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|-------------------|--|
| adstock_geometric | <i>Adstocking Transformation (Geometric and Weibull)</i> |
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**Description**

adstock\_geometric() for Geometric Adstocking is the classic one-parametric adstock function.

adstock\_weibull() for Weibull Adstocking is a two-parametric adstock function that allows changing decay rate over time, as opposed to the fixed decay rate over time as in Geometric adstock. It has two options, the cumulative density function "CDF" or the probability density function "PDF".

**Usage**

```
adstock_geometric(x, theta)
```

```
adstock_weibull(x, shape, scale, windlen = length(x), type = "CDF")
```

```
plot_adstock(plot = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

|              |   |
|--------------|---|
| x            | A numeric vector.   |
| theta        | Numeric. Theta is the only parameter on Geometric Adstocking and means fixed decay rate. Assuming TV spend on day 1 is 100€ and theta = 0.7, then day 2 has 100 x 0.7 = 70€ worth of effect carried-over from day 1, day 3 has 70 x 0.7 = 49€ from day 2 etc. Rule-of-thumb for common media genre: TV c(0.3, 0.8), OOH/Print/ Radio c(0.1, 0.4), digital c(0, 0.3).                  |
| shape, scale | Numeric. Check "Details" section for more details.  |
| windlen      | Integer. Length of modelling window. By default, same length as x.  |
| type         | Character. Accepts "CDF" or "PDF". CDF, or cumulative density function of the Weibull function allows changing decay rate over time in both C and S shape, while the peak value will always stay at the first period, meaning no lagged effect. PDF, or the probability density function, enables peak value occurring after the first period when shape >=1, allowing lagged effect. |
| plot         | Boolean. Do you wish to return the plot?  |

**Details**

**Weibull's CDF (Cumulative Distribution Function)** has two parameters, shape & scale, and has flexible decay rate, compared to Geometric adstock with fixed decay rate. The shape parameter controls the shape of the decay curve. Recommended bound is c(0.0001, 2). The larger the shape, the more S-shape. The smaller, the more L-shape. Scale controls the inflexion point of the decay curve. We recommend very conservative bounce of c(0, 0.1), because scale increases the adstock half-life greatly.

**Weibull's PDF (Probability Density Function)** also shape & scale as parameter and also has flexible decay rate as Weibull CDF. The difference is that Weibull PDF offers lagged effect. When shape > 2, the curve peaks after x = 0 and has NULL slope at x = 0, enabling lagged effect and sharper increase and decrease of adstock, while the scale parameter indicates the limit of the relative position of the peak at x axis; when 1 < shape < 2, the curve peaks after x = 0 and has infinite positive slope at x = 0, enabling lagged effect and slower increase and decrease of adstock, while scale has the same effect as above; when shape = 1, the curve peaks at x = 0 and reduces to exponential decay, while scale controls the inflexion point; when 0 < shape < 1, the curve peaks at x = 0 and has increasing decay, while scale controls the inflexion point. When all possible shapes are relevant, we recommend c(0.0001, 10) as bounds for shape; when only strong lagged effect is of interest, we recommend c(2.0001, 10) as bound for shape. In all cases, we recommend conservative bound of c(0, 0.1) for scale. Due to the great flexibility of Weibull PDF, meaning more freedom in hyperparameter spaces for Nevergrad to explore, it also requires larger iterations to converge.

Run `plot_adstock()` to see the difference visually.

**Value**

Numeric values. Transformed values.

**See Also**

Other Transformations: `mic_men()`, `saturation_hill()`

## Examples

```
adstock_geometric(rep(100, 5), theta = 0.5)
adstock_weibull(rep(100, 5), shape = 0.5, scale = 0.5, type = "CDF")
adstock_weibull(rep(100, 5), shape = 0.5, scale = 0.5, type = "PDF")

plot_adstock()
```

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dt\_prophet\_holidays *Robyn Dataset: Time series*

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## Description

Describe the dataset. When using own holidays, please keep the header `c("ds", "holiday", "country", "year")`.

## Usage

```
data(dt_prophet_holidays)
```

## Format

An object of class "data.table"

**ds** Date

**holiday** Daily total revenue

**country** Television

**year** Out of home

## Value

data.table

Dataframe. Contains prophet's default holidays by country.

## See Also

Other Dataset: [dt\\_simulated\\_weekly](#)

## Examples

```
data(dt_prophet_holidays)
head(dt_prophet_holidays)
```

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dt\_simulated\_weekly *Robyn Dataset: Time series*

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## Description

Describe the dataset. Input time series should be daily, weekly or monthly.

## Usage

```
data(dt_simulated_weekly)
```

## Format

An object of class "c"

**DATE** Date

**revenue** Daily total revenue

**tv\_S** Television

**ooh\_S** Out of home

... ..

## Value

data.table

Dataframe. Contains simulated dummy dataset to test and run demo.

## See Also

Other Dataset: [dt\\_prophet\\_holidays](#)

## Examples

```
data(dt_simulated_weekly)
head(dt_simulated_weekly)
```

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| fit_spend_exposure | <i>Fit a nonlinear model for media spend and exposure</i> |
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### Description

This function is called in `robyn_engineering()`. It uses the Michaelis-Menten function to fit the nonlinear model. Fallback model is the simple linear model `lm()` in case the nonlinear model is fitting worse. A bad fit here might result in unreasonable model results. Two options are recommended: Either splitting the channel into sub-channels to achieve better fit, or just use `spend` as `paid_media_vars`

### Usage

```
fit_spend_exposure(dt_spendModInput, mediaCostFactor, paid_media_var)
```

### Arguments

`dt_spendModInput` data.frame. Containing channel spends and exposure data.  
`mediaCostFactor` Numeric vector. The ratio between raw media exposure and spend metrics.  
`paid_media_var` Character. Paid media variable.

### Value

List. Containing the all spend-exposure model results.

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| hyper_limits | <i>Check hyperparameter limits</i> |
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### Description

Reference data.frame that shows the upper and lower bounds valid for each hyperparameter.

### Usage

```
hyper_limits()
```

### Value

Dataframe. Contains upper and lower bounds for each hyperparameter.

### Examples

```
hyper_limits()
```

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|-------------|---|
| hyper_names | <i>Get correct hyperparameter names</i> |
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### Description

Output all hyperparameter names and help specifying the list of hyperparameters that is inserted into `robyn_inputs(hyperparameters = ...)`

### Usage

