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assign_allocation_shares

Assign allocation shares to emission variables by commodity

Description

Expands commodity-level allocation shares across emission sources and applies predefined allocation rules for excluded emission sources.

Usage

```
assign_allocation_shares(
  allocation_herd_long,
  emissions_vars,
  commodities,
  non_allocated_emission_sources,
  commodity_col,
  allocation_col
)
```

Arguments

- `allocation_herd_long` Long-format data table containing herd-level emissions and allocation information. Each row represents an emission source–commodity combination or an unallocated emission source prior to allocation.
- `emissions_vars` Character. Names of emission variables to which allocation should be applied (e.g., "ch4_enteric", "ch4_manure_pasture", "ch4_manure_burned", "ch4_manure_other", "n2o_manure_pasture_direct", "n2o_manure_burned_direct", "n2o_manure_other_direct", "n2o_manure_burned_indirect", "n2o_manure_pasture_indirect", "n2o_manure_other_indirect", "co2_ration_fertilizer", "co2_ration_pesticides", "co2_ration_crop_activities", "co2_ration_luc_nopeat", "co2_ration_luc_peat", "n2o_ration_fertilizer", "n2o_ration_manure_applied", "n2o_ration_crop_residues", "ch4_ration_rice").
- `commodities` Character. List of commodity categories to which emissions may be allocated. For example: c("None", "Milk", "Meat", "Fibre", "Work", "Eggs").
- `non_allocated_emission_sources` Character. Emission variables that should not be allocated across commodities, even if they appear in `emissions_vars` (e.g., "ch4_manure_pasture", "ch4_manure_burned").
- `commodity_col` Character. Name of the column in `allocation_herd_long` identifying the commodity category.
- `allocation_col` Character. Name of the column in `allocation_herd_long` containing the allocation share to be applied.

Details

The function assigns commodity allocation shares to emission sources while also allowing for the implementation of specific allocation rules. Emission sources listed in `non_allocated_emission_sources` (e.g., emissions from manure burned as fuel or manure deposited on pasture) are treated as not attributable to livestock commodities under the chosen goal and scope. Consequently, these emissions are allocated entirely to the residual commodity category "None" and are not distributed across milk, meat, fibre, work, or egg outputs.

The following methodological rules apply to emission sources listed in `non_allocated_emission_sources`:

- **Manure burned for fuel** — Emissions are considered outside the life cycle assessment system boundaries under the defined goal and scope and are therefore not attributed to livestock commodities. A cut-off approach is applied, consistent with the IDF (2022) standard and LEAP guidelines (LEAP 2016a, 2016b, 2016c).
- **Manure deposited on pastures** — Emissions are not allocated to livestock commodities in order to avoid double counting. When upstream feed production is included in the inventory, emission factors of feed items already account for this source.

This function is part of the `run_allocation_module()`.

Value

A `data.table` equal to `allocation_herd_long` expanded over all `emissions_vars`, with enforced allocation rules:

Non-allocated emission sources `allocation_col = 1` when `commodity_col == "None"`, else `0`.

Allocated emission sources `allocation_col = 0` when `commodity_col == "None"` (others unchanged).

References

IDF. (2022). *The IDF Global Carbon Footprint Standard for the Dairy Sector*. Bulletin of the IDF No. 520/2022. International Dairy Federation, Brussels.

FAO. (2016a). *Environmental performance of large ruminant supply chains: Guidelines for assessment*. Livestock Environmental Assessment and Performance (LEAP) Partnership. FAO, Rome, Italy.

FAO. (2016b). *Greenhouse gas emissions and fossil energy use from small ruminant supply chains: Guidelines for assessment*. Livestock Environmental Assessment and Performance (LEAP) Partnership. FAO, Rome, Italy.

FAO. (2016c). *Greenhouse gas emissions and fossil energy use from poultry supply chains: Guidelines for assessment*. Livestock Environmental Assessment and Performance (LEAP) Partnership. FAO, Rome, Italy.

See Also

`run_allocation_module()`

calc_allocated_emissions

Calculate allocated greenhouse gas emissions (GHG)

Description

Calculates the greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) attributable to specific commodities by applying allocation shares to total herd-level emissions.

Usage

```
calc_allocated_emissions(value, allocation_share)
```

Arguments

value	Numeric. Total herd-level emissions by source before allocation to commodities (kg gas).
allocation_share	Numeric. Allocation share assigned to the commodity for the corresponding emission source (fraction).

Details

Allocation shares represent the fraction of total emissions assigned to each commodity (e.g., meat, milk, fibre). See [run_allocation_module\(\)](#) for additional details.

Allocated emissions are calculated as:

$$value_allocated = value \times allocation_share$$

This function is part of the [run_aggregation_module\(\)](#).

Value

Numeric. Allocated emissions for each commodity–emission combination (kg gas).

See Also

[run_aggregation_module\(\)](#), [run_allocation_module\(\)](#)

`calc_allocation_shares`*Calculate allocation shares for livestock commodities*

Description

Calculates biophysical allocation shares for commodities (meat, milk, fibre, work, eggs) based on their total energy requirements.

Usage

```
calc_allocation_shares(  
  species_short,  
  meat_allocation_energy,  
  milk_allocation_energy,  
  fibre_allocation_energy,  
  work_allocation_energy,  
  egg_allocation_energy  
)
```

Arguments

`species_short` Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include:

- PGS: pigs
- CML: camels
- CTL: cattle
- BFL: buffalo
- SHP: sheep
- GTS: goats

`meat_allocation_energy`

Numeric. Energy required by a given sex–age cohort for total meat output by cohort during the assessment period, equal to the energy needed to produce all live-weight gain to reach the target slaughter weight (MJ/cohort/assessment period).

`milk_allocation_energy`

Numeric. Energy required to produce total milk output by cohort (MJ/cohort/assessment period). Non-zero values are applicable only to milk-producing species and cohorts (species=CTL, BFL, CML, SHP, GTS; cohorts=FA). All other species–cohort combinations are assigned a value of 0.

`fibre_allocation_energy`

Numeric. Energy required to produce all fibre output by cohort (MJ/cohort/assessment period).

`work_allocation_energy`

Numeric vector. Energy required to provide all draught power (traction/work) by cohort (MJ/cohort/assessment period).

egg_allocation_energy

Numeric vector. Energy required to produce all eggs during the assessment period (MJ/cohort/assessment period).

Details

These fractions represent the proportions of total environmental burdens (e.g., GHG emissions) that will be allocated to each commodity in subsequent steps of the assessment.

This function is part of the `run_allocation_module()` of the Global Livestock Environmental Assessment Model (GLEAM), which incorporates a biophysical allocation approach, aligned with the IDF Global Carbon Footprint Standard for the Dairy Sector (IDF, 2022), and adapted from Thoma and Nemecek (2020), and is consistent with FAO LEAP livestock LCA guidelines (FAO, 2016a, 2016b, 2016c). This approach also aligns with ISO 14044:2006 (Section 4.3.4.2, Step 2) by using underlying physical (energy-based) relationships to assign shared inputs and outputs in multifunctional livestock production systems.

In accordance with ISO 14044:2006 (Section 4.3.4.2, Step 2), known processing or biophysical relationships may be used to assign shared inputs and outputs of a single production unit to individual products or sub-units. In livestock systems, this includes apportioning shared feed and energy use according to physiological energy requirements (e.g., net energy for lactation, growth.etc.). If the resulting process remains multifunctional, these energy terms may subsequently be used to derive allocation factors among co-products.

This function calculates biophysical allocation fractions for commodities (meat, milk, fibre, work, eggs) for all species. The allocation is based on commodity-specific energy requirements calculated using `calc_meat_allocation_energy`, `calc_milk_allocation_energy`, `calc_fibre_allocation_energy`, `calc_work_allocation_energy`, and `calc_eggs_allocation_energy`.

Pig species (PGS): allocation is not based on energy partitioning because pig production is treated as functionally single-output (edible meat). Consequently, 100% of the allocation is assigned to the meat commodity (meat share = 1; all other commodity shares = 0), independent of the energy inputs.

This function is part of the `run_allocation_module()`.

Value

A named list of numeric vectors with same length as input, containing:

meat_share_allocation Numeric. Allocation share assigned to meat (fraction).

milk_share_allocation Numeric. Allocation share assigned to milk (fraction).

fibre_share_allocation Numeric. Allocation share assigned to fibre (fraction).

work_share_allocation Numeric. Allocation share assigned to work (fraction).

eggs_share_allocation Numeric. Allocation share assigned to eggs (fraction).

References

ISO. (2006). *Environmental management — Life cycle assessment — Requirements and guidelines (ISO 14044:2006)*. International Organization for Standardization, Geneva.

IDF. (2022). *The IDF Global Carbon Footprint Standard for the Dairy Sector*. Bulletin of the IDF No. 520/2022. International Dairy Federation, Brussels.

Thoma, G., and Nemecek, T. (2020). Allocation between milk and meat in dairy LCA: Critical discussion of the IDF's standard methodology. In *Proceedings of the 12th International Conference on Life Cycle Assessment of Food (LCAFood 2020)* (pp. 83–89), 13–16 October, Berlin, Germany.

FAO. (2016a). *Environmental performance of large ruminant supply chains: Guidelines for assessment*. Livestock Environmental Assessment and Performance (LEAP) Partnership. FAO, Rome, Italy.

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FAO. (2016c). *Greenhouse gas emissions and fossil energy use from poultry supply chains: Guidelines for assessment*. Livestock Environmental Assessment and Performance (LEAP) Partnership. FAO, Rome, Italy.

See Also

[run_allocation_module](#), [calc_meat_allocation_energy](#), [calc_milk_allocation_energy](#), [calc_fibre_allocation](#), [calc_work_allocation_energy](#), [calc_eggs_allocation_energy](#)

calc_avg_weights	<i>Calculate average and final live weights by cohort</i>
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Description

Calculates the average and final live weight for a given sex–age cohort based on initial weight, potential final weight, slaughter weight, and the offtake rate.

Usage

```
calc_avg_weights(
  live_weight_cohort_initial,
  live_weight_cohort_potential_final,
  live_weight_cohort_at_slaughter,
  offtake_rate
)
```

Arguments

live_weight_cohort_initial	Numeric. Live weight at the beginning of the cohort stage (kg).
live_weight_cohort_potential_final	Numeric. Potential final live weight attainable at the end of the cohort stage in the absence of offtake (kg). (For juveniles: equals weaning weight; For subadults: equals adult live weight; For adults: equals adult live weight)
live_weight_cohort_at_slaughter	Numeric. Live weight at slaughter for animals removed from the cohort (kg).
offtake_rate	Numeric. Annual proportion of animals removed from the herd for each sex–age cohort (fraction).

Details

The calculation of `live_weight_cohort_average` and `live_weight_cohort_final` is performed considering that a fraction of animals is removed (offtake) during the cohort stage, while the remaining animals reach the potential final live weight.

The final live weight is computed as:

$$live_weight_cohort_final = (1 - offtake_rate) \times live_weight_cohort_potential_final + offtake_rate \times live_weight_cohort_potential_final$$

The average live weight over the stage is approximated as:

$$live_weight_cohort_average = (live_weight_cohort_initial + live_weight_cohort_final) / 2$$

This function is part of the `run_weights_module()`.

Value

A named list with:

live_weight_cohort_average Numeric. Average live weight over the cohort stage. Computed by accounting for the share of offtaken animals within the cohort, using their slaughter weight, and the potential final weight of animals that remain in the cohort (kg).

live_weight_cohort_final Numeric. Live weight at the end of the cohort stage, accounting for both surviving and offtaken animals. Computed as a weighted average of the potential final weight of surviving animals and the slaughter weight of offtaken animals, based on the offtake rate (kg).

See Also

[run_weights_module](#)

<code>calc_ch4_enteric</code>	<i>Calculate daily enteric methane emissions</i>
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Description

Calculates daily enteric methane emissions (kg CH₄/head/day) based on gross energy intake, methane conversion factor (ym), and dry matter intake.

Usage

```
calc_ch4_enteric(
  species_short,
  ch4_conversion_factor_ym,
  ch4_mitigation_factor,
  ration_gross_energy,
  ration_intake
)
```

Arguments

- `species_short` Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include:
- PGS: pigs
 - CML: camels
 - CTL: cattle
 - BFL: buffalo
 - SHP: sheep
 - GTS: goats
- `ch4_conversion_factor_ym` Numeric. Methane (CH₄) conversion factor (ym), representing the percentage of gross energy of the feed ration that is converted to CH₄ (percentage).
- `ch4_mitigation_factor` Numeric. Optional. Multiplicative mitigation factor applied to baseline enteric methane (CH₄) emissions (dimensionless). If not provided, a default value of 1 (no mitigation) is used. Values lower than 1 represent proportional reductions (e.g., 0.90 = 10% reduction). This factor can represent mitigation measures with a direct effect on enteric methane emissions, such as the use of feed additives or methane inhibitors.
- `ration_gross_energy` Numeric. Average gross energy content of the diet (MJ/kg DM).
- `ration_intake` Numeric. Average daily dry matter intake of feed (kg DM/head/day).

Details

The formula used to estimate daily enteric methane emissions is:

$$CH_4 = \frac{\text{ration_gross_energy} \times \text{ration_intake} \times \text{ch4_conversion_factor_ym}}{55.65 \times 100}$$

where 55.65 MJ/kg is the energy content of methane.

`ration_gross_energy` and `ration_intake` can be calculated with [calc_ration_gross_energy](#) and [calc_ration_intake](#) (see also [run_ration_quality_module](#) and [run_metabolic_energy_req_module](#)).

This function is part of the [run_emissions_enteric_module\(\)](#).

Value

Numeric. Average daily enteric methane (CH₄) emissions (kg CH₄/head/day).

References

IPCC. (2019). *2019 Refinement to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*. Chapter 10: Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management, Equation 10.21.

IPCC. (2006). *2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*. Chapter 10: Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management, Equation 10.21.

See Also

[run_emissions_enteric_module](#), [calc_ration_gross_energy](#), [calc_ration_intake](#), [run_ration_quality_module](#)
[run_metabolic_energy_req_module](#)

calc_ch4_manure	<i>Calculate methane (CH4) emissions from manure management systems</i>
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Description

Calculates daily methane emissions from manure management using IPCC-based parameters and separates emissions from manure deposited on pasture, manure burned for fuel, and all other manure management systems.

Usage

```
calc_ch4_manure(ratio_m3CH4_to_kgCH4 = 0.67, volatile_solids, ...)
```

Arguments

`ratio_m3CH4_to_kgCH4`
 Numeric. Conversion factor used to convert methane (CH4) from volumetric unit (m3) to a mass unit (kg). This value represents the density of methane. It defaults to 0.67 kg/m3.

`volatile_solids`
 Numeric. Total volatile solids (VS) excreted per animal per day, representing the organic material in livestock manure and consisting of both biodegradable and non-biodegradable fractions (kg VS/head/day).

`...`
 A variable number of manure management system (MMS) arguments. Each MMS must be provided as a named numeric vector with exactly the following fields:

manure_management_system_fraction Numeric. Fraction of total manure excreted by animals in a given herd and cohort that is handled in a specific manure management system. Values ranges from 0 to 1. The sum of all fractions for each herd_id must equal 1.

methane_conversion_factor_mcf Numeric. Methane conversion factor represents the portion or degree of the maximum methane producing capacity (B_0) that is effectively achieved within a specific manure management system. It represents the extent to which the theoretical methane yield is realized based on management practices and environmental conditions, specifically the temperature of the system, the retention time of the organic material, and the degree of anaerobic conditions present. The value theoretically ranges from 0 to 100 percent. Default values can be selected from Table 10.17 of the IPCC guidelines (IPCC 2006, 2019).

ch4_max_producing_capacity_bo Numeric. Maximum methane producing capacity (B_0) for all manure management systems (m³ CH₄ / kg VS). The value is region- and species-specific, and represents the theoretical maximum methane yield per unit of volatile solids. Default values may be selected from Table 10.16 (IPCC, 2019) or from Tables 10A-4 to 10A-9 (IPCC, 2006).

Two MMS names are treated explicitly when present:

mms_pasture Manure deposited on pasture.

mms_burned Manure burned for fuel.

All remaining MMS arguments are grouped and treated as other manure management systems.

Details

This calculation follows the structure of IPCC Equation 10.23 for methane (CH₄) emission factors from manure management.

In the IPCC formulation, emissions are determined by combining:

- daily volatile solids excretion (volatile_solids) - see [calc_volatile_solids](#),
- the maximum methane-producing capacity (b_0),
- the methane conversion factor (mcf) for each manure management system,
- and the fraction of manure handled in each system (manure_management_system_fraction).

Applying the IPCC conversion factor from m³ CH₄ to kg CH₄ (0.67), daily methane emissions are calculated as:

$$CH_4 = volatile_solids \times b_0 \times 0.67 \times \sum \left(\frac{mcf}{100} \times manure_management_system_fraction \right)$$

The summation is taken over all manure management systems included in the calculation. Results are expressed at daily resolution (kg CH₄/head/day), consistent with Equation 10.23 after adapting the original annual formulation to a daily basis.

This function is part of the [run_emissions_manure_module\(\)](#).

Value

A named list with the following elements:

ch4_manure_pasture Numeric. Methane (CH₄) emissions from manure deposited on pasture (kg CH₄/head/day).

ch4_manure_burned Numeric. Methane (CH₄) emissions from manure burned for fuel (kg CH₄/head/day).

ch4_manure_other Numeric. Methane (CH₄) emissions from manure management systems, excluding emissions from manure deposited on pasture and burned for fuel (kg CH₄/head/day).

ch4_manure_all_noburn Numeric. Methane (CH₄) emissions from manure management systems, excluding manure burned for fuel (kg CH₄/head/day).

References

IPCC. (2019). *2019 Refinement to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*, Chapter 10: Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management. Equation 10.23.

IPCC. (2006). *2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*, Chapter 10: Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management. Equation 10.23.

See Also

[run_emissions_manure_module, calc_volatile_solids](#)

[run_emissions_manure_module, calc_volatile_solids](#)

Examples

```
calc_ch4_manure(
  ratio_m3CH4_to_kgCH4 = 0.67,
  volatile_solids      = 2.024,
  mms_burned = c(
    manure_management_system_fraction = 0.020,
    methane_conversion_factor_mcf     = 10,
    ch4_max_producing_capacity_bo     = 0.13
  ),
  mms_drylot = c(
    manure_management_system_fraction = 0.264,
    methane_conversion_factor_mcf     = 2,
    ch4_max_producing_capacity_bo     = 0.13
  ),
  mms_pasture = c(
    manure_management_system_fraction = 0.310,
    methane_conversion_factor_mcf     = 0.47,
    ch4_max_producing_capacity_bo     = 0.19
  ),
  mms_solid = c(
    manure_management_system_fraction = 0.406,
    methane_conversion_factor_mcf     = 5,
    ch4_max_producing_capacity_bo     = 0.13
  )
)
```

calc_ch4_ration_rice *Calculate a ration component's contribution to methane (CH4) emissions from rice cultivation*

Description

Calculates the contribution of an individual feed component to methane (CH4) emissions from rice cultivation in feed production, using feed-specific emission factors weighted by the component's share in the ration.

Usage

```
calc_ch4_ration_rice(feed_ration_fraction, ch4_feed_rice)
```

Arguments

feed_ration_fraction

Numeric. Proportion of a specific feed component in the total ration, expressed as its fraction of diet dry matter intake (fraction). Within each herd_id and cohort, proportions should sum to 1.

ch4_feed_rice

Numeric. Methane (CH₄) emission factor of a feed component, representing CH₄ emissions from rice cultivation in feed production, expressed per kg of dry matter intake (g CH₄/kg DM).

Details

The contribution is computed as:

$$\text{diet_ch4_feed_rice} = \text{feed_ration_fraction} \times \text{ch4_feed_rice}$$

This function is part of the [run_emissions_ration_module\(\)](#).

Value

Numeric. Contribution of an individual feed component to the diet-level average methane (CH₄) emission factor from rice cultivation in feed production (g CH₄/kg DM).

