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assess\_interventions    *Assess different intervention strategies*

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### Description

Assess different intervention strategies

### Usage

```
assess_interventions(
  koala_model,
  years,
  frequency = c(1, 2, 3, 4),
  prop_active = seq(0, 1, by = 0.05),
  prop_targeted = 0,
  c1 = NULL,
  ...
)
```

### Arguments

koala_model	a valid <a href="#">KoalasV2</a> model
years	the number of years to update the model (passed to the run method of the <a href="#">KoalasV2</a> model)
frequency	a vector of annual sampling frequencies to test
prop_active	a vector of the proportion of animals to test/treat/vaccinate with active sampling at each intervention
prop_targeted	a vector of the proportion of diseased animals to treat with targeted interventions at each intervention
c1	passed to <a href="#">pblapply</a> - DO NOT CHANGE THIS ON WINDOWS as it won't properly without shared memory forking
...	additional arguments (cull proportions) passed to the active_intervention method of the <a href="#">KoalasV2</a> model

### Value

a data frame of final prevalence and population size values at the end of each simulation for each combination of frequency and proportion

**Description**

This is a within-group SVIDR(D) model class that can either be run on its own or embedded in a between-group model. Note: D is not a real state (and can be negative), it is just used to ensure that the books are balanced including birth/death

**Active bindings**

S number of susceptible animals

I total number of infected animals

D number of diseased animals

R number of recovered animals

V number of vaccinated animals

Ctp cumulative number of animals removed as true positives on active/passive sampling

Cfp cumulative number of animals removed as false positives on active/passive sampling

mortality\_natural mortality rate from natural causes

mortality\_disease mortality rate from disease

carrying\_capacity number of animals supported by the population (can be Inf or NA)

birth\_rate birth rate

relative\_fecundity fecundity of diseased animals relative to other states (S/I/R/V)

beta the transmission rate parameter per unit time (must be positive)

sigma the progression rate from I to D or S

acute\_recovery\_prob the probability that a progression from I will go to S rather than D

recovery the recovery rate parameter per unit time (must be positive)

waning\_natural the immune waning rate from R (following natural infection)

waning\_vaccine the immune waning rate from V (following vaccination)

time the current time point of the model (read-only)

N the total number of animals alive (read-only)

state a data frame representing the current state of the model (read-only)

trans\_external the external transmission parameter

transmission\_type either frequency or density

## Methods

### Public methods:

- `KoalasV1$new()`
- `KoalasV1$update()`
- `KoalasV1$run()`
- `KoalasV1$vaccinate()`
- `KoalasV1$active_test()`
- `KoalasV1$passive_test()`
- `KoalasV1$print()`
- `KoalasV1$clone()`

**Method** `new()`: Create a new within-group model

*Usage:*

```
KoalasV1$new(
  update_type = c("deterministic", "stochastic"),
  group_name = NA_character_
)
```

*Arguments:*

`update_type` one of deterministic or stochastic

`group_name` an optional name for the group (will be included in the output state, if provided)

*Returns:* A new within-group model object

**Method** `update()`: Update the state of the group for a single time point

*Usage:*

```
KoalasV1$update(d_time)
```

*Arguments:*

`d_time` the desired time step (delta time)

*Returns:* self, invisibly

**Method** `run()`: Update the state of the group for several time points

*Usage:*

```
KoalasV1$run(add_time, d_time, thin = 1)
```

*Arguments:*

`add_time` the additional time to add to the current time of the model

`d_time` the desired time step (delta time)

`thin` thinning parameter (currently ignored)

*Returns:* a data frame of the model state at each (new) time point

**Method** `vaccinate()`: Implement a (one-time) vaccination effort at the current time point

*Usage:*

```
KoalasV1$vaccinate(number, proportion, efficacy)
```

*Arguments:*

number the (maximum) number of animals to vaccinate (ignored if proportion is supplied)  
 proportion the proportion of animals to vaccinate  
 efficacy the efficacy of the vaccine i.e. probability of the animal moving to V (from S, I or D  
 - R and V do not move)

