

# Package ‘gamma’

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**Description** Process in-situ Gamma-Ray Spectrometry for Luminescence Dating. This package allows to import, inspect and correct the energy shifts of gamma-ray spectra. It provides methods for estimating the gamma dose rate by the use of a calibration curve as described in Mercier and Falguères (2007). The package only supports Canberra CNF and TKA and Kromek SPE files.

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<i>AIX_NaI_1</i>	<i>CEREGE Calibration Curve (NaI)</i>
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**Description**

CEREGE Calibration Curve (NaI)

**Usage**

`data(AIX_NaI_1)`

**Format**

An object of class [CalibrationCurve](#).

<b>Laboratory</b>	CEREGE
<b>Instrument</b>	Canberra Inspector 1000
<b>Detector</b>	NaI
<b>Authors</b>	CEREGE Luminescence Team

**See Also**

Other datasets: [BDX\\_LaBr\\_1](#), [clermont](#), [clermont\\_2024](#)

**Examples**

```
## Load the curve
data(AIX_NaI_1, package = "gamma")
plot(AIX_NaI_1)
```

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<i>baseline</i>	<i>Baseline Estimation and Removal</i>
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**Description**

Baseline Estimation and Removal

**Usage**

```

signal_baseline(object, ...)

signal_correct(object, ...)

baseline_snip(object, ...)

baseline_rubberband(object, ...)

baseline_linear(object, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'
signal_baseline(object, method = c("SNIP", "rubberband", "linear"), ...)

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra'
signal_baseline(object, method = c("SNIP", "rubberband", "linear"), ...)

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'
signal_correct(object, method = c("SNIP", "rubberband", "linear"), ...)

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra'
signal_correct(object, method = c("SNIP", "rubberband", "linear"), ...)

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'
baseline_linear(object, from = NULL, to = NULL)

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra'
baseline_linear(object, from = NULL, to = NULL)

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'
baseline_rubberband(object, noise = 0, spline = TRUE, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra'
baseline_rubberband(object, noise = 0, spline = TRUE, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'
baseline_snip(object, LLS = FALSE, decreasing = FALSE, n = 100, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra'
baseline_snip(object, LLS = FALSE, decreasing = FALSE, n = 100, ...)

```

**Arguments**

object	A <a href="#">GammaSpectrum</a> or <a href="#">GammaSpectra</a> object.
...	Extra parameters to be passed to further methods.
method	A <a href="#">character</a> string specifying the method to be used for baseline estimation (see details). Any unambiguous substring can be given.

from	An <a href="#">integer</a> giving the first channel to be used for linear interpolation. If NULL (the default), channel 1 is used. Only used if method is "linear".
to	An <a href="#">integer</a> giving the last channel to be used for linear interpolation. If NULL (the default), channel <i>max</i> is used. Only used if method is "linear".
noise	A length-one <a href="#">numeric</a> vector giving the noise level. Only used if method is "rubberband".
spline	A <a href="#">logical</a> scalar: should spline interpolation through the support points be used instead of linear interpolation? Only used if method is "rubberband".
LLS	A <a href="#">logical</a> scalar: should the LLS operator be applied on x before employing SNIP algorithm? Only used if method is "SNIP".
decreasing	A <a href="#">logical</a> scalar: should a decreasing clipping window be used? Only used if method is "SNIP".
n	An <a href="#">integer</a> value giving the number of iterations. Only used if method is "SNIP".

### Details

The following methods are available for baseline estimation:

SNIP Sensitive Nonlinear Iterative Peak clipping algorithm.

rubberband A convex envelope of the spectrum is determined and the baseline is estimated as the part of the convex envelope lying below the spectrum. Note that the rubber band does not enter the concave regions (if any) of the spectrum.

linear Linear baseline estimation.

### Value

- `baseline_*`() returns a [BaseLine](#) object.
- `signal_correct()` returns a corrected [GammaSpectrum](#) or [GammaSpectra](#) object (same as object).

### Note

`baseline_rubberband()` is slightly modified from C. Beleites' [hyperSpec::spc.rubberband\(\)](#).

### Author(s)

N. Frerebeau

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### See Also

Other signal processing: [peaks\\_find\(\)](#), [peaks\\_search\(\)](#), [signal\\_integrate\(\)](#), [signal\\_slice\(\)](#), [signal\\_split\(\)](#), [signal\\_stabilize\(\)](#), [smooth\(\)](#)

### Examples

```
## Import a CNF file
spc_file <- system.file("extdata/LaBr.CNF", package = "gamma")
spc <- read(spc_file)

## Remove the first 35 channels
spc <- signal_slice(spc, -c(1:35))

## Linear baseline
bsl_linear <- baseline_linear(spc, from = 250, to = 750)
plot(spc, bsl_linear)

## SNIP baseline
bsl_snip <- baseline_snip(spc, LLS = FALSE, decreasing = FALSE, n = 100)
plot(spc, bsl_snip)

## Rubberband baseline
bsl_rubber <- baseline_rubberband(spc)
plot(spc, bsl_rubber)

## Remove baseline
spc_clean1 <- signal_correct(spc)
spc_clean2 <- spc - bsl_snip
all(spc_clean1 == spc_clean2)

plot(spc_clean1)
```

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Baseline-class

*An S4 Class to Represent a Spectrum Baseline*

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### Description

An S4 Class to Represent a Spectrum Baseline

### Note

This class extends the [GammaSpectrum](#) class.

**Author(s)**

N. Frerebeau

**See Also**

Other class: [CalibrationCurve-class](#), [GammaSpectra-class](#), [GammaSpectrum-class](#), [PeakPosition-class](#), [coerce\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## Import a CNF file
spc_file <- system.file("extdata/LaBr.CNF", package = "gamma")
spc <- read(spc_file)

## Remove the first 35 channels
spc <- signal_slice(spc, -c(1:35))

## Linear baseline
bsl_linear <- baseline_linear(spc, from = 250, to = 750)
plot(spc, bsl_linear)

## SNIP baseline
bsl_snip <- baseline_snip(spc, LLS = FALSE, decreasing = FALSE, n = 100)
plot(spc, bsl_snip)

## Rubberband baseline
bsl_rubber <- baseline_rubberband(spc)
plot(spc, bsl_rubber)

## Remove baseline
spc_clean1 <- signal_correct(spc)
spc_clean2 <- spc - bsl_snip
all(spc_clean1 == spc_clean2)

plot(spc_clean1)
```

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BDX\_LaBr\_1

*CRP2A Calibration Curve (LaBr)*

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**Description**

CRP2A Calibration Curve (LaBr)

**Usage**