See Also

[run_emissions_ration_module](#)

calc_co2eq

Convert methane (CH₄) and nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions to CO₂-equivalents (CO₂eq) using Global Warming Potentials (GWP) factors

Description

Calculates CO₂-equivalent (CO₂eq) emissions for CH₄ and N₂O based on 100-year Global Warming Potentials (GWP) reported in IPCC assessment reports.

Usage

```
calc_co2eq(gas, value_allocated, global_warming_potential_set)
```

Arguments

<code>gas</code>	Character. Gas type for each observation. Supported values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "CH4": methane (CH4) • "N2O": nitrous oxide (N2O) • "CO2": carbon dioxide (CO2)
<code>value_allocated</code>	Numeric. Allocated emissions for each commodity–emission combination (kg gas).
<code>global_warming_potential_set</code>	Character. Settings for the 100-year Global Warming Potential (GWP-100) conversion factors used to express CH4 and N2O emissions as CO2eq. Must be one of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "AR6": IPCC Sixth Assessment Report (IPCC, 2021) — CH4 = 27, N2O = 273 • "AR5_excluding_carbon_feedback": IPCC Fifth Assessment Report (excluding climate–carbon feedbacks) (IPCC, 2013) — CH4 = 28, N2O = 265 • "AR5_including_carbon_feedback": IPCC Fifth Assessment Report (including climate–carbon feedbacks) (IPCC, 2013) — CH4 = 34, N2O = 298 • "AR4": IPCC Fourth Assessment Report (IPCC, 2007) — CH4 = 25, N2O = 298

Details

CO2-equivalent emissions are calculated as:

$$value_co2eq = value_allocated \times gwp$$

where `gwp` is the gas-specific 100-year Global Warming Potential factor from the selected IPCC assessment report.

This function is part of the [run_aggregation_module\(\)](#).

Value

List with elements:

value_co2eq Numeric vector. Emissions expressed as CO2-equivalents (kg CO2eq).

gwp Numeric vector. Global Warming Potential factor applied to each observation (kg CO2eq/kg gas).

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See Also

[run_aggregation_module\(\)](#),

calc_co2_ration_crop_activities

Calculate a ration component's contribution to carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions from on-field agricultural activities

Description

Calculates the contribution of an individual feed component to carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions from on-field agricultural activities in feed production (e.g., energy use for tillage and machinery operations), using feed-specific emission factors weighted by the component's share in the ration.

Usage

```
calc_co2_ration_crop_activities(feed_ration_fraction, co2_feed_crop_activities)
```

Arguments

feed_ration_fraction

Numeric. Proportion of a specific feed component in the total ration, expressed as its fraction of diet dry matter intake (fraction). Within each herd_id and cohort, proportions should sum to 1.

co2_feed_crop_activities

Numeric. Carbon dioxide (CO2) emission factor of a feed component, representing CO2 emissions from on-field agricultural activities in feed production, expressed per kilogram of dry matter intake (kg CO2/kg DM).

Details

The contribution is computed as:

$$diet_co2_feed_crop_operations = feed_ration_fraction \times co2_feed_crop_operations$$

This function is part of the [run_emissions_ration_module\(\)](#).

Value

Numeric. Contribution of an individual feed component to the diet-level average carbon dioxide (CO2) emission factor from on-field agricultural activities in feed production (g CO2/kg DM).

See Also

[run_emissions_ration_module](#)

`calc_co2_ration_fertilizer`

Calculate a ration component's contribution to carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions from fertilizer manufacture

Description

Calculates the contribution of an individual feed component to carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions from fertilizer manufacture in feed production, using feed-specific emission factors weighted by the component's share in the ration.

Usage

```
calc_co2_ration_fertilizer(feed_ration_fraction, co2_feed_fertilizer)
```

Arguments

`feed_ration_fraction`

Numeric. Proportion of a specific feed component in the total ration, as its fraction of diet dry matter intake (fraction). Within each herd_id and cohort, proportions should sum to 1.

`co2_feed_fertilizer`

Numeric. Carbon dioxide (CO2) emission factor of a feed component, representing CO2 emissions from fertilizer manufacture in feed production, expressed per kilogram of dry matter intake (g CO2/kg DM).

Details

The contribution is computed as:

$$diet_co2_feed_fertilizer = feed_ration_fraction \times co2_feed_fertilizer$$

This function is part of the [run_emissions_ration_module\(\)](#).

Value

Numeric. Contribution of an individual feed component to the diet-level average carbon dioxide (CO2) emission factor from fertilizer manufacture in feed production (g CO2/kg DM).

See Also

[run_emissions_ration_module](#)

`calc_co2_ration_luc_nopeat`

Calculate a ration component's contribution to carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions from land-use change (excluding peatland drainage)

Description

Calculates the contribution of an individual feed component to carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions from land-use change in feed production (excluding peatland drainage), using feed-specific emission factors weighted by the component's share in the ration.

Usage

```
calc_co2_ration_luc_nopeat(feed_ration_fraction, co2_feed_luc_nopeat)
```

Arguments

`feed_ration_fraction`

Numeric. Proportion of a specific feed component in the total ration, expressed as its fraction of diet dry matter intake (fraction). Within each herd_id and cohort, proportions should sum to 1.

`co2_feed_luc_nopeat`

Numeric. Carbon dioxide (CO2) emission factor of a feed component, representing CO2 emissions from land-use change in feed production (excluding peatland drainage), expressed per kilogram of dry matter intake (g CO2/kg DM).

Details

The contribution is computed as:

$$diet_co2_feed_luc_nopeat = feed_ration_fraction \times co2_feed_luc_nopeat$$

This function is part of the [run_emissions_ration_module\(\)](#).

Value

Numeric. Contribution of an individual feed component to the diet-level average carbon dioxide (CO2) emission factor from land-use change (excluding peatland drainage) in feed production (g CO2/kg DM).

See Also

[run_emissions_ration_module](#)

calc_co2_ration_luc_peat

Calculate a ration component's contribution to carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions from peatland drainage

Description

Calculates the contribution of an individual feed component to carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions from peatland drainage in feed production, using feed-specific emission factors weighted by the component's share in the ration.

Usage

```
calc_co2_ration_luc_peat(feed_ration_fraction, co2_feed_luc_peat)
```

Arguments

feed_ration_fraction

Numeric. Proportion of a specific feed component in the total ration, expressed as its fraction of diet dry matter intake (fraction). Within each herd_id and cohort, proportions should sum to 1.

co2_feed_luc_peat

Numeric. Carbon dioxide (CO2) emission factor of a feed component, representing CO2 emissions from peatland drainage in feed production, expressed per kilogram of dry matter intake (g CO2/kg DM).

Details

The contribution is computed as:

$$\text{diet_co2_feed_luc_peat} = \text{feed_ration_fraction} \times \text{co2_feed_luc_peat}$$

This function is part of the [run_emissions_ration_module\(\)](#).

Value

Numeric. Contribution of an individual feed component to the diet-level average carbon dioxide (CO2) emission factor from peatland drainage in feed production (g CO2/kg DM).

See Also

[run_emissions_ration_module](#)

`calc_co2_ration_pesticides`

Calculate a ration component's contribution to carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions from pesticide manufacture

Description

Calculates the contribution of an individual feed component to carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions from pesticide manufacture in feed production, using feed-specific emission factors weighted by the component's share in the ration.

Usage

```
calc_co2_ration_pesticides(feed_ration_fraction, co2_feed_pesticides)
```

Arguments

`feed_ration_fraction`

Numeric. Proportion of a specific feed component in the total ration, expressed as its fraction of diet dry matter intake (fraction). Within each herd_id and cohort, proportions should sum to 1.

`co2_feed_pesticides`

Numeric. Carbon dioxide (CO2) emission factor of a feed component, representing CO2 emissions from pesticide manufacture in feed production, expressed per kilogram of dry matter intake (g CO2/kg DM).

Details

The contribution is computed as:

$$diet_co2_feed_pesticides = feed_ration_fraction \times co2_feed_pesticides$$

Value

Numeric. Contribution of an individual feed component to the diet-level average carbon dioxide (CO2) emission factor from pesticide manufacture in feed production (g CO2/kg DM).

calc_cohort_totals *Calculate totals by cohort*

Description

Calculates the total value for each variable at the cohort level over the full assessment period. Values are harmonized to a common unit (kg/cohort/assessment duration) by accounting for cohort stock size and simulation duration.

Usage

```
calc_cohort_totals(
  value,
  cohort_stock_size,
  ration_intake,
  feed_emissions_list,
  simulation_duration,
  variable_name,
  variable_type
)
```

Arguments

value	Numeric. Variable value expressed as (unit)/head/day for non-production variables and (unit)/cohort/assessment duration for production variables. Production variables can be explored from the list 'gleam_production_meta'.
cohort_stock_size	Numeric. Average population size in each of the 6 sex-age cohorts (# heads). (cohorts=FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA).
ration_intake	Numeric. Average daily dry matter intake of feed (kg DM/head/day).
feed_emissions_list	List of emission-source definitions for feed-related emissions. Each element is a list with two character fields: emissions_source List of variables = "co2_ration_fertilizer", "co2_ration_pesticides", "co2_ration_crop_activities", "co2_ration_luc_nopeat", "co2_ration_luc_peat", "n2o_ration_fertilizer", "n2o_ration_manure_applied", "n2o_ration_crop_residues", "ch4_ration_rice" label Human-readable output label.
simulation_duration	Numeric. Length of the assessment period (days).
variable_name	Character. Names of emission variables to which allocation should be applied (e.g., "ch4_enteric", "ch4_manure_pasture", "ch4_manure_burned", "ch4_manure_other", "n2o_manure_pasture_direct", "n2o_manure_burned_direct", "n2o_manure_other_direct", "n2o_manure_burned_indirect", "n2o_manure_pasture_indirect", "n2o_manure_other_indirect", "co2_ration_fertilizer", "co2_ration_pesticides", "co2_ration_crop_activities", "co2_ration_luc_nopeat",

"co2_ration_luc_peat", "n2o_ration_fertilizer", "n2o_ration_manure_applied",
"n2o_ration_crop_residues", "ch4_ration_rice")

variable_type Character. Variable group classification. Supported values include:

- "Production": variables already expressed at the cohort level for the full assessment duration
- "Emissions": variables expressed per head per day
- "Feed": variables expressed per head per day
- "NitrogenBalance": variables expressed per head per day

Details

Production variables are already expressed at the cohort level for the entire assessment duration and are therefore returned unchanged. All other variables (emissions, feed, and nitrogen balance) are expressed per head per day and are scaled by cohort stock size and simulation duration to obtain cohort-level totals.

For production variables:

$$value_total = value$$

For emissions (except emissions from feed), feed, and nitrogen balance variables:

$$value_total = value \times cohort_stock_size \times simulation_duration$$

For feed emissions variables:

$$value_total = value \times ration_intake \times cohort_stock_size \times simulation_duration/1000$$

This function is part of the [run_aggregation_module\(\)](#).

Value

Numeric. Variable value expressed as (unit)/cohort/assessment duration for all variables.

See Also

[run_aggregation_module\(\)](#)

calc_cohort_to_herd_aggregation

Aggregate cohort-level to herd-level data

Description

This function aggregates a dataset from cohort level to herd level by summing specified variables over the defined 'id' columns.

Usage

```
calc_cohort_to_herd_aggregation(
  data_cohort,
  id_cols,
  vars_to_sum,
  cohort_short
)
```

Arguments

data_cohort	Cohort-level dataset containing energy allocation variables and herd identifiers. Each row corresponds to a single sex–age cohort within a herd.
id_cols	Character. Unique identifier for the herd, repeated for each cohort belonging to the same herd.
vars_to_sum	Character vector. Names of numeric cohort-level variables to be summed across cohorts to produce herd-level totals (e.g., meat_allocation_energy, milk_allocation_energy, fibre_allocation_energy, work_allocation_energy, egg_allocation_energy)
cohort_short	Character. Sex- and age-specific cohort code describing the production stage of the animals. Supported values include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FA: adult females (from age at first parturition) • FS: sub-adult females (from weaning to age at first parturition) • FJ: juvenile females (from birth to weaning) • MA: adult males (from age at first breeding) • MS: sub-adult males (from weaning to age at first breeding) • MJ: juvenile males (from birth to weaning)

Value

A `data.table` at herd scale, in which selected cohort-level variables have been summed across all cohorts belonging to the same herd, as defined by `id_herd`.

This function is part of the [run_allocation_module\(\)](#) and [run_aggregation_module\(\)](#).

See Also

[run_allocation_module\(\)](#), [run_aggregation_module\(\)](#)

calc_cohort_weights *Calculate live weights by cohort and life stage*

Description

Determines the initial, potential final, and slaughter live weights for a given sex–age cohort based on species-specific biological parameters. The function assigns weights according to the animal’s life stage (juvenile, subadult, adult) and the sex of the cohort.

Usage

```
calc_cohort_weights(
  cohort_short,
  live_weight_female_adult = NA_real_,
  live_weight_male_adult = NA_real_,
  live_weight_at_birth = NA_real_,
  live_weight_female_at_slaughter = NA_real_,
  live_weight_male_at_slaughter = NA_real_,
  live_weight_at_weaning = NA_real_
)
```

Arguments

`cohort_short` Character. Sex- and age-specific cohort code describing the production stage of the animals. Supported values include:

- FA: adult females (from age at first parturition)
- FS: sub-adult females (from weaning to age at first parturition)
- FJ: juvenile females (from birth to weaning)
- MA: adult males (from age at first breeding)
- MS: sub-adult males (from weaning to age at first breeding)
- MJ: juvenile males (from birth to weaning)

`live_weight_female_adult`
Numeric. Live weight of adult females (kg)

`live_weight_male_adult`
Numeric. Live weight of adult males (kg)

`live_weight_at_birth`
Numeric. Live weight of the animal at birth (kg).

`live_weight_female_at_slaughter`
Numeric. Slaughter weight of female sub-adult animals (kg).

`live_weight_male_at_slaughter`
Numeric. Slaughter weight of male sub-adult animals (kg).

`live_weight_at_weaning`
Numeric. Live weight of the animal at weaning (kg)

Details

The function attributes weights according to cohort and animal type:

- **Juveniles** ("FJ", "MJ"):
 - `live_weight_cohort_initial` = `live_weight_at_birth`
 - `live_weight_cohort_potential_final` = `live_weight_at_weaning`
 - `live_weight_cohort_at_slaughter` = `live_weight_at_weaning`
- **Subadults** ("FS", "MS"):
 - `live_weight_cohort_initial` = `live_weight_at_weaning`

- live_weight_cohort_potential_final = adult weight for the cohort sex (live_weight_female_adult for "FS", live_weight_male_adult for "MS")
- live_weight_cohort_at_slaughter = subadult slaughter weight for the cohort sex (live_weight_female_at_slaughter for "FS", live_weight_male_at_slaughter for "MS")
- **Adults** ("FA", "MA"):
 - live_weight_cohort_initial = live_weight_female_adult for "FA", and live_weight_cohort_initial = live_weight_male_adult for "MA"
 - live_weight_cohort_potential_final = adult weight for the cohort sex
 - live_weight_cohort_at_slaughter = adult weight for the cohort sex

This function is part of the [run_weights_module\(\)](#).

Value

A named list with:

- live_weight_cohort_initial** Numeric. Live weight at the beginning of the cohort stage (kg).
- live_weight_cohort_potential_final** Numeric. Potential final live weight attainable at the end of the cohort stage in the absence of offtake (kg). (For juveniles: equals weaning weight; For subadults: equals adult live weight; For adults: equals adult live weight)
- live_weight_cohort_at_slaughter** Numeric. Live weight at slaughter for animals removed from the cohort (kg).
- live_weight_mature_stage** Numeric. Mature (adult) live weight that the animal can attain under given biological and management conditions (kg).

See Also

[run_weights_module](#)

calc_conversion_factor_ym

Calculate methane conversion factor (ym)

Description

Calculates the methane conversion factor (ym, % of dietary gross energy in feed converted to methane) for a given species and cohort based on diet digestibility. Implements species- and cohort-specific rules consistent with IPCC Tier 2 approach.

Usage

```
calc_conversion_factor_ym(
  species_short,
  cohort_short,
  ration_digestibility_fraction
)
```

Arguments

species_short	Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PGS: pigs • CML: camels • CTL: cattle • BFL: buffalo • SHP: sheep • GTS: goats
cohort_short	Character. Sex- and age-specific cohort code describing the production stage of the animals. Supported values include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FA: adult females (from age at first parturition) • FS: sub-adult females (from weaning to age at first parturition) • FJ: juvenile females (from birth to weaning) • MA: adult males (from age at first breeding) • MS: sub-adult males (from weaning to age at first breeding) • MJ: juvenile males (from birth to weaning)
ration_digestibility_fraction	Numeric. Average digestibility of the feed ration, expressed as ratio of digestible (or metabolizable, for poultry) to gross energy content (fraction).

Details

ym is computed using species- and cohort-specific default relationships with diet digestibility (Opio et al., 2013).

ration_digestibility_fraction can be calculated with [calc_ration_digestibility](#) - see also [run_ration_quality_module](#).

- **For CTL and BFL:**

$$ym = 9.75 - 0.05 \times (\text{ration_digestibility_fraction} \times 100)$$

- **For SHP, GTS and CML:**

- FA and MA cohorts:

$$ym = 9.75 - 0.05 \times (\text{ration_digestibility_fraction} \times 100)$$

- FS and MS cohorts:

$$ym = 7.75 - 0.05 \times (\text{ration_digestibility_fraction} \times 100)$$

- **For PGS:** ym is assigned fixed values by cohort:

- FA and MA cohorts:

$$ym = 1.01$$

- FS and MS cohorts:

$$ym = 0.39$$

ym is returned as 0 for juvenile cohorts (FJ, MJ), assuming negligible enteric methane production before weaning/rumen development.

This function is part of the [run_emissions_enteric_module\(\)](#).

Value

Numeric. Methane (CH₄) conversion factor (ym), representing the percentage of gross energy of the feed ration that is converted to CH₄ (percentage).

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See Also

[run_emissions_enteric_module](#), [calc_ration_digestibility](#), [run_ration_quality_module](#)

calc_daily_weight_gain

Calculate daily weight gain by cohort

Description

Calculates average daily weight gain for a given sex–age cohort based on the difference between potential final and initial live weights.

Usage

```
calc_daily_weight_gain(
  live_weight_cohort_potential_final,
  live_weight_cohort_initial,
  cohort_duration_days
)
```

Arguments

live_weight_cohort_potential_final

Numeric. Potential final live weight attainable at the end of the cohort stage in the absence of offtake (kg). (For juveniles: equals weaning weight; For subadults: equals adult live weight; For adults: equals adult live weight)

live_weight_cohort_initial

Numeric. Live weight at the beginning of the cohort stage (kg).

cohort_duration_days

Numeric. Amount of time that each animal spends in a specific cohort (days).

Details

Daily live weight gain is calculated as the difference between the potential final live weight and the initial live weight, divided by the duration of the cohort stage:

$$\text{daily_weight_gain} = (\text{live_weight_cohort_potential_final} - \text{live_weight_cohort_initial}) / \text{cohort_duration_days}$$

This function is part of the `run_weights_module()`.

Value

Numeric. Average live weight gain of the cohort over the cohort stage (kg/head/day).

See Also

[run_weights_module](#)

calc_fecundity_rates *Calculate daily fecundity rates*

Description

Calculates the daily number of male and female offspring produced per adult female.

Usage

```
calc_fecundity_rates(parturition_rate, litter_size, birth_fraction_female)
```

Arguments

parturition_rate

Numeric. Average annual number of parturitions per female animal (# parturitions/adult female/year). A herd-level reproductive performance indicator calculated as the total number of parturitions (deliveries) occurring during a year divided by the number of adult females potentially able to give birth during that year.

litter_size

Numeric. Average number of offspring born per parturition (# offspring/parturition). This value can be calculated as the total number of offspring born divided by the total number of parturitions during the year.

birth_fraction_female

Numeric. Female birth fraction, defined as the probability that a newborn offspring is female (fraction). Can be calculated as the number of female offspring born divided by the total number of offspring born.

