

# Package ‘heatwaveR’

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**Description** The different methods for defining, detecting, and categorising the extreme events known as heatwaves or cold-spells, as first proposed in Hobday et al. (2016) <[doi:10.1016/j.pocean.2015.12.014](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.pocean.2015.12.014)> and Hobday et al. (2018) <<https://www.jstor.org/stable/26542662>>. The functions in this package work on both air and water temperature data of hourly and daily temporal resolution. These detection algorithms may be used on non-temperature data as well.

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Algiers	<i>Daily maximum (tX) and minimum (tN) air temperatures for Algiers, Algeria.</i>
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### Description

A dataset containing the daily maximum and minimum air temperatures (in degrees Celsius) and date for Algiers, Algeria for the period 1961-01-01 to 2005-12-31.

### Usage

`Algiers`

### Format

A data frame with 16436 rows and 3 variables:

**t** date, `as.Date()` format

**tMax** daily max. temperature, in degrees Celsius

**tMin** daily min. temperature, in degrees Celsius ...

## Details

lon/lat:

## Source

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block_average	<i>Calculate yearly means for event metrics.</i>
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## Description

Calculate yearly means for event metrics.

## Usage

```
block_average(data, x = t, y = temp, report = "full", returnDF = TRUE)
```

## Arguments

data	Accepts the data returned by the <code>detect_event</code> function.
x	This column is expected to contain a vector of dates as per the specification of <code>ts2clm</code> . If a column headed <code>t</code> is present in the dataframe, this argument may be omitted; otherwise, specify the name of the column with dates here.
y	This is a column containing the measurement variable. If the column name differs from the default (i.e. <code>temp</code> ), specify the name here.
report	Specify either <code>full</code> or <code>partial</code> . Selecting <code>full</code> causes the report to contain NAs for any years in which no events were detected (except for <code>count</code> , which will be zero in those years), while <code>partial</code> reports only the years wherein events were detected. The default is <code>full</code> .
returnDF	The default ( <code>TRUE</code> ) tells the function to return the results as type <code>data.frame</code> . <code>FALSE</code> will return the results as a <code>data.table</code> .

## Details

This function needs to be provided with the full output from the `detect_event` or `exceedance` functions. Note that the yearly averages are calculated only for complete years (i.e. years that start/end part-way through the year at the beginning or end of the original time series are removed from the calculations).

This function differs from the python implementation of the function of the same name (i.e., `blockAverage`, see <https://github.com/ecjoliver/marineHeatWaves>) in that we only provide the ability to calculate the average (or aggregate) event metrics in 'blocks' of one year, while the python version allows arbitrary (integer) block sizes.

Note that if this function is used on the output of `exceedance`, all of the metrics (see below) with `relThresh` in the name will be returned as NA values.

**Value**

The function will return a data frame of the averaged (or aggregate) metrics. It includes the following:

year	The year over which the metrics were averaged.
count	The number of events per year.
duration	The average duration of events per year [days].
duration_max	The maximum duration of an event in each year [days].
intensity_mean	The average event "mean intensity" in each year [deg. C].
intensity_max	The average event "maximum (peak) intensity" in each year [deg. C].
intensity_max_max	The maximum event "maximum (peak) intensity" in each year [deg. C].
intensity_var	The average event "intensity variability" in each year [deg. C].
intensity_cumulative	The average event "cumulative intensity" in each year [deg. C x days].
rate_onset	Average event onset rate in each year [deg. C / days].
rate_decline	Average event decline rate in each year [deg. C / days].
total_days	Total number of events days in each year [days].
total_icum	Total cumulative intensity over all events in each year [deg. C x days].
intensity_max_relThresh, intensity_mean_relThresh, intensity_var_relThresh, and intensity_cumulative_relThresh	are as above except relative to the threshold (e.g., 90th percentile) rather than the seasonal climatology.
intensity_max_abs, intensity_mean_abs, intensity_var_abs, and intensity_cumulative_abs	are as above except as absolute magnitudes rather than relative to the seasonal climatology or threshold.

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**References**

Hobday, A.J. et al. (2016), A hierarchical approach to defining marine heatwaves, *Progress in Oceanography*, 141, pp. 227-238, doi: 10.1016/j.pocean.2015.12.014

**Examples**

```
ts <- ts2clm(sst_WA, climatologyPeriod = c("1983-01-01", "2012-12-31"))
res <- detect_event(ts)
out <- block_average(res)
summary(glm(count ~ year, out, family = "poisson"))

library(ggplot2)

ggplot(data = out, aes(x = year, y = count)) +
```

```
geom_point(colour = "salmon") +
  geom_line() +
  labs(x = NULL, y = "Number of events")
```

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category*Calculate the categories of events.*

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**Description**

Calculates the categories of MHWs or MCSs produced by [detect\\_event](#) in accordance with the naming scheme proposed in Hobday et al. (2018).

**Usage**

```
category(
  data,
  y = temp,
  S = TRUE,
  name = "Event",
  climatology = FALSE,
  MCScorrect = FALSE,
  MCSice = FALSE,
  season = "range",
  roundVal = 4,
  lat_col = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

data	The function receives the full (list) output from the <a href="#">detect_event</a> function.
y	The column containing the measurement variable. If the column name differs from the default (i.e. temp), specify the name here.
S	This argument informs the function if the data were collected in the southern hemisphere (TRUE, default) or the northern hemisphere (FALSE) so that it may correctly output the season column (see below).
name	If a character string (e.g. "Bohai Sea") is provided here it will be used to name the events in the event_name column (see below) of the output. If no value is provided the default output is "Event".
climatology	The default setting of FALSE will tell this function to output only the summary (wide) results for the individual events as seen in Hobday et al. (2018). If set to TRUE, this function will return a list of two dataframes. The first dataframe <code>climatology</code> , contains similar information as found in <a href="#">detect_event</a> , with the addition of the daily intensity (anomaly above seasonal day threshold) and category values, but only reports the days on which an event was detected. The second dataframe, <code>event</code> , is the summary results that this function produces by default.

		category
MCScorrect		When calculating marine cold-spells (MCSs) it may occur in some areas that the bottom thresholds for the more intense categories will be below -1.8C, this is physically impossible on Earth, so if one wants to correct the bottom thresholds to not be able to exceed -1.8C, set this argument to TRUE (default is FALSE).
MCSice		Sensu Schlegel et al. (2021; Marine cold-spells), it is advisable to classify a MCS with an event threshold below -1.7°C as a 'V Ice' category event.
season		This argument allows the user to decide how the season(s) of occurrence for the MHWs are labelled. The default setting of "range" will return the range of seasons over which the MHW occurred, as seen in Hobday et al. (2018). One may chose to rather have this function return only the season during the "start", "peak", or "end" of the MHW by giving the corresponding character vector.
roundVal		This argument allows the user to choose how many decimal places the outputs will be rounded to. Default is 4. To prevent rounding set roundClm = FALSE. This argument may only be given numeric values or FALSE.
lat_col		The user may set lat_col = TRUE to detect columns named first 'lat', then 'latitude', and use the numeric decimal degree values therein to determine the correct seasons for events. Note that this will override the S argument. Meaning that if the given/detected latitude column has negative values, S will automatically be set to TRUE and vice versa. Also note that if multiple different latitude values are detected this will intentionally cause an error because the category() function is not meant to be run on more than one time series at once. If latitude is exactly 0, it will be classified as Northern Hemisphere.

## Details

An explanation for the categories is as follows:

- I Moderate-** Events that have been detected, but with a maximum intensity that does not double the distance between the seasonal climatology and the threshold value.
- II Strong-** Events with a maximum intensity that doubles the distance from the seasonal climatology and the threshold, but do not triple it.
- III Severe-** Events that triple the aforementioned distance, but do not quadruple it.
- IV Extreme-** Events with a maximum intensity that is four times or greater than the aforementioned distance.
- V Ice-** If MCSice = TRUE, a MCS with an event threshold below -1.7°C will be classified here.

## Value

The function will return a data.frame with results similar to those seen in Table 2 of Hobday et al. (2018). This provides the information necessary to appraise the extent of the events in the output of `detect_event` based on the category ranking scale. The category thresholds are calculated based on the difference between the given seasonal climatology and threshold climatology. The four category levels are then the difference multiplied by the category level.

The definitions for the default output columns are as follows:

- t** The column containing the daily date values.
- event\_no** The numeric event number label.

**intensity** The daily exceedance (default is degrees C) above the seasonal climatology.

**category** The category classification per day.

**event\_no** The number of the event as determined by `detect_event` to allow for joining between the outputs.

**event\_name** The name of the event. Generated from the name value provided and the year of the `peak_date` (see following) of the event. If no name value is provided the default "Event" is used. As proposed in Hobday et al. (2018), Moderate events are not given a name so as to prevent multiple repeat names within the same year. If two or more events ranked greater than Moderate are reported within the same year, they will be differentiated with the addition of a trailing letter (e.g. Event 2001a, Event 2001b).

**peak\_date** The date (day) on which the maximum intensity of the event was recorded.

**category** The maximum category threshold reached/exceeded by the event.

**i\_max** The maximum intensity of the event above the threshold value.

**duration** The total duration (days) of the event. Note that this includes any possible days when the measurement value `y` may have dropped below the threshold value. Therefore, the proportion of the event duration (days) spent above certain thresholds may not add up to 100% (see following four items).

**p\_moderate** The proportion of the total duration (days) spent at or above the first threshold, but below any further thresholds.

**p\_strong** The proportion of the total duration (days) spent at or above the second threshold, but below any further thresholds.

**p\_severe** The proportion of the total duration (days) spent at or above the third threshold, but below the fourth threshold.

**p\_extreme** The proportion of the total duration (days) spent at or above the fourth and final threshold.

**season** The season(s) during which the event occurred. If the event occurred across two seasons this will be displayed as e.g. "Winter/Spring". Across three seasons as e.g. "Winter-Summer". Events lasting across four or more seasons are listed as "Year-round". December (June) is used here as the start of Austral (Boreal) summer. If "start", "peak", or "end" was given to the `season` argument then only the one season during that chosen period will be given.

If `climatology` = TRUE, this function will output a list of two dataframes. The first dataframe, `climatology`, will contain the following columns:

**t** The column containing the daily date values.

**event\_no** The numeric event number label.

**intensity** The daily exceedance (default is degrees C) above the seasonal climatology.

**category** The category classification per day.

The second dataframe, `event`, contains the default output of this function, as detailed above.

## Author(s)

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## References

Hobday et al. (2018). Categorizing and Naming Marine Heatwaves. *Oceanography* 31(2).

Schlegel et al. (2021). Marine cold-spells. *Progress in Oceanography* 198(102684).

## Examples