```
hyper_names(adstock, all_media)
```

### Arguments

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| adstock   | A character. Default to <code>InputCollect\$adstock</code> . Accepts "geometric", "weibull_cdf" or "weibull_pdf"  |
| all_media | A character vector. Default to <code>InputCollect\$all_media</code> . Includes <code>InputCollect\$paid_media_vars</code> and <code>InputCollect\$organic_vars</code> . |

### Value

Character vector. Names of hyper-parameters that should be defined.

### Guide to setup hyperparameters

1. Get correct hyperparameter names: All variables in `paid_media_vars` or `organic_vars` require hyperparameters and will be transformed by `adstock` & `saturation`. Difference between `organic_vars` and `organic_vars` is that `paid_media_vars` has spend that needs to be specified in `paid_media_spends` specifically. Run `hyper_names()` to get correct hyperparameter names. All names in `hyperparameters` must equal names from `hyper_names()`, case sensitive.
2. Get guidance for setting hyperparameter bounds: For geometric `adstock`, use `theta`, `alpha` & `gamma`. For both weibull `adstock` options, use `shape`, `scale`, `alpha`, `gamma`.
  - **Theta:** In geometric `adstock`, `theta` is decay rate. guideline for usual media genre: TV `c(0.3, 0.8)`, OOH/Print/Radio `c(0.1, 0.4)`, digital `c(0, 0.3)`
  - **Shape:** In weibull `adstock`, `shape` controls the decay shape. Recommended `c(0.0001, 2)`. The larger, the more S-shape. The smaller, the more L-shape. Channel-type specific values still to be investigated
  - **Scale:** In weibull `adstock`, `scale` controls the decay inflexion point. Very conservative recommended bounce `c(0, 0.1)`, because `scale` can increase `adstocking` half-life greatly. Channel-type specific values still to be investigated
  - **Gamma:** In s-curve transformation with hill function, `gamma` controls the inflexion point. Recommended bounce `c(0.3, 1)`. The larger the `gamma`, the later the inflection point in the response curve
3. Set each hyperparameter bounds. They either contains two values e.g. `c(0, 0.5)`, or only one value (in which case you've "fixed" that hyperparameter)

**Helper plots**

**plot\_adstock** Get adstock transformation example plot, helping you understand geometric/theta and weibull/shape/scale transformation

**plot\_saturation** Get saturation curve transformation example plot, helping you understand hill/alpha/gamma transformation

**Examples**

```
media <- c("facebook_S", "print_S", "tv_S")
hyper_names(adstock = "geometric", all_media = media)

hyperparameters <- list(
  facebook_S_alphas = c(0.5, 3), # example bounds for alpha
  facebook_S_gammas = c(0.3, 1), # example bounds for gamma
  facebook_S_thetas = c(0, 0.3), # example bounds for theta
  print_S_alphas = c(0.5, 3),
  print_S_gammas = c(0.3, 1),
  print_S_thetas = c(0.1, 0.4),
  tv_S_alphas = c(0.5, 3),
  tv_S_gammas = c(0.3, 1),
  tv_S_thetas = c(0.3, 0.8)
)

# Define hyper_names for weibull adstock
hyper_names(adstock = "weibull", all_media = media)

hyperparameters <- list(
  facebook_S_alphas = c(0.5, 3), # example bounds for alpha
  facebook_S_gammas = c(0.3, 1), # example bounds for gamma
  facebook_S_shapes = c(0.0001, 2), # example bounds for shape
  facebook_S_scales = c(0, 0.1), # example bounds for scale
  print_S_alphas = c(0.5, 3),
  print_S_gammas = c(0.3, 1),
  print_S_shapes = c(0.0001, 2),
  print_S_scales = c(0, 0.1),
  tv_S_alphas = c(0.5, 3),
  tv_S_gammas = c(0.3, 1),
  tv_S_shapes = c(0.0001, 2),
  tv_S_scales = c(0, 0.1)
)
```



**Description**

The Michaelis-Menten `mic_men()` function is used to fit the spend exposure relationship for paid media variables, when exposure metrics like impressions, clicks or GRPs are provided in `paid_media_vars` instead of spend metric.

**Usage**

```
mic_men(x, Vmax, Km, reverse = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

|                      |   |
|----------------------|---|
| <code>x</code>       | Numeric value or vector. Input media spend when <code>reverse = FALSE</code> . Input media exposure metrics (impression, clicks, GRPs, etc.) when <code>reverse = TRUE</code> . |
| <code>Vmax</code>    | Numeric. Indicates maximum rate achieved by the system.   |
| <code>Km</code>      | Numeric. The Michaelis constant.  |
| <code>reverse</code> | Boolean. Input media spend when <code>reverse = FALSE</code> . Input media exposure metrics (impression, clicks, GRPs etc.) when <code>reverse = TRUE</code> .                  |

**Value**

Numeric values. Transformed values.

**See Also**

Other Transformations: [adstock\\_geometric\(\)](#), [saturation\\_hill\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
mic_men(x = 5:10, Vmax = 5, Km = 0.5)
```

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 prophet\_decomp

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*Conduct prophet decomposition*


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**Description**

When `prophet_vars` in `robyn_inputs()` is specified, this function decomposes trend, season, holiday and weekday from the dependent variable.

**Usage**

```
prophet_decomp(
  dt_transform,
  dt_holidays,
  prophet_country,
  prophet_vars,
  prophet_signs,
  factor_vars,
```

```

    context_vars,
    paid_media_spends,
    intervalType,
    dayInterval,
    custom_params
  )

```

### Arguments

`dt_transform` A data.frame with all model features. Must contain `ds` column for time variable values and `dep_var` column for dependent variable values.

`dt_holidays` data.frame. Raw input holiday data. Load standard Prophet holidays using `data("dt_prophet_holidays")`

`context_vars, paid_media_spends, intervalType, dayInterval, prophet_country, prophet_vars, prophet_sig` As included in `InputCollect`

`custom_params` List. Custom parameters passed to `prophet()`

### Value

A list containing all prophet decomposition output.

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Robyn

*Robyn MMM Project from Meta Marketing Science*

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### Description

Robyn is an automated Marketing Mix Modeling (MMM) code. It aims to reduce human bias by means of ridge regression and evolutionary algorithms, enables actionable decision making providing a budget allocator and diminishing returns curves and allows ground-truth calibration to account for causation.

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### See Also

Useful links:

- <https://github.com/facebookexperimental/Robyn>
- <https://facebookexperimental.github.io/Robyn/>
- Report bugs at <https://github.com/facebookexperimental/Robyn/issues>

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| robyn_allocator | <i>Budget Allocator</i> |
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### Description

robyn\_allocator() function returns a new split of media variable spends that maximizes the total media response.

### Usage