**Method** `active_test()`: Implement a (one-time) active sampling/capture/testing of all animals

*Usage:*

```
KoalasV1$active_test(number, proportion, sensitivity, specificity)
```

*Arguments:*

number the (maximum) number of animals to test and remove (ignored if proportion is supplied)  
 proportion the proportion of animals to test and remove  
 sensitivity the sensitivity of the test  
 specificity the specificity of the test

**Method** `passive_test()`: Implement a (one-time) passive sampling/capture/testing of diseased animals

*Usage:*

```
KoalasV1$passive_test(
  number,
  proportion,
  sensitivity,
  specificity,
  prevalence_other
)
```

*Arguments:*

number the (maximum) number of animals to test and remove (ignored if proportion is supplied)  
 proportion the proportion of animals to test and remove  
 sensitivity the sensitivity of the test  
 specificity the specificity of the test  
 prevalence\_other the prevalence of other conditions that resemble clinical disease

**Method** `print()`: Print method giving an overview of the current state and parameter values

*Usage:*

```
KoalasV1$print()
```

*Returns:* self, invisibly

**Method** `clone()`: The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

*Usage:*

```
KoalasV1$clone(deep = FALSE)
```

*Arguments:*

deep Whether to make a deep clone.

## Description

This is the "V2" model that has substantial differences to the Grogan et al model ([KoalasV1](#))

## Active bindings

`date` the current date of the model (read-only)

`day` the current day number of the model (read-only)

`N` the total number of animals alive (read-only)

`prevalence` the current prevalence (read-only)

`state` a list representing the current state of the model

`parameters` a list of parameter values

`results_wide` a data frame of results from the model in wide format (read-only)

`results_long` a data frame of results from the model in long format, with aggregated/summarised compartments (read-only)

`interventions` a data frame of intervention time points from the model (read-only)

`run_dates` a date vector of dates when run was called, which might be useful for e.g. adding dashed lines to plots (read-only)

`treatments` a data frame of cumulative treatments and vaccinations from the model (read-only)

## Methods

### Public methods:

- [KoalasV2\\$new\(\)](#)
- [KoalasV2\\$set\\_parameters\(\)](#)
- [KoalasV2\\$set\\_state\(\)](#)
- [KoalasV2\\$update\(\)](#)
- [KoalasV2\\$active\\_intervention\(\)](#)
- [KoalasV2\\$targeted\\_intervention\(\)](#)
- [KoalasV2\\$burnin\(\)](#)
- [KoalasV2\\$run\(\)](#)
- [KoalasV2\\$print\(\)](#)
- [KoalasV2\\$autoplot\(\)](#)
- [KoalasV2\\$clone\(\)](#)

**Method** `new()`: Create a new single-group koala model

*Usage:*

```

KoalasV2$new(
  num = 3L,
  num_V = num,
  num_I = num,
  num_N = num,
  num_R = num,
  num_A = num,
  parameters = list(),
  state = list(),
  start_date = "2021-01-01"
)

```

*Arguments:*

`num` number of sub-components for all states (unless overridden) - currently must be either 1 or 3

`num_V` number of sub-components for V (and Vf)

`num_I` number of sub-components for I (and If)

`num_N` number of sub-components for N (and Nf)

`num_R` number of sub-components for R (and Rf)

`num_A` number of sub-components for Af

`parameters` a list of parameter values - see the `set_parameters` method for the allowed values

`state` an initialisation state list - see the `set_state` method for the allowed values

`start_date` the date corresponding to day 0 of the simulation (only used for outputs)

*Returns:* A new within-group model object

**Method** `set_parameters()`: Change one or more current parameter values

*Usage:*

```

KoalasV2$set_parameters(
  vacc_immune_duration,
  vacc_redshed_duration,
  natural_immune_duration,
  beta,
  subclinical_duration,
  subclinical_recover_proportion,
  diseased_recover_proportion,
  birthrate,
  acute_duration,
  lifespan_natural,
  lifespan_acute,
  lifespan_chronic,
  relative_fecundity,
  sensitivity,
  specificity,
  cure_prob_N,
  cure_prob_I,
  cure_prob_A,
  cure_prob_C,