```
data(BDX_LaBr_1)
```

**Format**

An object of class [CalibrationCurve](#).

<b>Laboratory</b>	IRAMAT-CRP2A (UMR 5060)
<b>Instrument</b>	Canberra Inspector 1000
<b>Detector</b>	LaBr
<b>Authors</b>	CRP2A Luminescence Team

**See Also**

Other datasets: [AIX\\_NaI\\_1](#), [clermont](#), [clermont\\_2024](#)

**Examples**

```
## Load the curve
data(BDX_LaBr_1, package = "gamma")
plot(BDX_LaBr_1)
```

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CalibrationCurve-class

*An S4 class to Represent a Dose Rate Calibration Curve*

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**Description**

An S4 class to Represent a Dose Rate Calibration Curve

**Slots**

Ni A [DoseRateModel](#) object.

NiEi A [DoseRateModel](#) object.

details A [list](#) of length-one vector giving the curve metadata.

slope A [numeric](#) vector.

intercept A [numeric](#) vector.

covariance A [numeric](#) vector.

MSWD A [numeric](#) vector.

df A [numeric](#) vector.

p\_value A [numeric](#) vector.

data A [data.frame](#).

range A [numeric](#) vector.

background A [numeric](#) vector.

**Subset**

In the code snippets below, `x` is a `CalibrationCurve` object.

`x[[i]]` Extracts information from a slot selected by subscript `i`. `i` is a character vector of length one.

**Author(s)**

N. Frerebeau

**See Also**

Other class: [Baseline-class](#), [GammaSpectra-class](#), [GammaSpectrum-class](#), [PeakPosition-class](#), [coerce\(\)](#)

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clermont

*Clermont Reference Data*

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**Description**

Clermont Reference Data

**Usage**

```
data("clermont")
```

**Format**

A `data.frame` with tabulated data and conversion factor reference.

**Source**

Guérin, G., Mercier, N. & Adamiec, G. (2011). Dose-Rate Conversion Factors: Update. *Ancient TL*, 29(1), p. 5-8.

Miallier, D., Guérin, G., Mercier, N., Pilleyre, T. & Sanzelle, S. (2009). The Clermont Radiometric Reference Rocks: A Convenient Tool for Dosimetric Purposes. *Ancient TL*, 27(2), p. 37-44.

**See Also**

Other datasets: [AIX\\_NaI\\_1](#), [BDX\\_LaBr\\_1](#), [clermont\\_2024](#)

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`clermont_2024`*Clermont Reference Data 2024*

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**Description**

An updated version for the `clermont` dataset with additional columns for the applied dose rate conversion factors and their reference. The dataset also contains gamma dose rate values and uncertainties for different published conversion factors. Please note that the values for the conversion factors applied in the original `clermont` dataset differ slightly due to rounding errors.

**Usage**

```
data("clermont_2024")
```

**Format**

A `data.frame` with tabulated data and conversion factor reference.

**Source**

Adamic, G. & Aitken, M.J. (1998). Dose-rate conversion factors: update. *Ancient TL*, 16, p. 37–50.

Cresswell, A.J., Carter, J. & Sanderson, D.C.W. (2018). Dose rate conversion parameters: Assessment of nuclear data. *Radiation Measurements*, 120, p. 195–201.

Guérin, G., Mercier, N. & Adamic, G. (2011). Dose-Rate Conversion Factors: Update. *Ancient TL*, 29(1), p. 5-8.

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**See Also**

Other datasets: [AIX\\_NaI\\_1](#), [BDX-LaBr\\_1](#), [clermont](#)

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`coerce`*Coerce*

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**Description**

Coerce

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'GammaSpectrum'  
as.matrix(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x                    An object to be coerced.  
...                  Currently not used.

**Value**

A coerced object.

**Author(s)**

N. Frerebeau

**See Also**

Other class: [Baseline-class](#), [CalibrationCurve-class](#), [GammaSpectra-class](#), [GammaSpectrum-class](#), [PeakPosition-class](#)

**Examples**

```
## Import a Canberra CNF file
spc_file <- system.file("extdata/LaBr.CNF", package = "gamma")
spc <- read(spc_file)

## Coerce
mtx <- as.matrix(spc)
df <- as.data.frame(spc)
head(df)
```

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doserate

*Dose Rate Estimation*

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**Description**

- `dose_fit()` builds a calibration curve for gamma dose rate estimation.
- `dose_predict()` predicts in situ gamma dose rate.

**Usage**

```
dose_fit(object, background, doses, ...)
```

```
dose_predict(object, spectrum, ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra,GammaSpectrumOrNumeric,matrix'
dose_fit(
  object,
  background,
  doses,
```

```

    range_Ni,
    range_NiEi,
    details = list(authors = "", date = Sys.time())
)

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra,GammaSpectrumOrNumeric,data.frame'
dose_fit(
  object,
  background,
  doses,
  range_Ni,
  range_NiEi,
  details = list(authors = "", date = Sys.time())
)

## S4 method for signature 'CalibrationCurve,missing'
dose_predict(
  object,
  sigma = 1,
  epsilon = 0.015,
  water_content = NULL,
  use_MC = FALSE
)

## S4 method for signature 'CalibrationCurve,GammaSpectrum'
dose_predict(
  object,
  spectrum,
  sigma = 1,
  epsilon = 0.015,
  water_content = NULL,
  use_MC = FALSE
)

