary of lists of objects

## Examples

```
>>> data = [{'a':[1, 2, 3], 'b':[7, 8, 9]}, {'b':[4, 5, 6], 'c':'string', 'd':5}]
>>> mergeDatasets(data)
{'a': [[1, 2, 3], None], 'c': [None, 'string'], 'b': [[7, 8, 9], [4, 5, 6]], 'd': [None, 5]}
>>> mergeDatasets(data, extend=True)
{'a': [1, 2, 3, None], 'c': [None, 'string'], 'b': [7, 8, 9, 4, 5, 6], 'd': [None, 5]}
>>> data = [{'b': np.array([[7, 8, 9], [1, 2, 3]])}, {'b': np.array([[4, 5, 6], [2, 3, 4]])}]
```

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```
>>> mergeDatasets(data, extend = True)
{'b': [array([7, 8, 9]), array([1, 2, 3]), array([4, 5, 6]), array([2, 3, 4])]}
>>> mergeDatasets(data)
{'b': [array([7, 8, 9], [1, 2, 3]), array([4, 5, 6], [2, 3, 4])]}
```

## mergeDicts

`utils.mergeDicts(*args)`

Merges any number of dictionaries with different keys into a new dict

Precedence goes to key value pairs in latter dicts

**Parameters** `args` (*list of dictionaries*) –

**Returns** `mergedDict`

**Return type** dictionary

## mergeTwoDicts

`utils.mergeTwoDicts(x, y)`

Given two dicts, merge them into a new dict as a shallow copy

Assumes different keys in both dictionaries

**Parameters**

- `x` (*dictionary*) –
- `y` (*dictionary*) –

**Returns** `mergedDict`

**Return type** dictionary

## movingaverage

`utils.movingaverage(data, windowSize, edgeCorrection=False)`

Average over an array

**Parameters**

- **data** (*list of floats*) – The data to average
- **windowSize** (*int*) – The size of the window
- **edgeCorrection** (*bool*) – If True the edges are repaired so that there is no unusual dropoff

**Returns** `convolution`

**Return type** array

## Examples

```
>>> movingaverage([1, 1, 1, 1, 1], 3)
array([0.66666667, 1.        , 1.        , 1.        , 0.66666667])
>>> movingaverage([1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1], 4)
array([0.5 , 0.75, 1.   , 1.   , 1.   , 1.   , 1.   , 0.75])
```

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```
>>> movingaverage([1, 1, 1, 1, 1], 3, edgeCorrection=True)
array([1., 1., 1., 1., 1.])
```

## runningAverage

`utils.runningAverage(data)`

An accumulating mean

**Parameters** `data` (*list or 1-D array of floats*) – The set of values to be averaged

**Returns** `results` – The values from the moving average

**Return type** `ndArray` of length `data`

## Examples

```
>>> runningAverage([1, 2, 3, 4])
array([1. , 1.5, 2. , 2.5])
```

## runningMean

`utils.runningMean(oldMean, newValue, numValues)`

A running mean

### Parameters

- **oldMean** (*float*) – The old running average mean
- **newValue** (*float*) – The new value to be added to the mean
- **numValues** (*int*) – The number of values in the new running mean once this value is included

**Returns** `newMean` – The new running average mean

**Return type** `float`

## Notes

Based on Donald Knuth's Art of Computer Programming, Vol 2, page 232, 3rd edition and taken from [https://www.johndcook.com/blog/standard\\_deviation/](https://www.johndcook.com/blog/standard_deviation/)

## Examples

```
>>> runningMean(1, 2, 2)
1.5
>>> runningMean(1.5, 3, 3)
2.0
```

## runningSTD

`utils.runningSTD(oldSTD, oldMean, newMean, newValue)`

### Parameters

- **oldSTD** (*float*) – The old running average standard deviation

- **oldMean** (*float*) – The old running average mean
- **newMean** (*float*) – The new running average mean
- **newValue** (*float*) – The new value to be added to the mean

**Returns** **newSTD** – The new running average standard deviation

**Return type** *float*

## Notes

Based on Donald Knuth's Art of Computer Programming, Vol 2, page 232, 3rd edition (which is based on B. P. Welford (2012) Note on a Method for Calculating Corrected Sums of Squares and Products, Technometrics, 4:3, 419-420, DOI: 10.1080/00401706.1962.10490022 This version is taken from [https://www.johndcook.com/blog/standard\\_deviation/](https://www.johndcook.com/blog/standard_deviation/)

## Examples

```
>>> runningSTD(0, 1, 1.5, 2)
0.5
```

```
>>> runningSTD(0.5, 1.5, 2.0, 3)
2.0
```

## unique

`utils.unique(seq, idfun=None)`

Finds the unique items in a list and returns them in order found.

