

# Package ‘scdhlm’

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**Description** Provides a set of tools for estimating hierarchical linear models and effect sizes based on data from single-case designs. Functions are provided for calculating standardized mean difference effect sizes that are directly comparable to standardized mean differences estimated from between-subjects randomized experiments, as described in Hedges, Pustejovsky, and Shadish (2012) <DOI:10.1002/jrsm.1052>; Hedges, Pustejovsky, and Shadish (2013) <DOI:10.1002/jrsm.1086>; and Pustejovsky, Hedges, and Shadish (2014) <DOI:10.3102/1076998614547577>. Includes an interactive web interface.

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**Description**

Data from a multiple baseline design conducted by Alber-Morgan, Ramp, Anderson, & Martin (2007). The variables are as follows:

- case Participant identifier
- condition Factor identifying the phase of the design (baseline or treatment)
- session Measurement occasion
- outcome Number of words read correctly per minute

**Format**

A data frame with 119 rows and 4 variables

**Source**

Alber-Morgan, S. R., Ramp, E. M., Anderson, L. L., & Martin, C. M. (2007). Effects of repeated readings, error correction, and performance feedback on the fluency and comprehension of middle school students with behavior problems. *Journal of Special Education*, 41(1), 17-30. doi:[10.1177/00224669070410010201](https://doi.org/10.1177/00224669070410010201)

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Anglesea

*Example 2 from Hedges, Pustejovsky, & Shadish (2012)*

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**Description**

Data from an ABAB design conducted by Anglesea, Hoch, & Taylor (2008). The variables are as follows:

- case Case identifier.
- condition Factor indicating baseline or treatment condition
- phase Study phase (including both control and treatment condition)
- session Measurement occasion
- outcome Total seconds of eating time

**Format**

A data frame with 55 rows and 5 variables

**Source**

Anglesea, M. M., Hoch, H., & Taylor, B. A. (2008). Reducing rapid eating in teenagers with autism: Use of a pager prompt. *Journal of Applied Behavior Analysis*, 41(1), 107-111. doi:[10.1901/jaba.2008.41-107](https://doi.org/10.1901/jaba.2008.41-107)

**References**

Hedges, L. V., Pustejovsky, J. E., & Shadish, W. R. (2012). A standardized mean difference effect size for single case designs. *Research Synthesis Methods*, 3, 224-239. doi:[10.1002/jrsm.1052](https://doi.org/10.1002/jrsm.1052)

BartonArwood

*Barton-Arwood, Wehby, & Falk (2005)*

### Description

Data from a multiple baseline design conducted by Barton-Arwood, Wehby, and Falk (2005). The variables are as follows:

- case Participant identifier
- condition Factor identifying the phase of the design (A or B)
- session Measurement occasion
- outcome Oral reading fluency score (words per minute)

### Format

A data frame with 143 rows and 4 variables

### Source

Barton-Arwood, S. M., Wehby, J. H., & Falk, K. B. (2005). Reading instruction for elementary-age students with emotional and behavioral disorders: Academic and behavioral outcomes. *Exceptional Children*, 72(1), 7-27. doi:10.1177/001440290507200101

Bryant2018

*Bryant et al. (2018)*

### Description

Data from a multiple baseline across clusters design conducted by Bryant et al. (2018). The variables are as follows:

- Study\_ID. Study identifier.
- school. School identifier.
- case. Student identifier.
- treatment. Indicator for treatment phase.
- session. Measurement occasion.
- session\_trt. Measurement occasion times treatment phase.
- outcome. Texas Early Mathematics Inventory (TEMI-Aim Check) scores.
- session\_c. Measurement occasion centered at the follow-up time.

### Format

A data frame with 536 rows and 8 variables

**Source**

Bryant, D. R., Bryant, B. R., Sorelle-Miner, D. A., Falcomata, T. S. & Nozari, M. (2018). Tier 3 intensified intervention for second grade students with severe mathematics difficulties. *Archives of Psychology*, 2(11), 1-24. doi:[10.31296/aop.v2i11.86](https://doi.org/10.31296/aop.v2i11.86)

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Carson

*Carson (2008)*

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**Description**

Data from a BAB design conducted by Carson, Gast, & Ayres (2008). The variables are as follows:

- case Participant identifier
- treatment Factor describing the treatment condition
- phase Numeric describing the phase of the study design for each case
- outcome Outcome scores
- time Measurement occasion

**Format**

A data frame with 47 rows and 5 variables

**Source**

Carson, K. D., Gast, D. L., & Ayres, K. M. (2008). Effects of a photo activity schedule book on independent task changes by students with intellectual disabilities in community and school job sites. *European Journal of Special Needs Education*, 23, 269-279.