```
res_WA <- detect_event(ts2clm(sst_WA,
                               climatologyPeriod = c("1983-01-01", "2012-12-31")))
# Note that the name argument expects a character vector
cat_WA <- category(res_WA, name = "WA")
tail(cat_WA)

# If the data were collected in the northern hemisphere
# we must let the function know this, as seen below
res_Med <- detect_event(ts2clm(sst_Med,
                               climatologyPeriod = c("1983-01-01", "2012-12-31")))
cat_Med <- category(res_Med, S = FALSE, name = "Med")
tail(cat_Med)

# One may also choose to have this function output the daily
# category classifications as well by setting: climatology = TRUE
cat_WA_daily <- category(res_WA, name = "WA", climatology = TRUE)
head(cat_WA_daily$climatology)
```

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**detect\_event**

*Detect heatwaves and cold-spells.*

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## Description

Applies the Hobday et al. (2016) marine heat wave definition to an input time series of a given value (usually, but not necessarily limited to, temperature) along with a daily date vector and pre-calculated seasonal and threshold climatologies, which may either be created with `ts2clm` or some other means.

## Usage

```
detect_event(
  data,
  x = t,
  y = temp,
  seasClim = seas,
  threshClim = thresh,
  threshClim2 = NA,
  minDuration = 5,
  minDuration2 = minDuration,
  joinAcrossGaps = TRUE,
  maxGap = 2,
```

```

maxGap2 = maxGap,
coldSpells = FALSE,
protoEvents = FALSE,
categories = FALSE,
roundRes = 4,
returnDF = TRUE,
...
)

```

## Arguments

data	A data frame with at least four columns. In the default setting (i.e. omitting the arguments x, y, seas, and thresh; see immediately below), the data set is expected to have the headers t, temp, seas, and thresh. The t column is a vector of dates of class Date, temp is the measured variable (by default it is assumed to be temperature), seas is the seasonal cycle daily climatology (366 days), and thresh is the seasonal cycle daily threshold above which events may be detected. Data of the appropriate format are created by the function <a href="#">ts2clm</a> , but your own data can be supplied if they meet the criteria specified by <a href="#">ts2clm</a> . If the column names of data match those outlined here, the following four arguments may be ignored. Note that it is also possible to provide hourly data in the x column as class POSIXct.
x	This column is expected to contain a vector of dates as per the specification of <a href="#">ts2clm</a> . If a column headed t is present in the dataframe, this argument may be omitted; otherwise, specify the name of the column with dates here. Note that it is also possible to provide hourly data as class POSIXct.
y	This is a column containing the measurement variable. If the column name differs from the default (i.e. temp), specify the name here.
seasClim	The default for this argument assumes that the seasonal climatology column is called seas as this matches the output of <a href="#">ts2clm</a> . If the column name for the seasonal climatology is different, provide that here.
threshClim	The threshold climatology column should be called thresh. If it is not, provide the name of the threshold column here.
threshClim2	If one wishes to provide a second climatology threshold filter for the more rigorous detection of events, a vector or column containing logical values (i.e. TRUE FALSE) should be provided here. By default this argument is ignored. It's primary purpose is to allow for the inclusion of tMin and tMax thresholds.
minDuration	The minimum duration for acceptance of detected events. The default is 5 days.
minDuration2	The minimum duration for acceptance of events after filtering by threshClim and threshClim. By default minDuration2 = minDuration and is ignored if threshClim2 has not been specified.
joinAcrossGaps	Boolean switch indicating whether to join events which occur before/after a short gap as specified by maxGap. The default is TRUE.
maxGap	The maximum length of gap allowed for the joining of MHWs. The default is 2 time steps.

maxGap2	The maximum gap length after applying both thresholds. By default <code>maxGap2 = maxGap</code> and is ignored if <code>threshClim2</code> has not been specified.
coldSpells	Boolean specifying if the code should detect cold events instead of warm events. The default is FALSE. Please note that the climatological thresholds for cold-spells are considered to be the inverse of those for MHWs. For example, the default setting for the detection of MHWs is <code>pctile = 90</code> , as seen in <code>ts2clm</code> . Should one want to use <code>detect_event</code> for MCSs, this threshold would best be generated in <code>ts2clm</code> by setting <code>pctile = 10</code> (see example below). Any value may be used, but this is the setting used for the calculation of MCSs in Schlegel et al. (2017a).
protoEvents	The default, <code>protoEvents = FALSE</code> , will return the full output comprised of a list of two data frames, one with the <code>climatology</code> and the other with the event metrics. See <b>Value</b> below. If <code>protoEvents = TRUE</code> , the output will contain the original time series together with columns indicating if the threshold criterion ( <code>threshCriterion</code> ) and duration criterion ( <code>durationCriterion</code> ) have been exceeded, a column showing if a heatwave is present (i.e. both <code>threshCriterion</code> and <code>durationCriterion</code> TRUE), and a sequential number uniquely identifying the detected event(s); heatwave metrics will not be reported in the event dataframe. Note also that if <code>protoEvents = TRUE</code> it will ignore whatever the user provides to the <code>categories</code> argument and anything else passed to ....
categories	Rather than using <code>category</code> as a separate step to determine the categories of the detected MHWs, one may choose to set this argument to TRUE. One may pass the same arguments used in the <code>category</code> function to this function to affect the output. Note that the default behaviour of <code>category</code> is to return the event data only. To return the same list structure that <code>detect_event</code> outputs by default, add the argument <code>climatology = TRUE</code> .
roundRes	This argument allows the user to choose how many decimal places the MHW metric outputs will be rounded to. Default is 4. To prevent rounding set <code>roundRes = FALSE</code> . This argument may only be given numeric values or FALSE.
returnDF	The default (TRUE) tells the function to return the results as type <code>data.frame</code> . FALSE will return the results as a <code>data.table</code> .
...	Other arguments that will be passed internally to <code>category</code> when <code>categories = TRUE</code> . See the documentation for <code>category</code> for the list of possible arguments.

## Details

1. This function assumes that the input time series consists of continuous daily values with few missing values. Time ranges which start and end part-way through the calendar year are supported. The accompanying function `ts2clm` aids in the preparation of a time series that is suitable for use with `detect_event`, although this may also be accomplished 'by hand' as long as the criteria are met as discussed in the documentation to `ts2clm`.
2. The calculation of onset and decline rates assumes that the events started a half-day before the start day and ended a half-day after the end-day. This is consistent with the duration definition as implemented, which assumes `duration = end day - start day + 1`. An event that is already present at the beginning of a time series, or an event that is still present at the end of a time series, will report the rate of onset or the rate of decline as NA, as it is impossible to know what the temperature half a day before or after the start or end of the event is.

3. For the purposes of event detection, any missing temperature values not interpolated over (through optional `maxPadLength` in `ts2clm`) will be set equal to the seasonal climatology. This means they will trigger the end/start of any adjacent temperature values which satisfy the event definition criteria.
4. If the code is used to detect cold events (`coldSpells` = TRUE), then it works just as for heat waves except that events are detected as deviations below the  $(100 - \text{pctile})$ th percentile (e.g., the 10th instead of 90th) for at least 5 days. Intensities are reported as negative values and represent the temperature anomaly below climatology.

The original Python algorithm was written by Eric Oliver, Institute for Marine and Antarctic Studies, University of Tasmania, Feb 2015, and is documented by Hobday et al. (2016). The marine cold spell option was implemented in version 0.13 (21 Nov 2015) of the Python module as a result of our preparation of Schlegel et al. (2017), wherein the cold events receive a brief overview.

### Value

The function will return a list of two data.frames, `climatology` and `event`, which are, surprisingly, the climatology and event results, respectively. The climatology contains the full time series of daily temperatures, as well as the seasonal climatology, the threshold and various aspects of the events that were detected. The software was designed for detecting extreme thermal events, and the units specified below reflect that intended purpose. However, various other kinds of extreme events may be detected according to the specifications, and if that is the case, the appropriate units need to be determined by the user.

The `climatology` results will contain the same column produced by `ts2clm` as well as the following:

`threshCriterion`

Boolean indicating if temp exceeds thresh.

`durationCriterion`

Boolean indicating whether periods of consecutive `threshCriterion` are  $\geq$  `min_duration`.

`event`

Boolean indicating if all criteria that define an extreme event are met.

`event_no`

A sequential number indicating the ID and order of occurrence of the events.

`intensity`

The difference between `temp` (or whichever column is provided for `y`) and `seas`. Only added if `categories` = TRUE and `climatology` = TRUE.

`category`

The category classification per day. Only added if `categories` = TRUE and `climatology` = TRUE.

The event results are summarised using a range of event metrics:

`event_no` A sequential number indicating the ID and order of the events.

`index_start` Start index of event.

`index_end` End index of event.

`duration` Duration of event [days].

`date_start` Start date of event [date].

`date_end` End date of event [date].

`date_peak` Date of event peak [date].

intensity_mean	Mean intensity [deg. C].
intensity_max	Maximum (peak) intensity [deg. C].
intensity_var	Intensity variability (standard deviation) [deg. C].
intensity_cumulative	Cumulative intensity [deg. C x days].
rate_onset	Onset rate of event [deg. C / day].
rate_decline	Decline rate of event [deg. C / day].
event_name	The name of the event. Generated from the name value provided and the year of the date_peak of the event. If no name value is provided the default "Event" is used. As proposed in Hobday et al. (2018), Moderate events are not given a name so as to prevent multiple repeat names within the same year. If two or more events ranked greater than Moderate are reported within the same year, they will be differentiated with the addition of a trailing letter (e.g. Event 2001a, Event 2001b). Only added if categories = TRUE.
category	The maximum category threshold reached/exceeded by the event. Only added if categories = TRUE.
p_moderate	The proportion of the total duration (days) spent at or above the first threshold, but below any further thresholds. Only added if categories = TRUE.
p_strong	The proportion of the total duration (days) spent at or above the second threshold, but below any further thresholds. Only added if categories = TRUE.
p_severe	The proportion of the total duration (days) spent at or above the third threshold, but below the fourth threshold. Only added if categories = TRUE.
p_extreme	The proportion of the total duration (days) spent at or above the fourth and final threshold. Only added if categories = TRUE.
season	The season(s) during which the event occurred. If the event occurred across two seasons this will be displayed as e.g. "Winter/Spring". Across three seasons as e.g. "Winter-Summer". Events lasting across four or more seasons are listed as "Year-round". December (June) is used here as the start of Austral (Boreal) summer. If "start", "peak", or "end" was given to the season argument then only the one season during that chosen period will be given. Only added if categories = TRUE.

intensity\_max\_relThresh, intensity\_mean\_relThresh, intensity\_var\_relThresh, and intensity\_cumulative\_relThresh are as above except relative to the threshold (e.g., 90th percentile) rather than the seasonal climatology.

intensity\_max\_abs, intensity\_mean\_abs, intensity\_var\_abs, and intensity\_cumulative\_abs are as above except as absolute magnitudes rather than relative to the seasonal climatology or threshold.

Note that rate\_onset and rate\_decline will return NA when the event begins/ends on the first/last day of the time series. This may be particularly evident when the function is applied to large gridded data sets. Although the other metrics do not contain any errors and provide sensible values, please take this into account in its interpretation.

## Author(s)

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## References

Hobday, A.J. et al. (2016). A hierarchical approach to defining marine heatwaves, *Progress in Oceanography*, 141, pp. 227-238, doi:10.1016/j.pocean.2015.12.014

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## Examples

