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Studies in a Nosocomial Setting

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A_to_X_dist	<i>function to transform the distribution of stays to a fixed point to the distribution of the staying times</i>
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## Description

function to transform the distribution of stays to a fixed point to the distribution of the staying times

## Usage

```
A_to_X_dist(dist.point)
```

## Arguments

dist.point      vector of probabilities of staying 1:length(dist.point) days

## Value

vector of probabilities of being at the hospital for 1:length(dist.point) days at random time of observation

## Examples

```
# generate vector of probabilities for truncated Poisson distribution for
# distribution of times of stay X
dist.X <- dpois(1:70, 4)
plot(dist.X)
# transform to distribution of distribution of staying-time up to observation point under
# assumption of steady state
dist.A <- X_to_A_dist(dist.X)
plot(dist.A)
```

```
# transform back to get original distribution
dist.X.2 <- A_to_X_dist(dist.A)
plot(dist.X.2)
```

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calculate_CI_I_pp	<i>Calculate confidence intervals for Grenander estimator of Ipp based on asymptotics</i>
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### Description

Asymptotic or bootstrap approximation of confidence intervals for estimates of Ipp with gren method  
 Can use output of calculate\_I\_\* functions as input. The asymptotic method uses the asymptotic normality of the estimator of I.pp to calculate the confidence interval and the method "bs" uses a parametric bootstrap approximation based on the "naive" estimator.

### Usage

```
calculate_CI_I_pp(data, method = "asymptotic", alpha = 0.05,
  n_bs = 10000)
```

### Arguments

data	data frame which contains at least the following columns <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• n - number of patients sampled</li> <li>• n.noso - number of HAIs</li> <li>• P.hat - estimate of prevalence P</li> <li>• x.loi.hat - estimate of x.loi</li> <li>• x.los.hat - estimate of x.los</li> <li>• I.pp.hat - estimate of incidence proportion per admission I.pp</li> </ul>
method	either "asymptotic" for asymptotic confidence interval or "bs" for bootstrap-based confidence interval
alpha	confidence level
n_bs	number of bootstrap replications if method is "bs"

### Value

tibble with columns CI.lower.Ipp and CI.upper.Ipp

### Examples

```
example.dist <- create_dist_vec(function(x) dpois(x-1, 7), max.dist = 70)
example.dist.los <- create_dist_vec(function(x) dpois(x-1, lambda = 12),
  max.dist = 70)
data.pps.fast <- simulate_pps_fast(n.sample=5000,
```

```

                                P=0.05,
                                dist.X.loi = example.dist,
                                dist.X.los = example.dist.los)
gren_est <- calculate_I_smooth(data = data.pps.fast, method = "gren")
gren_est
calculate_CI_I_pp(gren_est, method = "asymptotic", alpha = 0.05)

```

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 calculate\_I

*Function to calculate different estimators for I from PPS data.*


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### Description

Function to calculate different estimators for I from PPS data.

### Usage

```
calculate_I(data, data.theo = NULL)
```

### Arguments

data	data frame as generated by ‘simulate_pps_data’ or ‘simulate_pps_fast’
data.theo	data frame as generated by ‘simulate_incidence_stats’ or ‘simulate incidence_stats_fast’

### Value

data frame with following columns

- n - number of patients sampled
- n.noso - number of HAIs
- P.hat - estimate of prevalence P
- I.hat - estimate of incidence rate I
- I.pp.hat - estimate of incidence proportion per admission I.pp
- x.loi.hat - estimate of x.loi
- x.los.hat - estimate of x.los
- method - name of the method

and rows for the estimators gren, rear, pps.median, pps.mean, pps.mixed, rham.theo, L.full (for a description of the estimators see vignette).