Value

A named list with two elements:

fecundity_female Numeric. Daily number of female offspring per adult female (# offspring/day)

fecundity_male Numeric. Daily number of male offspring per adult female (# offspring/day)

This function is part of the `run_demographic_herd_module()`.

See Also

`run_demographic_herd_module()`

Examples

```
calc_fecundity_rates(parturition_rate = 0.8, litter_size = 2, birth_fraction_female = 0.5)
```

`calc_feed_digestibility_fraction`

Calculate feed digestibility fraction

Description

Calculates species-specific feed digestibility fractions by feed component.

Usage

```
calc_feed_digestibility_fraction(  
  feed_digestible_energy_ruminant,  
  feed_digestible_energy_pigs,  
  feed_gross_energy  
)
```

Arguments

`feed_digestible_energy_ruminant`

Numeric. Digestible energy content of a feed component for ruminants, representing the energy absorbed by the animal after fecal losses (MJ/kg DM).

`feed_digestible_energy_pigs`

Numeric. Digestible energy content of a feed component for pigs, representing the energy absorbed by the animal after fecal losses (MJ/kg DM).

`feed_gross_energy`

Numeric. Gross energy content of a feed component, representing the total chemical energy released upon complete combustion of the feed (MJ/kg DM).

Details

Digestibility is computed as the ratio of usable energy to gross energy:

$$feed_digestibility_fraction = usable_energy / feed_gross_energy$$

For ruminants and pigs, usable energy is represented by digestible_energy (DE), which accounts for fecal energy losses.

This function is part of the [run_ration_quality_module\(\)](#).

Value

List with elements:

feed_digestibility_fraction_ruminant Numeric. Digestibility of a feed component for ruminants, expressed as the ratio of digestible energy to gross energy content (fraction).

feed_digestibility_fraction_pigs Numeric. Digestibility of a feed component for pigs, expressed as the ratio of digestible energy to gross energy content (fraction).

See Also

[run_ration_quality_module](#)

calc_fibre_allocation_energy

Calculate fibre energy requirements (for biophysical allocation)

Description

Calculates the energy required for fibre production over the assessment period (MJ/cohort/assessment period), based on the daily energy requirement for fibre production, cohort size, and assessment duration.

Usage

```
calc_fibre_allocation_energy(  
  species_short,  
  cohort_stock_size = NA_real_,  
  metabolic_energy_req_fibre_production = NA_real_,  
  ratio_me_to_ne = NA_real_,  
  simulation_duration = NA_real_  
)
```

Arguments

species_short	Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PGS: pigs • CML: camels • CTL: cattle • BFL: buffalo • SHP: sheep • GTS: goats
cohort_stock_size	Numeric. Average population size in each of the 6 sex–age cohorts (# heads). (cohorts=FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA).
metabolic_energy_req_fibre_production	Numeric. Energy required for the synthesis of fibre for SHP, GTS and CML. Assumed to be 0 for other species. (MJ/head/day). Expressed as net energy for SHP and GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML.
ratio_me_to_ne	Numeric. Ratio of metabolizable energy converted to net energy (fraction). Used for species_short = CML.
simulation_duration	Numeric. Length of the assessment period (days).

Details

This function provides the fibre-related energy term used in a biophysical allocation framework to apportion emissions between milk and other co-products in multifunctional livestock production systems.

The approach implements the IDF (2022) standard, adapted from Thoma and Nemecek (2020), and is consistent with FAO LEAP livestock LCA guidelines (FAO, 2016a, 2016b, 2016c) and with ISO 14044:2006 (Section 4.3.4.2, Step 2).

In accordance with ISO 14044:2006 (Section 4.3.4.2, Step 2), known processing or biophysical relationships may be used to assign shared inputs and outputs of a single production unit to individual products or sub-units. In livestock systems, this includes apportioning shared feed and energy use according to physiological energy requirements (e.g., net energy for lactation, growth, etc.). If the resulting process remains multifunctional, these energy terms may subsequently be used to derive allocation factors among co-products.

Total fibre-related energy over the assessment period is computed for fibre-producing species (CML, SHP, GTS) and applicable cohorts ("FA", "FS", "MA", "MS").

The fibre_allocation_energy is calculated as follows:

$$energy_allocation_fibre = \frac{energy_requirement_fibre_production}{ratio_me_to_ne} \times simulation_duration \times cohort_stock_size$$

for camels (CML), and:

$$energy_allocation_fibre = energy_requirement_fibre_production \times simulation_duration \times cohort_stock_size$$

for sheep (SHP) and goats (GTS).

where metabolic_energy_req_fibre_production can be computed using [calc_metabolic_energy_req_fibre](#) (see also [run_metabolic_energy_req_module](#)).

This function is part of the [run_allocation_module\(\)](#).

Value

Numeric. Energy required to produce all fibre output by cohort (MJ/cohort/assessment period). Non-zero values are expected only for fibre-producing species (CML, SHP, GTS) and applicable cohorts ("FA", "FS", "MA", "MS").

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See Also

[run_allocation_module](#), [calc_metabolic_energy_req_fibre](#), [run_metabolic_energy_req_module](#)

calc_fibre_production *Calculate fibre production*

Description

Calculates fibre production for producing cohorts (FA, FS, MA, MS) of fibre-producing species (CML, SHP, GTS) over the assessment period (kg/cohort/assessment period).

Usage

```
calc_fibre_production(  
  species_short,  
  cohort_short,  
  fibre_yield_year,  
  simulation_duration,  
  cohort_stock_size  
)
```

Arguments

- `species_short` Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include:
- PGS: pigs
 - CML: camels
 - CTL: cattle
 - BFL: buffalo
 - SHP: sheep
 - GTS: goats
- `cohort_short` Character. Sex- and age-specific cohort code describing the production stage of the animals. Supported values include:
- FA: adult females (from age at first parturition)
 - FS: sub-adult females (from weaning to age at first parturition)
 - FJ: juvenile females (from birth to weaning)
 - MA: adult males (from age at first breeding)
 - MS: sub-adult males (from weaning to age at first breeding)
 - MJ: juvenile males (from birth to weaning)
- `fibre_yield_year` Numeric. Annual production yield of fibre, such as wool, cashmere, mohair (kg/head/year). Required only for species = CML, SHP, and GTS.
- `simulation_duration` Numeric. Length of the assessment period (days).
- `cohort_stock_size` Numeric. Average population size in each of the 6 sex-age cohorts (# heads). (cohorts=FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA).

Details

Fibre production outputs are computed as follows:

$$fibre_production = \frac{fibre_yield_year}{365} \times simulation_duration \times cohort_stock_size$$

Non-zero fibre outputs are only expected for producing cohorts (FA, FS, MA, MS) of fibre-producing species (CML, SHP, GTS).

This function is part of the [run_production_module\(\)](#).

Value

Numeric. Total fibre produced over the assessment period by cohort (kg /cohort/assessment period).

See Also

[run_production_module](#)

calc_meat_allocation_energy
Calculate meat energy requirements (for biophysical allocation)

Description

Calculates the energy required for meat production over the assessment period (MJ/cohort/assessment period), based on total live weight gained by the cohort from birth to slaughter.

Usage

```
calc_meat_allocation_energy(  
  species_short,  
  cohort_short,  
  meat_production_live_weight_cohort,  
  live_weight_cohort_at_slaughter = NA_real_,  
  live_weight_at_birth = NA_real_,  
  ratio_me_to_ne = NA_real_  
)
```

Arguments

species_short	Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PGS: pigs • CML: camels • CTL: cattle • BFL: buffalo • SHP: sheep • GTS: goats
cohort_short	Character. Sex- and age-specific cohort code describing the production stage of the animals. Supported values include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FA: adult females (from age at first parturition) • FS: sub-adult females (from weaning to age at first parturition) • FJ: juvenile females (from birth to weaning) • MA: adult males (from age at first breeding) • MS: sub-adult males (from weaning to age at first breeding) • MJ: juvenile males (from birth to weaning)
meat_production_live_weight_cohort	Numeric. Total meat produced as live weight over the assessment period by cohort (kg/cohort/assessment period).
live_weight_cohort_at_slaughter	Numeric. Live weight at slaughter for animals removed from the cohort (kg).
live_weight_at_birth	Numeric. Live weight of the animal at birth (kg).
ratio_me_to_ne	Numeric. Ratio of metabolizable energy converted to net energy (fraction). Used for species_short = CML.

Details

This function provides the meat-related energy term used in a biophysical allocation framework to apportion emissions between milk and other co-products in multifunctional livestock production systems.

The approach implements the IDF (2022) standard, adapted from Thoma and Nemecek (2020), and is consistent with FAO LEAP livestock LCA guidelines (FAO, 2016a, 2016b, 2016c) and with ISO 14044:2006 (Section 4.3.4.2, Step 2).

In accordance with ISO 14044:2006, known biophysical relationships may be used to assign shared inputs and outputs of a production system to individual products or sub-units. In livestock systems, this includes apportioning shared feed and energy use according to physiological energy requirements such as growth, lactation, and maintenance. If the resulting process remains multifunctional, these energy terms may subsequently be used to derive allocation factors among co-products.

The `meat_allocation_energy` is calculated as follows:

$energy_allocation_meat = specific_energy_meat \times meat_production_live_weight_cohort$
where

- `specific_energy_meat` is the average energy required to produce one kilogram of live weight, accounting for species- and cohort-specific growth characteristics (MJ/kg live weight).
- `meat_production_live_weight_cohort` is the total live weight of animals sold for meat over the assessment period. It can be computed using `calc_meat_production` (see also `run_production_module`).

Specific approaches by species:

- **For** CTL, BFL, CML, SHP, GTS:
Growth energy is calculated using species- and cohort-specific biophysical relationships adapted from established growth energy formulations (further details in `calc_metabolic_energy_req_growth`).
- **For** PGS:
Growth energy is not calculated in this function and \emptyset is returned. In downstream processing, `calc_allocation_shares` assigns 100% of the allocation to the edible meat commodity for pig systems.

This function is part of the `run_allocation_module()`.

Value

Numeric. Energy required by a given sex–age cohort for total meat output by cohort during the assessment period, equal to the energy needed to produce all live-weight gain to reach the target slaughter weight (MJ/cohort/assessment period). For pigs (PGS), the function returns \emptyset by design.

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See Also

[run_allocation_module](#), [calc_meat_production](#), [run_production_module](#), [calc_allocation_shares](#)

calc_meat_production *Calculate meat production*

Description

Calculates cohort-level meat production outputs over the assessment period based on the number of animals removed from the herd (offtake). The function returns multiple production metrics expressed in live weight, carcass weight, bone-free meat, and meat protein (kg/cohort/assessment period).

Usage

```
calc_meat_production(  
  offtake_heads_assessment,  
  live_weight_cohort_at_slaughter,  
  carcass_dressing_fraction,  
  bone_free_meat_fraction,  
  meat_protein_fraction  
)
```

Arguments

`offtake_heads_assessment`
Numeric. Total number of animals removed via offtake over the assessment period, aggregated to 6 sex–age cohorts (heads/assessment period) (cohorts = FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA).

`live_weight_cohort_at_slaughter`
Numeric. Live weight at slaughter for animals removed from the cohort (kg).

carcass_dressing_fraction	Numeric. Ratio of a slaughtered animal's carcass weight to its live weight (fraction).
bone_free_meat_fraction	Numeric. Ratio of bone-free-meat to carcass weight (fraction).
meat_protein_fraction	Numeric. Protein content of bone-free-meat (kg protein/kg bone-free-meat).

Details

Meat production outputs are computed as follows:

- `meat_production_live_weight_cohort` is computed as:

$$\text{meat_production_live_weight_cohort} = \text{of_take_heads_assessment} \times \text{live_weight_cohort_at_slaughter}$$
- `meat_production_carcass_weight_cohort` is computed as:

$$\text{meat_production_carcass_weight_cohort} = \text{meat_production_live_weight_cohort} \times \text{carcass_dressing_fraction}$$
- `meat_production_bone_free_meat_cohort` is computed as:

$$\text{meat_production_bone_free_meat_cohort} = \text{meat_production_carcass_weight_cohort} \times \text{bone_free_meat_fraction}$$
- `meat_production_protein_cohort` is computed as:

$$\text{meat_production_protein_cohort} = \text{meat_production_bone_free_meat_cohort} \times \text{meat_protein_fraction}$$

This function is part of the [run_production_module\(\)](#).

Value

A named list with:

meat_production_live_weight_cohort Numeric . Total meat produced as live weight over the assessment period by cohort (kg/cohort/assessment period).

meat_production_carcass_weight_cohort Numeric. Total meat as carcass weight (excluding organs, and other by-products after dressing) produced over the assessment period by cohort (kg/cohort/assessment period).

meat_production_bone_free_meat_cohort Numeric. Total bone-free-meat (excluding bones, organs, and other by-products after dressing and bone removal) produced over the assessment period by cohort (kg/cohort/assessment period).

meat_production_protein_cohort Numeric. Total meat protein (excluding bones, organs, and other by-products after dressing and bone removal) produced over the assessment period by cohort (kg protein/cohort/assessment period).

See Also

[run_production_module](#), [run_demographic_herd_module](#), [run_weights_module](#)

 calc_metabolic_energy_req_activity

Calculate metabolic energy requirements for activity

Description

Calculates the energy requirement for activity by cohort (MJ/head/day), defined as the amount of energy needed to support animal movement and physical activity.

Usage

```
calc_metabolic_energy_req_activity(
  species_short,
  cohort_short,
  metabolic_energy_req_maintenance,
  live_weight_cohort_average,
  low_activity_fraction,
  high_activity_fraction
)
```

Arguments

species_short Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include:

- PGS: pigs
- CML: camels
- CTL: cattle
- BFL: buffalo
- SHP: sheep
- GTS: goats

cohort_short Character. Sex- and age-specific cohort code describing the production stage of the animals. Supported values include:

- FA: adult females (from age at first parturition)
- FS: sub-adult females (from weaning to age at first parturition)
- FJ: juvenile females (from birth to weaning)
- MA: adult males (from age at first breeding)
- MS: sub-adult males (from weaning to age at first breeding)
- MJ: juvenile males (from birth to weaning)

metabolic_energy_req_maintenance

Numeric. Energy required for maintenance, defined as the amount of energy needed to keep the animal at equilibrium such that body energy is neither gained nor lost. Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS (MJ/head/day).

live_weight_cohort_average	Numeric. Average live weight over the cohort stage. Computed by accounting for the share of offtaken animals within the cohort, using their slaughter weight, and the potential final weight of animals that remain in the cohort (kg).
low_activity_fraction	Numeric. Proportion of the assessment period during which the animal performs low-intensity movement typical of stall-feeding or near-field grazing, characterized by minimal walking distances and flat terrain (fraction).
high_activity_fraction	Numeric. Proportion of the assessment period during which the animal engages in sustained locomotion associated with herding or long-distance grazing, typically involving extended walking distances and/or uneven or hilly terrain (fraction).

Details

This approach follows the IPCC Tier 2 energy partitioning method and applies:

$$\text{metabolic_energy_req_activity} = \text{cact} \times \text{metabolic_energy_req_maintenance}$$

For SHP and GTS, activity energy is calculated as:

$$\text{metabolic_energy_req_activity} = \text{cact} \times \text{live_weight_cohort_average}$$

where

cact is an activity coefficient (dimensionless for CTL, BFL, PGS; MJ/day/kg for SHP, GTS) that reflects the animal's feeding and management conditions. *metabolic_energy_req_maintenance* can be calculated using [calc_metabolic_energy_req_maintenance\(\)](#).

For CTL, BFL, SHP and GTS, *cact* is computed as a *weighted average* of activity levels over the assessment period to account for variation in management and grazing intensity.

Specific coefficients by species and cohort:

CTL, BFL (NRC, 1996; AFRC, 1993):

- low_activity_fraction: *cact* = 0.17
- high_activity_fraction: *cact* = 0.36

CML (Wardeh, 2004):

- all activity levels: *cact* = 0.1

GTS (AFRC, 1993):

- low_activity_fraction: *cact* = 0.019
- high_activity_fraction: *cact* = 0.024

SHP (AFRC, 1993):

- low_activity_fraction: *cact* = 0.0107
- high_activity_fraction: *cact* = 0.024

PGS (NRC, 1998):

- all activity levels: *cact* = 0.125

This function is part of the [run_metabolic_energy_req_module\(\)](#).

Value

Numeric. Energy required for activity, defined as the amount of energy needed to support animal movement and physical activity (MJ/head/day). Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS.

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See Also

[run_metabolic_energy_req_module](#), [calc_metabolic_energy_req_maintenance](#), [calc_avg_weights](#)

calc_metabolic_energy_req_fibre

Calculate metabolic energy requirements for fibre production

Description

Calculates the energy requirement for fibre production (MJ/head/day), defined as the additional energy required for the synthesis of animal fibre (e.g. wool or hair).

Usage

```
calc_metabolic_energy_req_fibre(  
  species_short,  
  cohort_short,  
  fibre_yield_year = NA_real_  
)
```

Arguments

species_short	Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PGS: pigs • CML: camels • CTL: cattle • BFL: buffalo • SHP: sheep • GTS: goats
cohort_short	Character. Sex- and age-specific cohort code describing the production stage of the animals. Supported values include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FA: adult females (from age at first parturition) • FS: sub-adult females (from weaning to age at first parturition) • FJ: juvenile females (from birth to weaning) • MA: adult males (from age at first breeding) • MS: sub-adult males (from weaning to age at first breeding) • MJ: juvenile males (from birth to weaning)
fibre_yield_year	Numeric. Annual production yield of fibre, such as wool, cashmere, mohair (kg/head/year). Required only for species = CML, SHP, and GTS.

Details

This component follows the IPCC Tier 2 partitioning approach and is applied only to fibre-producing species and relevant cohorts, which are assumed to be FA, FS, MA, and MS.

Species-specific approach:

- **SHP and GTS** (IPCC, 2006; IPCC, 2019):

For sheep and goats, fibre production energy is calculated assuming a fixed net energy cost of 24 MJ per kilogram of fibre produced. Annual fibre production is converted to a daily requirement as:

$$metabolic_energy_req_fibre = \frac{24 \times fibre_yield_year}{365}$$

where:

- *fibre_yield_year* is annual fibre production (kg/head/year),
- 24 is the net energy requirement per kilogram of fibre (MJ/kg fibre),
- division by 365 converts annual production to a daily basis.

- **CML** (AFRC, 1998; Cannas et al., 2007):

For camels, fibre energy requirements are first calculated on a **net energy** basis and then converted to **metabolizable energy** using a net-to-metabolizable energy efficiency coefficient:

$$metabolic_energy_req_fibre = \frac{24}{0.43} \times \frac{fibre_yield_year}{365}$$

where:

- 24 is the net energy requirement per kilogram of fibre (MJ/kg fibre),
- 0.43 is the efficiency of conversion from metabolizable energy to net energy for fibre production (fraction),
- *fibre_prod* is annual fibre production per animal (kg/head/year),
- 365 to convert annual production to a daily basis.

The efficiency coefficient of 0.43 is adopted by analogy with goats, assuming a dietary metabolizability of approximately 0.55, following AFRC guidance and the synthesis by Cannas et al. (2007).

- **Other species:** Fibre production energy is assumed to be zero.

This function is part of the [run_metabolic_energy_req_module\(\)](#).

Value

Numeric. Energy required for the synthesis of fibre for SHP, GTS and CML. Assumed to be 0 for other species. (MJ/head/day). Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS (MJ/head/day).

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See Also

[run_metabolic_energy_req_module](#),

calc_metabolic_energy_req_growth

Calculate metabolic energy requirements for growth

Description

Calculates the energy requirement for growth by cohort (MJ/head/day), defined as the energy required for body tissue accretion, corresponding to the retained energy component of live weight gain.