```
data.table:::setDTthreads(threads = 1)
res_clim <- ts2clm(sst_WA, climatologyPeriod = c("1983-01-01", "2012-12-31"))
out <- detect_event(res_clim)
# show a portion of the climatology:
out$climatology[1:10, ]
# show some of the heat waves:
out$event[1:5, 1:10]

# Or if one wants to calculate MCSs
res_clim <- ts2clm(sst_WA, climatologyPeriod = c("1983-01-01", "2012-12-31"),
                     pctile = 10)
out <- detect_event(res_clim, coldSpells = TRUE)
# show a portion of the climatology:
out$climatology[1:10, ]
# show some of the cold-spells:
out$event[1:5, 1:10]

# It is also possible to calculate the categories of events directly
# See the \code{\link{category}} documentation for more functionality
res_clim <- ts2clm(sst_WA, climatologyPeriod = c("1983-01-01", "2012-12-31"))
out_event <- detect_event(res_clim, categories = TRUE)
out_list <- detect_event(res_clim, categories = TRUE, climatology = TRUE)

# It is also possible to give two separate sets of threshold criteria

# To use a second static threshold we first use the exceedance function
thresh_19 <- exceedance(sst_Med, threshold = 19, minDuration = 10, maxGap = 0)$threshold
# Then we use that output when detecting our events
events_19 <- detect_event(ts2clm(sst_Med, climatologyPeriod = c("1982-01-01", "2011-12-31")),
                           threshClim2 = thresh_19$exceedance, minDuration2 = 10, maxGap2 = 0)

# If we want to use two different percentile thresholds we use detect_event
thresh_95 <- detect_event(ts2clm(sst_Med, pctile = 95,
                                  climatologyPeriod = c("1982-01-01", "2011-12-31")),
                           minDuration = 2, maxGap = 0)$climatology
# Then we use that output when detecting our events
events_95 <- detect_event(ts2clm(sst_Med, climatologyPeriod = c("1982-01-01", "2011-12-31")),
                           threshClim2 = thresh_95$event, minDuration2 = 2, maxGap2 = 0)
```

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detect_event3	<i>Detect heatwaves and cold-spells.</i>
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## Description

`detect_event3` is a `data.table` version of the earlier `detect_event`. It applies the Hobday et al. (2016) marine heat wave definition to an input time series of a given value (usually, but not necessarily limited to, temperature) along with a daily date vector and pre-calculated seasonal and threshold climatologies, which may either be created with `ts2clm3` or some other means.

## Usage