```

```

    vaccine_efficacy,
    vaccine_booster,
    passive_intervention_rate
)

```

*Arguments:*

vacc\_immune\_duration #1: Average duration of vaccine-related immunity from infection for susceptibles

vacc\_redshed\_duration #2: Average duration of treatment/vaccine-related reduction in shedding for infecteds, relative to #1

natural\_immune\_duration #3: Average duration of natural immunity following resolved infection, relative to #1

beta #4: Infection rate (frequency dependent)

subclinical\_duration #5: Average duration of subclinical infection before progression to “acute” disease OR spontaneous recovery

subclinical\_recover\_proportion #6: Proportion of animals that will spontaneously recover, rather than progressing to acute disease

diseased\_recover\_proportion #7: Spontaneous recovery rate for diseased animals – ASSUMED DOES NOT HAPPEN SO MUST BE ZERO

birthrate #8: Birth rate (assumed not density-dependent, for now)

acute\_duration #9: Average duration of acute (increased mortality) phase before progressing to chronic (normal mortality) phase

lifespan\_natural #10: Average lifespan of uninfected koalas (assumed not density-dependent, for now)

lifespan\_acute #11: Disease-related mortality rate (replacement for #10) - default is calibrated so that 25% die before entering Cf

lifespan\_chronic #11: Disease-related mortality rate (replacement for #10)

relative\_fecundity #12: Relative fecundity of diseased animals - NOTE: we ignore males as only females are important for reproduction

sensitivity sensitivity of lab test to detect shedding in I(f), Af, Cf

specificity specificity of lab test to not detect shedding in other compartments

cure\_prob\_N proportion of N(f) animals with a completed treatment course that are cured of infection (go to R(f))

cure\_prob\_I proportion of I(f) animals with a completed treatment course that are cured of infection (go to R(f))

cure\_prob\_A proportion of Af animals with a completed treatment course that are cured of infection (go to Rf)

cure\_prob\_C proportion of Cf animals with a completed treatment course that are cured of infection (go to Rf)

vaccine\_efficacy proportion of S(f) animals that have effective vaccination i.e. go to V(f)

vaccine\_booster proportion of already-vaccinated/immune animals that re-start their time in that category due to the “booster effect” i.e. V(f), N(f), and R(f)

passive\_intervention\_rate rate at which animals are brought in for test/treatment/vaccination passively (can be interpreted as the expected number of times per year each animal is brought in)

*Returns:* self, invisibly

**Method set\_state():** Change one or more current state values

*Usage:*

```
KoalasV2$set_state(
  S,
  V,
  I,
  N,
  R,
  Af,
  Cf,
  Sf,
  Vf,
  If,
  Nf,
  Rf,
  Day,
  SumTx,
  SumVx,
  SumRx,
  SumMx
)
```

*Arguments:*

S number of S

V number of V

I number of I

N number of N

R number of R

Af number of Af

Cf number of Cf

Sf number of Sf

Vf number of Vf

If number of If

Nf number of Nf

Rf number of Rf

Day current day of the simulation (you probably shouldn't change this)

SumTx cumulative total number of animals with a successful treatment course (you probably shouldn't change this)

SumVx cumulative total number of animals vaccinated - this excludes the animals also treated (you probably shouldn't change this)

SumRx cumulative total number of animals removed due to voluntary culling and failure to cure (you probably shouldn't change this)

SumMx cumulative mortality due to disease excluding SumRx (you probably shouldn't change this)

*Returns:* self, invisibly

**Method** `update()`: Update the model for one or more day

*Usage:*

```
KoalasV2$update(n_days = 1L, d_time = 1/24, record = TRUE)
```

*Arguments:*

`n_days` the number of days to update for

`d_time` the desired time step (delta time)

`record` should the state over time be recorded?