Usage

```
calc_metabolic_energy_req_growth(
  species_short,
  cohort_short,
  live_weight_cohort_average = NA_real_,
  live_weight_cohort_final = NA_real_,
  live_weight_cohort_initial = NA_real_,
  live_weight_mature_stage = NA_real_,
  daily_weight_gain = NA_real_,
  offtake_rate = NA_real_,
  cohort_duration_days = NA_real_
)
```

Arguments

- species_short** Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include:
- PGS: pigs
 - CML: camels
 - CTL: cattle
 - BFL: buffalo
 - SHP: sheep
 - GTS: goats
- cohort_short** Character. Sex- and age-specific cohort code describing the production stage of the animals. Supported values include:
- FA: adult females (from age at first parturition)
 - FS: sub-adult females (from weaning to age at first parturition)
 - FJ: juvenile females (from birth to weaning)
 - MA: adult males (from age at first breeding)
 - MS: sub-adult males (from weaning to age at first breeding)
 - MJ: juvenile males (from birth to weaning)
- live_weight_cohort_average**
Numeric. Average live weight over the cohort stage. Computed by accounting for the share of offtaken animals within the cohort, using their slaughter weight, and the potential final weight of animals that remain in the cohort (kg).
- live_weight_cohort_final**
Numeric. Live weight at the end of the cohort stage, accounting for both surviving and offtaken animals. Computed as a weighted average of the potential final weight of surviving animals and the slaughter weight of offtaken animals, based on the offtake rate (kg).
- live_weight_cohort_initial**
Numeric. Live weight at the beginning of the cohort stage (kg).
- live_weight_mature_stage**
Numeric. Mature (adult) live weight that the animal can attain under given biological and management conditions (kg).

daily_weight_gain	Numeric. Average live weight gain of the cohort over the cohort stage (kg/head/day).
offtake_rate	Numeric. Annual proportion of animals removed from the herd for each sex-age cohort (fraction).
cohort_duration_days	Numeric. Amount of time that each animal spends in a specific cohort (days).

Details

This function follows the IPCC Tier 2 energy partitioning approach and applies species-specific equations for growth energy requirements.

In general, growth energy is computed only for growing cohorts (FJ, FS, MJ, MS); in this implementation, growth is set to 0 for adult cohorts (FA, MA).

Species-specific approach:

- CTL and BFL** (NRC, 1996; IPCC, 2006; IPCC, 2019)
 Growth energy is computed using a growth coefficient *cgro* that differs between castrated and intact males. For male cohorts, *cgro* is calculated as a weighted average using *offtake_rate*, assuming that animals removed from the herd are castrated and animals remaining in the cohort are intact.
- SHP and GTS** (Gibbs et al., 2002; AFRC, 1993; IPCC, 2006; IPCC, 2019)
 For sheep and goats, growth energy is calculated using a linear formulation with coefficients *a* and *b* (MJ/kg live weight). For male cohorts, the coefficients differ between castrated and intact males; the model computes a weighted average using *offtake_rate*, assuming that offtaken animals are castrated.
- CML** (Al-Jassim, 2019)
 Growth energy is represented using a simplified linear relationship with daily weight gain.
- PGS** (NRC, 1998)
 For pigs, growth is assumed to consist exclusively of protein tissue and fat tissue, and growth energy requirements are expressed as metabolizable energy (ME).
 The growth energy coefficient *cgro* (MJ/kg live weight) is calculated as:

$$cgro = prot_tissue_frac \times meat_protein \times meat_protein_energy + (1 - prot_tissue_frac) \times fat_adipose_tissue_frac \times meat_fat_energy$$
 Total metabolizable energy required for growth is then:

$$metabolic_energy_req_growth = daily_weight_gain \times cgro$$
 where:
 - *cgro* is the growth energy coefficient (MJ/kg live weight),
 - *prot_tissue_frac* = 0.65 is the fraction of protein tissue in daily weight gain,
 - *meat_protein* = 0.23 is the fraction of protein in protein tissue,
 - *meat_protein_energy* = 54.0 is the ME cost of protein deposition (MJ/kg protein),
 - *fat_adipose_tissue_frac* = 0.90 is the fraction of fat in adipose tissue,
 - *meat_fat_energy* = 52.3 is the ME cost of fat deposition (MJ/kg fat).

This function is part of the `run_metabolic_energy_req_module()`.

Value

Numeric. Energy required for growth (i.e., weight gain) (MJ/head/day). Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS.

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See Also

[run_metabolic_energy_req_module](#), [calc_cohort_weights](#), [calc_avg_weights](#), [calc_daily_weight_gain](#)

calc_metabolic_energy_req_lactation

Calculate metabolic energy requirements for lactation

Description

Calculates the energy requirement for lactation by cohort (MJ/head/day), defined as the energy needed to support milk production by lactating females.

Usage

```
calc_metabolic_energy_req_lactation(
  species_short,
  cohort_short,
  lactating_females_fraction = NA_real_,
  milk_yield_day = NA_real_,
  milk_fat_fraction = NA_real_,
```

```

non_productive_duration = NA_real_,
pregnancy_duration = NA_real_,
litter_size = NA_real_,
death_rate_juvenile = NA_real_,
live_weight_at_birth = NA_real_,
live_weight_at_weaning = NA_real_,
lactation_duration = NA_real_,
parturition_rate = NA_real_
)

```

Arguments

- species_short** Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include:
- PGS: pigs
 - CML: camels
 - CTL: cattle
 - BFL: buffalo
 - SHP: sheep
 - GTS: goats
- cohort_short** Character. Sex- and age-specific cohort code describing the production stage of the animals. Supported values include:
- FA: adult females (from age at first parturition)
 - FS: sub-adult females (from weaning to age at first parturition)
 - FJ: juvenile females (from birth to weaning)
 - MA: adult males (from age at first breeding)
 - MS: sub-adult males (from weaning to age at first breeding)
 - MJ: juvenile males (from birth to weaning)
- lactating_females_fraction**
 Numeric. Proportion of adult females that are lactating during the assessment period (fraction). Required only for species = CML, CTL, BFL, SHP, and GTS.
- milk_yield_day** Numeric. Average milk yield per milk-producing animal during the assessment duration (kg/head/day). This value is calculated as the total quantity of milk produced for human consumption by milk-producing animals during the assessment period, divided by the number of milk-producing animals, and the length of the assessment period (days). Required only for species = CML, CTL, BFL, SHP, and GTS.
- milk_fat_fraction**
 Numeric. Milk fat fraction (kg fat/kg milk). Required only for species = CML, CTL, BFL, SHP, and GTS.
- non_productive_duration**
 Numeric. Period during which the animal is not performing any productive physiological function such as pregnancy or lactation (days). Required only for PGS.
- pregnancy_duration**
 Numeric. Duration of pregnancy period (days).

<code>litter_size</code>	Numeric. Average number of offspring born per parturition (# offspring/parturition). This value can be calculated as the total number of offspring born divided by the total number of parturitions during the year.
<code>death_rate_juvenile</code>	Numeric. Fraction of deaths in a herd over a year for juvenile cohorts (i.e. FJ and MJ), (fraction).
<code>live_weight_at_birth</code>	Numeric. Live weight of the animal at birth (kg).
<code>live_weight_at_weaning</code>	Numeric. Live weight of the animal at weaning (kg).
<code>lactation_duration</code>	Numeric. Duration of the lactation period, defined as the number of days during which the animal is lactating (days). Required only for PGS.
<code>parturition_rate</code>	Numeric. Average annual number of parturitions per female animal (# parturitions/adult female/year). A herd-level reproductive performance indicator calculated as the total number of parturitions (deliveries) occurring during a year divided by the number of adult females potentially able to give birth during that year.

Details

This approach follows the IPCC Tier 2 partitioning method and applies species-specific equations for lactation energy requirements as a function of the quantity of milk produced and a species-specific energy cost per unit of milk.

Requirements are calculated only for cohort = FA (adult females) and are scaled by the proportion of lactating animals (`lactating_females_fraction`) or reproducing females (`parturition_rate`) within the cohort.

Species-specific approach:

CTL, BFL, CML, SHP and GTS:

Total milk production includes:

- milk extracted for human consumption (`milk_yield`)
- milk consumed directly by offspring (`milk_for_offspring`)

In general form, lactation energy is computed as:

$$\text{metabolic_energy_req_lactation} = (\text{milk_yield} \times \text{lactating_females_fraction} + \text{milk_for_offspring}) \times \text{energy_m}$$

where:

`energy_milk` is a species-specific coefficient representing the net energy cost of producing one kilogram of milk (MJ/kg milk).

Species-specific values of `energy_milk` are:

- CTL, BFL: estimated as a function of milk fat content, $1.47 + 0.40 \times (\text{milk_fat_fraction} \times 100)$ (NRC, 1989),

- CML: 4.063 (Wardeh, 2004),
- SHP: 4.6 (AFRC, 1993),
- GTS: 3.0 (AFRC, 1998).

milk_for_offspring is the daily amount of milk required to rear offspring across the year (kg/day). It is calculated assuming that **5 kg of milk are required for each kilogram of live-weight gain up to weaning**:

$$\text{milk_for_offspring} = \frac{\text{parturition_rate} \times 5 \times (\text{weaning_weight} - \text{birth_weight})}{365}$$

For **SHP** and **GTS**, milk_for_offspring is multiplied by litter_size to account for multiple offspring per birth.

PGS (NRC, 1998):

Lactation energy accounts only for the milk consumed directly by offspring (milk_for_offspring), adjusted by the fraction of the reproductive cycle spent in lactation (cadj):

$$\text{metabolic_energy_req_lactation} = \text{litter_size} \times (1 - 0.5 \times \text{death_rate_juvenile}) \times \left(\frac{0.02059 \times (\text{weaning_weight} - \text{birth_weight}) \times 1000}{\text{lactation_duration}} - \frac{0.3766}{0.67} \right) \times \text{cadj}$$

where:

- 0.02059 is the coefficient for lactation energy requirement (MJ/g live weight),
- 0.3766 is the coefficient for sow weight loss during lactation (MJ/head/day),
- 0.67 is the efficiency of conversion of dietary intake to milk energy (fraction),
- cadj is the fraction of the reproductive cycle spent in lactation:

$$\text{cadj} = \frac{\text{lactation_duration}}{\text{non_productive_duration} + \text{pregnancy_duration} + \text{lactation_duration}}$$

This function is part of the `run_metabolic_energy_req_module()`.

Value

Numeric. Energy required for lactation (MJ/head/day). Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS.

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See Also

[run_metabolic_energy_req_module](#)

calc_metabolic_energy_req_maintenance

Calculate metabolic energy requirements for maintenance

Description

Calculates the energy requirement for maintenance by cohort (MJ/head/day), defined as the energy required to maintain basal physiological functions at equilibrium, with no net gain or loss of body energy.

Usage

```
calc_metabolic_energy_req_maintenance(  
  species_short,  
  cohort_short,  
  live_weight_cohort_average,  
  lactating_females_fraction = NA_real_,  
  offtake_rate = NA_real_,  
  age_first_parturition = NA_real_  
)
```

Arguments

species_short Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include:

- PGS: pigs
- CML: camels
- CTL: cattle
- BFL: buffalo
- SHP: sheep
- GTS: goats

cohort_short	Character. Sex- and age-specific cohort code describing the production stage of the animals. Supported values include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FA: adult females (from age at first parturition) • FS: sub-adult females (from weaning to age at first parturition) • FJ: juvenile females (from birth to weaning) • MA: adult males (from age at first breeding) • MS: sub-adult males (from weaning to age at first breeding) • MJ: juvenile males (from birth to weaning)
live_weight_cohort_average	Numeric. Average live weight over the cohort stage. Computed by accounting for the share of oftaken animals within the cohort, using their slaughter weight, and the potential final weight of animals that remain in the cohort (kg).
lactating_females_fraction	Numeric. Proportion of adult females that are lactating during the assessment period (fraction). Required only for species = CML, CTL, BFL, SHP, and GTS.
oftake_rate	Numeric. Annual proportion of animals removed from the herd for each sex-age cohort (fraction).
age_first_parturition	Numeric. Age at first parturition for female breeding animals (days)

Details

This approach follows the IPCC Tier 2 partitioning method and applies:

$$\text{metabolic_energy_req_maintenance} = c_{\text{main}} \times \text{average_weight}^{0.75}$$

where c_{main} is a category-specific coefficient (MJ/day/kg^{0.75}) that reflects basal metabolic requirements and varies by species, physiological status, and sex.

For selected cohorts, c_{main} is computed as a weighted average to account for:

- CTL, BFL: lactating vs. non-lactating females
- CTL, BFL, SHP: intact vs. castrated males - Oftaken animals assumed castrated
- SHP: animals below vs. above one year of age

Specific coefficients by species and cohort:

CTL and BFL (NRC, 1996; AFRC, 1993):

- FA: $c_{\text{main}} = 0.386 \times \text{lactating_females_fraction} + 0.322 \times (1 - \text{lactating_females_fraction})$
- FS, FJ, MJ: $c_{\text{main}} = 0.322$
- MA, MS: $c_{\text{main}} = 0.322 \times \text{oftake_rate} + 0.370 \times (1 - \text{oftake_rate})$

CML (Wardeh, 2004):

- All cohorts: $c_{\text{main}} = 0.435$

GTS (AFRC, 1993):

- All cohorts: $c_{\text{main}} = 0.315$

SHP (AFRC, 1993):

- FA: $cmain = 0.217$
- FJ: $cmain = 0.236$
- FS: $cmain = 0.236 \times (365/age_first_parturition) + 0.217 \times ((age_first_parturition - 365)/age_first_parturition)$
- MA: $cmain = 0.217 \times offtake_rate + (0.217 \times 1.15) \times (1 - offtake_rate)$
- MJ: $cmain = 0.236 \times offtake_rate + (0.236 \times 1.15) \times (1 - offtake_rate)$
- MS: $cmain = (0.217 \times offtake_rate + (0.217 \times 1.15) \times (1 - offtake_rate)) \times ((age_first_parturition - 365)/age_first_parturition) + (0.236 \times offtake_rate + (0.236 \times 1.15) \times (1 - offtake_rate)) \times (365/age_first_parturition)$

PGS (NRC, 1998):

- All cohorts: $cmain = 0.4435$

This function is part of the `run_metabolic_energy_req_module()`.

Value

Numeric. Energy required for maintenance, defined as the amount of energy needed to keep the animal at equilibrium such that body energy is neither gained nor lost. Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS (MJ/head/day).

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See Also

`run_metabolic_energy_req_module`, `calc_avg_weights`

 calc_metabolic_energy_req_pregnancy

Calculate metabolic energy requirements for pregnancy

Description

Calculates the energy requirement for pregnancy by cohort (MJ/head/day) for pregnant females, defined as the additional energy needed to support gestation.

Usage

```
calc_metabolic_energy_req_pregnancy(
  species_short,
  cohort_short,
  metabolic_energy_req_maintenance = NA_real_,
  parturition_rate = NA_real_,
  litter_size = NA_real_,
  pregnancy_duration = NA_real_,
  non_productive_duration = NA_real_,
  lactation_duration = NA_real_,
  cohort_duration_days = NA_real_,
  offtake_rate = NA_real_
)
```

Arguments

species_short Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include:

- PGS: pigs
- CML: camels
- CTL: cattle
- BFL: buffalo
- SHP: sheep
- GTS: goats

cohort_short Character. Sex- and age-specific cohort code describing the production stage of the animals. Supported values include:

- FA: adult females (from age at first parturition)
- FS: sub-adult females (from weaning to age at first parturition)
- FJ: juvenile females (from birth to weaning)
- MA: adult males (from age at first breeding)
- MS: sub-adult males (from weaning to age at first breeding)
- MJ: juvenile males (from birth to weaning)

metabolic_energy_req_maintenance

Numeric. Energy required for maintenance, defined as the amount of energy needed to keep the animal at equilibrium such that body energy is neither gained nor lost. Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS (MJ/head/day).

parturition_rate	Numeric. Average annual number of parturitions per female animal (# parturitions/adult female/year). A herd-level reproductive performance indicator calculated as the total number of parturitions (deliveries) occurring during a year divided by the number of adult females potentially able to give birth during that year.
litter_size	Numeric. Average number of offspring born per parturition (# offspring/parturition). This value can be calculated as the total number of offspring born divided by the total number of parturitions during the year.
pregnancy_duration	Numeric. Duration of pregnancy period (days).
non_productive_duration	Numeric. Period during which the animal is not performing any productive physiological function such as pregnancy or lactation (days). Required only for PGS.
lactation_duration	Numeric. Duration of the lactation period, defined as the number of days during which the animal is lactating (days). Required only for PGS.
cohort_duration_days	Numeric. Amount of time that each animal spends in a specific cohort (days).
offtake_rate	Numeric. Annual proportion of animals removed from the herd for each sex-age cohort (fraction).

Details

This component follows the IPCC Tier 2 partitioning framework and is applied only to **female cohorts** (FA and FS).

Pregnancy energy (*metabolic_energy_req_pregnancy*) represents the additional energy required to support gestation. Requirements are computed as a fraction of maintenance energy and are adjusted to reflect reproductive activity within the cohort:

- For FA, requirements are scaled by the annual parturition rate (*parturition_rate*) and (when applicable) by the fraction of the reproductive cycle spent in gestation ($\text{pregnancy_duration}/(\text{pregnancy_duration} + \text{non_productive_duration})$).
- For FS, only a fraction of animals is assumed to reach reproductive age within the cohort; requirements are therefore scaled by the proportion remaining in the cohort ($1 - \text{offtake_rate}$) and by the share of the cohort duration spent pregnant ($\text{pregnancy_duration}/\text{cohort_duration_days}$).

General form

$$\text{metabolic_energy_req_pregnancy} = \text{metabolic_energy_req_maintenance} \times c_{preg} \times S$$

where

- c_{preg} is a species-specific pregnancy coefficient,
- S is a scaling term that depends on cohort (FA vs FS).
- *metabolic_energy_req_maintenance* can be calculated using [calc_metabolic_energy_req_maintenance\(\)](#)

Specific coefficients by species and cohort:

- **CTL and BFL** (IPCC, 2006, 2019): Pregnancy energy is approximated as 10% of maintenance energy.

- FA:

$$metabolic_energy_req_pregnancy = 0.10 \times metabolic_energy_req_maintenance \times parturition_rate \times \frac{pregnancy_duration}{365}$$

- FS:

$$metabolic_energy_req_pregnancy = 0.10 \times metabolic_energy_req_maintenance \times \frac{pregnancy_duration}{cohort_duration_days} \times (1 - offtake_rate)$$

- **CML** (Wardeh, 2004): Pregnancy energy is estimated as 12% of maintenance energy.

- FA:

$$metabolic_energy_req_pregnancy = 0.12 \times metabolic_energy_req_maintenance \times parturition_rate$$

- FS:

$$metabolic_energy_req_pregnancy = 0.12 \times metabolic_energy_req_maintenance \times \frac{pregnancy_duration}{cohort_duration_days}$$

- **SHP and GTS** (IPCC 2006; 2019): Pregnancy energy is calculated as a litter-size-dependent fraction of maintenance energy (c_{preg}).

- FA:

$$metabolic_energy_req_pregnancy = metabolic_energy_req_maintenance \times c_{preg} \times parturition_rate \times \frac{pregnancy_duration}{365}$$

where c_{preg} is:

$$c_{preg} = \begin{cases} 0.077 \times (2 - litter_size) + 0.126 \times (litter_size - 1), & 1 \leq litter_size \leq 2 \\ 0.150, & litter_size > 2 \end{cases}$$

- FS: A single-birth coefficient is used ($c_{preg} = 0.077$) and scaled by the proportion of reproductive individuals in the cohort:

$$metabolic_energy_req_pregnancy = 0.12 \times metabolic_energy_req_maintenance \times \frac{pregnancy_duration}{cohort_duration_days} \times (1 - offtake_rate)$$

- **PGS** (NRC, 1998): Pregnancy energy is expressed using a gestation coefficient c_{gest} (MJ/piglet), with default $c_{gest} = 0.14985$.