**Examples**

```
# create example data for PPS
example.dist <- create_dist_vec(function(x) dpois(x-1, 7), max.dist = 70)
example.dist.los <- create_dist_vec(function(x) dpois(x-1, lambda = 12),
                                   max.dist = 70)
data.pps.fast <- simulate_pps_fast(n.sample=200,
                                  P=0.05,
                                  dist.X.loi = example.dist,
                                  dist.X.los = example.dist.los)

head(data.pps.fast)

# estimate incidence based on Rhamé-Sudderth formula
calculate_I(data = data.pps.fast)
```

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calculate_I_mixed	<i>Function to calculate incidence from PPS data using a mix of two estimators</i>
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**Description**

A sigmoid function with parameters a and b (see below) is used to get weights for a combination of the two estimator for x.loi and x.los.

**Usage**

```
calculate_I_mixed(I.pps.1, I.pps.2, a = 0.01, b = 500,
                 method = "pps.mixed")
```

**Arguments**

I.pps.1	resulting data frame for first estimator
I.pps.2	resulting data frame for second estimator
a	parameter a for the sigmoid function
b	parameter b for the sigmoid function
method	name of the method

**Details**

is achieved in the following way for estimation of x.loi  $\alpha = \frac{\exp(a*(n.noso-b))}{1+\exp(a*(n.noso-b))}$  x.loi.hat.mixed =  $\alpha*x.loi.hat.1 + (1-\alpha)*x.loi.hat.2$

$\alpha = \frac{\exp(a*(n-b))}{1+\exp(a*(n-b))}$  x.los.hat.mixed =  $\alpha*x.los.hat.1 + (1-\alpha)*x.los.hat.2$

**Value**

one-row data frame with following columns

- n - number of patients sampled
- n.noso - number of HAIs
- P.hat - estimate of prevalence P
- I.hat - estimate of incidence rate I
- I.pp.hat - estimate of incidence proportion per admission I<sub>pp</sub>
- x.loi.hat - estimate of x.loi
- x.los.hat - estimate of x.los
- method - name of the method

**Examples**

```
# create example data for PPS
example.dist <- create_dist_vec(function(x) dpois(x-1, 7), max.dist = 70)
example.dist.los <- create_dist_vec(function(x) dpois(x-1, lambda = 12),
                                   max.dist = 70)
data.pps.fast <- simulate_pps_fast(n.sample=200,
                                  P=0.05,
                                  dist.X.loi = example.dist,
                                  dist.X.los = example.dist.los)

head(data.pps.fast)

# estimate of incidence
I.1 <- calculate_I_smooth(data = data.pps.fast,
                          method = "gren")

# estimate incidence based on Rhame-Sudderth formula
I.2 <- calculate_I_rhame(data = data.pps.fast,
                        x.loi.hat = 8,
                        x.los.hat = 13)

# mixed estimator
calculate_I_mixed(I.1, I.2)
```

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calculate_I_rhame	<i>Function to calculate incidence from PPS data using a Rhame-Sudderth like approach with estimates for x.loi and x.los supplied.</i>
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**Description**

Function to calculate incidence from PPS data using a Rhame-Sudderth like approach with estimates for x.loi and x.los supplied.

**Usage**

```
calculate_I_rhame(data, x.loi.hat, x.los.hat = NA, method = "rhame")
```

**Arguments**

data	one-row data frame which contains a column A.loi (only used to calculate P.hat) with lengths of nosocomial infections up to survey (a 0 indicates no HAI present)
x.loi.hat	value for estimated expected length of infection x_loi
x.los.hat	value for estimated expected length of stay x_los (optional)
method	a string with associated name for method

**Value**

one-row data frame with following columns

- n - number of patients sampled
- n.noso - number of HAIs
- P.hat - estimate of prevalence P
- I.hat - estimate of incidence rate I
- I.pp.hat - estimate of incidence proportion per admission I\_pp
- x.loi.hat - estimate of x\_loi
- x.los.hat - estimate of x\_los
- method - name of the method