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CI\_g

*Approximate confidence interval for BC-SMD effect size estimates*

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**Description**

Calculates an approximate confidence interval given a g\_REML or g\_HPS object, based on a non-central t approximation.

**Usage**

```
CI_g(g, cover = 0.95, bound = 35)
```

**Arguments**

g	an estimated effect size object of class g_REML or g_HPS
cover	confidence level
bound	numerical tolerance for non-centrality parameter in <a href="#">qt</a> .

**Value**

A vector of upper and lower confidence bounds.

**Examples**

```
data(Laski)
Laski_RML <- lme(fixed = outcome ~ treatment,
                    random = ~ 1 | case,
                    correlation = corAR1(0, ~ time | case),
                    data = Laski)
Laski_g <- g_REML(Laski_RML, p_const = c(0,1),
                    r_const = c(1,0,1), returnModel=FALSE)
CI_g(Laski_g)

Laski_HPS <- with(Laski, effect_size_MB(outcome, treatment, case, time))
CI_g(Laski_HPS)
```

compare\_RML\_HPS

*Run simulation comparing REML and HPS estimates*

**Description**

Simulates data from a simple linear mixed effects model, then calculates REML and HPS effect size estimators as described in Pustejovsky, Hedges, & Shadish (2014).

**Usage**

```
compare_RML_HPS(iterations, beta, rho, phi, design, m, n, MB = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

iterations	number of independent iterations of the simulation
beta	vector of fixed effect parameters
rho	intra-class correlation parameter
phi	autocorrelation parameter
design	design matrix. If not specified, it will be calculated based on m, n, and MB.
m	number of cases. Not used if design is specified.
n	number of measurement occasions. Not used if design is specified.
MB	If true, a multiple baseline design will be used; otherwise, an AB design will be used. Not used if design is specified.

**Value**

A matrix reporting the mean and variance of the effect size estimates and various associated statistics.

## References

Pustejovsky, J. E., Hedges, L. V., & Shadish, W. R. (2014). Design-comparable effect sizes in multiple baseline designs: A general modeling framework. *Journal of Educational and Behavioral Statistics*, 39(4), 211-227. doi:[10.3102/1076998614547577](https://doi.org/10.3102/1076998614547577)

## Examples

```
compare_RML_HPS(iterations=10, beta = c(0,1,0,0), rho = 0.3,
                  phi = 0.5, design=design_matrix(m=3,n=8))
```

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design\_matrix

*Create a design matrix for a single-case design*

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## Description

Create a design matrix containing a linear trend, a treatment effect, and a trend-by-treatment interaction for a single-case design with  $m$  cases and  $n$  measurement occasions.

## Usage

```
design_matrix(m, n, treat_times = n/2 + 1, center = 0)
```

## Arguments

<code>m</code>	number of cases
<code>n</code>	number of time points
<code>treat_times</code>	(Optional) vector of length $m$ listing treatment introduction times for each case.
<code>center</code>	centering point for time trend.

## Value

A design matrix

## Examples

```
design_matrix(3, 16, c(5,9,13))
```

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effect_size_ABk	<i>Calculates HPS effect size</i>
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## Description

Calculates the HPS effect size estimator based on data from an  $(AB)^k$  design, as described in Hedges, Pustejovsky, & Shadish (2012). Note that the data must contain one row per measurement occasion per subject.

## Usage

```
effect_size_ABk(
  outcome,
  treatment,
  id,
  phase,
  time,
  data = NULL,
  phi = NULL,
  rho = NULL
)
```

## Arguments

<code>outcome</code>	Vector of outcome data or name of variable within data. May not contain any missing values.
<code>treatment</code>	Vector of treatment indicators or name of variable within data. Must be the same length as <code>outcome</code> .
<code>id</code>	factor vector indicating unique cases or name of variable within data. Must be the same length as <code>outcome</code> .
<code>phase</code>	factor vector indicating unique phases (each containing one contiguous control condition and one contiguous treatment condition) or name of variable within data. Must be the same length as <code>outcome</code> .
<code>time</code>	vector of measurement occasion times or name of variable within data. Must be the same length as <code>outcome</code> .
<code>data</code>	Optional dataset to use for analysis. Must be <code>data.frame</code> .
<code>phi</code>	Optional value of the auto-correlation nuisance parameter, to be used in calculating the small-sample adjusted effect size
<code>rho</code>	Optional value of the intra-class correlation nuisance parameter, to be used in calculating the small-sample adjusted effect size

**Value**

A list with the following components

M_a	Matrix reporting the total number of time points with data for all ids, by phase and treatment condition
M_dot	Total number of time points used to calculate the total variance (the sum of M_a)
D_bar	numerator of effect size estimate
S_sq	sample variance, pooled across time points and treatment groups
delta_hat_unadj	unadjusted effect size estimate
phi	corrected estimate of first-order auto-correlation
sigma_sq_w	corrected estimate of within-case variance
rho	estimated intra-class correlation
theta	estimated scalar constant
nu	estimated degrees of freedom
delta_hat	corrected effect size estimate
V_delta_hat	estimated variance of the effect size

**Note**

If phi or rho is left unspecified (or both), estimates for the nuisance parameters will be calculated.

**References**

Hedges, L. V., Pustejovsky, J. E., & Shadish, W. R. (2012). A standardized mean difference effect size for single case designs. *Research Synthesis Methods*, 3, 224-239. doi:[10.1002/jrsm.1052](https://doi.org/10.1002/jrsm.1052)

**Examples**