## S4 method for signature 'CalibrationCurve,GammaSpectra'
dose_predict(
  object,
  spectrum,
  sigma = 1,
  epsilon = 0.015,
  water_content = NULL,
  use_MC = FALSE
)

```

### Arguments

object            A [GammaSpectra](#) or [CalibrationCurve](#) object.

background        A [GammaSpectrum](#) object or a length-two [numeric](#) vector giving the back-

	ground noise integration value and error, respectively. If no background subtraction is wanted, you can set <code>background = c(0, 0, )</code>
doses	A <code>matrix</code> or <code>data.frame</code> object with gamma dose values and uncertainties. The row names must match the names of the spectrum.
...	Currently not used.
spectrum	An optional <code>GammaSpectrum</code> or <code>GammaSpectra</code> object in which to look for variables with which to predict. If omitted, the fitted values are used.
range_Ni, range_NiEi	A length-two <code>numeric</code> vector giving the energy range to integrate within (in keV).
details	A <code>list</code> of length-one vector specifying additional informations about the instrument for which the curve is built.
sigma	A <code>numeric</code> value giving the confidence level of which the error from the slope is considered in the final uncertainty calculation
epsilon	A <code>numeric</code> value giving an extra relative error term, introduced by the calibration of the energy scale of the spectrum, e.g., <code>0.015</code> for an additional 1.5% error
water_content	<code>numeric</code> or <code>matrix</code> gravimetric field water content to correct the gamma-dose rate to using the correction factor by Aitken (1985) to obtain the dry gamma-dose rate. Example: <code>c(0.05, 0.0001)</code> for water content of 5% +/- 0.01 %. The default is NULL (nothing is corrected). The correction only works on the final dose rate. For more information see details.
use_MC	A <code>logical</code> parameter, enabling/disabling Monte Carlo simulations for estimating the dose rate uncertainty

## Details

To estimate the gamma dose rate, one of the calibration curves distributed with this package can be used. These built-in curves are in use in several luminescence dating laboratories and can be used to replicate published results. As these curves are instrument specific, the user may have to build its own curve.

The construction of a calibration curve requires a set of reference spectra for which the gamma dose rate is known and a background noise measurement. First, each reference spectrum is integrated over a given interval, then normalized to active time and corrected for background noise. The dose rate is finally modelled by the integrated signal value used as a linear predictor (York *et al.*, 2004).

## Value

- `dose_fit()` returns a `CalibrationCurve` object.
- `dose_predict()` returns a `data.frame` with the following columns:
  - `name` (`character`) the name of the spectra.
  - `signal_Ni` (`numeric`) the integrated signal value (according to the value of threshold; see `signal_integrate()`) for `energy = FALSE`
  - `signal_err_Ni` (`numeric`) the integrated signal error value (according to the value of threshold; see `signal_integrate()`) for `energy = FALSE`.
  - `dose_Ni` (`numeric`) the predicted gamma dose rate for `energy = FALSE`.

dose\_err\_Ni (**numeric**) the predicted gamma dose rate error for energy = FALSE.

signal\_Ni (**numeric**) the integrated signal value (according to the value of threshold; see [signal\\_integrate\(\)](#)).

signal\_err\_NiEi (**numeric**) the integrated signal error value (according to the value of threshold; see [signal\\_integrate\(\)](#)) for energy = TRUE.

dose\_NiEi (**numeric**) the predicted gamma dose rate for energy = TRUE.

dose\_err\_NiEi (**numeric**) the predicted gamma dose rate error for energy = TRUE.

dose\_final (**numeric**) the predicted final gamma dose rate as the mean of dose\_Ni and dose\_NiEi

dose\_err\_final (**numeric**) the predicted final gamma dose rate error as  $SE(\dot{D}_\gamma) = \sqrt{\left(\frac{SE(\dot{D}_{\gamma Ni})}{\dot{D}_{\gamma Ni}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{SE(\dot{D}_{\gamma NiEi})}{\dot{D}_{\gamma NiEi}}\right)^2}$

### Uncertainty calculation of the gamma-dose rate

The analytical uncertainties of the final gamma-dose rate ( $SE(\dot{D}_\gamma)$ ) are calculated as follows:

$$\sigma_{\dot{D}_\gamma} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{m_\delta s}{m}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{s_\delta}{s}\right)^2 + \epsilon^2}$$

with  $m$  and  $m_\delta$  being the slope of the fit and its uncertainty,  $\sigma$  the error scaler for the slope uncertainty,  $s$  and  $s_\delta$  the integrated signal and its uncertainty, and  $\epsilon$  an additional relative uncertainty term that can be set by the user using the argument epsilon.

If the parameter use\_MC is set to TRUE, the a Monte Carlo sampling approach is chosen to approximate the uncertainties on the dose rate:

$$\sigma_{\dot{D}_\gamma} := \sqrt{\left(\frac{SD(\mathcal{N}(\mu_{slope}, \sigma_{slope}) \times \mathcal{N}(\mu_{signal}, \sigma_{signal}) + \mathcal{N}(\mu_{intercept}, \sigma_{intercept})) * \rho}{\dot{D}_\gamma}\right)^2 + \epsilon^2} * \dot{D}_\gamma$$

*rho* is the parameter sigma provided with the function call, *SD* equals the the call to `sd()`, i.e. the calculation of the standard deviation. To achieve a good Gaussian normal approximation with sample 1+e06 times (the values is fixed).

### Water content correction

If gamma-dose rates are measured in the field, they are measured at "as-is" conditions. In dating studies, however, using the dry dose rate is often more desirable to model the long-term effect of different assumptions for the water content. If the parameter `water_content`, either as **numeric** vector or as **matrix** with the number of rows equal to the number of processed spectra, if different values are desired, the **final** gamma-dose rate is corrected for the water content provided. Final uncertainties are obtained using the square root of the summed squared relative uncertainties of the dose rate and the water content.

A word of caution: When estimating the water content in the laboratory, the water analytical uncertainty is usually minimal, and it does not make sense to correct with a relative water content of, e.g., `c(0.02,0.02)` (2% +/- 2%) because this massively inflates the final dose rate error.

### Note

See `vignette(doserate)` for a reproducible example.

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**References**

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**See Also**

[signal\\_integrate\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## Import CNF files
## Spectra
spc_dir <- system.file("extdata/BDX_LaBr_1/calibration", package = "gamma")
spc <- read(spc_dir)

## Background
bkg_dir <- system.file("extdata/BDX_LaBr_1/background", package = "gamma")
bkg <- read(bkg_dir)

## Get dose rate values
data("clermont")
(doses <- clermont[, c("gamma_dose", "gamma_error")])

## Build the calibration curve
calib_curve <- dose_fit(spc, bkg, doses,
                       range_Ni = c(300, 2800),
                       range_NiEi = c(165, 2800))

## Plot the curve
plot(calib_curve, threshold = "Ni")

## Estimate gamma dose rates
dose_predict(calib_curve, spc)
```

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energy

*Energy Scale Calibration*

---

**Description**

Calibrates the energy scale of a gamma spectrum.

**Usage**

```
energy_calibrate(object, lines, ...)  
  
has_energy(object)  
  
has_calibration(object)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum,lm'  
energy_calibrate(object, lines, ...)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum,GammaSpectrum'  
energy_calibrate(object, lines, ...)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum,CalibrationCurve'  
energy_calibrate(object, lines, ...)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum,list'  
energy_calibrate(object, lines, ...)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum,PeakPosition'  
energy_calibrate(object, lines, ...)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra,list'  
energy_calibrate(object, lines, ...)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra,PeakPosition'  
energy_calibrate(object, lines, ...)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra,lm'  
energy_calibrate(object, lines, ...)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra,GammaSpectrum'  
energy_calibrate(object, lines, ...)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra,CalibrationCurve'  
energy_calibrate(object, lines, ...)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'  
has_energy(object)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra'  
has_energy(object)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'  
has_calibration(object)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra'  
has_calibration(object)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'CalibrationCurve'
has_calibration(object)
```

### Arguments

object	A <a href="#">GammaSpectrum</a> or <a href="#">GammaSpectra</a> object.
lines	A <a href="#">PeakPosition</a> object or a <a href="#">list</a> of length two. If a <a href="#">list</a> is provided, each element must be a named numeric vector giving the observed peak position ("channel") and the corresponding expected "energy" value (in keV). Alternatively, the function accepts the <a href="#">stats::lm</a> object from a another calibration or a <a href="#">GammaSpectrum</a> object from which such calibration is copied. With this, energy calibrations can be transferred from one object to another.
...	Currently not used.