**Examples**

```
# create example data for PPS
example.dist <- create_dist_vec(function(x) dpois(x-1, 7), max.dist = 70)
example.dist.los <- create_dist_vec(function(x) dpois(x-1, lambda = 12),
                                   max.dist = 70)
data.pps.fast <- simulate_pps_fast(n.sample=200,
                                  P=0.05,
                                  dist.X.loi = example.dist,
                                  dist.X.los = example.dist.los)

head(data.pps.fast)

# estimate incidence based on Rhame-Sudderth formula
calculate_I_rhame(data = data.pps.fast,
                  x.loi.hat = 8,
                  x.los.hat = 13)
```

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calculate_I_smooth	<i>Estimate the incidence based on PPS data using monotone estimators for the distribution of A.</i>
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### Description

Estimate incidence from PPS by the method proposed in the companion paper. 'data' should be supplied as a data frame with at least a column named 'A.loi' giving lengths of infection up to date of PPS. Values of zero for 'A.loi' indicate absence of a HAI. Optionally, the data frame can also contain a column 'A.los' supplying lengths of stay up to PPS to estimate x.los with the same method as well. If 'correct.one' is 'TRUE', the number infections on their first day will be augmented to be at least as high as the number of infections on their second day for the estimation of x.loi .

### Usage

```
calculate_I_smooth(data, method = "gren", correct.one.loi = "no",
  correct.one.los = "no")
```

### Arguments

data	data frame which contains a column 'A.loi' with lengths of nosocomial infections up to survey point ( zero if none) and possibly a column 'A.los' with length of stay up to survey point
method	method to use for smoothing ("gren" ( Grenander ) or "rear" (rearrangement))
correct.one.loi	use correction for underreporting of one day LOIs: "no" if none, "fill.ones" to set the one-day cases to be at least the number of two-day cases, "start.two" to only use $P(A=2   A > 1)$ as a proxy for $P(A=1)$
correct.one.los	use correction for underreporting of one day LOSs: "no" if none, "fill.ones" to set the one-day cases to be at least the number of two-day cases, "start.two" to only use $P(A=2   A > 1)$ as a proxy for $P(A=1)$

### Value

one-row data frame with following columns

- n - number of patients sampled
- n.noso - number of HAIs
- P.hat - estimate of prevalence P
- I.hat - estimate of incidence rate I
- I.pp.hat - estimate of incidence proportion per admission I.pp
- x.loi.hat - estimate of x.loi
- x.los.hat - estimate of x.los
- method - name of the method



**Examples**

```
# create example data for PPS
example.dist <- create_dist_vec(function(x) dpois(x-1, 7), max.dist = 70)
example.dist.los <- create_dist_vec(function(x) dpois(x-1, lambda = 12),
                                   max.dist = 70)
data.pps.fast <- simulate_pps_fast(n.sample=200,
                                  P=0.05,
                                  dist.X.loi = example.dist,
                                  dist.X.los = example.dist.los)

head(data.pps.fast)

# estimate of incidence
calculate_I_smooth(data = data.pps.fast,
                  method = "gren")
```

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CI\_np\_bs

*Function to calculate confidence intervals  $I_{pp}$  for gren estimator with bootstrap method based on Grenander estimator*

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**Description**

Implements a bootstrap procedure for estimation of confidence intervals for  $I_{pp}$  based on bootstrapping from the length of stay/infection distributions estimated by the gren method.

**Usage**

```
CI_np_bs(data, n_bs = 1000, alpha = 0.05)
```

**Arguments**

data	data frame which contains a column 'A.loi' with lengths of nosocomial infections up to survey point ( zero if none) and a column 'A.los' with length of stay up to survey point
n_bs	number of bootstrap samples to use for calculations
alpha	confidence level