```
detect_event3(
  data,
  x = t,
  y = temp,
  seasClim = seas,
  threshClim = thresh,
  threshClim2 = NA,
  minDuration = 5,
  minDuration2 = minDuration,
  joinAcrossGaps = TRUE,
  maxGap = 2,
  maxGap2 = maxGap,
  coldSpells = FALSE,
  protoEvents = FALSE,
  categories = FALSE,
  roundRes = 4,
  ...
)
```

## Arguments

<code>data</code>	A data frame with at least four columns. In the default setting (i.e. omitting the arguments <code>x</code> , <code>y</code> , <code>seas</code> , and <code>thresh</code> ; see immediately below), the data set is expected to have the headers <code>t</code> , <code>temp</code> , <code>seas</code> , and <code>thresh</code> . The <code>t</code> column is a vector of dates of class <code>Date</code> , <code>temp</code> is the measured variable (by default it is assumed to be temperature), <code>seas</code> is the seasonal cycle daily climatology (366 days), and <code>thresh</code> is the seasonal cycle daily threshold above which events may be detected. Data of the appropriate format are created by the function <code>ts2clm3</code> , but your own data can be supplied if they meet the criteria specified by <code>ts2clm3</code> . If the column names of <code>data</code> match those outlined here, the following four arguments may be ignored.
<code>x</code>	This column is expected to contain a vector of dates as per the specification of <code>ts2clm3</code> . If a column headed <code>t</code> is present in the <code>data.table</code> , this argument may be omitted; otherwise, specify the name of the column with dates here.

y	This is a column containing the measurement variable. If the column name differs from the default (i.e. temp), specify the name here.
seasClim	The default for this argument assumes that the seasonal climatology column is called seas as this matches the output of <a href="#">ts2clm3</a> . If the column name for the seasonal climatology is different, provide that here.
threshClim	The threshold climatology column should be called thresh. If it is not, provide the name of the threshold column here.
threshClim2	If one wishes to provide a second climatology threshold filter for the more rigorous detection of events, a vector or column containing logical values (i.e. TRUE FALSE) should be provided here. By default this argument is ignored. It's primary purpose is to allow for the inclusion of tMin and tMax thresholds.
minDuration	The minimum duration for acceptance of detected events. The default is 5 days.
minDuration2	The minimum duration for acceptance of events after filtering by threshClim and threshClim. By default minDuration2 = minDuration and is ignored if threshClim2 has not been specified.
joinAcrossGaps	Boolean switch indicating whether to join events which occur before/after a short gap as specified by maxGap. The default is TRUE.
maxGap	The maximum length of gap allowed for the joining of MHWs. The default is 2 days.
maxGap2	The maximum gap length after applying both thresholds. By default maxGap2 = maxGap and is ignored if threshClim2 has not been specified.
coldSpells	Boolean specifying if the code should detect cold events instead of warm events. The default is FALSE. Please note that the climatological thresholds for cold-spells are considered to be the inverse of those for MHWs. For example, the default setting for the detection of MHWs is pctile = 90, as seen in <a href="#">ts2clm3</a> . Should one want to use detect_event3 for MCSs, this threshold would best be generated in <a href="#">ts2clm3</a> by setting pctile = 10 (see example below). Any value may be used, but this is the setting used for the calculation of MCSs in Schlegel et al. (2017a).
protoEvents	Boolean. With the default setting of protoEvents = FALSE a list with two components will be reported. The first component (climatology) will have the original time series returned by <a href="#">ts2clm3</a> augmented with columns indicating if the threshold criterion (threshCriterion) and duration criterion (durationCriterion) have been exceeded, a column showing if a heatwave is present (i.e. both threshCriterion and durationCriterion are TRUE), and a sequential number uniquely identifying the detected event(s). The second list component (event) will contain the heatwave event metrics. If protoEvents = TRUE then only the climatology will be reported. Note also that if protoEvents = TRUE it will ignore whatever the user provides to the categories argument and anything else passed to . . . .
categories	Boolean. Rather than using <a href="#">category</a> as a separate step to determine the categories of the detected MHWs, one may choose to set this argument to TRUE. One may pass the same arguments used in the <a href="#">category</a> function to this function to affect the output. Note that the default behaviour of <a href="#">category</a> is to return the event data only. To return the same list structure that <a href="#">detect_event3</a> outputs

	by default, add the argument <code>climatology</code> = TRUE. By default <code>categories</code> = FALSE.
roundRes	This argument allows the user to choose how many decimal places the MHW metric outputs will be rounded to. Default is 4. To prevent rounding set <code>roundRes</code> = FALSE. This argument may only be given numeric values or FALSE.
...	Allows unused arguments to pass through the functions.

## Details

1. This function assumes that the input time series consists of continuous daily values with few missing values. Time ranges which start and end part-way through the calendar year are supported. The accompanying function `ts2clm3` aids in the preparation of a time series that is suitable for use with `detect_event3`, although this may also be accomplished 'by hand' as long as the criteria are met as discussed in the documentation to `ts2clm3`.
2. The calculation of onset and decline rates assumes that the events started a half-day before the start day and ended a half-day after the end-day. This is consistent with the duration definition as implemented, which assumes `duration` = end day - start day + 1. An event that is already present at the beginning of a time series, or an event that is still present at the end of a time series, will report the rate of onset or the rate of decline as NA, as it is impossible to know what the temperature half a day before or after the start or end of the event is.
3. For the purposes of event detection, any missing temperature values not interpolated over (through optional `maxPadLength` in `ts2clm3`) will be set equal to the seasonal climatology. This means they will trigger the end/start of any adjacent temperature values which satisfy the event definition criteria.
4. If the code is used to detect cold events (`coldSpells` = TRUE), then it works just as for heat waves except that events are detected as deviations below the (100 - `pctile`)th percentile (e.g., the 10th instead of 90th) for at least 5 days. Intensities are reported as negative values and represent the temperature anomaly below climatology.

The original Python algorithm was written by Eric Oliver, Institute for Marine and Antarctic Studies, University of Tasmania, Feb 2015, and is documented by Hobday et al. (2016). The marine cold spell option was implemented in version 0.13 (21 Nov 2015) of the Python module as a result of our preparation of Schlegel et al. (2017), wherein the cold events receive a brief overview.

## Value

The function will return a list of two data.frames, `climatology` and `event`, which are, surprisingly, the climatology and event results, respectively. The climatology contains the full time series of daily temperatures, as well as the seasonal climatology, the threshold and various aspects of the events that were detected. The software was designed for detecting extreme thermal events, and the units specified below reflect that intended purpose. However, various other kinds of extreme events may be detected according to the specifications, and if that is the case, the appropriate units need to be determined by the user.

Note that the exact content of the output depends on specific combinations of the arguments `protoEvents`, `categories`, and `climatology`:

### threshCriterion

Boolean indicating if temp exceeds thresh.

durationCriterion	Boolean indicating whether periods of consecutive threshCriterion are $\geq$ min_duration.
event	Boolean indicating if all criteria that define an extreme event are met.
event_no	A sequential number indicating the ID and order of occurrence of the events.
intensity	The difference between temp (or the column provided for y) and seas. Only added if categories = TRUE and climatology = TRUE.
category	The category classification per day. Only added if categories = TRUE and climatology = TRUE.

The event results are summarised using a range of event metrics:

event_no	A sequential number indicating the ID and order of the events.
index_start	Start index of event.
index_end	End index of event.
duration	Duration of event [days].
date_start	Start date of event [date].
date_end	End date of event [date].
date_peak	Date of event peak [date].
intensity_mean	Mean intensity [deg. C].
intensity_max	Maximum (peak) intensity [deg. C].
intensity_var	Intensity variability (standard deviation) [deg. C].
intensity_cumulative	Cumulative intensity [deg. C x days].
rate_onset	Onset rate of event [deg. C / day].
rate_decline	Decline rate of event [deg. C / day].
intensity_max_relThresh, intensity_mean_relThresh, intensity_var_relThresh, and intensity_cumulative_relThresh	are as above except relative to the threshold (e.g., 90th percentile) rather than the seasonal climatology.
intensity_max_abs, intensity_mean_abs, intensity_var_abs, and intensity_cumulative_abs	are as above except as absolute magnitudes rather than relative to the seasonal climatology or threshold.

Note that rate\_onset and rate\_decline will return NA when the event begins/ends on the first/last day of the time series. This may be particularly evident when the function is applied to large gridded data sets. Although the other metrics do not contain any errors and provide sensible values, please take this into account in its interpretation.

## Author(s)

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## References

Hobday, A.J. et al. (2016). A hierarchical approach to defining marine heatwaves, *Progress in Oceanography*, 141, pp. 227-238, doi:10.1016/j.pocean.2015.12.014

Schlegel, R. W., Oliver, C. J., Wernberg, T. W., Smit, A. J. (2017). Nearshore and offshore co-occurrences of marine heatwaves and cold-spells. *Progress in Oceanography*, 151, pp. 189-205, doi:10.1016/j.pocean.2017.01.004

## Examples

```
data.table::setDTthreads(threads = 1) # optimise for your code and local computer
res_clim <- ts2clm3(sst_WA, climatologyPeriod = c("1983-01-01", "2012-12-31"))
out <- detect_event3(res_clim)
# show a portion of the climatology:
out$climatology[1:10, ]
# show some of the heat waves:
out$event[1:5, 1:10]

# Or if one wants to calculate MCSs
res_clim <- ts2clm3(sst_WA, climatologyPeriod = c("1983-01-01", "2012-12-31"),
                     pctile = 10)
out <- detect_event3(res_clim, coldSpells = TRUE)
# show a portion of the climatology:
out$climatology[1:10, ]
# show some of the cold-spells:
out$event[1:5, 1:10]

# It is also possible to give two separate sets of threshold criteria

# To use a second static threshold we first use the exceedance function
thresh_19 <- exceedance(sst_Med, threshold = 19, minDuration = 10, maxGap = 0)$threshold
# Then we use that output when detecting our events
events_19 <- detect_event3(ts2clm3(sst_Med, climatologyPeriod = c("1982-01-01", "2011-12-31")),
                           threshClim2 = thresh_19$exceedance, minDuration2 = 10, maxGap2 = 0)

# If we want to use two different percentile thresholds
thresh_95 <- detect_event3(ts2clm3(sst_Med, pctile = 95,
                                    climatologyPeriod = c("1982-01-01", "2011-12-31")),
                           minDuration = 2, maxGap = 0)$climatology
# Then we use that output when detecting our events
events_95 <- detect_event3(ts2clm3(sst_Med, climatologyPeriod = c("1982-01-01", "2011-12-31")),
                           threshClim2 = thresh_95$event, minDuration2 = 2, maxGap2 = 0)
```

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event\_line

*Create a line plot of heatwaves or cold-spells.*

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## Description

Creates a graph of warm or cold events as per the second row of Figure 3 in Hobday et al. (2016).

## Usage