### Details

The energy calibration of a spectrum is the most tricky part. To do this, the user must specify the position of at least three observed peaks and the corresponding energy value (in keV). A second order polynomial model is fitted on these energy *vs* channel values, then used to predict the new energy scale of the spectrum.

The package allows to provide the channel-energy pairs to be use. However, the spectrum can be noisy so it is difficult to properly determine the peak channel. In this case, a better approach may be to pre-process the spectrum (variance-stabilization, smoothing and baseline correction) and perform a peak detection. Once the identified peaks are satisfactory, you can set the corresponding energy values (in keV) and use these lines to calibrate the energy scale of the spectrum.

Regardless of the approach you choose, it is strongly recommended to check the result before proceeding.

### Value

- `energy_calibrate()` returns either a [GammaSpectrum](#) or a [GammaSpectra](#) object depending on the input#
- `has_energy()` and `has_calibration()` return a [logical](#) vector.

### Author(s)

N. Frerebeau

### Examples

```
## Import a CNF file
spc_file <- system.file("extdata/LaBr.TKA", package = "gamma")
(spc <- read(spc_file))

## Set peak positions (channel) and expected energy values
calib_lines <- list(
  channel = c(86, 495, 879),
  energy = c(238, 1461, 2615)
```

```

)

## Adjust the energy scale
(spc1 <- energy_calibrate(spc, lines = calib_lines))

## Inspect results
plot(spc1, xaxis = "energy", yaxis = "count") +
  ggplot2::geom_vline(xintercept = c(238, 1461, 2615), linetype = 3)

```

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GammaSpectra-class      *An S4 Class to Represent a Collection of Gamma Spectra*

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### Description

Represents a collection of spectra of gamma ray spectrometry measurements.

### Details

This class extends the base `list` and can only contains `GammaSpectrum` objects.

### Access

In the code snippets below, `x` is a `GammaSpectra` object.

`length(x)` Get the number of elements in `x`.

`lengths(x)` Get the number of channels in each element of `x`.

`get_names(x)`, `set_names(x) <- value` Retrieves or sets the names of `x` according to `value`.

`get_hash(x)` Get the MD5 hash of the raw data files.

`get_channels(x)` Get the number of channels in each element of `x`.

`get_counts(x)` Get the counts of each element of `x`.

`get_energy(x)` Get the energy range of each element of `x`.

`get_rates(x)` Get the count rates of each element of `x`.

### Subset

In the code snippets below, `x` is a `GammaSpectra` object.

`x[i]` Extracts the elements selected by subscript `i`. `i` can be missing or `NULL`, numeric or character vector or a factor. Returns a new `GammaSpectra` object.

`x[i, j]` Like the above but allows to select a slot thru `j` (see examples). `j` is a character vector of length one. Returns a `list`.

`x[[i]]` Extracts the elements selected by subscript `i`. `i` can be a numeric or character vector of length one. Returns the corresponding `GammaSpectrum` object.

### Author(s)

N. Frerebeau

**See Also**

Other class: [Baseline-class](#), [CalibrationCurve-class](#), [GammaSpectrum-class](#), [PeakPosition-class](#), [coerce\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## Import all CNF files in a given directory
spc_dir <- system.file("extdata/BDX_LaBr_1/calibration", package = "gamma")
(spc <- read(spc_dir))

## Access
get_hash(spc)
get_names(spc)
get_livetime(spc)
get_realtime(spc)

lengths(spc)
range_energy(spc)

## Subset
spc[] # All spectra
spc[NULL] # All spectra
spc[1] # The first spectrum
spc[-6] # Delete the sixth spectrum
spc[1:3] # The first three spectra
spc[c(1, 3)] # The first and third spectra
spc["BRIQUE"] # The spectrum named 'BRIQUE'
spc[c("BRIQUE", "C347")] # The spectra named 'BRIQUE' and 'C347'
spc[1:3, "energy"] # The slot 'energy' of the first three spectra
spc[[1]]
spc[["BRIQUE"]]
```

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GammaSpectrum-class    *An S4 Class to Represent a Gamma Spectrum*

---

**Description**

Represents a single spectrum of a gamma ray spectrometry measurement.

**Slots**

hash A [character](#) string giving the 32-byte MD5 hash of the imported file.

name A [character](#) string the measurement reference.

date A [POSIXct](#) element giving the measurement date and time.

instrument A [character](#) string giving the instrument name.

file\_format A [character](#) string giving the format of the imported file.

live\_time A [numeric](#) value.

`real_time` A **numeric** value.  
`channel` A **integer** vector giving the channel number. Numeric values are coerced to integer as by `as.integer()` (and hence truncated towards zero).  
`energy` A **numeric** vector giving the gamma ray's energy (in keV).  
`count` A **numeric** vector giving the counts number for each channel. Numeric values are coerced to integer as by `as.integer()` (and hence truncated towards zero).  
`rate` A **numeric** vector the count rate (1/s) for each channel.  
`calibration` A **linear model** used for energy scale calibration (see `energy_calibrate()`).

### Access

In the code snippets below, `x` is a `GammaSpectrum` object.

`length(x)` Get number of channel in `x`.  
`get_hash(x)` Get the MD5 hash of the raw data file.  
`get_names(x), set_names(x) <- value` Retrieves or sets the name of `x` according to `value`.  
`get_channels(x)` Get the number of channels in `x`.  
`get_counts(x)` Get the counts of `x`.  
`get_energy(x)` Get the energy range of `x`.  
`get_rates(x)` Get the count rates of `x`.

### Coerce

In the code snippets below, `x` is a `GammaSpectrum` object.

`as.matrix(x)` Coerces `x` to a **matrix**.  
`as.data.frame(x)` Coerces `x` to a **data.frame**.

### Subset

In the code snippets below, `x` is a `GammaSpectrum` object.

`x[[i]]` Extracts information from a slot selected by subscript `i`. `i` is a character vector of length one and will be matched to the name of the slots.

### Note

This class retains copy construction.

### Author(s)

N. Frerebeau

### See Also

Other class: [Baseline-class](#), [CalibrationCurve-class](#), [GammaSpectra-class](#), [PeakPosition-class](#), [coerce\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## Import a Canberra CNF file
spc_file <- system.file("extdata/LaBr.CNF", package = "gamma")
(spc <- read(spc_file))

## Access
get_hash(spc)
get_names(spc)
get_livetime(spc)
get_realtime(spc)

length(spc)
range_energy(spc)

## Subset
spc[["date"]]
spc[["instrument"]]
spc[["file_format"]]
```

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mutator

*Get or Set Parts of an Object*

---

**Description**

Getters and setters to extract or replace parts of an object.