Inspired by discussion on <http://www.peterbe.com/plog/uniqifiers-benchmark> Notably f10 Andrew Dalke and f8 by Dave Kirby

### Parameters

- **seq** (*an iterable object*) – The sequence from which the unique list will be compiled
- **idfun** (*function, optional*) – A hashing function for transforming the items into the form that is to be compared. Default is the None

**Returns** **result** – The list of unique items

**Return type** *list*

## Examples

```
>>> a=list('ABeeE')
>>> unique(a)
['A', 'B', 'e', 'E']
```

```
>>> unique(a, lambda x: x.lower())
['A', 'B', 'e']
```

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**Note:** Unless order is needed it is best to use `list(set(seq))`

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## varyingParams

`utils.varyingParams` (*intObjects*, *params*)

Takes a list of models or tasks and returns a dictionary with only the parameters which vary and their values

### 6.10.1.2 Classes

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*ClassNameError*

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*FunctionNameError*

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#### ClassNameError

**exception** `utils.ClassNameError`

#### FunctionNameError

**exception** `utils.FunctionNameError`

### 6.10.1.3 Class Inheritance Diagram

**Author** Dominic Hunt

**exception** `utils.ClassNameError`

Bases: `exceptions.Exception`

**exception** `utils.FunctionNameError`

Bases: `exceptions.Exception`

`utils.argProcess` (*\*\*kwargs*)

`utils.callableDetails` (*item*)

Takes a callable item and extracts the details.

Currently only extracts things stored in `item.Name` and `item.Params`

**Parameters** `item` (*callable item*) –

**Returns** `details` – Contains the properties of the

**Return type** tuple pair with string and dictionary of strings

#### Examples

```
>>> from utils import callableDetails
>>> def foo(): print("foo")
>>> foo.Name = "boo"
>>> callableDetails(foo)
('boo', None)
>>> foo.Params = {1: 2, 2: 3}
>>> callableDetails(foo)
('boo', {'1': '2', '2': '3'})
```

`utils.callableDetailsString` (*item*)

Takes a callable item and returns a string detailing the function.

Currently only extracts things stored in `item.Name` and `item.Params`

**Parameters** `item` (*callable item*) –

**Returns** `description` – Contains the properties and name of the callable

**Return type** string

### Examples

```
>>> from utils import callableDetailsString
>>> def foo(): print("foo")
>>> foo.Name = "boo"
>>> callableDetailsString(foo)
'boo'
>>> foo.Params = {1: 2, 2: 3}
>>> callableDetailsString(foo)
'boo with 1 : 2, 2 : 3'
```

`utils.date()`

Provides a string of today's date

**Returns** `date` – The string is of the form [year]-[month]-[day]

**Return type** string

`utils.discountAverage(data, discount)`

An accumulating mean

**Parameters**

- **data** (*list or 1-D array of floats*) – The set of values to be averaged
- **discount** (*float*) – The value by which each previous value is discounted

**Returns** `results` – The values from the moving average

**Return type** ndarray of length data

### Examples

```
>>> discountAverage([1, 2, 3, 4], 1)
array([1. , 1.5, 2. , 2.5])
>>> discountAverage([1, 2, 3, 4], 0.25)
array([1. , 1.8 , 2.71428571, 3.68235294])
```

`utils.errorResp()`

Takes an error that has been caught and returns the details as a string

**Returns** `description` – Contains the description of the error

**Return type** string

`utils.find_class(class_name, class_folder, inherited_class, excluded_files=None)`

Finds and imports a class from a given folder. Does not look in subfolders

**Parameters**

- **class\_name** (*string*) – The name of the class to be used
- **class\_folder** (*basestring*) – The path where the class is likely to be found
- **inherited\_class** (*class*) – The class that the searched for class inherits from
- **excluded\_files** (*list, optional*) – A list of modules to be excluded from the search. Can be described using portions of file names.