- FA:

$$metabolic_energy_req_pregnancy = c_{gest} \times litter_size \times \frac{pregnancy_duration}{non_productive_duration + pregnancy_duration + lactation_duration}$$

– FS:

$$\text{metabolic_energy_req_pregnancy} = c_{gest} \times \text{litter_size} \times \frac{\text{pregnancy_duration}}{\text{cohort_duration_days}} \times (1 - \text{offtake_rate})$$

This function is part of the [run_metabolic_energy_req_module\(\)](#).

Value

Numeric. Energy required for pregnancy for pregnant females (MJ/head/day). Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS.

References

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See Also

[run_metabolic_energy_req_module](#), [calc_metabolic_energy_req_maintenance](#)

calc_metabolic_energy_req_work

Calculate metabolic energy requirements for work

Description

Calculates the energy requirement for work (MJ/head/day), defined as the additional energy required to support draught power and work-related physical activity.

Usage

```
calc_metabolic_energy_req_work(  
  species_short,  
  cohort_short,  
  metabolic_energy_req_maintenance = NA_real_,  
  draught_work_hours_female = NA_real_,
```

```

draught_work_hours_male = NA_real_,
draught_fraction_female = NA_real_,
draught_fraction_male = NA_real_
)

```

Arguments

- species_short** Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include:
- PGS: pigs
 - CML: camels
 - CTL: cattle
 - BFL: buffalo
 - SHP: sheep
 - GTS: goats
- cohort_short** Character. Sex- and age-specific cohort code describing the production stage of the animals. Supported values include:
- FA: adult females (from age at first parturition)
 - FS: sub-adult females (from weaning to age at first parturition)
 - FJ: juvenile females (from birth to weaning)
 - MA: adult males (from age at first breeding)
 - MS: sub-adult males (from weaning to age at first breeding)
 - MJ: juvenile males (from birth to weaning)
- metabolic_energy_req_maintenance** Numeric. Energy required for maintenance, defined as the amount of energy needed to keep the animal at equilibrium such that body energy is neither gained nor lost. Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS (MJ/head/day).
- draught_work_hours_female** Numeric. Average daily working time per adult female (hours/head/day). Required only for species = CML, CTL and BFL.
- draught_work_hours_male** Numeric. Average daily working time per adult male (hours/head/day). Required only for species = CML, CTL and BFL.
- draught_fraction_female** Numeric. Fraction of adult females involved in draught work (fraction). Required only for species = CML, CTL and BFL.
- draught_fraction_male** Numeric. Fraction of adult males involved in draught work (fraction). Required only for species = CML, CTL and BFL.

Details

This approach follows the IPCC Tier 2 partitioning method and applies species-specific coefficients for draught work.

This energy component is calculated only for adult cohorts (FA and MA) of draught-capable species (CTL, BFL, and CML). It is scaled by the fraction of adult animals involved in draught work (draught_fraction_female,

draught_fraction_male) and their average daily working time (draught_work_hours_female, draught_work_hours_male).

Species-specific approach:

CTL and BFL - (Bamualim & Kartiarso, 1985; IPCC, 2006; IPCC 2019). Draught work energy is expressed as a proportion of net energy for maintenance:

$$\text{metabolic_energy_req_work} = 0.1 \times \text{metabolic_energy_req_maintenance} \times \text{work_hours} \times \text{draught_fraction}$$

where:

- *metabolic_energy_req_maintenance* is net energy required for maintenance (MJ/head/day) and can be calculated using `calc_metabolic_energy_req_maintenance()`,
- 0.1 represents a 10% increase in maintenance energy per hour of work,
- *work_hours* is the mean number of hours worked per animal per day - `draught_work_hours_female` (for FA) and `draught_work_hours_male` (for MA) and,
- *draught_fraction* is the fraction of adult animals performing draught work - `draught_fraction_female` (for FA) and `draught_fraction_male` (for MA)

CML - (Wilson, 1989) Draught work energy is calculated using a fixed metabolizable energy cost per hour of work:

$$\text{metabolic_energy_req_work} = 4 \times \text{work_hours} \times \text{draught_fraction}$$

where:

- 4 is the metabolizable energy requirement for draught work (MJ/hour),
- *work_hours* is the mean number of hours worked per animal per day - `draught_work_hours_female` (for FA) and `draught_work_hours_male` (for MA) and,
- *draught_fraction* is the fraction of adult animals performing draught work - `draught_fraction_female` (for FA) and `draught_fraction_male` (for MA)

This function is part of the `run_metabolic_energy_req_module()`.

Value

Numeric. Energy required for work, used to estimate the energy required for draught power for CTL, BFL and CML (MJ/head/day). Assumed to be 0 for other species. Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS.

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See Also

[run_metabolic_energy_req_module](#), [calc_metabolic_energy_req_maintenance](#)

calc_milk_allocation_energy

Calculate milk energy requirements (for biophysical allocation)

Description

Calculates the energy required for milk production over the assessment period (MJ/cohort/assessment period), based on total fat- and protein-corrected milk (FPCM) produced by the cohort.

Usage

```
calc_milk_allocation_energy(  
  milk_production_fpcm_cohort,  
  milk_protein_fraction_standard,  
  milk_fat_fraction_standard,  
  milk_lactose_fraction_standard  
)
```

Arguments

milk_production_fpcm_cohort

Numeric. Total fat-protein-corrected milk (FPCM) produced over the assessment period (kg/cohort/assessment period). Suggested standard fat, protein and lactose contents are 0.04, 0.033, and 0.048 respectively.

milk_protein_fraction_standard

Numeric. Standard protein content of milk, used to calculate Fat-protein-corrected milk (FPCM), (kg protein/kg milk). Suggested value = 0.033.

milk_fat_fraction_standard

Numeric. Standard fat content of milk, used to calculate Fat-protein-corrected milk (FPCM), (kg fat/kg milk). Suggested value = 0.04.

milk_lactose_fraction_standard

Numeric. Standard lactose content of milk, used to calculate Fat-protein-corrected milk (FPCM), (kg lactose/kg milk). Suggested value = 0.048.

Details

This function provides the milk-related energy term used in a biophysical allocation framework to apportion emissions between milk and other co-products in multifunctional livestock production systems.

The approach implements the IDF (2022) standard, adapted from Thoma and Nemecek (2020), and is consistent with FAO LEAP livestock LCA guidelines (FAO, 2016a, 2016b, 2016c) and with ISO 14044:2006 (Section 4.3.4.2, Step 2).

In accordance with ISO 14044:2006, known biophysical relationships may be used to assign shared inputs and outputs of a production system to individual products or sub-units. In livestock systems, this includes apportioning shared feed and energy use according to physiological energy requirements such as lactation, growth, and maintenance. If the resulting process remains multifunctional, these energy terms may subsequently be used to derive allocation factors among co-products.

The `milk_allocation_energy` is calculated as follows:

$$\text{energy_allocation_milk} = \text{energy_standard} \times \text{milk_production_fpcm_cohort}$$

where:

- `energy_standard` is the energy content of standard milk, calculated internally based on standard fat, protein, and lactose contents following IDF (2022) (MJ/kg milk).
- `milk_production_fpcm_cohort` is the total fat- and protein-corrected milk (FPCM) produced over the assessment period (kg/assessment period). It can be computed using [calc_milk_production](#) (see also [run_production_module](#)).

This function is part of the [run_allocation_module\(\)](#).

Value

Numeric. Energy required to produce total milk output by cohort (MJ/cohort/assessment period). Non-zero values are applicable only to milk-producing species and cohorts (species = CTL, BFL, CML, SHP, GTS; cohorts=FA). All other species-cohort combinations are assigned a value of 0.

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See Also

[run_allocation_module](#), [calc_milk_production](#), [run_production_module](#)

calc_milk_production *Calculate milk production*

Description

Calculates total milk production for the producing cohort (FA) of milk-producing species (CML, CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS) over the assessment period and returns multiple production metrics: total milk mass, milk protein, and fat-protein-corrected milk (FPCM) (kg/cohort/assessment period).

Usage

```
calc_milk_production(
  species_short,
  cohort_short,
  milk_yield_day,
  simulation_duration,
  cohort_stock_size,
  lactating_females_fraction,
  milk_protein_fraction,
  milk_fat_fraction,
  milk_lactose_fraction,
  milk_protein_fraction_standard,
  milk_fat_fraction_standard,
  milk_lactose_fraction_standard
)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|---------------|--|
| species_short | Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PGS: pigs • CML: camels • CTL: cattle • BFL: buffalo • SHP: sheep • GTS: goats |
| cohort_short | Character. Sex- and age-specific cohort code describing the production stage of the animals. Supported values include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FA: adult females (from age at first parturition) |

- FS: sub-adult females (from weaning to age at first parturition)
 - FJ: juvenile females (from birth to weaning)
 - MA: adult males (from age at first breeding)
 - MS: sub-adult males (from weaning to age at first breeding)
 - MJ: juvenile males (from birth to weaning)
- milk_yield_day** Numeric. Average milk yield per milk-producing animal during the assessment duration (kg/head/day). This value is calculated as the total quantity of milk produced for human consumption by milk-producing animals during the assessment period, divided by the number of milk-producing animals, and the length of the assessment period (days). Required only for species = CML, CTL, BFL, SHP, and GTS.
- simulation_duration** Numeric. Length of the assessment period (days).
- cohort_stock_size** Numeric. Average population size in each of the 6 sex-age cohorts (# heads). (cohorts=FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA).
- lactating_females_fraction** Numeric. Proportion of adult females that are lactating during the assessment period (fraction). Required only for species: CML, CTL, BFL, SHP, and GTS.
- milk_protein_fraction** Numeric. Milk protein fraction (kg protein/kg milk). Required only for species = CML, CTL, BFL, SHP, and GTS.
- milk_fat_fraction** Numeric. Milk fat fraction (kg fat/kg milk). Required only for species = CML, CTL, BFL, SHP, and GTS.
- milk_lactose_fraction** Numeric. Milk lactose fraction (kg lactose/kg milk). Required only for species = CML, CTL, BFL, SHP, and GTS.
- milk_protein_fraction_standard** Numeric. Standard protein content of milk, used to calculate Fat-protein-corrected milk (FPCM), (kg protein/kg milk). Suggested value = 0.033.
- milk_fat_fraction_standard** Numeric. Standard fat content of milk, used to calculate Fat-protein-corrected milk (FPCM), (kg fat/kg milk). Suggested value = 0.04.
- milk_lactose_fraction_standard** Numeric. Standard lactose content of milk, used to calculate Fat-protein-corrected milk (FPCM), (kg lactose/kg milk). Suggested value = 0.048.

Details

Milk production outputs are computed as follows:

- **milk_production_mass_cohort** is computed as:

$$\text{milk_production} = \text{milk_yield_day} \times \text{simulation_duration} \times \text{cohort_stock_size} \times \text{lactating_females_fraction}$$

- milk_production_protein_cohort is computed as:

$$\text{milk_protein_production} = \text{milk_production} \times \text{milk_protein_fraction}$$

- milk_production_fpcm_cohort is computed using the ratio of energy content of actual versus standard milk:

$$\text{FPCM} = \text{milk_production} \times \frac{E_{\text{milk}}}{E_{\text{standard}}}$$

where milk energy content (Mcal/kg) is computed as (IDF, 2022):

$$E_{\text{milk}} = 0.0929 \times \text{milk_fat_fraction} + 0.0547 \times \text{milk_protein_fraction} + 0.0395 \times \text{milk_lactose_fraction}$$

$$E_{\text{standard}} = 0.0929 \times \text{milk_fat_fraction_standard} + 0.0547 \times \text{milk_protein_fraction_standard} + 0.0395 \times \text{milk_lactose_fraction_standard}$$

Non-zero milk outputs are only expected for adult female cohorts of milk-producing species.

This function is part of the [run_production_module\(\)](#).

Value

A named list with:

milk_production_mass_cohort Numeric. Total milk production produced over the assessment period (kg/cohort/assessment period).

milk_production_protein_cohort Numeric. Total milk protein production produced over the assessment period (kg protein/cohort/assessment period).

milk_production_fpcm_cohort Numeric. Total fat-protein-corrected milk (FPCM) produced over the assessment period (kg/cohort/assessment period).

References

International Dairy Federation (IDF). 2022. *The IDF Global Carbon Footprint Standard for the Dairy Sector*. Bulletin of the IDF No. 520/2022. International Dairy Federation (ed.), Brussels, Belgium. Equation 10.

See Also

[run_production_module](#)

calc_n2o_manure_direct

Calculate direct Nitrous Oxide (N2O) emissions from manure management systems

Description

Calculates daily direct nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions from manure management using IPCC-based parameters and separates emissions from manure deposited on pasture, manure burned for fuel, and all other manure management systems.

Usage

```
calc_n2o_manure_direct(ratio_N2ON_to_N2O = 44/28, nitrogen_excretion, ...)
```

Arguments

ratio_N2ON_to_N2O

Numeric. Conversion factor from kg N₂O–N to kg N₂O, based on molecular weights. Defaults to 44/28.

nitrogen_excretion

Numeric. Daily nitrogen excretion (kg N/head/day).

...

A variable number of manure management system (MMS) arguments. Each MMS must be provided as a named numeric vector with exactly the following fields:

manure_management_system_fraction Numeric. Fraction of total manure excreted by animals in a given herd and cohort that is handled in a specific manure management system. Value ranges from 0 to 1. The sum of all fractions for each herd_id must equal 1.

n2o_ef3 Numeric. Emission factor for direct nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions for each manure management system, representing nitrous oxide emitted per unit of nitrogen from nitrification and denitrification processes occurring during manure storage and treatment (kg N₂O–N per kg N). Default values may be selected from Table 10.21 and Table 11.1 (for manure deposited on pasture) in IPCC Guidelines (IPCC 2006, 2019).

Two MMS names are treated explicitly when present:

mms_pasture Manure deposited on pasture.

mms_burned Manure burned for fuel.

All remaining MMS arguments are grouped and treated as other manure management systems.

Details

This calculation follows the Tier 2 methodology for direct nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions from manure management as defined in the IPCC Guidelines (Equation 10.25).

In the IPCC formulation, annual direct emissions are:

$$N_2O_{D(mm)} = \frac{44}{28} \sum_S (N \times AWMS_S \times EF3_S)$$

where:

$N_2O_{D(mm)}$ Direct N₂O emissions from Manure Management.

44/28 Conversion factor from N₂O–N to N₂O.

N Nitrogen excreted (kg N).

$AWMS_S$ Fraction of excreted nitrogen managed in manure management system S .

$EF3_S$ Direct emission factor for system S (kg N₂O–N per kg N managed).

In this implementation, calculations are performed at daily, per-head resolution using nitrogen_excretion (kg N/head/day) - see also [calc_nitrogen_excretion](#).

Daily emissions are computed as:

$$N2O = nitrogen_excretion \times ratio_N2ON_to_N2O \times \sum (manure_management_system_fraction \times n2o_ef3)$$

This function is part of the [run_emissions_manure_module\(\)](#).

Value

A named list with the following elements:

n2o_manure_pasture_direct Numeric. Direct nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions from manure deposited on pasture (kg N2O/head/day).

n2o_manure_burned_direct Numeric. Direct nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions from manure burned for fuel (kg N2O/head/day).

n2o_manure_other_direct Numeric. Direct nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions from manure management systems, excluding emissions from manure deposited on pasture and burned for fuel (kg N2O/head/day).

n2o_manure_all_noburn_direct Numeric. Direct nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions from manure management systems, excluding manure burned for fuel (kg N2O/head/day).

References

IPCC. (2019). *2019 Refinement to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*, Chapter 10: Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management. Equation 10.25.

IPCC. (2006). *2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*, Chapter 10: Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management. Equation 10.25.

See Also

[run_emissions_manure_module](#)

Examples

```
calc_n2o_manure_direct(
  ratio_N2ON_to_N2O = 44 / 28,
  nitrogen_excretion = 0.9,
  mms_burned = c(
    manure_management_system_fraction = 0.020,
    n2o_ef3 = 0
  ),
  mms_drylot = c(
    manure_management_system_fraction = 0.264,
    n2o_ef3 = 0.02
  ),
  mms_pasture = c(
    manure_management_system_fraction = 0.310,
```

```

    n2o_ef3 = 0.02
  ),
  mms_solid = c(
    manure_management_system_fraction = 0.406,
    n2o_ef3 = 0.005
  )
)

```

calc_n2o_manure_leaching

Calculate indirect Nitrous Oxide (N2O) emissions from manure leaching and runoff

Description

Calculates daily indirect nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions resulting from nitrogen leaching and runoff from manure management systems and separates emissions from manure deposited on pasture, manure burned for fuel, and all other manure management systems.

Usage

```
calc_n2o_manure_leaching(ratio_N2ON_to_N2O = 44/28, nitrogen_excretion, ...)
```

Arguments

ratio_N2ON_to_N2O Numeric. Conversion factor from kg N2O–N to kg N2O, based on molecular weights. Defaults to 44/28.

nitrogen_excretion Numeric. Daily nitrogen excretion (kg N/head/day).

... A variable number of manure management system (MMS) arguments. Each MMS must be provided as a named numeric vector with exactly the following fields:

- manure_management_system_fraction** Numeric. Fraction of total manure excreted by animals in a given herd and cohort that is handled in a specific manure management system. Values ranges from 0 to 1. The sum of all fractions for each herd_id must equal 1.
- n2o_ef5** Numeric. Emission factor for indirect nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions resulting from nitrogen leaching and runoff, expressed as kilograms of N2O–N per kilogram of nitrogen leached or lost through runoff (kg N2O–N / kg N). Default values can be selected from Table 11.3 in IPCC Guidelines (IPCC 2006, 2019).
- nitrogen_frcleach** Numeric. Fraction of manure nitrogen excreted by a given livestock category that is lost through leaching and runoff from a specific manure management system. This parameter is highly uncertain and is used

to estimate indirect N₂O emissions from nitrogen that enters the surrounding environment of the storage facility. It is expressed as a dimensionless fraction (0–1). Default values are provided in Table 10.22 of IPCC Guidelines (IPCC 2006, 2019).

Two MMS names are treated explicitly when present:

mms_pasture Manure deposited on pasture.

mms_burned Manure burned for fuel.

All remaining MMS arguments are grouped and treated as other manure management systems.

Details

This calculation follows the Tier 2 methodology for indirect N₂O emissions from manure management as defined in Equations 10.28 (IPCC, 2006), 10.27 (IPCC, 2019), and 10.29 (IPCC, 2006, 2019).

In the IPCC formulation, indirect emissions associated with nitrogen leaching and runoff are calculated as:

$$N2O_{L(mm)} = \frac{44}{28} \sum_S (N \times AWMS_S \times FracLeach_S \times EF5)$$

where:

$N2O_{L(mm)}$ Indirect N₂O emissions due to leaching and runoff from Manure Management.

44/28 Conversion factor from N₂O–N to N₂O.

N Nitrogen excreted (kg N).

$AWMS_S$ Fraction of excreted nitrogen managed in manure management system S .

$FracLeach_S$ Fraction of nitrogen lost through leaching and runoff in manure management system S .

$EF5$ Emission factor for indirect N₂O emissions from leaching and runoff (kg N₂O–N per kg N leached or lost through runoff).

In this implementation, calculations are performed at daily, per-head resolution using nitrogen_excretion (kg N/head/day):

$$N_2O = nitrogen_excretion \times ratio_N2ON_to_N2O \times \sum_S (manure_management_system_fraction \times nitrogen_fracleach \times n2o_ef5)$$

This function is part of the [run_emissions_manure_module\(\)](#).

Value

A named list with the following elements

n2o_manure_pasture_leach Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions resulting from leaching and runoff of manure nitrogen from manure deposited on pasture (kg N₂O/head/day).

n2o_manure_burned_leach Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions resulting from leaching and runoff of manure nitrogen from manure burned for fuel (kg N₂O/head/day).

n2o_manure_other_leach Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions resulting from leaching and runoff of manure nitrogen from manure management systems, excluding losses from manure deposited on pasture and manure burned for fuel (kg N₂O/head/day).

n2o_manure_all_noburn_leach Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions resulting from leaching and runoff of manure nitrogen from manure management systems, excluding losses from manure burned for fuel (kg N₂O/head/day).

References

IPCC. (2019). *2019 Refinement to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*, Chapter 10: Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management. Equations 10.27; 10.29.

IPCC. (2006). *2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*, Volume 4, Chapter 10: Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management. Equations 10.28; 10.29.

See Also

[run_emissions_manure_module](#)

Examples