*Returns:* self, invisibly

**Method** `active_intervention()`: Implement a (one-time) active sampling/capture/testing of all animals

*Usage:*

```
KoalasV2$active_intervention(
  proportion,
  cull_positive = 0,
  cull_acute = 0.2,
  cull_chronic = 0.3
)
```

*Arguments:*

`proportion` the proportion of animals to test/treat/vaccinate

`cull_positive` the proportion of test-positive animals that will be culled

`cull_acute` the proportion of acute diseased animals that will be culled

`cull_chronic` the proportion of chronic diseased animals that will be culled

**Method** `targeted_intervention()`: Implement a (one-time) targeted capture/treatment of diseased animals

*Usage:*

```
KoalasV2$targeted_intervention(
  proportion,
  prop_acute = proportion,
  prop_chronic = proportion,
  cull_positive = 0,
  cull_acute = 0.2,
  cull_chronic = 0.3
)
```

*Arguments:*

`proportion` the proportion of diseased animals to identify and treat (overridden by `prop_acute` and/or `prop_chronic`, if set)

`prop_acute` the proportion of acutely diseased animals to identify and treat (overrides `proportion`)

`prop_chronic` the proportion of chronic diseased animals to identify and treat (overrides `proportion`)

`cull_positive` this parameter is ignored (it is only provided for compatibility with the `run` method)

cull\_acute the proportion of acute diseased animals that will be culled  
 cull\_chronic the proportion of chronic diseased animals that will be culled

**Method** burnin(): Set and burn-in the model for standard scenarios (with current parameters)

*Usage:*

```
KoalasV2$burnin(scenario = c("worst", "best", "combined"), d_time = 1/24)
```

*Arguments:*

scenario the desired population scenario for calibration (worst case, best case, or combined)

d\_time the desired time step (delta time)

*Returns:* self, invisibly

**Method** run(): Run the model for 1 or more years with the standard scenarios

*Usage:*

```
KoalasV2$run(
  years,
  frequency,
  prop_active = 0,
  prop_targeted = 0,
  d_time = 1/24,
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

years the number of years to run for

frequency the number of sampling events per year

prop\_active the proportion of animals to test/treat/vaccinate with active sampling at each intervention

prop\_targeted the proportion of diseased animals to treat with targeted interventions at each intervention

d\_time the desired time step (delta time)

... additional arguments (cull proportions) passed to the active\_intervention method

*Returns:* self, invisibly

**Method** print(): Print method giving an overview of the current state and parameter values

*Usage:*

```
KoalasV2$print()
```

*Returns:* self, invisibly

**Method** autoplot(): autoplot method for a default plot

*Usage:*

```
KoalasV2$autoplot(
  show_treatments = TRUE,
  prev_line = 5,
  number_line = NULL,
  ymax = c(Treatment = NA_real_, Number = NA_real_, Prevalence = 100),
```

```
  alphas = c(Treatment = 0.25, Number = 0.5, Prevalence = 0.25),
  colours = c(Diseased = "#F8766D", Infectious = "#F9C945", Healthy = "#619CFF",
    Treatment = "forestgreen", Prevalence = "black"),
  dot_col = "grey50"
)
```

*Arguments:*

`show_treatments` option to show/hide treatments  
`prev_line` an optional dotted line for target prevalence  
`number_line` an optional dotted line for a target stable (or starting) population size - NULL means to use the starting population size  
`ymax` a named numeric vector of maximum values for the y axis  
`alphas` a named numeric vector of alpha values for each subplot  
`colours` a named numeric vector of colour values for each subplot/compartment  
`dot_col` the colour to use for the dotted prevalence and number lines

*Returns:* a ggplot2 object

**Method** `clone()`: The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

*Usage:*

```
KoalasV2$clone(deep = FALSE)
```

*Arguments:*

`deep` Whether to make a deep clone.

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