```
robyn_allocator(
  robyn_object = NULL,
  select_build = 0,
  InputCollect = NULL,
  OutputCollect = NULL,
  select_model = NULL,
  optim_algo = "SLSQP_AUGLAG",
  scenario = "max_historical_response",
  expected_spend = NULL,
  expected_spend_days = NULL,
  channel_constr_low = 0.5,
  channel_constr_up = 2,
  maxeval = 1e+05,
  constr_mode = "eq",
  date_min = NULL,
  date_max = NULL,
  export = TRUE,
  quiet = FALSE,
  ui = FALSE
)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'robyn_allocator'
print(x, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'robyn_allocator'
plot(x, ...)
```

### Arguments

|              |   |
|--------------|---|
| robyn_object | Character. Path of the Robyn.RDS object that contains all previous modeling information.  |
| select_build | Integer. Default to the latest model build. select_build = 0 selects the initial model. select_build = 1 selects the first refresh model. |
| InputCollect | List. Contains all input parameters for the model. Required when robyn_object is not provided.  |

|                                       |   |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| OutputCollect                         | List. Containing all model result. Required when robyn_object is not provided.  |
| select_model                          | Character. A model SolID. When robyn_object is provided, select_model defaults to the already selected SolID. When robyn_object is not provided, select_model must be provided with InputCollect and OutputCollect, and must be one of OutputCollect\$allSolutions.   |
| optim_algo                            | Character. Default to "SLSQP_AUGLAG", short for "Sequential Least-Squares Quadratic Programming" and "Augmented Lagrangian". Alternatively, "MMA_AUGLAG", short for "Methods of Moving Asymptotes". More details see the documentation of NLOpt <a href="#">here</a> .  |
| scenario                              | Character. Accepted options are: "max_historical_response" or "max_response_expected_spend". "max_historical_response" simulates the scenario "what's the optimal media spend allocation given the same average spend level in history?", while "max_response_expected_spend" simulates the scenario "what's the optimal media spend allocation of a given future spend level for a given period?"  |
| expected_spend                        | Numeric. The expected future spend volume. Only applies when scenario = "max_response_expected_spend".  |
| expected_spend_days                   | Integer. The duration of the future spend volume in expected_spend. Only applies when scenario = "max_response_expected_spend".   |
| channel_constr_low, channel_constr_up | Numeric vector. The lower and upper bounds for each paid media variable when maximizing total media response. channel_constr_low = 0.7 means minimum spend of the variable is 70 be $\geq 0.01$ . channel_constr_up = 1.5 means maximum spend of the variable is 150 historical average. Upper bound must be $\geq$ lower bound. Both must have same length and order as paid_media_spends. It's not recommended to 'exaggerate' upper bounds, esp. if the new level is way higher than historical level. |
| maxeval                               | Integer. The maximum iteration of the global optimization algorithm. Defaults to 100000.  |
| constr_mode                           | Character. Options are "eq" or "ineq", indicating constraints with equality or inequality.  |
| date_min, date_max                    | Character. Date range to calculate mean (of non-zero spends) and total spends. Default will consider all dates within window. Length must be 1.   |
| export                                | Boolean. Export outcomes into local files?  |
| quiet                                 | Boolean. Keep messages off?   |
| ui                                    | Boolean. Save additional outputs for UI usage. List outcome.  |
| x                                     | robyn_allocator() output.   |
| ...                                   | Additional parameters passed to robyn_outputs().  |

### Value

A list object containing allocator result.

List. Contains optimized allocation results and plots.

**Examples**

```

## Not run:
# Having InputCollect and OutputCollect results
# Set your exported model location
robyn_object <- "~/Desktop/MyRobyn.RDS"

# Check media summary for selected model from the simulated data
select_model <- "3_10_3"
OutputCollect$xDecompAgg[
  solID == select_model & !is.na(mean_spend),
  .(rn, coef, mean_spend, mean_response, roi_mean,
    total_spend,
    total_response = xDecompAgg, roi_total, solID
  )
]

# Run allocator with 'InputCollect' and 'OutputCollect'
# with 'scenario = "max_historical_response"'
AllocatorCollect <- robyn_allocator(
  InputCollect = InputCollect,
  OutputCollect = OutputCollect,
  select_model = select_model,
  scenario = "max_historical_response",
  channel_constr_low = c(0.7, 0.7, 0.7, 0.7, 0.7),
  channel_constr_up = c(1.2, 1.5, 1.5, 1.5, 1.5)
)

# Run allocator with a 'robyn_object' from the second model refresh
# with 'scenario = "max_response_expected_spend"'
AllocatorCollect <- robyn_allocator(
  robyn_object = robyn_object,
  select_build = 2,
  scenario = "max_response_expected_spend",
  channel_constr_low = c(0.7, 0.7, 0.7, 0.7, 0.7),
  channel_constr_up = c(1.2, 1.5, 1.5, 1.5, 1.5),
  expected_spend = 100000,
  expected_spend_days = 90
)

## End(Not run)

```

**Description**

robyn\_clusters() uses output from robyn\_run(), to reduce the number of models and help the user pick up the best (lowest combined error) of the most different kinds (clusters) of models.

**Usage**

```
robyn_clusters(
  input,
  all_media = NULL,
  k = "auto",
  limit = 1,
  weights = rep(1, 3),
  dim_red = "PCA",
  quiet = FALSE,
  export = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| input     | robyn_export()'s output or pareto_aggregated.csv results.   |
| all_media | A character vector. Default to InputCollect\$all_media. Includes InputCollect\$paid_media_vars and InputCollect\$organic_vars.  |
| k         | Integer. Number of clusters   |
| limit     | Integer. Top N results per cluster. If kept in "auto", will select k as the cluster in which the WSS variance was less than 5%.   |
| weights   | Vector, size 3. How much should each error weight? Order: nrmse, decomp.rssd, mape. The highest the value, the closer it will be scaled to origin. Each value will be normalized so they all sum 1. |
| dim_red   | Character. Select dimensionality reduction technique. Pass any of: c("PCA", "tSNE", "all", "none").   |
| quiet     | Boolean. Keep quiet? If not, print messages.  |
| export    | Export plots into local files?  |
| ...       | Additional parameters passed to lares::clusterKmeans().   |

**Value**

List. Clustering results as labeled data.frames and plots.