**Returns** `sought_class` – The uninstantiated class sought

**Return type** `inherited_class`

`utils.find_function(function_name, function_folder, excluded_files=None)`

Finds and imports a function from a given folder. Does not look in subfolders

**Parameters**

- **function\_name** (*string*) – The name of the function to be used
- **function\_folder** (*basestring*) – The path where the function is likely to be found
- **excluded\_files** (*list, optional*) – A list of modules to be excluded from the search. Can be described using portions of file names.

**Returns** `sought_class` – The uninstantiated class sought

**Return type** `inherited_class`

`utils.flatten(data)`

Yields the elements in order from any N dimensional iterable

**Parameters** `data` (*iterable*) –

**Yields** `ID ((string,list))` – A pair containing the value at each location and the co-ordinates used to access them.

## Examples

```
>>> a = [[1, 2, 3],[4, 5, 6]]
>>> for i, loc in flatten(a): print(i,loc)
1 [0, 0]
2 [0, 1]
3 [0, 2]
4 [1, 0]
5 [1, 1]
6 [1, 2]
```

`utils.getClassArgs(inspected_class, arg_ignore=[u'self'])`

Finds the arguments that could be passed into the specified class

`utils.getClassAttributes(inspected_class, ignore=[u'self'])`

Finds the public attributes of the specified class

`utils.getFuncArgs(inspected_function)`

Finds the arguments that could be passed into the specified function

**Parameters** `inspected_function` –

**Returns**

`utils.kendalw(data, ranked=False)`

Calculates Kendall's W for a n\*m array with n items and m 'judges'.

**Parameters**

- **data** (*list or np.ndarray*) – The data in the form of an n\*m array with n items and m 'judges'
- **ranked** (*bool, optional*) – If the data has already been ranked or not. Default False

**Returns** `w` – The Kendall's W

**Return type** `float`

## Notes

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## Examples

```
>>> data = np.array([[2., 0., 5., 1.], [3., 3., 3., 4.], [1., 5., 3., 5.], [1.,  
→ 1., 4., 2.], [2., 4., 5., 1.], [1., 0., 0., 2.]])
```

```
>>> kendalw(data)  
0.22857142857142856
```

```
>>> data = np.array([[1, 1, 1, 1], [2, 2, 2, 2], [3, 3, 3, 3], [4, 4, 4, 4],  
→ [5, 5, 5, 5], [6, 6, 6, 6]])
```

```
>>> kendalw(data)  
1.0
```

`utils.kendalwt` (*data*, *ranked=False*)

Calculates Kendall's W for a  $n*m$  array with  $n$  items and  $m$  'judges'. Corrects for ties.

### Parameters

- **data** (*list* or *np.ndarray*) – The data in the form of an  $n*m$  array with  $n$  items and  $m$  'judges'
- **ranked** (*bool*, *optional*) – If the data has already been ranked or not. Default `False`

**Returns** *w* – The Kendall's W

**Return type** `float`

## Notes

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## Examples

```
>>> data = np.array([[2., 0., 5., 1.], [3., 3., 3., 4.], [1., 5., 3., 5.], [1.,  
→ 1., 4., 2.], [2., 4., 5., 1.], [1., 0., 0., 2.]])  
>>> kendalwt(data)  
0.24615384615384617
```

```
>>> data = np.array([[1, 1, 1, 1], [2, 2, 2, 2], [3, 3, 3, 3], [4, 4, 4, 4],  
→ [5, 5, 5, 5], [6, 6, 6, 6]])  
>>> kendalwt(data)  
1.0
```

`utils.kendalwts` (*data*, *ranked=False*)

Calculates Kendall's W for a  $n*m$  array with  $n$  items and  $m$  'judges'. Corrects for ties.

### Parameters

- **data** (*list* or *np.ndarray*) – The data in the form of an  $n \times m$  array with  $n$  items and  $m$  ‘judges’
- **ranked** (*bool*, *optional*) – If the data has already been ranked or not. Default `False`

**Returns** `w` – The Kendall’s  $W$

**Return type** `float`

## Notes

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## Examples

```
>>> data = np.array([[2., 0., 5., 1.], [3., 3., 3., 4.], [1., 5., 3., 5.], [1.,
→ 1., 4., 2.], [2., 4., 5., 1.], [1., 0., 0., 2.]])
>>> kendalwts(data)
0.24615384615384617
```

```
>>> data = np.array([[1, 1, 1, 1], [2, 2, 2, 2], [3, 3, 3, 3], [4, 4, 4, 4],
→ [5, 5, 5, 5], [6, 6, 6, 6]])
>>> kendalwts(data)
1.0
```