```
event_line(
  data,
  x = t,
  y = temp,
  metric = intensity_cumulative,
  min_duration = 5,
  spread = 150,
  start_date = NULL,
  end_date = NULL,
  category = FALSE,
  x_axis_title = NULL,
  x_axis_text_angle = NULL,
  y_axis_title = NULL,
  y_axis_range = NULL,
  line_colours = NULL
)
```

## Arguments

data	The function receives the full (list) output from the <a href="#">detect_event</a> function.
x	This column is expected to contain a vector of dates as per the specification of <code>make_whole_fast</code> . If a column headed <code>t</code> is present in the dataframe, this argument may be omitted; otherwise, specify the name of the column with dates here. Note that this function will not work with hourly data.
y	This is a column containing the measurement variable. If the column name differs from the default (i.e. <code>temp</code> ), specify the name here.
metric	This tells the function how to choose the event that should be highlighted as the 'greatest' of the events in the chosen period. Partial name matching is currently not supported so please specify the metric name precisely. The default is <code>intensity_cumulative</code> .
min_duration	The minimum duration (days) the event must be for it to qualify as a heatwave or cold-spell.
spread	The number of days leading and trailing the largest event (as per <code>metric</code> ) detected within the time period specified by <code>start_date</code> and <code>end_date</code> . The default is 150 days.
start_date	The start date of a period of time within which the largest event (as per <code>metric</code> ) is retrieved and plotted. This may not necessarily correspond to the biggest event of the specified metric within the entire time series. To plot the largest event within the whole time series, make sure <code>start_date</code> and <code>end_date</code> straddle this event, or simply leave them both as <code>NULL</code> (default) and <code>event_line</code> will use the entire time series date range.
end_date	The end date of a period of time within which the largest event (as per <code>metric</code> ) is retrieved and plotted. See <code>start_date</code> for additional information.
category	A boolean choice of TRUE or FALSE. If set to FALSE (default) <code>event_line()</code> will produce a figure as per the second row of Figure 3 in Hobday et al. (2016).

	If set to TRUE a figure showing the different categories of the MHWs in the chosen period, highlighted as seen in Figure 3 of Hobday et al. (in review), will be produced. If category = TRUE, metric will be ignored as a different colouring scheme is used.
x_axis_title	If one would like to add a title for the x-axis it may be provided here.
x_axis_text_angle	If one would like to change the angle of the x-axis text, provide the angle here as a single numeric value.
y_axis_title	Provide text here if one would like a title for the y-axis other than "Temperature °C" (default)
y_axis_range	If one would like to control the y-axis range, provide the desired limits here as two numeric values (e.g. c(20, 30)).
line_colours	Provide a vector of colours here for the line geoms on the plot. The default for the base plot is c("black", "blue", "darkgreen"), and for categories it is: c("black", "gray20", "darkgreen", "darkgreen", "darkgreen", "darkgreen"). Note that three (category = FALSE) or six (category = TRUE) colours must be provided, with any colours in excess of the requirement being ignored.

## Value

The function will return a line plot indicating the climatology, threshold and temperature, with the hot or cold events that meet the specifications of Hobday et al. (2016) shaded in as appropriate. The plotting of hot or cold events depends on which option is specified in [detect\\_event](#). The top event detect during the selected time period will be visible in a brighter colour. This function differs in use from [geom\\_flame](#) in that it creates a stand alone figure. The benefit of this being that one must not have any prior knowledge of ggplot2 to create the figure.

## Author(s)

Robert W. Schlegel

## References

Hobday, A.J. et al. (2016), A hierarchical approach to defining marine heatwaves, *Progress in Oceanography*, 141, pp. 227-238, doi: 10.1016/j.pocean.2015.12.014

## Examples

```
ts <- ts2clm(sst_WA, climatologyPeriod = c("1983-01-01", "2012-12-31"))
res <- detect_event(ts)

event_line(res, spread = 100, metric = duration,
           start_date = "2010-12-01", end_date = "2011-06-30")

event_line(res, spread = 100, start_date = "2010-12-01",
           end_date = "2011-06-30", category = TRUE)

event_line(res, spread = 100, start_date = "2010-12-01",
           end_date = "2011-06-30", category = TRUE,
```

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```
line_colours = c("black", "blue", "gray20", "gray20", "gray20", "gray20"))
```

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exceedance

*Detect consecutive days in exceedance above or below of a given threshold.*

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## Description

Detect consecutive days in exceedance above or below of a given threshold.

## Usage

```
exceedance(
  data,
  x = t,
  y = temp,
  threshold,
  below = FALSE,
  minDuration = 5,
  joinAcrossGaps = TRUE,
  maxGap = 2,
  maxPadLength = FALSE,
  roundRes = 4,
  returnDF = TRUE
)
```

## Arguments

data	A data frame with at least the two following columns: a <code>t</code> column which is a vector of dates of class <code>Date</code> , and a <code>temp</code> column, which is the temperature on those given dates. If columns are named differently, their names can be supplied as <code>x</code> and <code>y</code> (see below). The function will not accurately detect consecutive days of temperatures in exceedance of the threshold if missing days of data are not filled in with <code>NA</code> . Data of the appropriate format are created by the internal function <code>make_whole_fast</code> , but your own data may be used directly if they meet the given criteria. Note that it is also possible to provide hourly data in the <code>x</code> column as class <code>POSIXct</code> .
x	This column is expected to contain a vector of dates as per the specification of <code>make_whole_fast</code> . If a column headed <code>t</code> is present in the data frame, this argument may be omitted; otherwise, specify the name of the column with dates here. Note that it is also possible to provide hourly data as class <code>POSIXct</code> .
y	This is a column containing the measurement variable. If the column name differs from the default (i.e. <code>temp</code> ), specify the name here.
threshold	The static threshold used to determine how many consecutive days are in exceedance of the temperature of interest.

below	Default is FALSE. When set to TRUE, consecutive days of temperature below the threshold variable are calculated. When set to FALSE, consecutive days above the threshold variable are calculated.
minDuration	Minimum duration that temperatures must be in exceedance of the threshold variable. The default is 5 days.
joinAcrossGaps	A TRUE/FALSE statement that indicates whether or not to join consecutive days of temperatures in exceedance of the threshold across a small gap between groups before/after a short gap as specified by maxGap. The default is TRUE.
maxGap	The maximum length of the gap across which to connect consecutive days in exceedance of the threshold when joinAcrossGaps = TRUE.
maxPadLength	Specifies the maximum length of days over which to interpolate (pad) missing data (specified as NA) in the input temperature time series; i.e., any consecutive blocks of NAs with length greater than maxPadLength will be left as NA. Set as an integer. The default is 3 days. Note this will be units of hours if hourly data were provided.
roundRes	This argument allows the user to choose how many decimal places the exceedance metric outputs will be rounded to. Default is 4. To prevent rounding set roundRes = FALSE. This argument may only be given numeric values or FALSE.
returnDF	The default (TRUE) tells the function to return the results as type <code>data.frame</code> . FALSE will return the results as a <code>data.table</code> .

## Details

1. This function assumes that the input time series consists of continuous daily temperatures, with few missing values. The accompanying function `make_whole_fast` aids in the preparation of a time series that is suitable for use with `exceedance`, although this may also be accomplished 'by hand' as long as the criteria are met as discussed in the documentation to `make_whole_fast`.
2. Future versions seek to accommodate monthly and annual time series, too.
3. The calculation of onset and decline rates assumes that exceedance of the threshold started a half-day before the start day and ended a half-day after the end-day. This is consistent with the duration definition as implemented, which assumes duration = end day - start day + 1.
4. For the purposes of exceedance detection, any missing temperature values not interpolated over (through optional `maxPadLength`) will remain as NA. This means they will trigger the end of an exceedance if the adjacent temperature values are in exceedance of the threshold.
5. If the function is used to detect consecutive days of temperature under the given threshold, these temperatures are then taken as being in exceedance below the threshold as there is no antonym in the English language for 'exceedance'.

This function is based largely on the `detect_event` function found in this package, which was ported from the Python algorithm that was written by Eric Oliver, Institute for Marine and Antarctic Studies, University of Tasmania, Feb 2015, and is documented by Hobday et al. (2016).

### Value

The function will return a list of two data.frames. The first being threshold, which shows the daily temperatures and on which specific days the given threshold was exceeded. The second component of the list is exceedance, which shows a medley of statistics for each discrete group of days in exceedance of the given threshold. Note that any additional columns left in the data frame given to this function will be output in the threshold component of the output. For example, if one uses `ts2clm` to prepare a time series for analysis and leaves in the doy column, this column will appear in the output.

The information shown in the threshold component is:

t	The date of the temperature measurement. This variable may be named differently if an alternative name is supplied to the function's x argument.
temp	Temperature on the specified date [deg. C]. This variable may be named differently if an alternative name is supplied to the function's y argument.
thresh	The static threshold chosen by the user [deg. C].
thresh_criterion	Boolean indicating if temp exceeds threshold.
duration_criterion	Boolean indicating whether periods of consecutive thresh_criterion are $\geq$ minDuration.
exceedance	Boolean indicating if all criteria that define a discrete group in exceedance of the threshold are met.
exceedance_no	A sequential number indicating the ID and order of occurrence of exceedances.