```
data(Lambert)
effect_size_ABk(outcome = outcome, treatment = treatment, id = case,
                phase = phase, time = time, data = Lambert)

data(Anglesea)
effect_size_ABk(outcome = outcome, treatment = condition, id = case,
                phase = phase, time = session, data = Anglesea)
```

effect\_size\_MB

*Calculates HPS effect size***Description**

Calculates the HPS effect size estimator based on data from a multiple baseline design, as described in Hedges, Pustejovsky, & Shadish (2013). Note that the data must contain one row per measurement occasion per subject.

**Usage**

```
effect_size_MB(
  outcome,
  treatment,
  id,
  time,
  data = NULL,
  phi = NULL,
  rho = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>outcome</code>	Vector of outcome data or name of variable within <code>data</code> . May not contain any missing values.
<code>treatment</code>	Vector of treatment indicators or name of variable within <code>data</code> . Must be the same length as <code>outcome</code> .
<code>id</code>	factor vector indicating unique cases or name of variable within <code>data</code> . Must be the same length as <code>outcome</code> .
<code>time</code>	vector of measurement occasion times or name of variable within <code>data</code> . Must be the same length as <code>outcome</code> .
<code>data</code>	Optional dataset to use for analysis. Must be <code>data.frame</code> .
<code>phi</code>	Optional value of the auto-correlation nuisance parameter, to be used in calculating the small-sample adjusted effect size
<code>rho</code>	Optional value of the intra-class correlation nuisance parameter, to be used in calculating the small-sample adjusted effect size

**Value**

A list with the following components

<code>g_dotdot</code>	total number of non-missing observations
<code>K</code>	number of time-by-treatment groups containing at least one observation
<code>D_bar</code>	numerator of effect size estimate
<code>S_sq</code>	sample variance, pooled across time points and treatment groups
<code>delta_hat_unadj</code>	unadjusted effect size estimate
<code>phi</code>	corrected estimate of first-order auto-correlation
<code>sigma_sq_w</code>	corrected estimate of within-case variance
<code>rho</code>	estimated intra-class correlation
<code>theta</code>	estimated scalar constant
<code>nu</code>	estimated degrees of freedom
<code>delta_hat</code>	corrected effect size estimate
<code>V_delta_hat</code>	estimated variance of <code>delta_hat</code>

**Note**

If `phi` or `rho` is left unspecified (or both), estimates for the nuisance parameters will be calculated.

## References

Hedges, L. V., Pustejovsky, J. E., & Shadish, W. R. (2013). A standardized mean difference effect size for multiple baseline designs across individuals. *Research Synthesis Methods*, 4(4), 324-341. doi:[10.1002/jrsm.1086](https://doi.org/10.1002/jrsm.1086)

## Examples

```
data(Saddler)
effect_size_MB(outcome = outcome, treatment = treatment, id = case,
               time = time, data = subset(Saddler, measure=="writing quality"))

data(Laski)
effect_size_MB(outcome = outcome, treatment = treatment, id = case,
               time = time, data = Laski)
```

**g\_REML**

*Calculates adjusted REML effect size*

## Description

Estimates a design-comparable standardized mean difference effect size based on data from a multiple baseline design, using adjusted REML method as described in Pustejovsky, Hedges, & Shadish (2014). Note that the data must contain one row per measurement occasion per case.

## Usage

```
g_REML(
  m_fit,
  p_const,
  r_const,
  X_design = model.matrix(m_fit, data = m_fit$data),
  Z_design = model.matrix(m_fit$modelStruct$reStruct, data = m_fit$data),
  block = nlme:::getGroups(m_fit),
  times = attr(m_fit$modelStruct$corStruct, "covariate"),
  returnModel = TRUE
)
```

## Arguments

<b>m_fit</b>	Fitted model of class lme, with AR(1) correlation structure at level 1.
<b>p_const</b>	Vector of constants for calculating numerator of effect size. Must be the same length as fixed effects in <b>m_fit</b> .
<b>r_const</b>	Vector of constants for calculating denominator of effect size. Must be the same length as the number of variance component parameters in <b>m_fit</b> .
<b>X_design</b>	(Optional) Design matrix for fixed effects. Will be extracted from <b>m_fit</b> if not specified.