**Usage**

```
get_hash(x)

get_names(x)

set_names(x) <- value

get_energy_calibration(x)

set_energy_calibration(x) <- value

get_livetime(x)

get_realtime(x)

get_channels(x)

get_counts(x)

get_rates(x)
```

```
get_energy(x, ...)  
set_energy(x) <- value  
get_method(x)  
set_method(x) <- value  
get_residuals(x)  
range_channels(x, ...)  
range_energy(x, ...)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'  
length(x)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'  
get_hash(x)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'  
get_names(x)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'  
get_livetime(x)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'  
get_realtime(x)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'  
get_channels(x)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'  
get_counts(x)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'  
get_rates(x)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'  
get_energy(x)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'  
range_energy(x, na.rm = FALSE)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'  
range_channels(x, na.rm = FALSE)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'Baseline'
```

```
get_method(x)

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra'
get_hash(x)

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra'
get_names(x)

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra'
get_livetime(x)

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra'
get_realtime(x)

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra'
get_channels(x)

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra'
get_counts(x)

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra'
get_rates(x)

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra'
get_energy(x)

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra'
range_energy(x, na.rm = FALSE)

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra'
range_channels(x, na.rm = FALSE)

## S4 method for signature 'DoseRateModel'
get_residuals(x)

## S4 method for signature 'PeakPosition'
get_hash(x)

## S4 method for signature 'PeakPosition'
get_channels(x)

## S4 method for signature 'PeakPosition'
get_energy(x, expected = FALSE)

## S4 replacement method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'
set_names(x) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'
```

```
set_energy_calibration(x) <- value

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'
get_energy_calibration(x)

## S4 replacement method for signature 'Baseline'
set_method(x) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'GammaSpectra'
set_names(x) <- value

## S4 replacement method for signature 'GammaSpectra'
set_energy_calibration(x) <- value

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra'
get_energy_calibration(x)

## S4 replacement method for signature 'PeakPosition,numeric'
set_energy(x) <- value
```

### Arguments

x	An object from which to get or set element(s).
value	A possible value for the element(s) of x.
...	Currently not used.
na.rm	A <a href="#">logical</a> scalar: should NA be omitted?
expected	A <a href="#">logical</a> scalar: should the expected values be returned instead of observed values?

### Value

An object of the same sort as x with the new values assigned.

### Author(s)

N. Frerebeau

### See Also

Other mutator: [subset\(\)](#)

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operator *Common Operations on GammaSpectrum Objects*


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**Description**

Performs common operations on GammaSpectrum objects.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum,GammaSpectrum'
Arith(e1, e2)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum,numeric'
Arith(e1, e2)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum,GammaSpectrum'
Compare(e1, e2)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum,numeric'
Compare(e1, e2)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum,GammaSpectrum'
Logic(e1, e2)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum,numeric'
Logic(e1, e2)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum,logical'
Logic(e1, e2)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'
Math(x)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'
Math2(x, digits)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'
Summary(x, ..., na.rm = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

x, e1, e2	An object (typically a <a href="#">GammaSpectrum</a> object).
digits	A length-one <a href="#">numeric</a> vector giving the number of digits to be used in <a href="#">round()</a> or <a href="#">signif()</a> .
...	Further arguments passed to or from methods.
na.rm	A <a href="#">logical</a> scalar: should missing values (including NaN) be omitted from the calculations?

**Group Generics**

**GammaSpectrum** objects have support for S4 group generic functionality to operate within elements across objects:

```
Arith "+", "-", "*", "^", "\\%\\%", "\\%/\\%", "/"
Compare "==", ">", "<", "!=", "<=", ">="
Logic "&", "|"
Math "abs", "sign", "sqrt", "ceiling", "floor", "trunc", "cummax", "cummin", "cumprod", "cumsum",
    "log", "log10", "log2", "log1p", "acos", "acosh", "asin", "asinh", "atan", "atanh", "exp",
    "expm1", "cos", "cosh", "cospi", "sin", "sinh", "sinpi", "tan", "tanh", "tanpi", "gamma",
    "lgamma", "digamma", "trigamma"
Math2 "round", "signif"
Ops "Arith", "Compare", "Logic"
Summary "min", "max", "range", "prod", "sum", "any", "all"
```

**Author(s)**

N. Frerebeau

**Examples**

```
## No examples
```

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PeakPosition-class      *An S4 Class to Represent a Set of Peaks*

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**Description**

An S4 Class to Represent a Set of Peaks

**Slots**

hash A **character** string giving the 32-byte MD5 hash of the imported spectrum file.

noise\_method A **character** string specifying the method used for peak detection.

noise\_threshold A length one **numeric** vector giving the noise threshold.

window A length one **numeric** vector giving the half-window size.

channel A **integer** vector giving the channel number. Numeric values are coerced to integer as by `as.integer()` (and hence truncated towards zero).

energy\_observed A **numeric** vector giving the observed gamma ray energy (in keV).

energy\_expected A **numeric** vector giving the expected gamma ray energy (in keV).

**Access**

In the code snippets below, x is a PeakPosition object.

`get_hash(x)` Get the MD5 hash of the raw data file.

`get_channels(x)` Get the channels of x.

`get_energy(x), set_energy(x) <- value` Retrieves or sets the energy scale of x according to value.

**Coerce**

In the code snippets below, x is a PeakPosition object.

`as.matrix(x)` Coerces x to a [matrix](#).

`as.data.frame(x)` Coerces x to a [data.frame](#).

**Subset**

In the code snippets below, x is a PeakPosition object.

`x[[i]]` Extracts information from a slot selected by subscript i. i is a character vector of length one and will be matched to the name of the slots.

**Note**

This class retains copy construction.

**Author(s)**

N. Frerebeau

**See Also**

Other class: [Baseline-class](#), [CalibrationCurve-class](#), [GammaSpectra-class](#), [GammaSpectrum-class](#), [coerce\(\)](#)

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peaks\_find

*Find Peaks*

---

**Description**

Finds local maxima in sequential data.