**Author(s)**

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**Examples**

```
## Not run:
# Having InputCollect and OutputCollect results
cls <- robyn_clusters(
  input = OutputCollect,
  all_media = InputCollect$all_media,
  k = 3, limit = 2,
  weights = c(1, 1, 1.5))
```

```
## End(Not run)
```

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```
robyn_converge          Check Models Convergence
```

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## Description

robyn\_converge() consumes robyn\_run() outputs and calculate convergence status and builds convergence plots. Convergence is calculated by default using the following criteria (having kept the default parameters: sd\_qtref = 3 and med\_lowb = 2):

**Criteria #1:** Last quantile's standard deviation < first 3 quantiles' mean standard deviation

**Criteria #2:** Last quantile's absolute median < absolute first quantile's absolute median - 2 \* first 3 quantiles' mean standard deviation

Both mentioned criteria have to be satisfied to consider MOO convergence.

## Usage

```
robyn_converge(OutputModels, n_cuts = 20, sd_qtref = 3, med_lowb = 2, ...)
```

## Arguments

|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| OutputModels | List. Output from robyn_run().   |
| n_cuts       | Integer. Default to 20 (5% cuts each).   |
| sd_qtref     | Integer. Reference quantile of the error convergence rule for standard deviation (Criteria #1). Defaults to 3. |
| med_lowb     | Integer. Lower bound distance of the error convergence rule for median. (Criteria #2). Default to 3.           |
| ...          | Additional parameters  |

## Value

List. Plots and MOO convergence results.

## Examples

```
## Not run:
# Having OutputModels results
robyn_converge(
  OutputModels,
  n_cuts = 10,
  sd_qtref = 3,
  med_lowb = 3
)

## End(Not run)
```

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 robyn\_inputs

*Input Data Check & Transformation*


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### Description

robyn\_inputs() is the function to input all model parameters and check input correctness for the initial model build. It includes the engineering process results that conducts trend, season, holiday & weekday decomposition using Facebook's time-series forecasting library prophet and fit a non-linear model to spend and exposure metrics in case exposure metrics are used in paid\_media\_vars.

### Usage

```
robyn_inputs(
  dt_input = NULL,
  dt_holidays = NULL,
  date_var = "auto",
  dep_var = NULL,
  dep_var_type = NULL,
  prophet_vars = NULL,
  prophet_signs = NULL,
  prophet_country = NULL,
  context_vars = NULL,
  context_signs = NULL,
  paid_media_spends = NULL,
  paid_media_vars = NULL,
  paid_media_signs = NULL,
  organic_vars = NULL,
  organic_signs = NULL,
  factor_vars = NULL,
  adstock = NULL,
  hyperparameters = NULL,
  window_start = NULL,
  window_end = NULL,
  calibration_input = NULL,
  InputCollect = NULL,
  ...
)

## S3 method for class 'robyn_inputs'
print(x, ...)
```

### Arguments

|             |  |
|-------------|--|
| dt_input    | data.frame. Raw input data. Load simulated dataset using data("dt_simulated_weekly")                 |
| dt_holidays | data.frame. Raw input holiday data. Load standard Prophet holidays using data("dt_prophet_holidays") |



|                   |  |
|-------------------|--|
| date_var          | Character. Name of date variable. Daily, weekly and monthly data supported. Weekly requires weekstart of Monday or Sunday. date_var must have format "2020-01-01". Default to automatic date detection.  |
| dep_var           | Character. Name of dependent variable. Only one allowed  |
| dep_var_type      | Character. Type of dependent variable as "revenue" or "conversion". Only one allowed and case sensitive.   |
| prophet_vars      | Character vector. Include any of "trend", "season", "weekday", "holiday". Are case-sensitive. Highly recommended to use all for daily data and "trend", "season", "holiday" for weekly and above cadence.  |
| prophet_signs     | Character vector. Choose any of c("default", "positive", "negative"). Control the signs of coefficients for prophet variables. Must have same order and same length as prophet_vars. By default it's set to 'default'.   |
| prophet_country   | Character. Only one country allowed once. Including national holidays for 59 countries, whose list can be found loading data("dt_prophet_holidays").   |
| context_vars      | Character vector. Typically competitors, price & promotion, temperature, unemployment rate, etc.   |
| context_signs     | Character vector. Choose any of c("default", "positive", "negative"). Control the signs of coefficients for context_vars. Must have same order and same length as context_vars. By default it's set to 'default'.  |
| paid_media_spends | Character vector. When using exposure level metrics (impressions, clicks, GRP etc) in paid_media_vars, provide corresponding spends for ROAS calculation. For spend metrics in paid_media_vars, use the same name. media_spend_vars must have same order and same length as paid_media_vars. |
| paid_media_vars   | Character vector. Recommended to use exposure level metrics (impressions, clicks, GRP etc) other than spend. Also recommended to split media channel into sub-channels (e.g. fb_retargeting, fb_prospecting, etc.) to gain more variance. paid_media_vars only accepts numerical variable.   |
| paid_media_signs  | Character vector. Choose any of c("default", "positive", "negative"). Control the signs of coefficients for paid_media_vars. Must have same order and same length as paid_media_vars. By default it's set to 'positive'.   |
| organic_vars      | Character vector. Typically newsletter sendings, push-notifications, social media posts etc. Compared to paid_media_vars organic_vars are often marketing activities without clear spends.   |
| organic_signs     | Character vector. Choose any of c("default", "positive", "negative"). Control the signs of coefficients for organic_signs. Must have same order and same length as organic_vars. By default it's set to 'positive'.  |
| factor_vars       | Character vector. Specify which of the provided variables in organic_vars or context_vars should be forced as a factor.  |
| adstock           | Character. Choose any of c("geometric", "weibull_cdf", "weibull_pdf"). Weibull adstock is a two-parametric function and thus more flexible, but takes  |

longer time than the traditional geometric one-parametric function. CDF, or cumulative density function of the Weibull function allows changing decay rate over time in both C and S shape, while the peak value will always stay at the first period, meaning no lagged effect. PDF, or the probability density function, enables peak value occurring after the first period when shape  $\geq 1$ , allowing lagged effect. Run `plot_adstock()` to see the difference visually. Time estimation: with geometric adstock, 2000 iterations \* 5 trials on 8 cores, it takes less than 30 minutes. Both Weibull options take up to twice as much time.

#### hyperparameters

List. Contains hyperparameter lower and upper bounds. Names of elements in list must be identical to output of `hyper_names()`. To fix hyperparameter values, provide only one value.

#### window\_start, window\_end

Character. Set start and end dates of modelling period. Recommended to not start in the first date in dataset to gain adstock effect from previous periods. Also, columns to rows ratio in the input data to be  $\geq 10:1$ , or in other words at least 10 observations to 1 independent variable. This window will determine the date range of the data period within your dataset you will be using to specifically regress the effects of media, organic and context variables on your dependent variable. We recommend using a full `dt_input` dataset with a minimum of 1 year of history, as it will be used in full for the model calculation of trend, seasonality and holidays effects. Whereas the window period will determine how much of the full data set will be used for media, organic and context variables.

#### calibration\_input

data.frame. Optional. Provide experimental results to calibrate. Your input should include the following values for each experiment: channel, liftStartDate, liftEndDate, liftAbs, spend, confidence, metric. Check "Guide for calibration source" section.

#### InputCollect

Default to NULL. `robyn_inputs`'s output when hyperparameters are not yet set.

...

Additional parameters passed to prophet functions.

x

`robyn_inputs()` output.

### Value

List. Contains all input parameters and modified results using `Robyn::robyn_engineering()`. This list is ready to be used on other functions like `robyn_run()` and `print()`. Class: `robyn_inputs`.

### Guide for calibration source

1. We strongly recommend to use experimental and causal results that are considered ground truth to calibrate MMM. Usual experiment types are people-based (e.g. Facebook conversion lift) and geo-based (e.g. Facebook GeoLift).
2. Currently, Robyn only accepts point-estimate as calibration input. For example, if 10k\$ spend is tested against a hold-out for channel A, then input the incremental return as point-estimate as the example below.
3. The point-estimate has to always match the spend in the variable. For example, if channel A usually has 100k\$ weekly spend and the experimental HO is 70

## Examples