`utils.kldivergence(m0, m1, c0, c1)`

Calculates the Kullback–Leibler divergence between two distributions using the means and covariances

### Parameters

- **m0** (*array of  $N$  floats*) – The means of distribution 0
- **m1** (*array of  $N$  floats*) – The means of distribution 1
- **c0** ( *$N \times N$  array of floats*) – The covariance matrix for distribution 0
- **c1** ( *$N \times N$  array of floats*) – The covariance matrix for distribution 1

**Returns** `kl` – The Kullback–Leibler divergence

**Return type** `float`

`utils.listMerge(*args)`

For merging lists with objects that are not solely numbers

**Parameters** **args** (*list of lists*) – A list of 1D lists of objects

**Returns** **combinations** – An `np.array` with `len(args)` columns and a row for each combination

**Return type** `np.array`

## Examples

```
>>> listMerge([1, 2, 3], [5, 6, 7]).T
array([[1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 3],
       [5, 5, 5, 6, 6, 6, 7, 7, 7]])
```

`utils.listMergeGen(*args)`

Fast merging of lists of numbers

**Parameters** **args** (*list of lists of numbers*) – A list of 1D lists of numbers

**Yields combination** (*numpy.array of 1 x len(args)*) – Array of all combinations

### Examples

```
>>> for i in listMergeGen(0.7): print(repr(i))
array([0.7])
>>> for i in listMergeGen([0.7, 0.1]): print(repr(i))
array([0.7])
array([0.1])
>>> for i in listMergeGen([0.7, 0.1], [0.6]): print(repr(i))
array([0.7, 0.6])
array([0.1, 0.6])
>>> for i in listMergeGen([0.7, 0.1], []): print(repr(i))
```

```
>>> for i in listMergeGen([0.7, 0.1], 0.6): print(repr(i))
array([0.7, 0.6])
array([0.1, 0.6])
```

`utils.listMergeNP(*args)`

Fast merging of lists of numbers

**Parameters** **args** (*list of lists of numbers*) – A list of 1D lists of numbers

**Returns** **combinations** – An np.array with len(args) columns and a row for each combination

**Return type** np.array

### Examples

```
>>> listMergeNP([1, 2, 3], [5, 6, 7]).T
array([[1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 3], [5, 5, 5, 6, 6, 6, 7, 7, 7]])
```

`utils.list_all_equal(data)`

Checks if all of the elements of a list are the same.

**Parameters** **data** (*list of 1D*) – The list of elements to compare

**Returns** **equivalence** – True if the elements are all the same

**Return type** bool

### Notes

Based on <https://stackoverflow.com/questions/3844801>

`utils.mergeDatasetRepr(data, dataLabel=u'')`

Take a list of dictionaries and turn it into a dictionary of lists of strings

#### Parameters

- **data** (*list of dicts containing strings, lists or numbers*) –
- **dataLabel** (*string, optional*) – This string will be appended to the front of each key in the new dataset Default blank

**Returns** **newStore** – For each key a list will be formed of the string representations of each of the former key values.

**Return type** dictionary of lists of strings

`utils.mergeDatasets(data, extend=False)`

Take a list of dictionaries and turn it into a dictionary of lists of objects

**Parameters**

- **data** (*list of dicts containing strings, lists or numbers*) –
- **extend** (*bool, optional*) – If lists should be extended rather than appended. Default False

**Returns newStore** – For each key a list will be formed of the former key values. If a data set did not contain a key a value of None will be entered for it.

**Return type** dictionary of lists of objects

**Examples**

```
>>> data = [{'a':[1, 2, 3], 'b':[7, 8, 9]}, {'b':[4, 5, 6], 'c':'string', 'd':5}]
>>> mergeDatasets(data)
{'a': [[1, 2, 3], None], 'c': [None, 'string'], 'b': [[7, 8, 9], [4, 5, 6]], 'd': [None, 5]}
>>> mergeDatasets(data, extend=True)
{'a': [1, 2, 3, None], 'c': [None, 'string'], 'b': [7, 8, 9, 4, 5, 6], 'd': [None, 5]}
>>> data = [{'b': np.array([7, 8, 9], [1, 2, 3])}, {'b': np.array([4, 5, 6], [2, 3, 4])}]
>>> mergeDatasets(data, extend = True)
{'b': [array([7, 8, 9]), array([1, 2, 3]), array([4, 5, 6]), array([2, 3, 4])]}
>>> mergeDatasets(data)
{'b': [array([7, 8, 9], [1, 2, 3]), array([4, 5, 6], [2, 3, 4])]}
```