```
calc_n2o_manure_leaching(
  ratio_N2O_to_N2O = 44 / 28,
  nitrogen_excretion = 0.9,
  mms_burned = c(
    manure_management_system_fraction = 0.020,
    n2o_ef5 = 0.011,
    nitrogen_fracleach = 0
  ),
  mms_drylot = c(
    manure_management_system_fraction = 0.264,
    n2o_ef5 = 0.011,
    nitrogen_fracleach = 0.035
  ),
  mms_pasture = c(
    manure_management_system_fraction = 0.310,
    n2o_ef5 = 0.011,
    nitrogen_fracleach = 0.24
  ),
  mms_solid = c(
    manure_management_system_fraction = 0.406,
    n2o_ef5 = 0.011,
    nitrogen_fracleach = 0.02
  )
)
```

```
)
```

calc_n2o_manure_total *Calculate total Nitrous Oxide (N2O) emissions from manure*

Description

Aggregates direct and indirect nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions from manure, by manure management system group (deposited on pasture, burned for fuel, and all other systems). Indirect emissions include contributions from volatilization and from leaching and runoff.

Usage

```
calc_n2o_manure_total(
  n2o_manure_pasture_vol,
  n2o_manure_pasture_leach,
  n2o_manure_burned_vol,
  n2o_manure_burned_leach,
  n2o_manure_other_vol,
  n2o_manure_other_leach,
  n2o_manure_pasture_direct,
  n2o_manure_burned_direct,
  n2o_manure_other_direct
)
```

Arguments

n2o_manure_pasture_vol
 Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions resulting from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH3 and NOx) from manure deposited on pasture (kg N2O/head/day).

n2o_manure_pasture_leach
 Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions resulting from leaching and runoff of manure nitrogen from manure deposited on pasture (kg N2O/head/day).

n2o_manure_burned_vol
 Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions resulting from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH3 and NOx) from manure burned for fuel (kg N2O/head/day).

n2o_manure_burned_leach
 Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions resulting from leaching and runoff of manure nitrogen from manure burned for fuel (kg N2O/head/day).

n2o_manure_other_vol
 Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions resulting from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH3 and NOx) from manure management systems, excluding manure deposited on pasture and manure burned for fuel (kg N2O/head/day).

n2o_manure_other_leach	Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions resulting from leaching and runoff of manure nitrogen from manure management systems, excluding losses from manure deposited on pasture and manure burned for fuel (kg N2O/head/day).
n2o_manure_pasture_direct	Numeric. Direct nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions from manure deposited on pasture (kg N2O/head/day).
n2o_manure_burned_direct	Numeric. Direct nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions from manure burned for fuel (kg N2O/head/day).
n2o_manure_other_direct	Numeric. Direct nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions from manure management systems, excluding emissions from manure deposited on pasture and burned for fuel (kg N2O/head/day).

Details

The following aggregations are applied:

$$n2o_manure_pasture_indirect = n2o_vol_manure_pasture + n2o_leach_manure_pasture$$

$$n2o_manure_burned_indirect = n2o_vol_manure_burned + n2o_leach_manure_burned$$

$$n2o_manure_other_indirect = n2o_vol_manure_other + n2o_leach_manure_other$$

$$n2o_manure_pasture_total = n2o_manure_pasture_indirect + n2o_manure_pasture_direct$$

$$n2o_manure_burned_total = n2o_manure_burned_indirect + n2o_manure_burned_direct$$

$$n2o_manure_other_total = n2o_manure_other_indirect + n2o_manure_other_direct$$

Value

A named list with:

n2o_manure_pasture_indirect Numeric. Total indirect nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions from manure deposited on pasture. Includes emissions from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH3 and NOx) and from leaching and runoff of manure nitrogen (kg N2O/head/day).

n2o_manure_burned_indirect Numeric. Total indirect nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions originating from manure burned for fuel. Includes emissions from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH3 and NOx) and from leaching and runoff of manure nitrogen (kg N2O/head/day).

n2o_manure_other_indirect Numeric. Total indirect nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions originating from manure management systems, excluding manure deposited on pasture and manure burned for fuel. Includes emissions from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH3 and NOx) and from leaching and runoff of manure nitrogen (kg N2O/head/day).

n2o_manure_pasture_total Numeric. Total nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions from manure deposited on pasture. Includes direct emissions and indirect emissions from volatilisation, leaching, and runoff (kg N2O/head/day).

n2o_manure_burned_total Numeric. Total nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions from manure burned for fuel. Includes direct emissions and indirect emissions from volatilisation, leaching, and runoff (kg N2O/head/day).

n2o_manure_other_total Numeric. Total nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions from manure management systems, excluding manure deposited on pasture and manure burned for fuel. Includes direct emissions and indirect emissions from volatilisation, leaching, and runoff (kg N₂O/head/day).

This function is part of the `run_emissions_manure_module()`.

See Also

`run_emissions_manure_module`

Examples

```
calc_n2o_manure_total(  
  n2o_manure_pasture_vol = 0.0129,  
  n2o_manure_pasture_leach = 0.0012,  
  n2o_manure_burned_vol = 0,  
  n2o_manure_burned_leach = 0,  
  n2o_manure_other_vol = 0.052,  
  n2o_manure_other_leach = 0.00027,  
  n2o_manure_pasture_direct = 0.009,  
  n2o_manure_burned_direct = 0,  
  n2o_manure_other_direct = 0.01033  
)
```

calc_n2o_manure_volatilization

Calculate indirect Nitrous Oxide (N₂O) emissions from manure volatilization

Description

Calculates daily indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions resulting from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH₃-N and NO_x-N) from manure management systems and separates emissions from manure deposited on pasture, manure burned for fuel, and all other manure management systems.

Usage

```
calc_n2o_manure_volatilization(  
  ratio_N2ON_to_N2O = 44/28,  
  nitrogen_excretion,  
  ...  
)
```

Arguments

- ratio_N2ON_to_N2O
 Numeric. Conversion factor from kg N2O–N to kg N2O, based on molecular weights. Defaults to 44/28.
- nitrogen_excretion
 Numeric. Daily nitrogen excretion (kg N/head/day).
- ...
 A variable number of manure management system (MMS) arguments. Each MMS must be provided as a named numeric vector with exactly the following fields:
- manure_management_system_fraction** Numeric. Fraction of total manure excreted by animals in a given herd and cohort that is handled in a specific manure management system. Values ranges from 0 to 1. The sum of all fractions for each herd_id must equal 1.
- n2o_ef4** Numeric. Emission factor for indirect nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions resulting from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH3–N and NOx–N) onto soils and water surfaces (kg N2O–N per kg NH3–N + NOx–N). Default values can be selected from Table 11.3 in IPCC Guidelines (IPCC 2006, 2019).
- nitrogen_fracgas** Numeric. Fraction of manure nitrogen excreted by a given livestock category that is lost through volatilisation as ammonia (NH3) and nitrogen oxides (NOx) within a specific manure management system. This parameter represents the share of excreted nitrogen that is mineralised and released to the atmosphere during manure collection, storage, and treatment. It is expressed as a dimensionless fraction (0–1). Default values are provided in Table 10.22 of IPCC Guidelines (IPCC 2006, 2019).
- Two MMS names are treated explicitly when present:
- mms_pasture Manure deposited on pasture.
- mms_burned Manure burned for fuel.
- All remaining MMS arguments are grouped and treated as other manure management systems.

Details

This calculation follows the Tier 2 methodology for indirect N2O emissions from manure management as defined in the IPCC Guidelines in Equations 10.26 (IPCC, 2006, 2019), 10.27 (IPCC, 2006) and 10.28 (IPCC, 2019).

In the IPCC formulation, indirect emissions from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen are calculated as:

$$N2O_{G(mm)} = \frac{44}{28} \sum_S (N \times AWMS_S \times FracGas_S \times EF4)$$

where:

$N2O_{G(mm)}$ Indirect N2O emissions due to volatilization of N from Manure Management.

44/28 Conversion factor from N2O-N to N2O.

N Nitrogen excreted (kg N).

$AWMS_S$ Fraction of excreted nitrogen managed in manure management system S .

$FracGas_S$ Fraction of nitrogen volatilised as NH_3-N and NO_x-N in manure management system S .

$EF4$ Emission factor for indirect N_2O emissions from atmospheric deposition (kg N_2O-N per kg $NH_3-N + NO_x-N$).

In this implementation, calculations are performed at daily, per-head resolution using `nitrogen_excretion` (kg N/head/day):

$$N_2O = nitrogen_excretion \times ratio_N2ON_to_N2O \times \sum_S (manure_management_system_fraction \times nitrogen_fracgas \times n2o_ef4)$$

This function is part of the `run_emissions_manure_module()`.

Value

A named list with the following elements:

n2o_manure_pasture_vol Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N_2O) emissions resulting from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH_3 and NO_x) from manure deposited on pasture (kg N_2O /head/day).

n2o_manure_burned_vol Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N_2O) emissions resulting from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH_3 and NO_x) from manure burned for fuel (kg N_2O /head/day).

n2o_manure_other_vol Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N_2O) emissions resulting from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH_3 and NO_x) from manure management systems, excluding manure deposited on pasture and manure burned for fuel (kg N_2O /head/day).

n2o_manure_all_noburn_vol Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N_2O) emissions resulting from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH_3 and NO_x) from manure management systems, excluding losses from manure burned for fuel (kg N_2O /head/day).

References

IPCC. (2019). *2019 Refinement to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*, Chapter 10: Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management. Equation 10.26; 10.28.

IPCC. (2006). *2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*, Chapter 10: Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management. Equation 10.26; 10.27.

See Also

`run_emissions_manure_module`

Examples

```

calc_n2o_manure_volatilization(
  ratio_N20N_to_N20 = 44 / 28,
  nitrogen_excretion = 0.9,
  mms_burned = c(
    manure_management_system_fraction = 0.020,
    n2o_ef4 = 0.14,
    nitrogen_fracgas = 0
  ),
  mms_drylot = c(
    manure_management_system_fraction = 0.264,
    n2o_ef4 = 0.14,
    nitrogen_fracgas = 0.3
  ),
  mms_pasture = c(
    manure_management_system_fraction = 0.310,
    n2o_ef4 = 0.14,
    nitrogen_fracgas = 0.21
  ),
  mms_solid = c(
    manure_management_system_fraction = 0.406,
    n2o_ef4 = 0.14,
    nitrogen_fracgas = 0.45
  )
)

```

calc_n2o_ration_crop_residues

Calculate a ration component's contribution to nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions from crop residues decomposition

Description

Calculates the contribution of an individual feed component to nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions from crop residues decomposition in feed production, using feed-specific emission factors weighted by the component's share in the ration.

Usage

```
calc_n2o_ration_crop_residues(feed_ration_fraction, n2o_feed_crop_residues)
```

Arguments

feed_ration_fraction

Numeric. Proportion of a specific feed component in the total ration, expressed as its fraction of diet dry matter intake (fraction). Within each herd_id and cohort, proportions should sum to 1.

n2o_feed_crop_residues

Numeric. Nitrous oxide (N₂O) emission factor of a feed component, representing N₂O emissions from crop residues decomposition in feed production, expressed per kg of dry matter intake (g N₂O/kg DM).

Details

The contribution is computed as:

$$\text{diet_n2o_feed_crop_residues} = \text{feed_ration_fraction} \times \text{n2o_feed_crop_residues}$$

This function is part of the [run_emissions_ration_module\(\)](#).

Value

Numeric. Contribution of an individual feed component to the diet-level average nitrous oxide (N₂O) emission factor from crop residues decomposition in feed production (g N₂O/kg DM).

See Also

[run_emissions_ration_module](#)

calc_n2o_ration_fertilizer

Calculate a ration component's contribution to nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions from fertilizer use

Description

Calculates the contribution of an individual feed component to nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions from synthetic fertilizer in feed production, using feed-specific emission factors weighted by the component's share in the ration.

Usage

```
calc_n2o_ration_fertilizer(feed_ration_fraction, n2o_feed_fertilizer)
```

Arguments

feed_ration_fraction

Numeric. Proportion of a specific feed component in the total ration, expressed as its fraction of diet dry matter intake (fraction). Within each herd_id and cohort, proportions should sum to 1.

n2o_feed_fertilizer

Numeric. Nitrous oxide (N₂O) emission factor of a feed component, representing N₂O emissions from fertilizer use in feed production, expressed per kg of dry matter intake (g N₂O/kg DM).

Details

The contribution is computed as:

$$\text{diet_n2o_feed_fertilizer} = \text{feed_ration_fraction} \times \text{n2o_feed_fertilizer}$$

This function is part of the [run_emissions_ration_module\(\)](#).

Value

Numeric. Contribution of an individual feed component to the diet-level average nitrous oxide (N2O) emission factor from fertilizer use in feed production (g N2O/kg DM).

See Also

[run_emissions_ration_module](#)

calc_n2o_ration_manure

Calculate a ration component's contribution to nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions from manure application and deposition

Description

Calculates the contribution of an individual feed component to nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions from manure application to or deposition on soil in feed production, using feed-specific emission factors weighted by the component's share in the ration.

Usage

```
calc_n2o_ration_manure(feed_ration_fraction, n2o_feed_manure_applied)
```

Arguments

feed_ration_fraction

Numeric. Proportion of a specific feed component in the total ration, expressed as its fraction of diet dry matter intake (fraction). Within each herd_id and cohort, proportions should sum to 1.

n2o_feed_manure_applied

Numeric. Nitrous oxide (N2O) emission factor of a feed component, representing N2O emissions from manure applied to or deposited on soil in feed production, expressed per kg of dry matter intake (g N2O/kg DM).

Details

The contribution is computed as:

$$\text{diet_n2o_feed_manure_applied} = \text{feed_ration_fraction} \times \text{n2o_feed_manure_applied}$$

This function is part of the [run_emissions_ration_module\(\)](#).

Value

Numeric. Contribution of an individual feed component to the diet-level average nitrous oxide (N₂O) emission factor from manure applied to or deposited on soil in feed production (g N₂O/kg DM).

See Also

[run_emissions_ration_module](#)

calc_nitrogen_excretion

Calculate daily nitrogen excretion

Description

Calculates daily nitrogen excretion per animal (kg N/head/day) as the difference between nitrogen intake and nitrogen retention.

Usage

```
calc_nitrogen_excretion(species_short, nitrogen_intake, nitrogen_retention)
```

Arguments

species_short Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include:

- PGS: pigs
- CML: camels
- CTL: cattle
- BFL: buffalo
- SHP: sheep
- GTS: goats

nitrogen_intake

Numeric. Daily nitrogen intake (kg N/head/day).

nitrogen_retention

Numeric. Daily nitrogen retention in animal body tissues and products (e.g., growth, pregnancy, milk...) (kg N/head/day).

Details

Nitrogen excretion represents the fraction of consumed nitrogen that is not retained in animal tissues or products and is therefore excreted in urine and dung.

Nitrogen excretion is calculated as:

$$\text{nitrogen_excretion} = \text{nitrogen_intake} - \text{nitrogen_retention}$$

where all quantities are expressed in kg N/head/day.

This quantity forms the basis for subsequent calculations of nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions from manure management under the IPCC Tier 2 methodology.

Value

Numeric. Daily nitrogen excretion (kg N/head/day).

References

IPCC. (2019). *2019 Refinement to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*, Chapter 10: Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management. Equation 10.31A.

This function is part of the [run_nitrogen_balance_module\(\)](#).

See Also

[run_nitrogen_balance_module](#), [calc_nitrogen_retention](#)

calc_nitrogen_intake *Calculate daily nitrogen intake*

Description

Calculates the daily nitrogen intake per head (kg N/head/day) as the product of feed dry matter intake (DMI) and diet nitrogen content.

Usage

```
calc_nitrogen_intake(ration_intake, ration_nitrogen)
```

Arguments

ration_intake Numeric. Average daily dry matter intake of feed (kg DM/head/day).

ration_nitrogen

Numeric. Average nitrogen content of diet (kg N/kg DM).

Details

This approach follows the IPCC Tier 2 approach and estimates `ration_intake` as follows:

$$\text{nitrogen_intake} = \text{dry_matter_intake} \times \text{diet_nitrogen}$$

This function is part of the [run_nitrogen_balance_module\(\)](#).

Value

Numeric. Daily nitrogen intake (kg N/head/day).

References

IPCC. (2019). *2019 Refinement to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*, Chapter 10: Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management. Equation 10.32.

IPCC. (2006). *2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*, Chapter 10: Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management. Equation 10.32.

See Also

[run_nitrogen_balance_module](#), [calc_ration_intake](#), [run_metabolic_energy_req_module](#),
[calc_ration_nitrogen_content](#), [run_ration_quality_module](#)

calc_nitrogen_retention

Calculate daily nitrogen retention

Description

Calculates daily nitrogen retention per animal by species and cohort (kg N/head/day). Nitrogen retention represents the portion of consumed nitrogen that is incorporated into animal products or body tissues.

Usage