```
# Load simulated input data
data("dt_simulated_weekly")
# Load standard prophet holidays
data("dt_prophet_holidays")

InputCollect <- robyn_inputs(
  dt_input = dt_simulated_weekly,
  dt_holidays = dt_prophet_holidays,
  date_var = "DATE",
  dep_var = "revenue",
  dep_var_type = "revenue",
  prophet_vars = c("trend", "season", "holiday"),
  prophet_country = "DE",
  context_vars = c("competitor_sales_B", "events"),
  paid_media_spends = c("tv_S", "ooh_S", "print_S", "facebook_S", "search_S"),
  paid_media_vars = c("tv_S", "ooh_S", "print_S", "facebook_I", "search_clicks_P"),
  organic_vars = c("newsletter"),
  factor_vars = c("events"),
  window_start = "2016-11-23",
  window_end = "2018-08-22",
  adstock = "geometric",
  # To be defined separately
  hyperparameters = NULL,
  calibration_input = NULL
)
print(InputCollect)
```

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 robyn\_mmm

 Core MMM Function
 

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## Description

robyn\_mmm() function activates Nevergrad to generate samples of hyperparameters, conducts media transformation within each loop, fits the Ridge regression, calibrates the model optionally, decomposes responses and collects the result. It's an inner function within robyn\_run().

## Usage

```
robyn_mmm(
  InputCollect,
  hyper_collect,
  iterations,
  cores,
  nevergrad_algo,
  intercept_sign,
  add_penalty_factor = FALSE,
```

```

dt_hyper_fixed = NULL,
refresh = FALSE,
seed = 123L,
quiet = FALSE
)

```

### Arguments

|                    |  |
|--------------------|--|
| InputCollect       | List. Contains all input parameters for the model. Required when robyn_object is not provided.   |
| hyper_collect      | List. Containing hyperparameter bounds. Defaults to InputCollect\$hyperparameters.   |
| iterations         | Integer. Number of iterations to run.  |
| cores              | Integer. Default to parallel::detectCores() (max cores).   |
| nevergrad_algo     | Character. Default to "TwoPointsDE". Options are c("DE", "TwoPointsDE", "OnePlusOne", "DoubleFastGADiscreteOnePlusOne", "DiscreteOnePlusOne", "PortfolioDiscreteOnePlusOne", "NaiveTBPSA", "cGA", "RandomSearch").   |
| intercept_sign     | Character. Choose one of "non_negative" (default) or "unconstrained". By default, if intercept is negative, Robyn will drop intercept and refit the model. Consider changing intercept_sign to "unconstrained" when there are context_vars with large positive values. |
| add_penalty_factor | Boolean. Add penalty factor hyperparameters to glmnet's penalty.factor to be optimized by nevergrad. Use with caution, because this feature might add too much hyperparameter space and probably requires more iterations to converge.                                 |
| dt_hyper_fixed     | data.frame. Only provide when loading old model results. It consumes hyperparameters from saved csv pareto_hyperparameters.csv.  |
| refresh            | Boolean. Set to TRUE when used in robyn_refresh().   |
| seed               | Integer. For reproducible results when running nevergrad.  |
| quiet              | Boolean. Keep messages off?  |

### Value

List. MMM results with hyperparameters values.

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robyn\_onepagers

*Generate and Export Robyn One-Pager Plots*


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### Description

Generate and Export Robyn One-Pager Plots

**Usage**

```
robyn_onepaggers(
  InputCollect,
  OutputCollect,
  select_model = NULL,
  quiet = FALSE,
  export = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| InputCollect  | robyn_run() outcomes.  |
| OutputCollect | robyn_run(..., export = FALSE) output.   |
| select_model  | Character vector. Which models (by solID) do you wish to plot the one-pagers and export? Default will take top robyn_clusters() results. |
| quiet         | Boolean. Keep messages off?  |
| export        | Boolean. Export outcomes into local files?   |

**Value**

Invisible list with patchwork plot(s).

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| robyn_outputs | <i>Evaluate Models and Output Results into Local Files</i> |
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**Description**

Pack robyn\_plots(), robyn\_csv(), and robyn\_clusters() outcomes on robyn\_run() results. When UI=TRUE, enriched OutputModels results with additional plots and objects.