**Usage**

```
peaks_find(object, ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'
```

```
peaks_find(object, method = c("MAD"), SNR = 2, span = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	A <a href="#">GammaSpectrum</a> object.
...	Extra parameters to be passed to internal methods.
method	A <a href="#">character</a> string specifying the method to be used for background noise estimation (see below).
SNR	An <a href="#">integer</a> giving the signal-to-noise-ratio for peak detection (see below).
span	An <a href="#">integer</a> giving the half window size (in number of channels). If NULL, 5\ window size.

**Details**

A local maximum has to be the highest one in the given window and has to be higher than  $SNR \times noise$  to be recognized as peak.

The following methods are available for noise estimation:

MAD Median Absolute Deviation.

**Value**

A [PeakPosition](#) object.

**Author(s)**

N. Frerebeau

**See Also**

Other signal processing: [baseline](#), [peaks\\_search\(\)](#), [signal\\_integrate\(\)](#), [signal\\_slice\(\)](#), [signal\\_split\(\)](#), [signal\\_stabilize\(\)](#), [smooth\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## Import a LaBr spectrum
LaBr_file <- system.file("extdata/LaBr.TKA", package = "gamma")
LaBr_spc <- read(LaBr_file)

## Find peaks by channel
(LaBr_pks <- peaks_find(LaBr_spc)) # Ugly
plot(LaBr_spc, LaBr_pks)

## Search peaks by channel
(LaBr_pks <- peaks_search(LaBr_spc, index = c(86L, 207L, 496L), span = 7))
plot(LaBr_spc, LaBr_pks, split = TRUE)

## Import a BEGe spectrum
BEGe_file <- system.file("extdata/BEGe.CNF", package = "gamma")
BEGe_spc <- read(BEGe_file)

## Search peaks by energy
```

```
(BEGe_pks <- peaks_search(BEGe_spc, index = c(47, 63, 911, 1460)))  
plot(BEGe_spc, BEGe_pks, split = TRUE)
```

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peaks_search	<i>Search Peaks</i>
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## Description

Search the maxima in sequential data around a given value.

## Usage

```
peaks_search(object, index, ...)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum,integer'  
peaks_search(object, index, span = 10, tolerance = 0.025)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum,numeric'  
peaks_search(object, index, span = 10, tolerance = 0.025)
```

## Arguments

object	A <a href="#">GammaSpectrum</a> object.
index	A vector giving the expected peak position. If index is a <a href="#">numeric</a> vector, peaks are searched by energy (index is assumed to be expressed in keV). If index is an <a href="#">integer</a> vector, peaks are searched by channel.
...	Currently not used.
span	A <a href="#">numeric</a> value giving the half window size for searching. If index is a <a href="#">numeric</a> vector, span is expressed in keV. If index is an <a href="#">integer</a> vector, span is expressed in channel.
tolerance	A <a href="#">numeric</a> value giving the threshold above which a warning/error is raised.

## Value

A [PeakPosition](#) object.

## Author(s)

N. Frerebeau

## See Also

Other signal processing: [baseline](#), [peaks\\_find\(\)](#), [signal\\_integrate\(\)](#), [signal\\_slice\(\)](#), [signal\\_split\(\)](#), [signal\\_stabilize\(\)](#), [smooth\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```

## Import a LaBr spectrum
LaBr_file <- system.file("extdata/LaBr.TKA", package = "gamma")
LaBr_spc <- read(LaBr_file)

## Find peaks by channel
(LaBr_pks <- peaks_find(LaBr_spc)) # Ugly
plot(LaBr_spc, LaBr_pks)

## Search peaks by channel
(LaBr_pks <- peaks_search(LaBr_spc, index = c(86L, 207L, 496L), span = 7))
plot(LaBr_spc, LaBr_pks, split = TRUE)

## Import a BEGe spectrum
BEGe_file <- system.file("extdata/BEGe.CNF", package = "gamma")
BEGe_spc <- read(BEGe_file)

## Search peaks by energy
(BEGe_pks <- peaks_search(BEGe_spc, index = c(47, 63, 911, 1460)))
plot(BEGe_spc, BEGe_pks, split = TRUE)

```

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plot

*Plot*


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**Description**

Plot

**Usage**

```

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum,missing'
plot(x, xaxis = c("channel", "energy"), yaxis = c("count", "rate"), ...)

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum,Baseline'
plot(x, y, xaxis = c("channel", "energy"), yaxis = c("count", "rate"), ...)

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra,missing'
plot(
  x,
  xaxis = c("channel", "energy"),
  yaxis = c("count", "rate"),
  select = NULL,
  facet = FALSE,
  nrow = c("fixed", "auto")
)

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum,PeakPosition'
plot(x, y, split = FALSE, span = 25)

```

```
## S4 method for signature 'CalibrationCurve,missing'
plot(
  x,
  error_ellipse = TRUE,
  error_bar = FALSE,
  energy = FALSE,
  level = 0.95,
  n = 50,
  ...
)
```

### Arguments

x, y	Objects to be plotted.
xaxis, yaxis	A <a href="#">character</a> string specifying the data to be plotted along each axis. It must be one of "energy" or "channel" (x axis) and "counts" or "rate" (y axis). Any unambiguous substring can be given.
...	Currently not used.
select	A <a href="#">numeric</a> or <a href="#">character</a> vector giving the selection of the spectrum that are drawn.
facet	A <a href="#">logical</a> scalar: should a matrix of panels defined by spectrum be drawn?
nrow	A <a href="#">character</a> string specifying the number of rows. It must be one of "fixed" or "auto". Any unambiguous substring can be given. Only used if facet is TRUE.
split	A <a href="#">logical</a> scalar: should.
span	An <a href="#">integer</a> giving the half window size (in number of channels). Only used if split is TRUE.
error_ellipse	A <a href="#">logical</a> scalar: should error ellipses be plotted?
error_bar	A <a href="#">logical</a> scalar: should error bars be plotted?
energy	A <a href="#">logical</a> scalar plotting the count threshold value or the energy threshold value
level	length-one <a href="#">numeric</a> vector giving the the probability cutoff for the error ellipses.
n	A length-one <a href="#">numeric</a> vector giving the resolution of the error ellipses.

### Value

A [ggplot2::ggplot](#) object.

### Author(s)

N. Frerebeau

### See Also

[IsoplotR::ellipse\(\)](#), [IsoplotR::isochron\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
# Import CNF files
spc_dir <- system.file("extdata/BDX_LaBr_1/calibration", package = "gamma")
spc <- read(spc_dir)

# Plot all spectra
plot(spc, yaxis = "rate", facet = FALSE) +
  ggplot2::theme_bw()

# Plot the spectrum named 'BRIQUE'
plot(spc, xaxis = "energy", yaxis = "count", select = "BRIQUE") +
  ggplot2::theme_bw()

# Plot the first three spectra
plot(spc, xaxis = "channel", yaxis = "rate", select = 1:3, facet = TRUE) +
  ggplot2::theme_bw()
```

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read

*Data Input*

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## Description

Reads a gamma ray spectrum file.

## Usage

```
read(file, ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'character'
read(file, extensions = c("cnf", "tka", "spe"), ...)
```

## Arguments

file	A <a href="#">character</a> string giving the path of files to be imported.
...	Extra parameters to be passed to <a href="#">rxylib::read_xyData()</a> .
extensions	A <a href="#">character</a> vector specifying the possible file extensions. It must be one or more of "cnf", "tka", "spe".

## Value

A [GammaSpectra](#) object if more than one spectrum are imported at once, else a [GammaSpectrum](#) object.