```
calc_nitrogen_retention(
  species_short,
  cohort_short,
  milk_protein_fraction = NA_real_,
  milk_yield_day = NA_real_,
  daily_weight_gain = NA_real_,
  fibre_yield_year = NA_real_,
  litter_size = NA_real_,
  parturition_rate = NA_real_,
  live_weight_at_weaning = NA_real_,
  live_weight_at_birth = NA_real_,
  pregnancy_duration = NA_real_,
  cohort_duration_days = NA_real_
)
```

Arguments

species_short Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include:

- PGS: pigs
- CML: camels
- CTL: cattle
- BFL: buffalo
- SHP: sheep
- GTS: goats

cohort_short Character. Sex- and age-specific cohort code describing the production stage of the animals. Supported values include:

- FA: adult females (from age at first parturition)
- FS: sub-adult females (from weaning to age at first parturition)

- FJ: juvenile females (from birth to weaning)
- MA: adult males (from age at first breeding)
- MS: sub-adult males (from weaning to age at first breeding)
- MJ: juvenile males (from birth to weaning)

milk_protein_fraction
 Numeric. Milk protein fraction (kg protein / kg milk). Required only for species = CML, CTL, BFL, SHP, and GTS.

milk_yield_day
 Numeric. Average milk yield per milk-producing animal during the assessment duration (kg/head/day). This value is calculated as the total quantity of milk produced for human consumption by milk-producing animals during the assessment period, divided by the number of milk-producing animals, and the length of the assessment period (days). Required only for species = CML, CTL, BFL, SHP, and GTS.

daily_weight_gain
 Numeric. Average live weight gain of the cohort over the cohort stage (kg/head/day).

fibre_yield_year
 Numeric. Annual production yield of fibre, such as wool, cashmere, mohair (kg/head/year). Required only for species = CML, SHP, and GTS.

litter_size
 Numeric. Average number of offspring born per parturition (# offsprings/parturition). This value can be calculated as the total number of offspring born divided by the total number of parturitions during the year.

parturition_rate
 Numeric. Average annual number of parturitions per female animal (# parturitions/adult female/year). A herd-level reproductive performance indicator calculated as the total number of parturitions (deliveries) occurring during a year divided by the number of adult females potentially able to give birth during that year.

live_weight_at_weaning
 Numeric. Live weight of the animal at weaning (kg).

live_weight_at_birth
 Numeric. Live weight of the animal at birth (kg).

pregnancy_duration
 Numeric. Duration of pregnancy period (days).

cohort_duration_days
 Numeric. Amount of time that each animal spends in a specific cohort (days).

Details

Species-specific nitrogen retention calculations are applied.

For CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS, and CML:

Nitrogen retained in products and tissues is computed consistent with the process described in the Technical paper from MPI (Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI), 2025), where nitrogen retention is calculated as the sum of:

- nitrogen secreted in milk,
- nitrogen retained in live weight gain (tissue),

- nitrogen retained in fibre (for fibre-producing species).

Coefficients for nitrogen content of deposited tissue, fibre, and milk are derived from Chapter 5 (Nitrogen Excretion) of the MPI Technical paper.

The following constants are used:

- **Tissue nitrogen content** (tissue_n)
 - CTL and BFL: **0.0326 kg N/kg live weight**
 - SHP, GTS and CML: **0.026 kg N/kg live weight**
- **Fibre nitrogen content** (fibre_n)
 - SHP, GTS and CML: **0.134 kg N/kg fibre**
- **Milk nitrogen content** (milk_n):
 - CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and CML: derived from milk_protein_fraction using a protein-to-nitrogen conversion factor of **6.25 kg protein/kg nitrogen**

For PGS

Nitrogen retention is calculated following the IPCC (2019) Tier 2 equations for swine (Equations 10.33A and 10.33B).

Nitrogen retention includes nitrogen retained in:

- live weight gain (tissue),
- reproductive outputs (conceptus and weaned offspring).

In this implementation:

- Nitrogen content of live weight gain is assumed to be **0.025 kg N/kg live weight**.
- Protein digestibility fraction is assumed to be **0.98 (dimensionless)**.
- For breeding cohorts, the reproductive component is represented by annual nitrogen retention in conceptus and weaned offspring, expressed as a daily average by distributing the annual value uniformly over the year (365 days).
- A constant factor of **0.806 (dimensionless)** is applied to piglets' live weight gain to correct for their higher nitrogen content per unit of live weight gain, following IPCC (2019).

This function is part of the `run_nitrogen_balance_module()`.

Value

Numeric. Daily nitrogen retention in animal body tissues and products (e.g., growth, pregnancy, milk...) (kg N/head/day)

References

Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI). (2025). *Detailed methodologies for agricultural greenhouse gas emission calculation: Methodology for calculation of New Zealand's agricultural greenhouse gas emissions* (Version 11). MPI Technical Paper, Wellington, New Zealand. Chapter 5.

IPCC. (2019). *2019 Refinement to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*, Chapter 10: Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management. Equation 10.33A, 10.33B.

IPCC. (2006). *2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*, Chapter 10: Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management. Equation 10.33.

See Also

[run_nitrogen_balance_module](#)

calc_projected_population_size

Calculate one year of steady-state population dynamics

Description

Calculates one year of population dynamics under steady-state assumptions using demographic parameters and returns population size statistics and offtake results. The steady state is defined as a constant sex–age cohort structure over time, with population size potentially growing or declining at a constant rate.

Usage

```
calc_projected_population_size(
  herd_size_total,
  fecundity_female,
  fecundity_male,
  probability_death,
  probability_offtake,
  probability_growth,
  growth_rate_herd,
  herd_structure,
  cohort_share
)
```

Arguments

herd_size_total
 Numeric. Total population size at the start of the year, including all cohorts (# heads)

fecundity_female
 Numeric. Daily number of female offspring per adult female (# offspring/day)

fecundity_male
 Numeric. Daily number of male offspring per adult female (# offspring/day)

probability_death
 Named numeric vector of length 10. Probability of animal dying within the model time interval for 10 cohorts (fraction) (cohorts= FB: Female Birth, FJ: Female Juvenile, FS: Female Sub-adult, FA: Female Adult, FC: Female Culling, MB: Male Birth, MJ: Male Juvenile, MS: Male Sub-adult, MA: Male Adult, MC: Male Culling).

probability_offtake
 Named numeric vector of length 10. Probability that an animal will be removed from the herd within the model time interval for 10 cohorts (fraction). (cohorts= FB: Female Birth, FJ: Female Juvenile, FS: Female Sub-adult, FA: Female Adult,

FC: Female Culling, MB: Male Birth, MJ: Male Juvenile, MS: Male Sub-adult, MA: Male Adult, MC: Male Culling).

probability_growth

Named numeric vector of length 10. Probability of growing into the next age class for 10 cohorts (fraction) (cohorts= FB: Female Birth, FJ: Female Juvenile, FS: Female Sub-adult, FA: Female Adult, FC: Female Culling, MB: Male Birth, MJ: Male Juvenile, MS: Male Sub-adult, MA: Male Adult, MC: Male Culling).

growth_rate_herd

Numeric. Annualized growth rate at which the herd reaches steady state (fraction)

herd_structure Named numeric vector of length 8. Final steady-state share of each of 8 sex-age cohorts (FB, FJ, FS, FA, MB, MJ, MS, MA) (fraction). Shares should sum to 1.

cohort_share Named numeric vector of length 6. Final steady-state share of 6 grouped sex-age cohorts (FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA, where FJ = FB + FJ and MJ = MB + MJ) (fraction). Shares should sum to 1.

Value

A named list with:

cohort_stock_start Numeric vector of length 6. Population size in each of the 6 sex-age cohorts at the start of the year (# heads). (cohorts= FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA)

cohort_stock_end_projected Numeric vector of length 6. Population size in each of the 6 sex-age cohorts at the end of the year, projected using the steady-state growth rate (# heads). (cohorts= FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA)

cohort_stock_end_exact_simulated Numeric vector of length 10. Population size in each of 10 sex-age cohort at the end of the year, based on a demographic daily simulation over 365 days (# heads) (cohorts= FB: Female Birth, FJ: Female Juvenile, FS: Female Sub-adult, FA: Female Adult, FC: Female Culling, MB: Male Birth, MJ: Male Juvenile, MS: Male Sub-adult, MA: Male Adult, MC: Male Culling)

cohort_stock_average Numeric vector of length 6. Average population size in each of the 6 sex-age cohorts over the year (# heads). Estimated from cohort_stock_start and cohort_stock_end_projected (cohorts= FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA)

cohort_offtake_heads Numeric vector of length 10. Total number of animals removed from the herd over the year, by 10 sex-age cohorts (heads/year) (cohorts= FB: Female Birth, FJ: Female Juvenile, FS: Female Sub-adult, FA: Female Adult, FC: Female Culling, MB: Male Birth, MJ: Male Juvenile, MS: Male Sub-adult, MA: Male Adult, MC: Male Culling)

This function is part of the [run_demographic_herd_module\(\)](#).

See Also

[run_demographic_herd_module\(\)](#)

calc_ration_ash	<i>Calculate diet ash contribution for a ration component</i>
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Description

Calculates the contribution of a single feed component to diet ash content by weighting feed ash content by its ration composition share.

Usage

```
calc_ration_ash(feed_ration_fraction, feed_ash)
```

Arguments

feed_ration_fraction	Numeric. Proportion of a specific feed component in the total ration, expressed as its fraction of diet dry matter intake (fraction). Within each herd_id and cohort, proportions should sum to 1.
feed_ash	Numeric. Average ash content by feed component, expressed as a fraction of the dry matter intake (g ash/100g DM).

Details

The ash contribution is defined as:

$$ration_ash = feed_ration_fraction \times feed_ash / 100$$

Ash content is expressed as a percentage (g/100g DM); the result is a fraction.

This function is part of the [run_ration_quality_module\(\)](#).

Value

Numeric. Contribution of the feed component to total diet ash content (kg ash/kg DM).

See Also

[run_ration_quality_module](#)

`calc_ration_digestibility`*Calculate diet digestibility contribution for a ration component*

Description

Applies species-specific digestibility parameters to a ration composition share to compute the contribution of a single feed component to total diet digestibility.

Usage

```
calc_ration_digestibility(  
  species_short,  
  feed_ration_fraction,  
  feed_digestibility_fraction_ruminant = NA_real_,  
  feed_digestibility_fraction_pigs = NA_real_  
)
```

Arguments

`species_short` Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include:

- PGS: pigs
- CML: camels
- CTL: cattle
- BFL: buffalo
- SHP: sheep
- GTS: goats

`feed_ration_fraction`

Numeric. Proportion of a specific feed component in the total ration, expressed as its fraction of diet dry matter intake (fraction). Within each `herd_id` and cohort, proportions should sum to 1.

`feed_digestibility_fraction_ruminant`

Numeric. Digestibility of a feed component for ruminants, expressed as the ratio of digestible energy to gross energy content (fraction).

`feed_digestibility_fraction_pigs`

Numeric. Digestibility of a feed component for pigs, expressed as the ratio of digestible energy to gross energy content (fraction).

Details

The digestibility contribution uses the animal-specific digestibility ratio:

- Ruminants (CTL, BFL, CML, SHP, GTS): $\text{feed_ration_fraction} * \text{feed_digestibility_fraction_ruminant}$
- Pigs (PGS): $\text{feed_ration_fraction} * \text{feed_digestibility_fraction_pigs}$

This function is part of the `run_ration_quality_module()`.

Value

Numeric. Contribution of the feed component to total diet digestibility (fraction).

See Also

[run_ration_quality_module](#)

calc_ration_gross_energy

Calculate diet gross energy contribution for a ration component

Description

Computes the contribution of a single feed component to diet gross energy content by weighting feed gross energy by its ration composition share.

Usage

```
calc_ration_gross_energy(feed_ration_fraction, feed_gross_energy)
```

Arguments

feed_ration_fraction

Numeric. Proportion of a specific feed component in the total ration, expressed as its fraction of diet dry matter intake (fraction). Within each herd_id and cohort, proportions should sum to 1.

feed_gross_energy

Numeric. Gross energy content of a feed component, representing the total chemical energy released upon complete combustion of the feed (MJ/kg DM).

Details

The gross energy contribution is defined as:

$$\text{diet_gross_energy} = \text{feed_ration_fraction} \times \text{feed_gross_energy}$$

This function is part of the [run_ration_quality_module\(\)](#).

Value

Numeric. Contribution of the feed component to total diet gross energy content (MJ/kg DM).

See Also

[run_ration_quality_module](#)

calc_ration_intake *Calculate daily ration intake in dry matter*

Description

Calculates daily feed intake as dry matter intake (DMI) per animal (kg DM/head/day) from the animal's daily energy requirement and the diet energy density.

Usage

```
calc_ration_intake(
  species_short,
  metabolic_energy_req_total,
  ration_gross_energy,
  ration_metabolizable_energy
)
```

Arguments

species_short Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include:

- PGS: pigs
- CML: camels
- CTL: cattle
- BFL: buffalo
- SHP: sheep
- GTS: goats

metabolic_energy_req_total

Numeric. Total daily energy requirement (MJ/head/day). For CTL, BFL, SHP and GTS this is expressed as gross energy intake requirement (GE). For CML and PGS the function returns the summed daily metabolizable energy requirement.

ration_gross_energy

Numeric. Average gross energy content of the diet (MJ/kg DM).

ration_metabolizable_energy

Numeric. Average metabolizable energy content of the diet (MJ/kg DM).

Details

This function follows the IPCC Tier 2 framework. DMI is computed by dividing the appropriate daily energy requirement by the corresponding diet energy content (MJ/kg DM).

- **Energy expressed as gross energy intake requirement** - CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS:

$$ration_intake = \frac{metabolic_energy_req_total}{ration_gross_energy}$$

- **Energy expressed as metabolizable energy requirement** - CML, PGS:

$$\text{ration_intake} = \frac{\text{metabolic_energy_req_total}}{\text{ration_metabolizable_energy}}$$

This function is part of the [run_metabolic_energy_req_module\(\)](#).

Value

Numeric. Average daily dry matter intake of feed (kg DM/head/day).

References

IPCC. (2006). *2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*, Volume 4 (AFOLU), Chapter 10: *Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management*.

IPCC. (2019). *2019 Refinement to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*, Volume 4 (AFOLU), Chapter 10: *Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management*.

See Also

[run_metabolic_energy_req_module](#), [calc_total_metabolic_energy_req](#) [calc_ration_gross_energy](#)
[calc_ration_metabolizable_energy](#)

calc_ration_metabolizable_energy

Calculate diet metabolizable energy contribution for a ration component

Description

Applies species-specific metabolizable energy parameters to a ration composition share to compute the contribution of a single feed component to total diet metabolizable energy content.

Usage

```
calc_ration_metabolizable_energy(  
  species_short,  
  feed_ration_fraction,  
  feed_metabolizable_energy_ruminant = NA_real_,  
  feed_metabolizable_energy_pigs = NA_real_  
)
```

Arguments

- `species_short` Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include:
- PGS: pigs
 - CML: camels
 - CTL: cattle
 - BFL: buffalo
 - SHP: sheep
 - GTS: goats
- `feed_ration_fraction`
Numeric. Proportion of a specific feed component in the total ration, expressed as its fraction of diet dry matter intake (fraction). Within each `herd_id` and cohort, proportions should sum to 1.
- `feed_metabolizable_energy_ruminant`
Numeric. Metabolizable energy content of a feed component for ruminants, representing digestible energy minus energy losses in urine and gaseous products of digestion (MJ/kg DM).
- `feed_metabolizable_energy_pigs`
Numeric. Metabolizable energy content of a feed component for pigs, representing digestible energy minus energy losses in urine and gaseous products of digestion (MJ/kg DM).

Details

The metabolizable energy contribution uses the animal-specific parameter:

- Ruminants (CTL, BFL, CML, SHP, GTS): $\text{feed_ration_fraction} * \text{feed_metabolizable_energy_ruminant}$
- Pigs (PGS): $\text{feed_ration_fraction} * \text{feed_metabolizable_energy_pigs}$

This function is part of the [run_ration_quality_module\(\)](#).

Value

Numeric. Contribution of the feed component to total diet metabolizable energy content (MJ/kg DM).

See Also

[run_ration_quality_module](#)

 calc_ration_nitrogen_content

Calculate diet nitrogen contribution for a ration component

Description

Calculates the contribution of a single feed component to diet nitrogen content by weighting feed nitrogen content by its ration composition share.

Usage

```
calc_ration_nitrogen_content(feed_ration_fraction, feed_nitrogen_content)
```

Arguments

feed_ration_fraction

Numeric. Proportion of a specific feed component in the total ration, expressed as its fraction of diet dry matter intake (fraction). Within each herd_id and cohort, proportions should sum to 1.

feed_nitrogen_content

Numeric. Nitrogen content of a feed component (kg N/kg DM).

Details

The nitrogen contribution is defined as:

$$diet_nitrogen = feed_ration_fraction \times feed_nitrogen_content$$

Value

Numeric. Contribution of the feed component to total diet nitrogen content (kg N/kg DM).

 calc_ration_urinary_energy_fraction

Calculate urinary energy fraction contribution for a ration component

Description

Applies species-specific urinary energy fractions to a ration composition share to compute the contribution of a feed component to urinary energy losses.

Usage

```
calc_ration_urinary_energy_fraction(  
  species_short,  
  feed_ration_fraction,  
  feed_urinary_energy_ruminant = NA_real_,  
  feed_urinary_energy_pigs = NA_real_  
)
```

Arguments

`species_short` Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include:

- PGS: pigs
- CML: camels
- CTL: cattle
- BFL: buffalo
- SHP: sheep
- GTS: goats

`feed_ration_fraction`

Numeric. Proportion of a specific feed component in the total ration, expressed as its fraction of diet dry matter intake (fraction). Within each herd_id and cohort, proportions should sum to 1.

`feed_urinary_energy_ruminant`

Numeric. Fraction of feed's gross energy that is excreted in urine for ruminants (fraction).

`feed_urinary_energy_pigs`

Numeric. Fraction of feed's gross energy that is excreted in urine for pigs (fraction).

Details

The urinary energy fraction contribution uses the animal-specific parameter:

- Ruminants (CTL, BFL, CML, SHP, GTS): $\text{feed_ration_fraction} * \text{feed_urinary_energy_ruminant}$
- Pigs (PGS): $\text{feed_ration_fraction} * \text{feed_urinary_energy_pigs}$

This function is part of the [run_ration_quality_module\(\)](#).

Value

Numeric. Contribution of the feed component to the fraction of total diet gross energy that is excreted in urine (fraction).

See Also

[run_ration_quality_module](#)

calc_reg_growth	<i>Calculate the ratio of net energy available for growth in the diet (REG – Net Energy for Growth / Digestible Energy)</i>
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Description

Calculates the ratio of net energy available for growth to digestible energy consumed (fraction), which represents the efficiency with which digestible energy in the diet is converted into net energy retained as body tissue.

Usage

```
calc_reg_growth(species_short, ration_digestibility_fraction = NA_real_)
```

Arguments

`species_short` Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include:

- PGS: pigs
- CML: camels
- CTL: cattle
- BFL: buffalo
- SHP: sheep
- GTS: goats

`ration_digestibility_fraction`

Numeric. Average digestibility of the feed ration, expressed as ratio of digestible to gross energy content (fraction).

Details

This component follows the IPCC Tier 2 partitioning approach and returns REG for ruminants (CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS) as:

$$net_energy_growth_digestible_energy_ratio = 1.164 - 0.005160 \times diet_digestibility_fraction \times 100 + 0.00001308 \times ($$

For Other species REG is not applicable and the function returns NA_real_.

This function is part of the [run_metabolic_energy_req_module\(\)](#).

Value

Numeric. Ratio of net energy available for growth in the diet to digestible energy consumed (fraction).

References

Gibbs M.J., Johnson D.E. (1993) *Livestock Emissions*. In: International Methane Emissions. Washington, D.C., U.S.A: US Environmental Protection Agency, Climate Change Division.

IPCC. (2019). *2019 Refinement to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*, Chapter 10: Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management, Equation 10.15.

IPCC. (2006). *2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*, Chapter 10: Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management, Equation 10.15.

See Also

[run_metabolic_energy_req_module](#), [calc_ration_digestibility](#), [calc_total_metabolic_energy_req](#), [calc_ration_intake](#)

calc_rem_maintenance	<i>Calculate ratio of net energy available for maintenance in the diet (REM - Net Energy for Maintenance / Digestible Energy)</i>
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Description

Calculates the ratio of net energy available in the diet for maintenance to digestible energy.

Usage

```
calc_rem_maintenance(species_short, ration_digestibility_fraction = NA_real_)
```

Arguments

`species_short` Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include:

- PGS: pigs
- CML: camels
- CTL: cattle
- BFL: buffalo
- SHP: sheep
- GTS: goats

`ration_digestibility_fraction`

Numeric. Average digestibility of the feed ration, expressed as ratio of digestible to gross energy content (fraction).

Details

This component follows the IPCC Tier 2 partitioning approach and it returns the value for ruminants (CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS) calculated as follows:

$$net_energy_maintenance_digestible_energy_ratio = 1.123 - 0.004092 \times (diet_digestibility_fraction \times 100) + 0.0000$$

For the Other species REM is not applicable and the function returns NA_real_.

This function is part of the [run_metabolic_energy_req_module\(\)](#).

Value

Numeric. Ratio of net energy available for maintenance in the diet to digestible energy consumed (fraction).

References

Gibbs M.J., Johnson D.E. (1993) *Livestock Emissions*. In: International Methane Emissions. Washington, D.C., U.S.A: US Environmental Protection Agency, Climate Change Division.

IPCC. (2019). *2019 Refinement to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*, Chapter 10: Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management, Equation 10.14.

IPCC. (2006). *2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*, Chapter 10: Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management, Equation 10.14.

See Also

[run_metabolic_energy_req_module](#), [calc_ration_digestibility](#), [calc_total_metabolic_energy_req](#), [calc_ration_intake](#)

calc_steady_state_structure

Calculate steady-state population structure

Description

Calculates population dynamics over time until a steady state is reached. The steady state is defined as a constant sex–age cohort structure over time, with population size potentially growing or declining at a constant rate. Tracks sex–age cohort structure and population growth based on survival, offtake, and fecundity parameters.

Usage