**Usage**

```
robyn_outputs(
  InputCollect,
  OutputModels,
  pareto_fronts = 3,
  calibration_constraint = 0.1,
  plot_folder = NULL,
  plot_folder_sub = NULL,
  plot_pareto = TRUE,
  csv_out = "pareto",
  clusters = TRUE,
  select_model = "clusters",
  ui = FALSE,
  export = TRUE,
  quiet = FALSE,
```

```

    ...
  )

  ## S3 method for class 'robyn_outputs'
  print(x, ...)

  robyn_csv(OutputCollect, csv_out = NULL, export = TRUE)

  robyn_plots(InputCollect, OutputCollect, export = TRUE)

```

### Arguments

|                            |  |
|----------------------------|--|
| InputCollect, OutputModels | robyn_run() outcomes.  |
| pareto_fronts              | Integer. Number of Pareto fronts for the output. pareto_fronts = 1 returns the best models trading off NRMSE & DECOMP.RSSD. Increase pareto_fronts to get more model choices.                          |
| calibration_constraint     | Numeric. Default to 0.1 and allows 0.01-0.1. When calibrating, 0.1 means top 10 selection. Lower calibration_constraint increases calibration accuracy.  |
| plot_folder                | Character. Path for saving plots. Default to robyn_object and saves plot in the same directory as robyn_object.  |
| plot_folder_sub            | Character. Customize sub path to save plots. The total path is created with <code>dir.create(file.path(plot_folder, plot_folder_sub))</code> . For example, <code>plot_folder_sub = "sub_dir"</code> . |
| plot_pareto                | Boolean. Set to FALSE to deactivate plotting and saving model one-pagers. Used when testing models.  |
| csv_out                    | Character. Accepts "pareto" or "all". Default to "pareto". Set to "all" will output all iterations as csv. Set NULL to skip exports into CSVs.   |
| clusters                   | Boolean. Apply <code>robyn_clusters()</code> to output models?   |
| select_model               | Character vector. Which models (by solid) do you wish to plot the one-pagers and export? Default will take top <code>robyn_clusters()</code> results.  |
| ui                         | Boolean. Save additional outputs for UI usage. List outcome.   |
| export                     | Boolean. Export outcomes into local files?   |
| quiet                      | Boolean. Keep messages off?  |
| ...                        | Additional parameters passed to <code>robyn_clusters()</code>  |
| x                          | <code>robyn_outputs()</code> output.   |
| OutputCollect              | <code>robyn_run(..., export = FALSE)</code> output.  |

### Value

(Invisible) list. Class: `robyn_outputs`. Contains processed results based on `robyn_run()` results.

Invisible NULL.

Invisible list with `ggplot` plots.

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`robyn_refresh`*Build Refresh Model*

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## Description

`robyn_refresh()` builds updated models based on the previously built models saved in the `Robyn.RDS` object specified in `robyn_object`. For example, when updating the initial build with 4 weeks of new data, `robyn_refresh()` consumes the selected model of the initial build, sets lower and upper bounds of hyperparameters for the new build around the selected hyperparameters of the previous build, stabilizes the effect of baseline variables across old and new builds, and regulates the new effect share of media variables towards the latest spend level. It returns the aggregated results with all previous builds for reporting purposes and produces reporting plots.

You must run `robyn_save()` to select and save an initial model first, before refreshing.

**When should `robyn_refresh()` NOT be used:** The `robyn_refresh()` function is suitable for updating within "reasonable periods". Two situations are considered better to rebuild model instead of refreshing:

1. Most data is new: If initial model was trained with 100 weeks worth of data but we add +50 weeks of new data.
2. New variables are added: If initial model had less variables than the ones we want to start using on new refresh model.

## Usage

```
robyn_refresh(  
  robyn_object,  
  plot_folder_sub = NULL,  
  dt_input = dt_input,  
  dt_holidays = dt_holidays,  
  refresh_steps = 4,  
  refresh_mode = "manual",  
  refresh_iters = 1000,  
  refresh_trials = 3,  
  plot_pareto = TRUE,  
  version_prompt = FALSE,  
  ...  
)  
  
## S3 method for class 'robyn_refresh'  
print(x, ...)
```

## Arguments

`robyn_object` Character. Path of the `Robyn.RDS` object that contains all previous modeling information.

|                 |  |
|-----------------|--|
| plot_folder_sub | Character. Customize sub path to save plots. The total path is created with <code>dir.create(file.path(plot_folder, plot_folder_sub))</code> . For example, <code>plot_folder_sub = "sub_dir"</code> .   |
| dt_input        | data.frame. Should include all previous data and newly added data for the refresh.   |
| dt_holidays     | data.frame. Raw input holiday data. Load standard Prophet holidays using <code>data("dt_prophet_holidays")</code> .  |
| refresh_steps   | Integer. It controls how many time units the refresh model build move forward. For example, <code>refresh_steps = 4</code> on weekly data means the <code>InputCollect\$window_start</code> & <code>InputCollect\$window_end</code> move forward 4 weeks.  |
| refresh_mode    | Character. Options are "auto" and "manual". In auto mode, the <code>robyn_refresh()</code> function builds refresh models with given <code>refresh_steps</code> repeatedly until there's no more data available. In manual mode, the <code>robyn_refresh()</code> only moves forward <code>refresh_steps</code> only once. |
| refresh_iters   | Integer. Iterations per refresh. Rule of thumb is, the more new data added, the more iterations needed. More reliable recommendation still needs to be investigated.   |
| refresh_trials  | Integer. Trials per refresh. Defaults to 5 trials. More reliable recommendation still needs to be investigated.  |
| plot_pareto     | Boolean. Set to FALSE to deactivate plotting and saving model one-pagers. Used when testing models.  |
| version_prompt  | Logical. If FALSE, the model refresh version will be selected based on the smallest combined error of normalised NRMSE & DECOMP.RSSD. If TRUE, a prompt will be presented to the user to select one of the refreshed models (one-pagers and pareto csv files will already be generated).                                   |
| ...             | Additional parameters to overwrite original custom parameters passed into initial model.   |
| x               | <code>robyn_refresh()</code> output.   |

### Value

List. The Robyn object, class `robyn_refresh`.

List. Same as `robyn_run()` but with refreshed models.