**Value**

single-row tibble with columns CI.lower.Ipp and CI.upper.Ipp

**Examples**

```

example.dist <- create_dist_vec(function(x) dpois(x-1, 7), max.dist = 70)
example.dist.los <- create_dist_vec(function(x) dpois(x-1, lambda = 12),
                                   max.dist = 70)
data.pps.fast <- simulate_pps_fast(n.sample=5000,
                                  P=0.05,
                                  dist.X.loi = example.dist,
                                  dist.X.los = example.dist.los)
gren_est <- calculate_I_smooth(data = data.pps.fast, method = "gren")
gren_est
CI_np_bs(data.pps.fast, n_bs = 500)

```

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code create\_dist\_vec

*Create vector of probabilities for a finite positive discrete distribution*


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**Description**

Cuts-off the (possibly unbounded) probability distribution at ‘max.dist’ and normalizes the resulting vector of probability to sum up to 1.

**Usage**

```
create_dist_vec(dist, max.dist)
```

**Arguments**

dist	probability mass function to use
max.dist	maximum value at which to cutoff distribution

**Value**

vector of probabilities for values 1:max.dist

**Examples**

```

geom_dist_fct(1:70)
create_dist_vec(geom_dist_fct, max.dist = 70)

```

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 create\_patient\_history\_add

*Function to simulate a single hospital bed trajectory*


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### Description

Simulates the occupation of bed and incidence of HAIs of a single bed. Length of HAI is assumed to be additive to length of stay without HAI.

### Usage

```
create_patient_history_add(X_los_dist, X_loi_dist, I, steps)
```

### Arguments

X_los_dist	vector of probabilities for values 1:length(dist.X.los) of X.los
X_loi_dist	vector of probabilities for values 1:length(dist.X.loi) of X.loi
I	incidence rate per patient-day at risk
steps	number of days to evolve trajectory of bed

### Value

data frame with following columns

- pat\_nbr - sequential patient number
- hai\_nbr - sequential HAI number
- X\_los - predicted total length of stay for patient on current day
- X\_los\_wo\_hai -
- X\_loi - total length of current HAI
- X\_loi\_tot - added total lengths of all HAIs up to day
- A\_los - length of stay up to day
- X\_lhint - length of stay after acquiring first HAI

### Examples

```
example.dist <- create_dist_vec(function(x) dpois(x-1, 7), max.dist = 70)
example.dist.los <- create_dist_vec(function(x) dpois(x-1, lambda = 12),
                                   max.dist = 70)
bed_hist <- create_patient_history_add(example.dist.los, example.dist, I = 0.08, 1000)
tail(bed_hist)
```

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epmf	<i>Calculate empirical probability mass function for a discrete positive distribution starting at 1</i>
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**Description**

Calculate empirical probability mass function for a discrete positive distribution starting at 1

**Usage**

```
epmf(values)
```

**Arguments**

values            used for the calculation of the empirical pmf

**Value**

vector of probabilities for epmf for the range 1:length(values)

**Examples**

```
# generate random sample of independent draws from Poisson distribution
x <- rpois(200,4)
# calculate empirical probability mass function and true probability mass function
y.emp <- epmf(x)
y.theo <- dpois(1:max(x), 4)
plot(y.emp)
points(y.theo, col = "red")
```

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generate_I_fast	<i>Function to simulate PPS and data and calculate a number of estimators</i>
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**Description**

Function to simulate PPS and data and calculate a number of estimators

**Usage**

```
generate_I_fast(n.sample, P, dist.X.loi, data.theo = NULL,
  dist.X.los = NA, one.factor.loi = 1, one.factor.los = 1)
```

**Arguments**

n.sample	number of beds to simulate
P	average prevalence of nosocomial infections
dist.X.loi	vector of probabilities for values 1:length(dist.X.loi) of X.loi
data.theo	data frame with theoretical info generated by simulate_incidence_stats_* function
dist.X.los	vector of probabilities for values 1:length(dist.X.los) of X.los
one.factor.loi	factor by which to approx. reduce number of one day observations for A.loi
one.factor.los	factor by which to approx. reduce number of one day observations for A.los

**Value**

data frame with following columns

- n - number of patients sampled
- n.noso - number of HAIs
- P.hat - estimate of prevalence P
- I.hat - estimate of incidence rate I
- I.pp.hat - estimate of incidence proportion per admission I.pp
- x.loi.hat - estimate of x.loi
- x.los.hat - estimate of x.los
- method - name of the method

and rows for the estimators gren, rear, pps.median, pps.mean, pps.mixed, rham.theo, L.full (for a description of the estimators see vignette).