Z_design	(Optional) Design matrix for random effects. Will be extracted from m_fit if not specified.
block	(Optional) Factor variable describing the blocking structure. Will be extracted from m_fit if not specified.
times	(Optional) list of times used to describe AR(1) structure. Will be extracted from m_fit if not specified.
returnModel	(Optional) If true, the fitted input model is included in the return.

### Value

A list with the following components

p_beta	Numerator of effect size
r_theta	Squared denominator of effect size
delta_AB	Unadjusted (REML) effect size estimate
nu	Estimated denominator degrees of freedom
kappa	Scaled standard error of numerator
g_AB	Corrected effect size estimate
V_g_AB	Approximate variance estimate
cvg_warn	Indicator that model did not converge
sigma_sq	Estimated level-1 variance
phi	Estimated autocorrelation
Tau	Vector of level-2 variance components
I_E_inv	Expected information matrix

### References

Pustejovsky, J. E., Hedges, L. V., & Shadish, W. R. (2014). Design-comparable effect sizes in multiple baseline designs: A general modeling framework. *Journal of Educational and Behavioral Statistics*, 39(4), 211-227. doi:[10.3102/1076998614547577](https://doi.org/10.3102/1076998614547577)

### Examples

```

data(Laski)
Laski_RML <- lme(fixed = outcome ~ treatment,
                    random = ~ 1 | case,
                    correlation = corAR1(0, ~ time | case),
                    data = Laski)
summary(Laski_RML)
g_REML(Laski_RML, p_const = c(0,1), r_const = c(1,0,1), returnModel=FALSE)

data(Schutte)
Schutte$trt.week <- with(Schutte, unlist(tapply((treatment=="treatment") * week,
                                                 list(treatment,case), function(x) x - min(x))) + (treatment=="treatment"))
Schutte$week <- Schutte$week - 9
Schutte_RML <- lme(fixed = fatigue ~ week + treatment + trt.week,
                    random = ~ week | case,
                    correlation = corAR1(0, ~ week | case),

```

```

data = subset(Schutte, case != 4))
summary(Schutte_RML)
Schutte_g <- g_REML(Schutte_RML, p_const = c(0,0,1,7), r_const = c(1,0,1,0,0))
summary(Schutte_g)

```

Info\_Expected\_lmeAR1    *Calculate expected information matrix*

## Description

Calculates the expected information matrix from a fitted linear mixed effects model with AR(1) correlation structure in the level-1 errors.

## Usage

```
Info_Expected_lmeAR1(m_fit)
```

## Arguments

m\_fit                  Fitted model of class lme, with AR(1) correlation structure at level 1.

## Value

Expected Information matrix corresponding to variance components of m\_fit.

## Examples

```

data(Laski)
Laski_RML <- lme(fixed = outcome ~ treatment,
                    random = ~ 1 | case,
                    correlation = corAR1(0, ~ time | case),
                    data = Laski)
Info_Expected_lmeAR1(Laski_RML)

```

Lambert

*Example 1 from Hedges, Pustejovsky, & Shadish (2012)*

## Description

Data from an ABAB design conducted by Lambert, Cartledge, Heward, & Lo (2008). The variables are as follows:

- case. Student identifier.
- treatment. Factor indicating treatment or control condition. SSR = single-subject responding. RC = response cards.
- phase. Study phase (including both control and treatment condition)
- time. Measurement occasion.
- outcome. Intervals with disruptive behavior, as measured by a partial interval recording procedure with 10 ten-second intervals per session.

### **Format**

A data frame with 264 rows and 5 variables

### **Source**

Lambert, M. C., Cartledge, G., Heward, W. L., & Lo, Y. (2006). Effects of response cards on disruptive behavior and academic responding during math lessons by fourth-grade urban students. *Journal of Positive Behavior Interventions*, 8(2), 88-99.

### **References**

Hedges, L. V., Pustejovsky, J. E., & Shadish, W. R. (2012). A standardized mean difference effect size for single case designs. *Research Synthesis Methods*, 3, 224-239. doi:[10.1002/jrsm.1052](https://doi.org/10.1002/jrsm.1052)

Laski

*Example 2 from Hedges, Pustejovsky, & Shadish (2013)*

### **Description**

Data from a multiple baseline design conducted by Laski, Charlop, & Schreibman (1988). The variables are as follows:

- **case.** Child identifier.
- **outcome.** Frequency of child vocalization, as measured by a partial interval recording procedure with 60 ten-second intervals per session.
- **time.** Measurement occasion.
- **treatment.** Indicator for treatment phase.