### Examples

```
## Not run:
# Set the (pre-trained and exported) Robyn object path
robyn_object <- "~/Desktop/Robyn.RDS"
# Load dummy data
data("dt_simulated_weekly")
# Load holidays data
data("dt_prophet_holidays")

# Run \code{robyn_refresh()} with 13 weeks cadance in auto mode
Robyn <- robyn_refresh(
```



```

    robyn_object = robyn_object,
    dt_input = dt_simulated_weekly,
    dt_holidays = dt_prophet_holidays,
    refresh_steps = 13,
    refresh_mode = "auto",
    refresh_iters = 200,
    refresh_trials = 5
  )

# Run \code{robyn_refresh()} with 4 weeks cadance in manual mode
Robyn <- robyn_refresh(
  robyn_object = robyn_object,
  dt_input = dt_simulated_weekly,
  dt_holidays = dt_prophet_holidays,
  refresh_steps = 4,
  refresh_mode = "manual",
  refresh_iters = 200,
  refresh_trials = 5
)

## End(Not run)

```

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| robyn_response | <i>Response Function</i> |
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## Description

robyn\_response() returns the response for a given spend level of a given paid\_media\_vars from a selected model result and selected model build (initial model, refresh model, etc.).

## Usage

```

robyn_response(
  robyn_object = NULL,
  select_build = NULL,
  media_metric = NULL,
  select_model = NULL,
  metric_value = NULL,
  dt_hyppar = NULL,
  dt_coef = NULL,
  InputCollect = NULL,
  OutputCollect = NULL,
  quiet = FALSE
)

```

## Arguments

robyn\_object    Character. Path of the Robyn.RDS object that contains all previous modeling information.

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| select_build  | Integer. Default to the latest model build. select_build = 0 selects the initial model. select_build = 1 selects the first refresh model.   |
| media_metric  | A character. Selected media variable for the response. Must be one value from paid_media_spends, paid_media_vars or organic_vars  |
| select_model  | Character. A model SolID. When robyn_object is provided, select_model defaults to the already selected SolID. When robyn_object is not provided, select_model must be provided with InputCollect and OutputCollect, and must be one of OutputCollect\$allSolutions. |
| metric_value  | Numeric. Desired metric value to return a response for.   |
| dt_hyppar     | A data.table. When robyn_object is not provided, use dt_hyppar = OutputCollect\$resultHypParam. It must be provided along select_model, dt_coef and InputCollect.   |
| dt_coef       | A data.table. When robyn_object is not provided, use dt_coef = OutputCollect\$xDecompAgg. It must be provided along select_model, dt_hyppar and InputCollect.   |
| InputCollect  | List. Contains all input parameters for the model. Required when robyn_object is not provided.  |
| OutputCollect | List. Containing all model result. Required when robyn_object is not provided.  |
| quiet         | Boolean. Keep messages off?   |

### Value

List. Response value and plot. Class: robyn\_response.

### Examples

```
## Not run:
# Having InputCollect and OutputCollect results OR robyn_object
# Set your exported model location
robyn_object <- "~/Desktop/MyRobyn.RDS"

# Get marginal response (mResponse) and marginal ROI (mROI) for
# the next 1k on 80k for search_S, when provided the saved
# robyn_object by the robyn_save() function.
spend1 <- 80000
Response1 <- robyn_response(
  robyn_object = robyn_object,
  media_metric = "search_S",
  metric_value = spend1
)$response
# Get ROI for 80k
Response1 / spend1 # ROI for search 80k
# Get response for 81k
spend2 <- spend1 + 1000
Response2 <- robyn_response(
  robyn_object = robyn_object,
  media_metric = "search_S",
  metric_value = spend2
)$response
```

```

# Get ROI for 81k
Response2 / spend2 # ROI for search 81k
# Get marginal response (mResponse) for the next 1k on 80k
Response2 - Response1
# Get marginal ROI (mROI) for the next 1k on 80k
(Response2 - Response1) / (spend2 - spend1)

# Example of getting paid media exposure response curves
imps <- 1000000
responseimps <- robyn_response(
  robyn_object = robyn_object,
  media_metric = "facebook_I",
  metric_value = imps
)$response
response_per_1k_imps <- responseimps / imps * 1000
response_per_1k_imps

# Example of getting organic media exposure response curves
sendings <- 30000
response_sending <- robyn_response(
  robyn_object = robyn_object,
  media_metric = "newsletter",
  metric_value = sendings
)$response
response_per_1k_send <- response_sending / sendings * 1000
response_per_1k_send

# Get response for 80k for search_S from the third model refresh
robyn_response(
  robyn_object = robyn_object,
  select_build = 3,
  media_metric = "search_S",
  metric_value = 80000
)

# Get response for 80k for search_S from the a certain model SOLID
# in the current model output in the global environment
robyn_response(
  media_metric = "search_S",
  metric_value = 80000,
  select_model = "3_10_3",
  dt_hyppar = OutputCollect$resultHypParam,
  dt_coef = OutputCollect$xDecompAgg,
  InputCollect = InputCollect
)

## End(Not run)

```

**Description**

robyn\_run() consumes robyn\_input() outputs, runs robyn\_mmm(), and collects all modeling results.

**Usage**

```
robyn_run(
  InputCollect,
  dt_hyper_fixed = NULL,
  add_penalty_factor = FALSE,
  refresh = FALSE,
  seed = 123L,
  outputs = TRUE,
  quiet = FALSE,
  cores = NULL,
  trials = NULL,
  iterations = NULL,
  nevergrad_algo = "TwoPointsDE",
  intercept_sign = "non_negative",
  lambda_control = NULL,
  ...
)

## S3 method for class 'robyn_models'
print(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|                    |  |
|--------------------|--|
| InputCollect       | List. Contains all input parameters for the model. Required when robyn_object is not provided.   |
| dt_hyper_fixed     | data.frame. Only provide when loading old model results. It consumes hyperparameters from saved csv pareto_hyperparameters.csv.  |
| add_penalty_factor | Boolean. Add penalty factor hyperparameters to glmnet's penalty.factor to be optimized by nevergrad. Use with caution, because this feature might add too much hyperparameter space and probably requires more iterations to converge. |
| refresh            | Boolean. Set to TRUE when used in robyn_refresh().   |
| seed               | Integer. For reproducible results when running nevergrad.  |
| outputs            | Boolean. Process results with robyn_outputs()?   |
| quiet              | Boolean. Keep messages off?  |
| cores              | Integer. Default to parallel::detectCores() (max cores).   |
| trials             | Integer. Recommended 5 for default nevergrad_algo = "TwoPointsDE".   |
| iterations         | Integer. Recommended 2000 for default when using nevergrad_algo = "TwoPointsDE".   |
| nevergrad_algo     | Character. Default to "TwoPointsDE". Options are c("DE", "TwoPointsDE", "OnePlusOne", "DoubleFastGADiscreteOnePlusOne", "DiscreteOnePlusOne", "PortfolioDiscreteOnePlusOne", "NaiveTBPSA", "cGA", "RandomSearch").                     |

intercept\_sign Character. Choose one of "non\_negative" (default) or "unconstrained". By default, if intercept is negative, Robyn will drop intercept and refit the model. Consider changing intercept\_sign to "unconstrained" when there are context\_vars with large positive values.

lambda\_control Deprecated in v3.6.0.

... Additional parameters passed to robyn\_outputs().

x robyn\_models() output.

### Value

List. Class: robyn\_models. Contains the results of all trials and iterations modeled.

List. Contains all trained models. Class: robyn\_models.

### Examples