The individual exceedances are summarised using the following metrics:

exceedance_no	The same sequential number indicating the ID and order of the exceedance as found in the threshold component of the output list.
index_start	Row number on which exceedance starts.
index_peak	Row number on which exceedance peaks.
index_end	Row number on which exceedance ends.
duration	Duration of exceedance [days].
date_start	Start date of exceedance [date].
date_peak	Date of exceedance peak [date].
date_end	End date of exceedance [date].
intensity_mean	Mean intensity [deg. C].
intensity_max	Maximum (peak) intensity [deg. C].
intensity_var	Intensity standard deviation [deg. C].
intensity_cumulative	Cumulative intensity [deg. C x days].
rate_onset	Onset rate of exceedance [deg. C / day].
rate_decline	Decline rate of exceedance [deg. C / day].

intensity\_max\_abs, intensity\_mean\_abs, intensity\_var\_abs, and intensity\_cum\_abs are as above except as absolute magnitudes rather than relative to the threshold.

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**Examples**

```
res <- exceedance(sst_WA, threshold = 25)
# show first ten days of daily data:
res$threshold[1:10, ]
# show first five exceedances:
res$exceedance[1:5, ]
```

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geom\_flame

*Create 'flame' polygons.*

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**Description**

This function will create polygons between two lines. If given a temperature and threshold time series, like that produced by [detect\\_event](#), the output will meet the specifications of Hobday et al. (2016) shown as 'flame polygons.' If one wishes to plot polygons below a given threshold, and not above, switch the values being fed to the y and y2 aesthetics. This function differs in use from [event\\_line](#) in that it must be created as a ggplot 'geom' object. The benefit of this being that one may add additional information to the figure as geom layers to ggplot2 graphs as may be necessary.

**Usage**

```
geom_flame(
  mapping = NULL,
  data = NULL,
  stat = "identity",
  position = "identity",
  ...
  n = 0,
  n_gap = 0,
  na.rm = FALSE,
  show.legend = NA,
  inherit.aes = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

<b>mapping</b>	Set of aesthetic mappings created by <code>aes()</code> or <code>aes_()</code> . If specified and <code>inherit.aes = TRUE</code> (the default), it is combined with the default mapping at the top level of the plot. You must supply mapping if there is no plot mapping.
<b>data</b>	The data to be displayed in this layer. There are three options: If <code>NULL</code> , the default, the data is inherited from the plot data as specified in the call to <code>ggplot()</code> .

	A data.frame, or other object, will override the plot data. All objects will be fortified to produce a data frame. See <code>fortify()</code> for which variables will be created.
	A function will be called with a single argument, the plot data. The return value must be a <code>data.frame</code> , and will be used as the layer data.
<code>stat</code>	The statistical transformation to use on the data for this layer, as a string.
<code>position</code>	Position adjustment, either as a string, or the result of a call to a position adjustment function.
<code>...</code>	other arguments passed on to <code>layer</code> . These are often aesthetics, used to set an aesthetic to a fixed value, like <code>color = "red"</code> or <code>linewidth = 3</code> . They may also be parameters to the paired geom/stat.
<code>n</code>	The number of steps along the x-axis (i.e. in a daily time series this would be days) required before the area between <code>y</code> and <code>y2</code> will be filled in. The default of 0 will fill in <code>_all_</code> of the area between the lines. The standard to match Hobday et al. (2016) is <code>n = 5</code> .
<code>n_gap</code>	The number of steps along the x-axis (i.e. in a daily time series this would be days) within which to allow <code>geom_flame()</code> to connect polygons. This is useful when one wants to not screen out parts of a polygon that dip only briefly below <code>y</code> before coming back up above it. The default of 0 will not connect any of the polygons. The standard to match Hobday et al. (2016) is <code>n_gap = 2</code> .
<code>na.rm</code>	If FALSE (the default), removes missing values with a warning. If TRUE silently removes missing values.
<code>show.legend</code>	Logical. Should this layer be included in the legends? NA, the default, includes if any aesthetics are mapped. FALSE never includes, and TRUE always includes. It can also be a named logical vector to finely select the aesthetics to display.
<code>inherit.aes</code>	If FALSE, overrides the default aesthetics, rather than combining with them. This is most useful for helper functions that define both data and aesthetics and shouldn't inherit behaviour from the default plot specification, e.g. <code>borders()</code> .

## Aesthetics

`geom_flame` understands the following aesthetics (required aesthetics are in bold):

- `x`
- `y`
- `y2`
- `colour`
- `fill`
- `linewidth`
- `alpha`
- `linetype`

## Author(s)

Robert W. Schlegel

## References

Hobday, A.J. et al. (2016), A hierarchical approach to defining marine heatwaves, *Progress in Oceanography*, 141, pp. 227-238, doi: 10.1016/j.pocean.2015.12.014

## See Also

[event\\_line](#) for a non-ggplot2 based flame function.

## Examples

```
ts <- ts2clm(sst_WA, climatologyPeriod = c("1983-01-01", "2012-12-31"))
res <- detect_event(ts)
mhw <- res$clim
mhw <- mhw[10580:10690,]

library(ggplot2)

ggplot(mhw, aes(x = t, y = temp)) +
  geom_flame(aes(y2 = thresh)) +
  annotate(geom = "text", x = as.Date("2011-02-01"), y = 28,
           label = "That's not a heatwave.\nThis, is a heatwave.") +
  xlab("Date") + ylab(expression(paste("Temperature [", degree, "C]")))
```

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geom\_lolli

*Visualise a timeline of several event metrics as 'lollipops'.*

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## Description

The function will return a graph of the intensity of the selected metric along the \*y\*-axis versus a time variable along the \*x\*-axis. The number of top events (n) from the chosen metric may be highlighted in a brighter colour with the aesthetic value `colour_n`. This function differs in use from [lolli\\_plot](#) in that it must be created as a ggplot2 'geom' object. The benefit of this being that one may add additional information layer by layer to the figure as geoms as necessary.

## Usage

```
geom_lolli(
  mapping = NULL,
  data = NULL,
  ...,
  n = 0,
  na.rm = FALSE,
  show.legend = NA,
  inherit.aes = TRUE
)
```

## Arguments

mapping	Set of aesthetic mappings created by <code>aes()</code> or <code>aes_()</code> . If specified and <code>inherit.aes = TRUE</code> (the default), it is combined with the default mapping at the top level of the plot. You must supply mapping if there is no plot mapping.
data	The data to be displayed in this layer. There are three options: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. If <code>NULL</code>, the default, the data is inherited from the plot data as specified in the call to <code>ggplot()</code>.</li> <li>2. A <code>data.frame</code>, or other object, will override the plot data. All objects will be fortified to produce a data frame. See <code>fortify()</code> for which variables will be created.</li> <li>3. A function will be called with a single argument, the plot data. The return value must be a <code>data.frame</code>, and will be used as the layer data.</li> </ol>
...	other arguments passed on to <code>layer</code> . These are often aesthetics, used to set an aesthetic to a fixed value, like <code>color = "red"</code> or <code>size = 3</code> . They may also be parameters to the paired geom/stat.
n	The number of top events to highlight as based on the value provided to <code>aes(y)</code> . Default is 0.
na.rm	If <code>FALSE</code> (the default), removes missing values with a warning. If <code>TRUE</code> silently removes missing values.
show.legend	Logical. Should this layer be included in the legends? <code>NA</code> , the default, includes if any aesthetics are mapped. <code>FALSE</code> never includes, and <code>TRUE</code> always includes. It can also be a named logical vector to finely select the aesthetics to display.
inherit.aes	If <code>FALSE</code> , overrides the default aesthetics, rather than combining with them. This is most useful for helper functions that define both data and aesthetics and shouldn't inherit behaviour from the default plot specification, e.g. <code>borders()</code> .

## Aesthetics

`geom_lolli` understands the following aesthetics (required aesthetics are in bold):

- `x`
- `y`
- `alpha`
- `color`
- `linetype`
- `size`
- `shape`
- `stroke`
- `fill`
- `colour_n` While this value may be used as an aesthetic, it works better as a parameter for this function because it is set to use discrete values. One may provide continuous values to `colour_n` but remember that one may not provide multiple continuous or discrete scales to a single `ggplot2` object. Therefore, if one provides a continuous value to `aes(colour)`, the values supplied to `colour_n` must be discrete. `ggplot2` will attempt to do this automatically.

**Author(s)**

Robert W. Schlegel

**See Also**

[lolly\\_plot](#) for a non-geom based lollyplot function.

**Examples**

```
ts <- ts2clm(sst_WA, climatologyPeriod = c("1983-01-01", "2012-12-31"))
res <- detect_event(ts)
mhw <- res$event

library(ggplot2)

# Height of lollis represent event durations and their colours
# are mapped to the events' cumulative intensity:
ggplot(mhw, aes(x = date_peak, y = duration)) +
  geom_lolly(aes(colour = intensity_cumulative)) +
  scale_color_distiller(palette = "Spectral", name = "Cumulative \nintensity") +
  xlab("Date") + ylab("Event duration [days]")