### **Format**

A data frame with 128 rows and 4 variables

### **Source**

Laski, K. E., Charlop, M. H., & Schreibman, L. (1988). Training parents to use the natural language paradigm to increase their autistic children's speech. *Journal of Applied Behavior Analysis*, 21(4), 391-400.

### **References**

Hedges, L. V., Pustejovsky, J. E., & Shadish, W. R. (2013). A standardized mean difference effect size for multiple baseline designs across individuals. *Research Synthesis Methods*, 4(4), 324-341. doi:[10.1002/jrsm.1086](https://doi.org/10.1002/jrsm.1086)

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**MB1results*****MB1 simulation results***

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**Description**

Simulation results for model MB1 from Pustejovsky, Hedges, & Shadish (2014).

**Format**

A data frame

**References**

Pustejovsky, J. E., Hedges, L. V., & Shadish, W. R. (2014). Design-comparable effect sizes in multiple baseline designs: A general modeling framework. *Journal of Educational and Behavioral Statistics*, 39(4), 211-227. doi:[10.3102/1076998614547577](https://doi.org/10.3102/1076998614547577)

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**MB1time*****MB1 simulation time***

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**Description**

MB1 simulation time

**Format**

A data frame

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**MB2results*****MB2 simulation results***

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**Description**

Simulation results for model MB2 from Pustejovsky, Hedges, & Shadish (2014).

**Format**

A data frame

**References**

Pustejovsky, J. E., Hedges, L. V., & Shadish, W. R. (2014). Design-comparable effect sizes in multiple baseline designs: A general modeling framework. *Journal of Educational and Behavioral Statistics*, 39(4), 211-227. doi:[10.3102/1076998614547577](https://doi.org/10.3102/1076998614547577)

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MB2time

*MB2 simulation time*

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**Description**

MB2 simulation time

**Format**

A data frame

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MB4results

*MB4 simulation results*

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**Description**

Simulation results for model MB4 from Pustejovsky, Hedges, & Shadish (2014).

**Format**

A data frame

**References**

Pustejovsky, J. E., Hedges, L. V., & Shadish, W. R. (2014). Design-comparable effect sizes in multiple baseline designs: A general modeling framework. *Journal of Educational and Behavioral Statistics*, 39(4), 211-227. doi:[10.3102/1076998614547577](https://doi.org/10.3102/1076998614547577)

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MB4time

*MB4 simulation time*

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**Description**

MB4 simulation time

**Format**

A data frame

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Musser

*Musser (2001)*

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### Description

Data from a multiple baseline design conducted by Musser, Bray, Kehle, and Jenson (2001). The variables are as follows:

- student Participant identifier
- session Measurement occasion
- outcome Percentage of disruptive intervals
- treatment Factor indicating baseline, treatment, or follow-up phase

### Format

A data frame with 136 rows and 4 variables

### Source

Musser, E. H., Bray, M. A., Kehle, T. J., & Jenson, W. R. (2001). Reducing disruptive behaviors in students with serious emotional disturbance. *School Psychology Review, 30*(2), 294-304.

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Rodriguez

*Rodriguez & Anderson (2014)*

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### Description

Data from a multiple baseline design conducted by Rodriguez and Anderson (2014). The variables are as follows:

- case Participant identifier
- condition Factor identifying the phase of the design (A or B)
- session Measurement occasion
- outcome Percentage of intervals with problem behavior

### Format

A data frame with 148 rows and 4 variables

### Source

Rodriguez, B. J., & Anderson, C. M. (2014). Integrating a social behavior intervention during small group academic instruction using a total group criterion intervention. *Journal of Positive Behavior Interventions, 16*(4), 234-245. doi:[10.1177/1098300713492858](https://doi.org/10.1177/1098300713492858)

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Romaniuk

*Romaniuk (2002)*

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### Description

Data from a treatment reversal design conducted by Romaniuk and colleagues (2002). The variables are as follows:

- case Participant identifier
- phase Factor identifying the phase of the design
- condition Factor identifying the treatment condition
- session Measurement occasion
- outcome Problem behavior
- measurement Character string describing how problem behavior was measured

### Format

A data frame with 148 rows and 4 variables

### Source

Romaniuk, C., Miltenberger, R., Conyers, C., Jenner, N., Jurgens, M., & Ringenberg, C. (2002). The influence of activity choice on problem behaviors maintained by escape versus attention. *Journal of Applied Behavior Analysis*, 35(4), 349-62. doi:[10.1901/jaba.2002.35-349](https://doi.org/10.1901/jaba.2002.35-349)

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Ruiz

*Ruiz, et al. (2020)*

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### Description

Data from a multiple baseline design conducted by Ruiz, Luciano, Florez, Suarez-Falcon, & Cardona-Betancourt (2020). The variables are as follows:

- case. Participant identifier.
- measure. Outcome measure description (AAQ-II, ANXIETY, CFQ, DASS-TOTAL, DEPRESSION, PSWQ, PTQ, STRESS, VQ-OBJECTION, or VQ-PROGRESS).
- treatment Factor indicating baseline, treatment, post, or follow-up phase.
- time. Measurement occasion.
- outcome. Outcome scores.