## Note

Supports Canberra CNF and TKA and Kromek SPE files.

**Author(s)**

N. Frerebeau

**See Also**[rxylib::read\\_xyData\(\)](#)Other IO: [summarise\(\)](#)**Examples**

```
## Import a Canberra CNF file
cnf_file <- system.file("extdata/LaBr.CNF", package = "gamma")
(cnf_spc <- read(cnf_file))

## Import a TKA file
tka_file <- system.file("extdata/LaBr.TKA", package = "gamma")
(tka_spc <- read(tka_file))

## Import all files in a given directory
spc_dir <- system.file("extdata/BDX_LaBr_1/calibration", package = "gamma")
(spc <- read(spc_dir))
```

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`signal_integrate`*Signal Integration*

---

**Description**

Integration of the spectrum including uncertainty calculation.

**Usage**

```
signal_integrate(object, background, ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum,missing'
```

```
signal_integrate(object, range = NULL, energy = FALSE)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum,GammaSpectrum'
```

```
signal_integrate(object, background, range = NULL, energy = FALSE)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum,numeric'
```

```
signal_integrate(object, background, range = NULL, energy = FALSE)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra,missing'
```

```
signal_integrate(object, range = NULL, energy = FALSE, simplify = TRUE)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra,GammaSpectrum'
```

```
signal_integrate(
```

```

    object,
    background,
    range = NULL,
    energy = FALSE,
    simplify = TRUE
)

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra,numeric'
signal_integrate(
  object,
  background,
  range = NULL,
  energy = FALSE,
  simplify = TRUE
)

```

### Arguments

object	A <a href="#">GammaSpectrum</a> or <a href="#">GammaSpectra</a> object.
background	A <a href="#">GammaSpectrum</a> object.
...	Currently not used.
range	A length-two <a href="#">numeric</a> vector giving the energy range to integrate within (in keV).
energy	A <a href="#">logical</a> scalar: use the energy or count threshold for the signal integration
simplify	A <a href="#">logical</a> scalar: should the result be simplified to a <a href="#">matrix</a> ? The default value, FALSE, returns a <a href="#">list</a> .

### Details

The function supports two integration techniques (see Guérin & Mercier 2011), the (1) count threshold integration and the (2) energy integration method:

The count integration technique (energy = FALSE) integrates all counts in given range:

$$A = \frac{\sum_i^N S_i}{t_{live}}$$

Contrary, the energy integration techniques is the integrated cross-product of counts and corresponding energy per channel:

$$A = \frac{\sum_i^N S_i \times E_i}{t_{live}}$$

$A$  is the area,  $S_i$  is the signal in the  $i^{th}$  channel,  $N$  the number of channels,  $E_i$  the energy of the corresponding channel in keV.  $t_{live}$  is the live time of the measurement in  $s$ .

For calculating the uncertainties, Poisson statistics are assumed and hence the errors is calculated as:

$$\sigma_A = \frac{\sqrt{A}}{t_{live}}$$

**Value**

If `simplify` is `FALSE` (the default) returns a [list](#) of numeric vectors (the signal value and its error), else returns a [matrix](#).

**Note**

The integration assumes that each spectrum has an energy scale.

**Author(s)**

N. Frerebeau

**References**

Guérin, G. & Mercier, M. (2011). Determining Gamma Dose Rates by Field Gamma Spectroscopy in Sedimentary Media: Results of Monte Carlo Simulations. *Radiation Measurements*, 46(2), p. 190-195. doi:[10.1016/j.radmeas.2010.10.003](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.radmeas.2010.10.003).

Mercier, N. & Falguères, C. (2007). Field Gamma Dose-Rate Measurement with a NaI(Tl) Detector: Re-Evaluation of the "Threshold" Technique. *Ancient TL*, 25(1), p. 1-4.

**See Also**

Other signal processing: [baseline](#), [peaks\\_find\(\)](#), [peaks\\_search\(\)](#), [signal\\_slice\(\)](#), [signal\\_split\(\)](#), [signal\\_stabilize\(\)](#), [smooth\(\)](#)

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signal_slice	<i>Choose channels by Position</i>
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**Description**

Choose channels by position.

**Usage**

```
signal_slice(object, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'
signal_slice(object, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra'
signal_slice(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

`object` A [GammaSpectrum](#) or [GammaSpectra](#) object.  
`...` [integer](#) values giving the channels of the spectrum to be kept/dropped (see below). Numeric values are coerced to integer as by [as.integer\(\)](#) (and hence truncated towards zero).

## Details

Either positive values to keep, or negative values to drop, should be provided. The values provided must be either all positive or all negative.

If no value is provided, an attempt is made to define the number of channels to skip at the beginning of the spectrum. This drops all channels before the highest count maximum. This is intended to deal with the artefact produced by the rapid growth of random background noise towards low energies.

## Value

A [GammaSpectrum](#) or [GammaSpectra](#) object.

## Author(s)

N. Frerebeau

## See Also

Other signal processing: [baseline](#), [peaks\\_find\(\)](#), [peaks\\_search\(\)](#), [signal\\_integrate\(\)](#), [signal\\_split\(\)](#), [signal\\_stabilize\(\)](#), [smooth\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
## Import CNF files
spc_file <- system.file("extdata/LaBr.CNF", package = "gamma")
spc <- read(spc_file)

## Plot spectrum
plot(spc)

## Slice
sliced <- signal_slice(spc)
plot(sliced)

sliced <- signal_slice(spc, -c(1:35))
plot(sliced)

sliced <- signal_slice(sliced, 450:550)
plot(sliced)

## Split
g <- rep(c("A", "B", "C"), c(250, 500, 274))
splited <- signal_split(spc, g)
plot(splited, facet = TRUE)
```

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signal_split	<i>Split</i>
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## Description

Split

## Usage

```
signal_split(object, ...)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'  
signal_split(object, groups)
```

## Arguments

object	A <a href="#">GammaSpectrum</a> object.
...	Currently not used.
groups	A a <a href="#">factor</a> in the sense that <code>as.factor(groups)</code> defines the grouping (see <a href="#">split</a> ).

## Value

A [GammaSpectra](#) object.