**Examples**

```
example.dist <- create_dist_vec(function(x) dpois(x-1, 7), max.dist = 70)
generate_I_fast(200, P = 0.05, example.dist )
```

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geom_dist_fct	<i>Probability mass function for a geometric distribution shifted by one and resulting expected value 8</i>
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**Description**

Probability mass function for a geometric distribution shifted by one and resulting expected value 8

**Usage**

```
geom_dist_fct(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                      vector of positive integer values to evaluate

**Examples**

```
plot(geom_dist_fct(1:100))
```

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length_biased_dist	<i>Calculate length-biased distribution from discrete length-unbiased distribution starting at 1</i>
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**Description**

Calculate length-biased distribution from discrete length-unbiased distribution starting at 1

**Usage**

```
length_biased_dist(dist)
```

**Arguments**

dist                    vector of probabilities of distribution to transform

**Value**

vector of probabilities of transformed distribution

**Examples**

```
# geometric distribution starting in 1 and cutoff at 70 with mean at about 8.
geom.dist <- create_dist_vec(geom_dist_fct, max.dist = 70)
# calculate mean
sum(1:length(geom.dist)*geom.dist)
# plot original distribution
plot(geom.dist)
geom.dist.lb <- length_biased_dist(geom.dist)
# plot length biased distribution
plot(geom.dist.lb)
```

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length\_unbiased\_mean    *Calculate mean of length-unbiased distribution from discrete length-biased distribution starting at 1*

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**Description**

Calculate mean of length-unbiased distribution from discrete length-biased distribution starting at 1

**Usage**

```
length_unbiased_mean(dist)
```

**Arguments**

dist                    vector of probabilities of length-biased distribution

**Value**

mean of length-unbiased distribution

**Examples**

```
# geometric distribution starting in 1 and cutoff at 70 with mean at about 8.
geom.dist <- create_dist_vec(geom_dist_fct, max.dist = 70)
# calculate mean of distribution
sum(1:length(geom.dist)*geom.dist)
# create length-biased distribution in same format
geom.dist.lb <- length_biased_dist(geom.dist)

# recalculate mean of original distribution based on length-biased distribution
length_unbiased_mean(geom.dist.lb)
```

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monotone\_smoother    *Calculate a monotone probability mass function estimate*

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**Description**

using a rearrangement or a Grenander estimator as described in Jankowski, Wellner, 2009 <doi:10.1214/09-EJS526>

**Usage**

```
monotone_smoother(values, method = "rear", range = c(1, max(values)))
```

**Arguments**

values            observed values of distribution  
 method           method of estimation "rear" rearrangement or "gren" Grenander  
 range            boundaries of the support of the distribution

**Value**

vector of estimated pmf (support of distribution is by default assumed to be min(values):max(values)  
 )

**Examples**

```
# generate sample from geometric distribution
A <- rgeom(50, 0.2)
# plot empirical probability mass function
plot(epmf(A))
dist.A.gren <- monotone_smoother(A, method = "gren")
# plot estimated probability mass function
points(dist.A.gren, col = "red")
```

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pois_dist_fct	<i>Probability mass function for a Poisson distribution shifted by one and resulting expected value 8</i>
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**Description**

Probability mass function for a Poisson distribution shifted by one and resulting expected value 8

**Usage**

```
pois_dist_fct(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                vector of positive integer values to evaluate

**Examples**

```
plot(pois_dist_fct(1:100))
```



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prevtoinc:
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### Description

The **prevtoinc** package implements functionality to simulate point-prevalence studies (PPSs) for healthcare-associated infections (HAIs) and estimate incidence based on the PPS data. It is a companion package to the preprint Willrich et al., From prevalence to incidence - a new approach in the hospital setting; <doi:10.1101/554725> , where methods are explained in detail.