`utils.mergeDicts(*args)`

Merges any number of dictionaries with different keys into a new dict

Precedence goes to key value pairs in latter dicts

**Parameters args** (*list of dictionaries*) –

**Returns mergedDict**

**Return type** dictionary

`utils.mergeTwoDicts(x, y)`

Given two dicts, merge them into a new dict as a shallow copy

Assumes different keys in both dictionaries

**Parameters**

- **x** (*dictionary*) –
- **y** (*dictionary*) –

**Returns mergedDict**

**Return type** dictionary

`utils.movingaverage(data, windowSize, edgeCorrection=False)`

Average over an array

**Parameters**

- **data** (*list of floats*) – The data to average
- **windowSize** (*int*) – The size of the window
- **edgeCorrection** (*bool*) – If True the edges are repaired so that there is no unusual dropoff

**Returns convolution**

**Return type** array

### Examples

```
>>> movingaverage([1, 1, 1, 1, 1], 3)
array([0.66666667, 1.        , 1.        , 1.        , 0.66666667])
>>> movingaverage([1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1], 4)
array([0.5 , 0.75, 1.   , 1.   , 1.   , 1.   , 1.   , 0.75])
>>> movingaverage([1, 1, 1, 1, 1], 3, edgeCorrection=True)
array([1., 1., 1., 1., 1.])
```

`utils.runningAverage(data)`

An accumulating mean

**Parameters** `data` (*list or 1-D array of floats*) – The set of values to be averaged

**Returns** `results` – The values from the moving average

**Return type** ndarray of length data

### Examples

```
>>> runningAverage([1,2,3,4])
array([1. , 1.5, 2. , 2.5])
```

`utils.runningMean(oldMean, newValue, numValues)`

A running mean

#### Parameters

- **oldMean** (*float*) – The old running average mean
- **newValue** (*float*) – The new value to be added to the mean
- **numValues** (*int*) – The number of values in the new running mean once this value is included

**Returns** `newMean` – The new running average mean

**Return type** float

### Notes

Based on Donald Knuth's Art of Computer Programming, Vol 2, page 232, 3rd edition and taken from [https://www.johndcook.com/blog/standard\\_deviation/](https://www.johndcook.com/blog/standard_deviation/)

### Examples

```
>>> runningMean(1, 2, 2)
1.5
>>> runningMean(1.5, 3, 3)
2.0
```

`utils.runningSTD(oldSTD, oldMean, newMean, newValue)`

#### Parameters

- **oldSTD** (*float*) – The old running average standard deviation
- **oldMean** (*float*) – The old running average mean
- **newMean** (*float*) – The new running average mean



- **newValue** (*float*) – The new value to be added to the mean

**Returns** **newSTD** – The new running average standard deviation

**Return type** *float*

## Notes

Based on Donald Knuth's Art of Computer Programming, Vol 2, page 232, 3rd edition (which is based on B. P. Welford (2012) Note on a Method for Calculating Corrected Sums of Squares and Products, Technometrics, 4:3, 419-420, DOI: 10.1080/00401706.1962.10490022 This version is taken from [https://www.johndcook.com/blog/standard\\_deviation/](https://www.johndcook.com/blog/standard_deviation/)

## Examples

```
>>> runningSTD(0, 1, 1.5, 2)
0.5
```

```
>>> runningSTD(0.5, 1.5, 2.0, 3)
2.0
```

`utils.unique(seq, idfun=None)`

Finds the unique items in a list and returns them in order found.

Inspired by discussion on <http://www.peterbe.com/plog/uniqifiers-benchmark> Notably f10 Andrew Dalke and f8 by Dave Kirby

### Parameters

- **seq** (*an iterable object*) – The sequence from which the unique list will be compiled
- **idfun** (*function, optional*) – A hashing function for transforming the items into the form that is to be compared. Default is the None

**Returns** **result** – The list of unique items

**Return type** *list*

## Examples

```
>>> a=list('ABeeE')
>>> unique(a)
['A', 'B', 'e', 'E']
```

```
>>> unique(a, lambda x: x.lower())
['A', 'B', 'e']
```

---

**Note:** Unless order is needed it is best to use `list(set(seq))`

---

`utils.varyingParams(intObjects, params)`

Takes a list of models or tasks and returns a dictionary with only the parameters which vary and their values



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