## Author(s)

N. Frerebeau

## See Also

Other signal processing: [baseline](#), [peaks\\_find\(\)](#), [peaks\\_search\(\)](#), [signal\\_integrate\(\)](#), [signal\\_slice\(\)](#), [signal\\_stabilize\(\)](#), [smooth\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
## Import CNF files  
spc_file <- system.file("extdata/LaBr.CNF", package = "gamma")  
spc <- read(spc_file)  
  
## Plot spectrum  
plot(spc)  
  
## Slice  
sliced <- signal_slice(spc)  
plot(sliced)  
  
sliced <- signal_slice(spc, -c(1:35))
```

```
plot(sliced)

sliced <- signal_slice(sliced, 450:550)
plot(sliced)

## Split
g <- rep(c("A", "B", "C"), c(250, 500, 274))
splited <- signal_split(spc, g)
plot(splited, facet = TRUE)
```

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signal_stabilize	<i>Transform Intensities</i>
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## Description

Transform Intensities

## Usage

```
signal_stabilize(object, ...)
```

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'

```
signal_stabilize(object, f, ...)
```

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra'

```
signal_stabilize(object, f, ...)
```

## Arguments

object	A <a href="#">GammaSpectrum</a> object.
...	Extra arguments to be passed to f.
f	A <a href="#">function</a> that takes a numeric vector as argument and returns a numeric vector.

## Details

The stabilization step aims at improving the identification of peaks with a low signal-to-noise ratio. This particularly targets higher energy peaks.

## Value

A [GammaSpectrum](#) or [GammaSpectra](#) object with transformed intensities.

## Author(s)

N. Frerebeau

**See Also**

Other signal processing: [baseline](#), [peaks\\_find\(\)](#), [peaks\\_search\(\)](#), [signal\\_integrate\(\)](#), [signal\\_slice\(\)](#), [signal\\_split\(\)](#), [smooth\(\)](#)

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smooth

*Smooth*

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**Description**

Smooths intensities.

**Usage**

```
signal_smooth(object, ...)
```

```
smooth_rectangular(object, ...)
```

```
smooth_triangular(object, ...)
```

```
smooth_savitzky(object, ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'  
signal_smooth(object, method = c("rectangular", "triangular", "savitzky"), ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra'  
signal_smooth(object, method = c("rectangular", "triangular", "savitzky"), ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'  
smooth_rectangular(object, m = 3, ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra'  
smooth_rectangular(object, m = 3, ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'  
smooth_savitzky(object, m = 3, p = 2, ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra'  
smooth_savitzky(object, m = 3, p = 2, ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'  
smooth_triangular(object, m = 3, ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra'  
smooth_triangular(object, m = 3, ...)
```

### Arguments

object	A <a href="#">GammaSpectrum</a> or <a href="#">GammaSpectra</a> object.
...	Extra parameters to be passed to further methods.
method	A <a href="#">character</a> string specifying the smoothing method to be used. It must be one of "unweighted" (default), "weighted" or "savitzky" (see details). Any unambiguous substring can be given.
m	An odd <a href="#">integer</a> giving the number of adjacent points to be used.
p	An <a href="#">integer</a> giving the polynomial degree. Only used if method is "savitzky".

### Details

The following smoothing methods are available:

rectangular Unweighted sliding-average or rectangular smooth. It replaces each point in the signal with the average of  $m$  adjacent points.

triangular Weighted sliding-average or triangular smooth. It replaces each point in the signal with the weighted mean of  $m$  adjacent points.

savitzky Savitzky-Golay filter. This method is based on the least-squares fitting of polynomials to segments of  $m$  adjacent points.

There will be  $(m - 1)/2$  points both at the beginning and at the end of the spectrum for which a complete  $m$ -width smooth cannot be calculated. To prevent data loss, progressively smaller smooths are used at the ends of the spectrum if method is unweighted or weighted. If the Savitzky-Golay filter is used, the original  $(m - 1)/2$  points at the ends of the spectrum are preserved.

### Value

A [GammaSpectrum](#) or [GammaSpectra](#) object.

### Author(s)

N. Frerebeau

### References

Gorry, P. A. (1990). General Least-Squares Smoothing and Differentiation by the Convolution (Savitzky-Golay) Method. *Analytical Chemistry*, 62(6), p. 570-573. doi:10.1021/ac00205a007.

Savitzky, A. & Golay, M. J. E. (1964). Smoothing and Differentiation of Data by Simplified Least Squares Procedures. *Analytical Chemistry*, 36(8), p. 1627-1639. doi:10.1021/ac60214a047.

### See Also

Other signal processing: [baseline](#), [peaks\\_find\(\)](#), [peaks\\_search\(\)](#), [signal\\_integrate\(\)](#), [signal\\_slice\(\)](#), [signal\\_split\(\)](#), [signal\\_stabilize\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
# Import CNF files
spc_file <- system.file("extdata/LaBr.CNF", package = "gamma")
spc <- read(spc_file)
spc <- signal_slice(spc, -c(1:35))

# Plot raw spectrum
spc_clean <- signal_correct(spc)
plot(spc_clean)

# Rectangular smooth
spc_unweighted <- smooth_rectangular(spc, m = 3)
spc_unweighted_clean <- signal_correct(spc_unweighted)
plot(spc_unweighted_clean)

# Triangular smooth
spc_weighted <- smooth_triangular(spc, m = 5)
spc_weighted_clean <- signal_correct(spc_weighted)
plot(spc_weighted_clean)

# Savitzky-Golay
spc_savitzky <- smooth_savitzky(spc, m = 21, p = 2)
spc_savitzky_clean <- signal_correct(spc_savitzky)
plot(spc_savitzky_clean)
```

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subset

*Extract or Replace Parts of an Object*

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## Description

Operators acting on objects to extract or replace parts.

## Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'
x[[i]]

## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra'
x[i, j]

## S4 method for signature 'DoseRateModel'
x[[i]]

## S4 method for signature 'CalibrationCurve'
x[[i]]

## S4 method for signature 'PeakPosition'
x[[i]]
```

**Arguments**

`x` An object from which to extract element(s) or in which to replace element(s).

`i, j` Indices specifying elements to extract or replace. Indices are [numeric](#), [integer](#) or [character](#) vectors or empty (missing) or NULL. Numeric values are coerced to [integer](#) as by `as.integer()` (and hence truncated towards zero). Character vectors will be matched to the name of the elements. An empty index (a comma separated blank) indicates that all entries in that dimension are selected.

**Value**

A subsetting object.

**Author(s)**

N. Frerebeau

**See Also**

Other mutator: [mutator](#)

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summarise

*Summarize*

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**Description**

Summarize

**Usage**

```
summarise(object, ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectrum'
```

```
summarise(object)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaSpectra'
```

```
summarise(object)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'DoseRateModel'
```

```
summarise(object)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'CalibrationCurve'
```

```
summarise(object)
```

**Arguments**

`object` A [GammaSpectrum](#) or [GammaSpectra](#) object.

`...` Currently not used.

**Value**

A [data.frame](#).

**Author(s)**

N. Frerebeau

**See Also**

Other IO: [read\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## Import a Canberra CNF file
cnf_file <- system.file("extdata/LaBr.CNF", package = "gamma")
spc <- read(cnf_file)
summarise(spc)

## Import all CNF files in a given directory
spc_dir <- system.file("extdata/BDX_LaBr_1/calibration", package = "gamma")
spc <- read(spc_dir)
summarise(spc)
```

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