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```
simulate_incidence_stats
```

```
Calculate theoretical values like x.los, x.loi and other characteristics
of the patient population
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### Description

Calculate theoretical values like x.los, x.loi and other characteristics of the patient population

### Usage

```
simulate_incidence_stats(hospital, steps = 365 * 10000,
  n.sim.pat = 5000)
```

### Arguments

hospital	type of hospital as a list-object (see vignette for details)
steps	number of steps to evolve process
n.sim.pat	size of simulations to estimate individual characteristics of patients

### Value

list with following components

- x.los - average length of stay x\_los
- x.loi - average length of infection x\_loi
- x.los.noso.only - average length of stay for patients with HAI
- x.los.wo.noso - average length of stay for patients discounting time with HAI
- I - theoretical incidence rate per patient day
- I.pp - list of theoretical incidences for patient types
- patient.stats - list with 'x.los' and 'x.loi' for different patient types
- patient.risk.times - list of patient days at risk for different patient types

**Examples**

```

pat.1 <- list(dist.X.los = create_dist_vec(
                                function(x) dpois(x-1, lambda = 12), 70),
  I.p = 0.008,
  dist.X.loi = create_dist_vec(function(x) dpois(x-1, lambda = 10), 70))

pat.2 <- list(dist.X.los =
  create_dist_vec(function(x) dpois(x-1, lambda = 10), 70),
  I.p = 0.02,
  dist.X.loi =
  create_dist_vec(function(x) dpois(x-1, lambda = 7), 70))

patient.list <- list(pat.1, pat.2)

# define distribution of patients
pat.1.prob <- 0.4; pat.2.prob <- 0.6
pat.dist.hosp <- c(pat.1.prob, pat.2.prob)
hospital.1 <- list(inc.factor = 1,
  pat.dist = pat.dist.hosp,
  patient.list = patient.list)
data.pps <- simulate_pps_data(n.sample=1000, steps=200, hospital=hospital.1)
data.inc.theo <- simulate_incidence_stats(hospital.1, 365 * 1000)
# gives incidence rate I
data.inc.theo$I
# gives incidence proportion per admission
data.inc.theo$I.pp

```

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```
simulate_incidence_stats_fast
```

*Function to calculate theoretical value for x.loi and I*

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**Description**

Function to calculate theoretical value for x.loi and I

**Usage**

```
simulate_incidence_stats_fast(P, dist.X.loi, dist.X.los = NA)
```

**Arguments**

P	prevalence of HAIs
dist.X.loi	probability mass function of distribution of lengths of infection
dist.X.los	vector of probabilities for values 1:length(dist.X.los) of X.los

**Value**

list with following components

- x.loi - average length of infection
- x.los - average length of stay
- I - theoretical incidence rate per patient day
- I.pp - theoretical incidence proportion per admission

**Examples**

```
example.dist <- create_dist_vec(function(x) dpois(x-1, 7), 70)
data.fast.inc.theo <- simulate_incidence_stats_fast(P=0.05, dist.X.loi = example.dist)
data.fast.inc.theo$x.loi
data.fast.inc.theo$I
```

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simulate\_pps\_data      *Function to simulate PPS data*

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**Description**

Simulates PPS data for a prespecified hospital according to a steady state model of incidence ( see vignette "Overview of prevtoinc-Package" for details.)

**Usage**

```
simulate_pps_data(n.sample, steps, hospital)
```

**Arguments**

n.sample	number of beds to simulate
steps	number of steps to evolve the process
hospital	type of hospital as a list-object (see vignette for details)

**Value**

data frame with following columns

- A.loi - length of infection up to PPS
- L.loi - total length of infection
- A.los - length of stay up to PPS
- L.los - total length of stay
- patient.type - patient type

**Examples**