```
## Not run:
# Having InputCollect results
OutputCollect <- robyn_run(
  InputCollect = InputCollect,
  cores = 2,
  iterations = 200,
  trials = 1,
  outputs = FALSE
)

## End(Not run)
```

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robyn\_save

*Export Robyn Model to Local File*

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### Description

Use robyn\_save() to select and save as .RDS file the initial model.

### Usage

```
robyn_save(
  robyn_object,
  select_model,
  InputCollect,
  OutputCollect,
  quiet = FALSE
)

## S3 method for class 'robyn_save'
print(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'robyn_save'
plot(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| robyn_object  | Character. Path of the Robyn.RDS object that contains all previous modeling information.  |
| select_model  | Character. A model SolID. When robyn_object is provided, select_model defaults to the already selected SolID. When robyn_object is not provided, select_model must be provided with InputCollect and OutputCollect, and must be one of OutputCollect\$allSolutions. |
| InputCollect  | List. Contains all input parameters for the model. Required when robyn_object is not provided.  |
| OutputCollect | List. Containing all model result. Required when robyn_object is not provided.  |
| quiet         | Boolean. Keep messages off?   |
| x             | robyn_save() output.  |
| ...           | Additional parameters passed to robyn_outputs().  |

**Value**

(Invisible) list with filename and summary. Class: robyn\_save.

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|             |                           |
|-------------|---------------------------|
| robyn_train | <i>Train Robyn Models</i> |
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**Description**

robyn\_train() consumes output from robyn\_input() and runs the robyn\_mmm() on each trial.

**Usage**

```
robyn_train(
  InputCollect,
  hyper_collect,
  cores,
  iterations,
  trials,
  intercept_sign,
  nevergrad_algo,
  dt_hyper_fixed = NULL,
  add_penalty_factor = FALSE,
  refresh = FALSE,
  seed = 123,
  quiet = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

|                    |  |
|--------------------|--|
| InputCollect       | List. Contains all input parameters for the model. Required when robyn_object is not provided.   |
| hyper_collect      | List. Containing hyperparameter bounds. Defaults to InputCollect\$hyperparameters.   |
| cores              | Integer. Default to parallel::detectCores() (max cores).   |
| iterations         | Integer. Recommended 2000 for default when using nevergrad_algo = "TwoPointsDE".   |
| trials             | Integer. Recommended 5 for default nevergrad_algo = "TwoPointsDE".   |
| intercept_sign     | Character. Choose one of "non_negative" (default) or "unconstrained". By default, if intercept is negative, Robyn will drop intercept and refit the model. Consider changing intercept_sign to "unconstrained" when there are context_vars with large positive values. |
| nevergrad_algo     | Character. Default to "TwoPointsDE". Options are c("DE", "TwoPointsDE", "OnePlusOne", "DoubleFastGADiscreteOnePlusOne", "DiscreteOnePlusOne", "PortfolioDiscreteOnePlusOne", "NaiveTBPSA", "cGA", "RandomSearch").   |
| dt_hyper_fixed     | data.frame. Only provide when loading old model results. It consumes hyperparameters from saved csv pareto_hyperparameters.csv.  |
| add_penalty_factor | Boolean. Add penalty factor hyperparameters to glmnet's penalty.factor to be optimized by nevergrad. Use with caution, because this feature might add too much hyperparameter space and probably requires more iterations to converge.                                 |
| refresh            | Boolean. Set to TRUE when used in robyn_refresh().   |
| seed               | Integer. For reproducible results when running nevergrad.  |
| quiet              | Boolean. Keep messages off?  |

**Value**

List. Iteration results to include in robyn\_run() results.

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| robyn_update | <i>Update Robyn Version</i> |
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**Description**

Update Robyn version from [Github repository](#) for "dev" version or from CRAN (not yet submitted, but soon!).

**Usage**

```
robyn_update(dev = TRUE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|     |   |
|-----|---|
| dev | Boolean. Dev version? If not, CRAN version.   |
| ... | Parameters to pass to remotes::install_github or utils::install.packages, depending on dev parameter. |

**Value**

Invisible NULL.

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| saturation_hill | <i>Hill Saturation Transformation</i> |
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**Description**

saturation\_hill is a two-parametric version of the Hill function that allows the saturation curve to flip between S and C shape.

Produce example plots for the Hill saturation curve.

**Usage**

```
saturation_hill(x, alpha, gamma, x_marginal = NULL)
```

```
plot_saturation(plot = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

|            |   |
|------------|---|
| x          | Numeric vector.   |
| alpha      | Numeric. Alpha controls the shape of the saturation curve. The larger the alpha, the more S-shape. The smaller, the more C-shape. |
| gamma      | Numeric. Gamma controls the inflexion point of the saturation curve. The larger the gamma, the later the inflexion point occurs.  |
| x_marginal | Numeric. When provided, the function returns the Hill-transformed value of the x_marginal input.                                  |
| plot       | Boolean. Do you wish to return the plot?  |

**Value**

Numeric values. Transformed values.

**See Also**

Other Transformations: [adstock\\_geometric\(\)](#), [mic\\_men\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
saturation_hill(c(100, 150, 170, 190, 200), alpha = 3, gamma = 0.5)
```

```
plot_saturation()
```



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| set_holidays | <i>Detect and set date variable interval</i> |
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**Description**

Robyn only accepts daily, weekly and monthly data. This function is only called in `robyn_engineering()`.

**Usage**

```
set_holidays(dt_transform, dt_holidays, intervalType)
```

**Arguments**

|                           |  |
|---------------------------|--|
| <code>dt_transform</code> | A data.frame. Transformed input data.  |
| <code>dt_holidays</code>  | A data.frame. Raw input holiday data.  |
| <code>intervalType</code> | A character. Accepts one of the values: <code>c("day", "week", "month")</code> |

**Value**

List. Containing the all spend-exposure model results.

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