# Height of lollis represent event durations and the top three (longest)
# lollis are highlighted in red:
ggplot(mhw, aes(x = date_peak, y = duration)) +
  geom_lolly(n = 3, colour_n = "red") +
  scale_color_distiller(palette = "Spectral") +
  xlab("Peak date") + ylab("Event duration [days]")

# Because this is a proper geom, any number of ill-advised things
# may be done with it:
ggplot(mhw, aes(x = event_no, y = intensity_max)) +
  geom_lolly(shape = 5, aes(colour = rate_onset), linetype = "dotted") +
  scale_color_distiller(palette = "RdYlGn", name = "Rate \nonset") +
  xlab("Event number") + ylab("Max intensity [degree C]")
```

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**lolly\_plot**

*Create a timeline of selected event metrics as 'lollipops'.*

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**Description**

Visualise a timeline of several possible event metrics as 'lollipop' graphs.

**Usage**

```
lolly_plot(data, xaxis = date_peak, metric = intensity_max, event_count = 3)
```

## Arguments

data	Output from the <a href="#">detect_event</a> function.
xaxis	The name of a column from the event data.frame in the output of <a href="#">detect_event</a> . Suggested choices are, but not limited to, of event_no, date_start or date_peak. Default is date_peak.
metric	The name of a column from the event data.frame in the output of <a href="#">detect_event</a> . Suggested choices are, but not limited to, intensity_mean, intensity_max, intensity_cumulative and duration. Default is intensity_max.
event_count	The number of top events to highlight, as determined by the column given to metric. Default is 3.

## Value

The function will return a graph of the intensity of the selected metric along the y-axis and the chosen xaxis value. The number of top events as per event\_count will be highlighted in a brighter colour. This function differs in use from [geom\\_lolli](#) in that it creates a stand-alone figure. The benefit of this being that one does not need any prior knowledge of ggplot2 to create the figure.

## Author(s)

Albertus J. Smit and Robert W. Schlegel

## Examples

```
ts <- ts2clm(sst_WA, climatologyPeriod = c("1983-01-01", "2012-12-31"))
res <- detect_event(ts)

library(ggplot2)

# The default output
lolli_plot(res)
```

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### sst\_Med

*NOAA Optimally Interpolated (OI) v2.1 daily 1/4 degree SST for the Mediterranean region.*

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## Description

A dataset containing the sea surface temperature (in degrees Celsius) and date for the Mediterranean region from 1982-01-01 to 2022-12-31.

## Usage

`sst_Med`

**Format**

A dataframe with 14975 rows and 2 variables:

**t** date, as.Date() format

**temp** SST, in degrees Celsius ...

**Details**

lon/lat: 9.125/43.625

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**sst\_NW\_Atl**

*NOAA Optimally Interpolated (OI) v2.1 daily 1/4 degree SST for the NW Atlantic region.*

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**Description**

A dataset containing the sea surface temperature (in degrees Celsius) and date for the Northwest Atlantic region from 1982-01-01 to 2022-12-31.

**Usage**

`sst_NW_Atl`

**Format**

A dataframe with 14975 rows and 2 variables:

**t** date, as.Date() format

**temp** SST, in degrees Celsius ...

**Details**

lon/lat: -66.875/43.125

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**sst\_WA***NOAA Optimally Interpolated (OI) v2.1 daily 1/4 degree SST for the Western Australian region.*

---

**Description**

A dataset containing the sea surface temperature (in degrees Celsius) and date for the Western Australian region from 1982-01-01 to 2022-12-31.

**Usage**

```
sst_WA
```

**Format**

A data frame with 14975 rows and 2 variables:

**t** date, as.Date() format  
**temp** SST, in degrees Celsius ...

**Details**

lon/lat: 112.625/-29.375

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**ts2clm***Make a climatology from a daily time series.*

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**Description**

Creates a daily climatology from a time series of daily temperatures using a user-specified sliding window for the mean and threshold calculation, followed by an optional moving average smoother as used by Hobday et al. (2016).

**Usage**

```
ts2clm(  
  data,  
  x = t,  
  y = temp,  
  climatologyPeriod,  
  maxPadLength = FALSE,  
  windowHalfWidth = 5,  
  pctile = 90,  
  smoothPercentile = TRUE,  
  smoothPercentileWidth = 31,  
  clmOnly = FALSE,
```

```

  var = FALSE,
  roundClm = 4,
  returnDF = TRUE
)

```

## Arguments

data	A data frame with two columns. In the default setting (i.e. omitting the arguments x and y; see immediately below), the data set is expected to have the headers t and temp. The t column is a vector of dates of class Date, while temp is the measured variable (by default it is assumed to be temperature). Note that one may also provide hourly time series with the class POSIXct, but these values must be in even hourly steps (e.g. 2012-01-22 23:00:00 not 2012-01-22 23:01:33).
x	This column is expected to contain a vector of dates. If a column headed t is present in the data frame, this argument may be omitted; otherwise, specify the name of the column with dates here.
y	This is a column containing the measurement variable. If the column name differs from the default (i.e. temp), specify the name here.
climatologyPeriod	Required. To this argument should be passed two values (see example below). The first value should be the chosen date for the start of the climatology period, and the second value the end date of said period. This chosen period (preferably 30 years in length) is then used to calculate the seasonal cycle and the extreme value threshold. Note that these values are always provided as dates, even if hourly data are being input into the function.
maxPadLength	Specifies the maximum length of days over which to interpolate (pad) missing data (specified as NA) in the input temperature time series; i.e., any consecutive blocks of NAs with length greater than maxPadLength will be left as NA. The default is FALSE. Set as an integer to interpolate. Setting maxPadLength to TRUE will return an error. Note that this will be the number of hours over which to interpolate if an hourly time series is provided.
windowHalfWidth	Width of sliding window about day-of-year (to one side of the center day-of-year) used for the pooling of values and calculation of climatology and threshold percentile. Default is 5 days, which gives a window width of 11 days centred on the 6th day of the series of 11 days. Note that this will be the number of hours over which to smooth if an hourly time series is provided.
pctile	Threshold percentile (%) for detection of events (MHWs). Default is 90th percentile. Should the intent be to use these threshold data for MCSs, set pctile = 10. Or some other low value.
smoothPercentile	Boolean switch selecting whether to smooth the climatology and threshold percentile time series with a moving average of smoothPercentileWidth. Default is TRUE.
smoothPercentileWidth	Full width of moving average window for smoothing climatology and threshold. The default is 31.

clmOnly	Choose to calculate and return only the climatologies. The default is FALSE.
var	This argument has been introduced to allow the user to choose if the variance of the seasonal signal per doy should be calculated. The default of FALSE will prevent the calculation, potentially increasing speed of calculations on gridded data and reducing the size of the output. The variance was initially introduced as part of the standard output from Hobday et al. (2016), but few researchers use it and so it is generally regarded now as unnecessary.
roundClm	This argument allows the user to choose how many decimal places the seas and thresh outputs will be rounded to. Default is 4. To prevent rounding set roundClm = FALSE. This argument may only be given numeric values or FALSE.
returnDF	The default (TRUE) tells the function to return the results as type <code>data.frame</code> . FALSE will return the results as a <code>data.table</code> .

## Details

1. This function assumes that the input time series consists of continuous daily values with few missing values. Time ranges which start and end part-way through the calendar year are supported.
2. It is recommended that a period of at least 30 years is specified in order to produce a climatology that smooths out any decadal thermal periodicities that may be present. When calculated over at least 30 years of data, such a climatology is called a 'climatological normal.' It is further advised that full the start and end dates for the climatology period result in full years, e.g. "1982-01-01" to "2011-12-31" or "1982-07-01" to "2012-06-30"; if not, this may result in an unequal weighting of data belonging with certain months within a time series. A daily climatology will be created; that is, the climatology will be comprised of one mean temperature for each day of the year (365 or 366 days, depending on how leap years are dealt with), and the mean will be based on a sample size that is a function of the length of time determined by the start and end values given to `climatologyPeriod` and the width of the sliding window specified in `windowHalfWidth`.
3. This function supports leap years. This is done by ignoring Feb 29s for the initial calculation of the climatology and threshold. The values for Feb 29 are then linearly interpolated from the values for Feb 28 and Mar 1.
4. Previous versions of `ts2clm()` tested to see if some rows are duplicated, or if replicate temperature readings are present per day, but this has now been disabled. Should the user be concerned about such repeated measurements, we suggest that the necessary checks and fixes are implemented prior to feeding the time series to `ts2clm()`.

The original Python algorithm was written by Eric Oliver, Institute for Marine and Antarctic Studies, University of Tasmania, Feb 2015, and is documented by Hobday et al. (2016).

## Value

The function will return a tibble (see the `tidyverse`) with the input time series and the newly calculated climatology. The climatology contains the daily climatology and the threshold for calculating MHWs. The software was designed for creating climatologies of daily temperatures, and the units specified below reflect that intended purpose. However, various other kinds of climatologies may be created, and if that is the case, the appropriate units need to be determined by the user.

doy	Julian day (day-of-year). For non-leap years it runs 1...59 and 61...366, while leap years run 1...366.
t	The date vector in the original time series supplied in data. If an alternate column was provided to the x argument, that name will rather be used for this column.
temp	The measurement vector as per the the original data supplied to the function. If a different column was given to the y argument that will be shown here.
seas	Daily climatological cycle [deg. C].
thresh	Daily varying threshold (e.g., 90th percentile) [deg. C]. This is used in <a href="#">detect_event</a> for the detection/calculation of events (MHWs).
var	Daily varying variance (standard deviation) [deg. C]. This column is not returned if var = FALSE (default).

Should `clmOnly` be enabled, only the 365 or 366 day climatology will be returned.

## Author(s)

Albertus J. Smit, Robert W. Schlegel, Eric C. J. Oliver

## References

Hobday, A.J. et al. (2016). A hierarchical approach to defining marine heatwaves, *Progress in Oceanography*, 141, pp. 227-238, doi:10.1016/j.pocean.2015.12.014

## Examples