```

pat.1 <- list(dist.X.los =
  create_dist_vec(function(x) dpois(x-1, lambda = 12), 70),
  I.p = 0.008,
  dist.X.loi =
  create_dist_vec(function(x) dpois(x-1, lambda = 10), 70))

pat.2 <- list(dist.X.los =
  create_dist_vec(function(x) dpois(x-1, lambda = 10), 70),
  I.p = 0.02,
  dist.X.loi =
  create_dist_vec(function(x) dpois(x-1, lambda = 7), 70))

patient.list <- list(pat.1, pat.2)

# define distribution of patients
pat.1.prob <- 0.4; pat.2.prob <- 0.6
pat.dist.hosp <- c(pat.1.prob, pat.2.prob)
hospital.1 <- list(inc.factor = 1,
  pat.dist = pat.dist.hosp,
  patient.list = patient.list)
data.pps <- simulate_pps_data(n.sample=1000, steps=200, hospital=hospital.1)

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simulate_pps_fast	<i>Faster method to generate data for PPS with only length of nosocomial infections as output</i>
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**Description**

The function ‘simulate\_pps\_fast’ can be used to generate PPS data. This functions simulates a PPS on the basis of a given prevalence ‘P’ using a vector of probabilities ‘dist.X.loi’ for the values 1:length(dist.X.loi) of X.loi. It directly samples the time of infection up to date based on ‘dist.X.loi’. Optionally, the length of stay is sampled independently ( treating the marginal distributions of length of stay and length of infection as independent by assumption) using ‘dist.X.los’ which is in the same format as ‘dist.X.loi’. Because of this non-joint sampling rows should not be interpreted as individual patients.

**Usage**

```

simulate_pps_fast(n.sample, P, dist.X.loi, dist.X.los = NA,
  one.factor.loi = 1, one.factor.los = 1)

```

**Arguments**

n.sample            number of beds to simulate

**P** prevalence of nosocomial infections  
**dist.X.loi** vector of probabilities for values 1:length(dist.X.loi) of X.loi  
**dist.X.los** vector of probabilities for values 1:length(dist.X.los) of X.los  
**one.factor.loi** factor by which to approx. reduce number of one day observations for A.loi  
**one.factor.los** factor by which to approx. reduce number of one day observations for A.los

### Value

data frame with a row for a each simulated patient and the following columns

- A.loi - length of infection up to PPS
- L.loi - total length of infection
- A.los - length of stay up to PPS
- L.los - total length of stay
- patient.type - patient type (fixed to 1 for fast method)

### Examples

```

example.dist <- create_dist_vec(function(x) dpois(x-1, 7), 70)
data.pps.fast <- simulate_pps_fast(n.sample=5000,
                                P=0.05,
                                dist.X.loi = example.dist)

head(data.pps.fast)

```

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X_to_A_dist	<i>Transform a distribution of times of stay to a distribution of staying-time up to observation point under assumption of steady state.</i>
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### Description

Transform a distribution of times of stay to a distribution of staying-time up to observation point under assumption of steady state.

### Usage

```
X_to_A_dist(dist.stays)
```

### Arguments

**dist.stays** vector of probabilities of being at the hospital for 1:length(dist.stays) days at random time of observation

### Value

vector of probabilities of staying 1:length(dist.point) days

**Examples**

```
# generate vector of probabilities for truncated Poisson distribution for
# distribution of times of stay X
dist.X <- dpois(1:70, 4)
plot(dist.X)
# transform to distribution of distribution of staying-time up to observation point under
# assumption of steady state
dist.A <- X_to_A_dist(dist.X)
plot(dist.A)
# transform back to get original distribution
dist.X.2 <- A_to_X_dist(dist.A)
plot(dist.X.2)
```

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