### Format

A data frame with 840 rows and 5 variables

**Source**

Ruiz, F., Luciano, C., Florez, C., Suarez-Falcon, J., & Cardona-Betancourt, V. (2020). A Multiple-Baseline Evaluation of Acceptance and Commitment Therapy Focused on Repetitive Negative Thinking for Comorbid Generalized Anxiety Disorder and Depression. *Frontiers in Psychology*, 11. doi: [10.3389/fpsyg.2020.00356](https://doi.org/10.3389/fpsyg.2020.00356)

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Saddler*Example 1 from Hedges, Pustejovsky, & Shadish (2013)*

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**Description**

Data from a multiple baseline design conducted by Saddler, Behforooz, & Asaro, (2008). The variables are as follows:

- case Student identifier
- measure Factor indicating the outcome measure (writing quality, T-unit length, number of constructions)
- outcome Value of outcome measure.
- time. Measurement occasion.
- treatment. Factor indicating the treatment phase.

**Format**

A data frame with 124 rows and 5 variables

**Source**

Saddler, B., Behforooz, B., & Asaro, K. (2008). The effects of sentence-combining instruction on the writing of fourth-grade students with writing difficulties. *The Journal of Special Education*, 42(2), 79-90. doi:[10.1177/0022466907310371](https://doi.org/10.1177/0022466907310371)

**References**

Hedges, L. V., Pustejovsky, J. E., & Shadish, W. R. (2013). A standardized mean difference effect size for multiple baseline designs across individuals. *Research Synthesis Methods*, 4(4), 324-341. doi:[10.1002/jrsm.1086](https://doi.org/10.1002/jrsm.1086)

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Salazar

*Salazar, et al. (2020)*

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### Description

Data from a multiple baseline design conducted by Salazar, Ruiz, Ramírez1, & Cardona-Betancourt (2020). The variables are as follows:

- **case.** Participant identifier.
- **measure.** Outcome measure description (AFQ-Y, PTQ-C, or GPQ-C).
- **treatment** Factor indicating baseline, treatment, post, or follow-up phase.
- **time.** Measurement occasion.
- **outcome.** Outcome scores.

### Format

A data frame with 324 rows and 5 variables

### Source

Salazar, D., Ruiz, F., Ramírez, E., & Cardona-Betancourt, V. (2020). Acceptance and Commitment Therapy Focused on Repetitive Negative Thinking for Child Depression: A Randomized Multiple-Baseline Evaluation. *The Psychological Record*. doi:[10.1007/s40732-019-00362-5](https://doi.org/10.1007/s40732-019-00362-5)

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scdhlm

*scdhlm*

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### Description

Standardize mean difference effect size estimation based on hierarchical models for single-case designs.

### Details

**scdhlm** implements methods for estimating a design-comparable standardized mean difference effect size based on data from a single-case design. The following functions are available:

- [g\\_REML](#) implements the corrected REML estimator for a fitted `lme` model, as described in Pustejovsky, Hedges, and Shadish (2014).
- [effect\\_size\\_MB](#) implements the HPS estimator for the multiple baseline design, as described in Hedges, Pustejovsky, and Shadish (2013).
- [effect\\_size\\_ABk](#) implements the HPS estimator for the (AB)<sup>k</sup> design, as described in Hedges, Pustejovsky, and Shadish (2012).

The package also includes the data used in the examples from each paper, as well as several other datasets:

- [AlberMorgan](#)
- [Anglesea](#)
- [BartonArwood](#)
- [Bryant2018](#)
- [Carson](#)
- [Lambert](#)
- [Laski](#)
- [Musser](#)
- [Rodriguez](#)
- [Ruiz](#)
- [Saddler](#)
- [Schutte](#)
- [Thiemann2001](#)
- [Thiemann2004](#)
- [Thorne](#)

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### References

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- Hedges, L. V., Pustejovsky, J. E., & Shadish, W. R. (2013). A standardized mean difference effect size for multiple baseline designs across individuals. *Research Synthesis Methods*, 4(4), 324-341. doi:[10.1002/jrsm.1086](#)
- Pustejovsky, J. E., Hedges, L. V., & Shadish, W. R. (2014). Design-comparable effect sizes in multiple baseline designs: A general modeling framework. *Journal of Educational and Behavioral Statistics*, 39(4), 211-227. doi:[10.3102/1076998614547577](#)

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Schutte

*Example from Pustejovsky, Hedges, & Shadish (2014)*

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### Description

Data from a multiple baseline design conducted by Schutte, Malouff, & Brown (2008). The variables are as follows:

- case. Participant identifier.
- week. Measurement occasion.
- treatment. Factor indicating baseline or treatment phase.
- fatigue. Fatigue severity scale scores.