```
res <- ts2clm(sst_WA, climatologyPeriod = c("1983-01-01", "2012-12-31"))
res[1:10, ]

# Or if one only wants the 366 day climatology
res_clim <- ts2clm(sst_WA, climatologyPeriod = c("1983-01-01", "2012-12-31"),
                     clmOnly = TRUE)
res_clim[1:10, ]

# Or if one wants the variance column included in the results
res_var <- ts2clm(sst_WA, climatologyPeriod = c("1983-01-01", "2012-12-31"),
                   var = TRUE)
res_var[1:10, ]
```

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ts2clm3

*Make a climatology from a daily time series.*

---

## Description

This is the fully data.table-based version of [ts2clm](#). The function creates a daily climatology from a time series of daily temperatures using a user-specified sliding window for the mean and threshold calculation, followed by an optional moving average smoother as used by Hobday et al. (2016).

**Usage**

```
ts2clm3(
  data,
  x = t,
  y = temp,
  climatologyPeriod,
  maxPadLength = FALSE,
  windowHalfWidth = 5,
  pctile = 90,
  smoothPercentile = TRUE,
  smoothPercentileWidth = 31,
  clmOnly = FALSE,
  var = FALSE,
  roundClm = 4,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

<b>data</b>	A data frame with at least two columns. In the default setting (i.e. omitting the arguments <b>x</b> and <b>y</b> ; see immediately below), the data set is expected to have the headers <b>t</b> and <b>temp</b> . The <b>t</b> column is a vector of dates of class <b>Date</b> , while <b>temp</b> is the measured variable (by default it is assumed to be temperature). Any additional columns are not used in calculations but will be correctly carried over into the output climatology. Such additional columns may be site names, longitudes, or latitudes (etc.), but note that they are not meant to specify a grouping structure of the time series. As such, grouping structures are not handled by the function in its current form, and a time series is therefore assumed to be located at a discrete point in space such as one 'pixel' of longitude $\times$ latitude as one might find in gridded data products.
<b>x</b>	This column is expected to contain a vector of dates. If a column headed <b>t</b> is present in the data frame, this argument may be omitted; otherwise, specify the name of the column with dates here.
<b>y</b>	This is a column containing the measurement variable. If the column name differs from the default (i.e. <b>temp</b> ), specify the name here.
<b>climatologyPeriod</b>	Required. To this argument should be passed two values (see example below). The first value should be the chosen date for the start of the climatology period, and the second value the end date of said period. This chosen period (preferably 30 years in length) is then used to calculate the seasonal cycle and the extreme value threshold.
<b>maxPadLength</b>	Specifies the maximum length of days over which to apply linear interpolation (padding) across the missing values (specified as <b>NA</b> ) in the measured variable; i.e., any consecutive blocks of <b>NAs</b> with length greater than <b>maxPadLength</b> will be left as <b>NA</b> . The default is <b>FALSE</b> . Set as an integer to interpolate. Setting <b>maxPadLength</b> to <b>TRUE</b> will return an error.

windowHalfWidth	Width of sliding window about day-of-year (to one side of the center day-of-year) used for the pooling of values and calculation of climatology and threshold percentile. Default is 5 days, which gives a window width of 11 days centred on the 6th day of the series of 11 days.
pctile	Threshold percentile (%) for detection of events (MHWs). Default is 90th percentile. Should the intent be to use these threshold data for MCSs, set pctile = 10 or some other low value.
smoothPercentile	Boolean. Select whether to smooth the climatology and threshold percentile time series with a moving average of smoothPercentileWidth. The default is TRUE.
smoothPercentileWidth	Full width of moving average window for smoothing the climatology and threshold. The default is 31 days.
clmOnly	Boolean. Choose to calculate and return only the climatologies. The default is FALSE.
var	Boolean. This argument has been introduced to allow the user to choose if the variance of the seasonal signal per doy should be calculated. The default of FALSE will prevent the calculation. Setting it to TRUE might potentially increase the speed of calculations on gridded data and increase the size of the output. The variance was initially introduced as part of the standard output from Hobday et al. (2016), but few researchers use it and so it is generally regarded now as unnecessary.
roundClm	This argument allows the user to choose how many decimal places the seas and thresh outputs will be rounded to. Default is 4. To prevent rounding set roundClm = FALSE. This argument may only be given numeric values or FALSE.
...	Allows unused arguments to pass through the functions.

## Details

1. This function assumes that the input time series consists of continuous daily values with few missing values. Time ranges which start and end part-way through the calendar year are supported.
2. It is recommended that a period of at least 30 years is specified in order to produce a climatology that smooths out any decadal thermal periodicities that may be present. When calculated over at least 30 years of data, such a climatology is called a 'climatological normal.' It is further advised that full the start and end dates for the climatology period result in full years, e.g. "1982-01-01" to "2011-12-31" or "1982-07-01" to "2012-06-30"; if not, this may result in an unequal weighting of data belonging with certain months within a time series. A daily climatology will be created; that is, the climatology will be comprised of one mean temperature for each day of the year (365 or 366 days, depending on how leap years are dealt with), and the mean will be based on a sample size that is a function of the length of time determined by the start and end values given to `climatologyPeriod` and the width of the sliding window specified in `windowHalfWidth`.
3. This function supports leap years. This is done by ignoring Feb 29s for the initial calculation of the climatology and threshold. The values for Feb 29 are then linearly interpolated from the values for Feb 28 and Mar 1.

4. Previous versions of `ts2c1m()` tested to see if some rows are duplicated, or if replicate temperature readings are present per day, but this has now been disabled. Should the user be concerned about such repeated measurements, we suggest that the necessary checks and fixes are implemented prior to feeding the time series to `ts2c1m()`.

The original Python algorithm was written by Eric Oliver, Institute for Marine and Antarctic Studies, University of Tasmania, Feb 2015, and is documented by Hobday et al. (2016).

## Value

The function will return a `data.table` (see the `data.table`) with the input time series and the newly calculated climatology. The climatology contains the daily climatology and the threshold for calculating MHWs. The software was designed for creating climatologies of daily temperatures, and the units specified below reflect that intended purpose. However, various other kinds of climatologies may be created, and if that is the case, the appropriate units need to be determined by the user.

doy	Julian day (day-of-year) returned when <code>clmOnly</code> = TRUE. For non-leap years it runs 1...59 and 61...366, while leap years run 1...366.
t	The date vector in the original time series supplied in <code>data</code> . If an alternate column was provided to the <code>x</code> argument, that name will rather be used for this column.
temp	The measurement vector as per the the original data supplied to the function. If a different column was given to the <code>y</code> argument that will be shown here.
seas	Daily climatological cycle [deg. C].
thresh	Daily varying threshold (e.g., 90th percentile) [deg. C]. This is used in <code>detect_event3</code> for the detection/calculation of events (MHWs).
var	Daily varying variance (standard deviation) [deg. C]. This column is not returned if <code>var</code> = FALSE (default).

Should `clmOnly` be enabled, only the 365 or 366 day climatology will be returned.

## Author(s)

Albertus J. Smit, Robert W. Schlegel, Eric C. J. Oliver

## References

Hobday, A.J. et al. (2016). A hierarchical approach to defining marine heatwaves, *Progress in Oceanography*, 141, pp. 227-238, doi:10.1016/j.pocean.2015.12.014

## Examples

```
data.table::setDTthreads(threads = 1) # optimise for your code and local computer
res <- ts2clm3(sst_WA, climatologyPeriod = c("1983-01-01", "2012-12-31"))
res[1:10, ]

# Or if one only wants the 366 day climatology
res_clim <- ts2clm3(sst_WA, climatologyPeriod = c("1983-01-01", "2012-12-31"),
                     clmOnly = TRUE)
res_clim[1:10, ]
```

```
# Or if one wants the variance column included in the results
res_var <- ts2clm3(sst_WA, climatologyPeriod = c("1983-01-01", "2012-12-31"),
                     var = TRUE)
res_var[1:10, ]
```

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