### Format

A data frame with 136 rows and 4 variables

### Source

Schutte, N. S., Malouff, J. M., & Brown, R. F. (2008). Efficacy of an emotion-focused treatment for prolonged fatigue. *Behavior Modification*, 32(5), 699-713. doi:[10.1177/0145445508317133](https://doi.org/10.1177/0145445508317133)

### References

Pustejovsky, J. E., Hedges, L. V., & Shadish, W. R. (2014). Design-comparable effect sizes in multiple baseline designs: A general modeling framework. *Journal of Educational and Behavioral Statistics*, 39(4), 211-227. doi:[10.3102/1076998614547577](https://doi.org/10.3102/1076998614547577)

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shine\_scd

*A shiny interface for the scdhlm package*

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### Description

An interactive shiny interface for estimating design-comparable standardized mean difference effect sizes from single-case designs. Estimation methods for multiple baseline and treatment reversal designs are available.

### Usage

`shine_scd()`

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<code>simulate.g_REML</code>	<i>Simulate data from a fitted g_REML object</i>
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## Description

Simulates data from the linear mixed effects model used to estimate the specified standardized mean difference effect size. Suitable for parametric bootstrapping.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'g_REML'
simulate(object, nsim = 1, seed = NULL, parallel = FALSE, ...)
```

## Arguments

<code>object</code>	a g_REML object
<code>nsim</code>	number of models to simulate
<code>seed</code>	seed value. See documentation for <code>simulate</code>
<code>parallel</code>	if TRUE, run in parallel using foreach backend.
...	additional optional arguments

## Value

A matrix with one row per simulation, with columns corresponding to the output of g\_REML.

## Examples

```
data(Laski)
Laski_RML <- lme(fixed = outcome ~ treatment,
                    random = ~ 1 | case,
                    correlation = corAR1(0, ~ time | case),
                    data = Laski)
Laski_g <- g_REML(Laski_RML, p_const = c(0,1), r_const = c(1,0,1))
simulate(Laski_g, nsim = 20)
```

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<code>simulate_MB2</code>	<i>Simulate Model MB2 from Pustejovsky, Hedges, &amp; Shadish (2014)</i>
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## Description

Simulates data from a linear mixed effects model, then calculates REML effect size estimator as described in Pustejovsky, Hedges, & Shadish (2014).

## Usage

```
simulate_MB2(
  iterations,
  beta,
  rho,
  phi,
  tau1_ratio,
  tau_corr,
  design,
  m,
  n,
  MB = TRUE
)
```

## Arguments

iterations	number of independent iterations of the simulation
beta	vector of fixed effect parameters
rho	intra-class correlation parameter
phi	autocorrelation parameter
tau1_ratio	ratio of treatment effect variance to intercept variance
tau_corr	correlation between case-specific treatment effects and intercepts
design	design matrix. If not specified, it will be calculated based on m, n, and MB.
m	number of cases. Not used if design is specified.
n	number of measurement occasions. Not used if design is specified.
MB	If true, a multiple baseline design will be used; otherwise, an AB design will be used. Not used if design is specified.

## Value

A matrix reporting the mean and variance of the effect size estimates and various associated statistics.

## References

Pustejovsky, J. E., Hedges, L. V., & Shadish, W. R. (2014). Design-comparable effect sizes in multiple baseline designs: A general modeling framework. *Journal of Educational and Behavioral Statistics*, 39(4), 211-227. doi:[10.3102/1076998614547577](https://doi.org/10.3102/1076998614547577)

## Examples

```
set.seed(8)
simulate_MB2(iterations = 10, beta = c(0,1,0,0), rho = 0.4, phi = 0.5,
             tau1_ratio = 0.5, tau_corr = -0.4, design = design_matrix(m=3, n=8))
set.seed(8)
simulate_MB2(iterations = 10, beta = c(0,1,0,0), rho = 0.4, phi = 0.5,
             tau1_ratio = 0.5, tau_corr = -0.4, m = 3, n = 8, MB = FALSE)
```

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simulate\_MB4*Simulate Model MB4 from Pustejovsky, Hedges, & Shadish (2014)*

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## Description

Simulates data from a linear mixed effects model, then calculates REML effect size estimator as described in Pustejovsky, Hedges, & Shadish (2014).

## Usage

```
simulate_MB4(
  iterations,
  beta,
  rho,
  phi,
  tau2_ratio,
  tau_corr,
  p_const,
  r_const,
  design,
  m,
  n,
  MB = TRUE
)
```

## Arguments

iterations	number of independent iterations of the simulation
beta	vector of fixed effect parameters
rho	intra-class correlation parameter
phi	autocorrelation parameter
tau2_ratio	ratio of trend variance to intercept variance
tau_corr	correlation between case-specific trends and intercepts
p_const	vector of constants for calculating numerator of effect size
r_const	vector of constants for calculating denominator of effect size
design	design matrix. If not specified, it will be calculated based on <code>m</code> , <code>n</code> , and <code>MB</code> .
<code>m</code>	number of cases. Not used if <code>design</code> is specified.
<code>n</code>	number of measurement occasions. Not used if <code>design</code> is specified.
<code>MB</code>	If true, a multiple baseline design will be used; otherwise, an AB design will be used. Not used if <code>design</code> is specified.

## Value

A matrix reporting the mean and variance of the effect size estimates and various associated statistics.

## References

Pustejovsky, J. E., Hedges, L. V., & Shadish, W. R. (2014). Design-comparable effect sizes in multiple baseline designs: A general modeling framework. *Journal of Educational and Behavioral Statistics*, 39(4), 211-227. doi:[10.3102/1076998614547577](https://doi.org/10.3102/1076998614547577)

## Examples

```
simulate_MB4(iterations = 10, beta = c(0,1,0,0), rho = 0.8, phi = 0.5,
              tau2_ratio = 0.5, tau_corr = 0,
              p_const = c(0,1,0,7), r_const = c(1,0,1,0,0),
              design = design_matrix(3, 16, treat_times=c(5,9,13), center = 12))
simulate_MB4(iterations = 10, beta = c(0,1,0,0), rho = 0.8, phi = 0.5,
              tau2_ratio = 0.5, tau_corr = 0, m = 6, n = 8)
```

Thiemann2001

*Thiemann & Goldstein (2001)*

## Description

Data from a multiple baseline across behaviors design conducted by Thiemann & Goldstein (2001). The variables are as follows:

- Study\_ID. Study identifier.
- case. Student identifier.
- series. Series identifier.
- outcome. Frequency of coded social communication skills, as measured by a direct observation coding system with 15-second intervals recoding for the occurrence of any of the four social measures: contingent responses, securing attention, initiating comments, and initiating requests.
- time. Measurement occasion.
- treatment. Indicator for treatment phase.
- trt\_time. Measurement occasion times treatment phase.
- time\_c. Measurement occasion centered at the follow-up time.

## Format

A data frame with 221 rows and 8 variables

## Source

Thiemann, K.S., & Goldstein, H. (2001). Social stories, written text cues, and video feedback: effects on social communication of children with Autism. *Journal of Applied Behavior Analysis*, 34(4), 425-446. doi:[10.1901/jaba.2001.34-425](https://doi.org/10.1901/jaba.2001.34-425)

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Thiemann2004

*Thiemann & Goldstein (2004)*

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### Description

Data from a multiple baseline across behaviors design conducted by Thiemann & Goldstein (2004). The variables are as follows:

- Study\_ID. Study identifier.
- case. Student identifier.
- series. Series identifier.
- outcome. Frequency of unprompted targeted social communication skills, as measured by a direct observation, paper and pencil coding system during the 10-minute social activity for each behavior for all sessions.
- time. Measurement occasion.
- treatment. Indicator for treatment phase.
- trt\_time. Measurement occasion times treatment phase.
- time\_c. Measurement occasion centered at the follow-up time.

### Format

A data frame with 408 rows and 8 variables

### Source

Thiemann, K.S., & Goldstein, H. (2004). Effects of peer training and written text cueing on social communication of school-age children with pervasive developmental disorder. *Journal of Speech Language and Hearing Research, 47*(1), 126-144. doi:10.1044/1092-4388(2004/012)

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Thorne

*Thorne (2005)*

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### Description

Data from an ABAB design conducted by Thorne and Kamps (2008). The variables are as follows:

- case. Participant identifier.
- measure. Outcome measure description (academic engagement or inappropriate verbalizations).
- session. Measurement occasion.
- phase\_id. Factor describing the phase of the study design for each case.
- phase\_indicator. Indicator variable equal to 1 during intervention phases.
- outcome. Outcome scores

**Format**

A data frame with 776 rows and 6 variables

**Source**

Thorne, S., & Kamps, D. (2008). The effects of a group contingency intervention on academic engagement and problem behavior of at-risk students. *Behavior Analysis in Practice*, 1(2), 12-18.

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