```
calc_steady_state_structure(  
  initial_herd_structure,  
  max_simulation_years,  
  min_lambda_change,  
  fecundity_female,  
  fecundity_male,  
  probability_death,  
  probability_offtake,  
  probability_growth  
)
```

Arguments

- initial_herd_structure**
Named numeric vector of length 6. Initial number of individuals in each of the 6 sex-age classes used to bootstrap the steady-state simulation (# heads). These values are used as starting points for the iterative simulation and do not affect the final steady-state results (only convergence speed). Must be named with: FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA.
- max_simulation_years**
Numeric. Maximum number of years to simulate (years).
- min_lambda_change**
Numeric. Convergence threshold for changes in cohort-specific growth rates of sex-age cohort proportions (lambda). Iterations of the herd simulation stop when the absolute change in lambda between successive iterations falls below this threshold.
- fecundity_female**
Numeric. Daily number of female offspring per adult female (# offspring/day)
- fecundity_male** Numeric. Daily number of male offspring per adult female (# offspring/day)
- probability_death**
Named numeric vector of length 10. Probability of animal dying within the model time interval for 10 cohorts (fraction) (cohorts= FB: Female Birth, FJ: Female Juvenile, FS: Female Sub-adult, FA: Female Adult, FC: Female Culling, MB: Male Birth, MJ: Male Juvenile, MS: Male Sub-adult, MA: Male Adult, MC: Male Culling).
- probability_offtake**
Named numeric vector of length 10. Probability that an animal will be removed from the herd within the model time interval for 10 cohorts (fraction). (cohorts= FB: Female Birth, FJ: Female Juvenile, FS: Female Sub-adult, FA: Female Adult, FC: Female Culling, MB: Male Birth, MJ: Male Juvenile, MS: Male Sub-adult, MA: Male Adult, MC: Male Culling).
- probability_growth**
Named numeric vector of length 10. Probability of growing into the next age class for 10 cohorts (fraction) (cohorts= FB: Female Birth, FJ: Female Juvenile, FS: Female Sub-adult, FA: Female Adult, FC: Female Culling, MB: Male Birth, MJ: Male Juvenile, MS: Male Sub-adult, MA: Male Adult, MC: Male Culling).

Value

A named list with:

- days_to_steady_state** Numeric. Number of days required for the herd population structure to converge to a steady state, defined as the point at which successive iterations produce negligible changes in cohort proportions (days)
- herd_structure** Named numeric vector of length 8. Final steady-state share of each of 8 sex-age cohorts (FB, FJ, FS, FA, MB, MJ, MS, MA) (fraction). Shares should sum to 1.
- cohort_share** Named numeric vector of length 6. Final steady-state share of 6 grouped sex-age cohorts (FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA, where FJ = FB + FJ and MJ = MB + MJ) (fraction). Shares should sum to 1.

growth_rate_herd Numeric. Annualized growth rate at which the herd reaches steady state (fraction)

This function is part of the `run_demographic_herd_module()`.

See Also

`run_demographic_herd_module()`

calc_summary_offtake *Summarise offtake and stock Variation for a steady-state year*

Description

Calculates annual offtake quantities and rates, as well as stock variation and their combined values across 6 sex-age classes based on steady-state population projections. The steady state is defined as a constant sex-age cohort structure over time, with population size potentially growing or declining at a constant rate.

Usage

```
calc_summary_offtake(
  cohort_stock_start,
  cohort_stock_end_projected,
  cohort_stock_average,
  cohort_offtake_heads,
  simulation_duration
)
```

Arguments

cohort_stock_start
 Numeric vector of length 6. Population size in each of the 6 sex-age cohorts at the start of the year (# heads). (cohorts= FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA)

cohort_stock_end_projected
 Numeric vector of length 6. Population size in each of the 6 sex-age cohorts at the end of the year, projected using the steady-state growth rate (# heads). (cohorts= FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA)

cohort_stock_average
 Numeric vector of length 6. Average population size in each of the 6 sex-age cohorts over the year (# heads). Estimated from `cohort_stock_start` and `cohort_stock_end_projected` (cohorts= FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA)

cohort_offtake_heads
 Numeric vector of length 10. Total number of animals removed from the herd over the year, by 10 sex-age cohorts (heads/year) (cohorts= FB: Female Birth, FJ: Female Juvenile, FS: Female Sub-adult, FA: Female Adult, FC: Female Culling, MB: Male Birth, MJ: Male Juvenile, MS: Male Sub-adult, MA: Male Adult, MC: Male Culling)

simulation_duration
 Numeric. Length of the assessment period (days)

Value

A named list with:

stock_variation_heads Numeric vector of length 6. Change in population size between the start and end of the year for each sex–age cohort (# heads) (cohorts= FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA).

offtake_heads Numeric vector of length 6. Total number of animals removed via offtake over the year, aggregated to 6 sex–age cohorts (heads/year) (cohorts= FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA)

offtake_heads_assessment Numeric vector of length 6. Total number of animals removed via offtake over the assessment period, aggregated to 6 sex–age cohorts (heads/assessment period) (cohorts= FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA)

offtake_rate_to_stock_start Numeric vector of length 6. Offtake rate relative to the starting population size in each sex–age cohort (fraction) (cohorts= FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA)

offtake_rate_to_stock_average Numeric vector of length 6. Offtake rate relative to the average population size in each sex–age cohort (fraction) (cohorts= FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA)

offtake_stock_variation_heads Numeric vector of length 6. Sum of offtake and stock variation for each sex–age cohort over the year (# heads) (cohorts= FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA)

offtake_stock_plus_variation_rate_to_stock_start Numeric vector of length 6. Offtake plus stock-variation rate relative to starting population size (fraction) (cohorts= FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA)

offtake_stock_plus_variation_rate_to_stock_average Numeric vector of length 6. Offtake plus stock-variation rate relative to average population size (fraction) (cohorts= FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA)

This function is part of the [run_demographic_herd_module\(\)](#).

See Also

[run_demographic_herd_module\(\)](#)

calc_total_metabolic_energy_req

Calculate total metabolic energy requirements

Description

Calculates the total daily energy requirement (MJ/head/day) by summing relevant energy partitions (maintenance, activity, lactation, work, pregnancy, growth, fibre, egg deposition).

Usage

```

calc_total_metabolic_energy_req(
  species_short,
  metabolic_energy_req_maintenance,
  metabolic_energy_req_activity,
  metabolic_energy_req_lactation,
  metabolic_energy_req_work,
  metabolic_energy_req_pregnancy,
  net_energy_maintenance_digestible_energy_ratio,
  metabolic_energy_req_growth,
  metabolic_energy_req_fibre_production,
  metabolic_energy_req_egg_deposition,
  net_energy_growth_digestible_energy_ratio,
  ration_digestibility_fraction
)

```

Arguments

- `species_short` Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include:
- PGS: pigs
 - CML: camels
 - CTL: cattle
 - BFL: buffalo
 - SHP: sheep
 - GTS: goats
- `metabolic_energy_req_maintenance`
 Numeric. Energy required for maintenance, defined as the amount of energy needed to keep the animal at equilibrium such that body energy is neither gained nor lost (MJ/head/day). Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS.
- `metabolic_energy_req_activity`
 Numeric. Energy required for activity, defined as the amount of energy needed to support animal movement and physical activity (MJ/head/day). Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS.
- `metabolic_energy_req_lactation`
 Numeric. Energy required for lactation (MJ/head/day). Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS.
- `metabolic_energy_req_work`
 Numeric. Energy required for work, used to estimate the energy required for draught power for CTL, BFL and CML (MJ/head/day). Assumed to be 0 for other species. Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS.
- `metabolic_energy_req_pregnancy`
 Numeric. Energy required for pregnancy for pregnant females (MJ/head/day). Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS.

net_energy_maintenance_digestible_energy_ratio	Ratio of net energy available for maintenance in the diet to digestible energy consumed (fraction).
metabolic_energy_req_growth	Numeric. Energy required for growth (i.e., weight gain) (MJ/head/day). Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS.
metabolic_energy_req_fibre_production	Numeric. Energy required for the synthesis of fibre for SHP, GTS and CML. Assumed to be 0 for other species (MJ/head/day). Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS (MJ/head/day).
metabolic_energy_req_egg_deposition	Numeric. Net energy for egg production (MJ/head/day).
net_energy_growth_digestible_energy_ratio	Numeric. Ratio of net energy available for growth in the diet to digestible energy consumed (fraction)
ration_digestibility_fraction	Numeric. Average digestibility of the feed ration, expressed as ratio of digestible to gross energy content (fraction).

Details

This component follows the IPCC Tier 2 partitioning approach and the calculation is computed differently depending on whether species energy requirements are expressed as net or metabolizable energy.

Species-specific approach:

- **Energy requirements expressed as net energy** (CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS)

- CTL **and** BFL:

$$metabolic_energy_req_total = \frac{\left(\frac{metabolic_energy_req_maintenance + metabolic_energy_req_activity + metabolic_energy_req_egg_deposition}{REM} \right)}{net_energy_growth_digestible_energy_ratio}$$

- SHP **and** GTS:

$$metabolic_energy_req_total = \frac{\left(\frac{metabolic_energy_req_maintenance + metabolic_energy_req_activity + metabolic_energy_req_egg_deposition}{REM} \right)}{net_energy_growth_digestible_energy_ratio}$$

- **Energy requirements expressed as metabolizable energy** (CML, PGS)

For these species, the total daily requirement is computed as the **direct sum** of relevant energy components (MJ/head/day).

- CML:

$$metabolic_energy_req_total = metabolic_energy_req_maintenance + metabolic_energy_req_activity + metabolic_energy_req_egg_deposition$$

- PGS:

$$metabolic_energy_req_total = metabolic_energy_req_maintenance + metabolic_energy_req_activity + metabolic_energy_req_egg_deposition$$

This function is part of the `run_metabolic_energy_req_module()`.

Value

Numeric. Total daily energy requirement (MJ/head/day). For CTL, BFL, SHP and GTS this is expressed as gross energy intake requirement (GE). For CML and PGS the function returns the summed daily metabolizable energy requirement.

References

IPCC. (2019). *2019 Refinement to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*, Chapter 10: Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management, Equation 10.16.

IPCC. (2006). *2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*, Chapter 10: Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management, Equation 10.16.

See Also

[run_metabolic_energy_req_module](#), [calc_metabolic_energy_req_maintenance](#) [calc_metabolic_energy_req_acti](#)
[calc_metabolic_energy_req_growth](#) [calc_metabolic_energy_req_lactation](#) [calc_metabolic_energy_req_work](#)
[calc_metabolic_energy_req_fibre](#) [calc_metabolic_energy_req_pregnancy](#) [calc_rem_maintenance](#)
[calc_reg_growth](#) [calc_ration_intake](#)

calc_transition_probabilities

Calculate transition probabilities for sex-age classes

Description

Calculates hazard rates and daily transition probabilities (death, offtake, survival, and growth) across different sex-age cohorts. Converts annual inputs to daily hazards, then derives daily probabilities from those hazards.

Usage

calc_transition_probabilities(cohort_duration_days, offtake_rate, death_rate)

Arguments

cohort_duration_days	Numeric vector of length 6. Amount of time that each animal spends in a specific cohort (days).
offtake_rate	Numeric vector of length 6. Annual proportion of animals removed from the herd for each sex-age cohort (fraction).
death_rate	Numeric vector of length 6. Fraction of deaths in a herd over a year for each sex-age cohort (fraction)

Value

A named list with:

hazard_death Numeric vector of length 6. Instantaneous mortality hazard rate for the 6 sex–age cohorts. Represents the risk of death per unit time (day) (cohorts= FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA)

hazard_offtake Numeric vector of length 6. Instantaneous offtake hazard rate for the 6 sex-age cohorts. Represents the risk to leave the herd through planned removals per unit of time (day-1) (cohorts= FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA)

probability_death Named numeric vector of length 10. Probability of animal dying within the model time interval for 10 cohorts (fraction). (cohorts= FB: Female Birth, FJ: Female Juvenile, FS: Female Sub-adult, FA: Female Adult, FC: Female Culling, MB: Male Birth, MJ: Male Juvenile, MS: Male Sub-adult, MA: Male Adult, MC: Male Culling)

probability_offtake Named numeric vector of length 10. Probability that an animal will be removed from the herd within the model time interval for 10 cohorts (fraction). (cohorts= FB: Female Birth, FJ: Female Juvenile, FS: Female Sub-adult, FA: Female Adult, FC: Female Culling, MB: Male Birth, MJ: Male Juvenile, MS: Male Sub-adult, MA: Male Adult, MC: Male Culling)

probability_survival Named numeric vector of length 10. Probability that an animal remains alive in the herd within the model time interval for 10 cohorts (fraction). (cohorts= FB: Female Birth, FJ: Female Juvenile, FS: Female Sub-adult, FA: Female Adult, FC: Female Culling, MB: Male Birth, MJ: Male Juvenile, MS: Male Sub-adult, MA: Male Adult, MC: Male Culling)

probability_growth Named numeric vector of length 10. Probability of growing into the next age class for 10 cohorts (fraction) (cohorts= FB: Female Birth, FJ: Female Juvenile, FS: Female Sub-adult, FA: Female Adult, FC: Female Culling, MB: Male Birth, MJ: Male Juvenile, MS: Male Sub-adult, MA: Male Adult, MC: Male Culling)

This function is part of the [run_demographic_herd_module\(\)](#).

See Also

[run_demographic_herd_module\(\)](#)

calc_volatile_solids *Calculate Volatile Solids (VS)*

Description

Calculates daily volatile solids (VS) excretion in manure (kg VS/head/day). VS represent the organic fraction of manure dry matter, including both biodegradable and non-biodegradable organic material. VS is a key intermediate variable required for estimating methane (CH₄) emissions from manure management systems under IPCC methodologies.

Usage

```
calc_volatile_solids(
  ration_intake,
  ration_digestibility_fraction,
  ration_urinary_energy_fraction,
  ration_ash
)
```

Arguments

`ration_intake` Numeric. Average daily dry matter intake of feed (kg DM/head/day).

`ration_digestibility_fraction` Numeric. Average digestibility of the feed ration, expressed as ratio of digestible to gross energy content (fraction).

`ration_urinary_energy_fraction` Numeric. Fraction of feed's gross energy that is excreted in urine (fraction).

`ration_ash` Numeric. Average ash content of feed, calculated as a fraction of the dry matter intake (kg ash/kg DM).

Details

The IPCC recommends estimating volatile solids (VS) excretion from feed intake and digestibility when country-specific average daily VS excretion rates are not available. The core relationship is provided in **IPCC Equation 10.24 (Volatile solids excretion rates)**, which estimates daily VS excretion as a function of:

- Gross energy intake (`gross_energy_intake`, MJ/day)
- Digestibility of the diet (`ration_digestibility_fraction`)
- Urinary energy expressed as a fraction of GE (`ration_urinary_energy_fraction`)
- Ash content of the diet (`ration_ash`, fraction of dry matter)
- A conversion factor representing the average gross energy content of dry matter (18.45 MJ/kg DM)

The general structure of Eq. 10.24 partitions gross energy intake into digestible energy, urinary losses, and ash, and converts the remaining organic matter into volatile solids using the energy density of dry matter.

Implementation note. This function applies an algebraically simplified formulation from Equation 10.24 of IPCC.

In this implementation, the function takes `ration_intake` directly as an input. It can be calculated upstream with `calc_ration_intake` as a function of energy requirements and the energy content of the diet.

$$dry_matter_intake = \frac{gross_energy_intake}{diet_gross_energy}$$

This reflects the use of ration-specific energy content upstream and avoids assuming a fixed gross energy density of 18.45 MJ/kg DM, as in the IPCC default approach.

The volatile solids excretion is then calculated as:

$$\text{volatile_solids} = \text{dry_matter_intake} \times (1 - \text{diet_digestibility_fraction} + \text{urinary_energy_fraction}) \times (1 - \text{diet_ash})$$

The resulting calculations are algebraically equivalent to the IPCC approach and fully consistent with Equation 10.24.

This function is part of the `run_emissions_manure_module()`.

Value

Numeric. Total volatile solids (VS) excreted per animal per day, representing the organic material in livestock manure and consisting of both biodegradable and non-biodegradable fractions (kg VS/head/day).

References

IPCC. (2019). *2019 Refinement to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*, Chapter 10: Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management. Equation 10.24.

IPCC. (2006). *2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*, Chapter 10: Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management. Equation 10.24.

See Also

`run_emissions_manure_module`

Examples

```
calc_volatile_solids <- calc_volatile_solids(  
  ration_intake = 5,  
  ration_digestibility_fraction = 0.6,  
  ration_urinary_energy_fraction = 0.04,  
  ration_ash = 0.08  
)
```

calc_work_allocation_energy

Calculate work energy requirements (for biophysical allocation)

Description

Calculates the energy required for animal work over the assessment period (MJ/cohort/assessment period), based on the daily energy requirement for work, cohort size, and assessment duration.

Usage

```
calc_work_allocation_energy(
  species_short,
  cohort_stock_size,
  metabolic_energy_req_work,
  simulation_duration,
  ratio_me_to_ne = NA_real_
)
```

Arguments

species_short Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include:

- PGS: pigs
- CML: camels
- CTL: cattle
- BFL: buffalo
- SHP: sheep
- GTS: goats

cohort_stock_size Numeric. Population size in the cohort at the start of the assessment period (heads).

metabolic_energy_req_work Numeric. Energy required for work, used to estimate the energy required for draught power for CTL, BFL and CML. (MJ/head/day) Assumed to be 0 for other species. Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS.

simulation_duration Numeric. Length of the assessment period (days).

ratio_me_to_ne Numeric. Ratio of metabolizable energy converted to net energy (fraction).

Details

This function provides the work-related energy term used in a biophysical allocation framework to apportion emissions between milk and other co-products in multifunctional livestock production systems.

The approach implements the IDF (2022) standard, adapted from Thoma and Nemecek (2020), and is consistent with FAO LEAP livestock LCA guidelines (FAO, 2016a, 2016b, 2016c) and with ISO 14044:2006 (Section 4.3.4.2, Step 2).

In accordance with ISO 14044:2006 (Section 4.3.4.2, Step 2), known processing or biophysical relationships may be used to assign shared inputs and outputs of a single production unit to individual products or sub-units. In livestock systems, this includes apportioning shared feed and energy use according to physiological energy requirements (e.g., net energy for lactation, growth, etc.). If the resulting process remains multifunctional, these energy terms may subsequently be used to derive allocation factors among co-products.

Total work-related energy is computed for species (CTL, BFL, CML) and cohorts (FA, MA) assumed to be potentially involved in draught power generation.

The work_allocation_energy is calculated as follows:

$$energy_allocation_work = energy_requirement_work \times simulation_duration \times cohort_stock_size$$

for cattle (CTL) and buffalo (BFL), and:

$$energy_allocation_work = \frac{energy_requirement_work \times simulation_duration \times cohort_stock_size}{ratio_me_to_ne}$$

for camels (CML).

where metabolic_energy_req_work can be computed using [calc_metabolic_energy_req_work](#) (see also [run_metabolic_energy_req_module](#)).

This function is part of the [run_allocation_module\(\)](#).

Value

Numeric. Energy required to provide all draught power (traction/work) by cohort (MJ/cohort/assessment period). Non-zero values are expected only for draught or work-producing species (CTL, BFL, CML).

References

ISO. (2006). *Environmental management — Life cycle assessment — Requirements and guidelines (ISO 14044:2006)*. International Organization for Standardization, Geneva.

IDF. (2022). *The IDF Global Carbon Footprint Standard for the Dairy Sector*. Bulletin of the IDF No. 520/2022. International Dairy Federation, Brussels.

Thoma, G., and Nemecek, T. (2020). Allocation between milk and meat in dairy LCA: Critical discussion of the IDF's standard methodology. In *Proceedings of the 12th International Conference on Life Cycle Assessment of Food (LCAFood 2020)* (pp. 83–89), 13–16 October, Berlin, Germany.

FAO. (2016a). *Environmental performance of large ruminant supply chains: Guidelines for assessment*. Livestock Environmental Assessment and Performance (LEAP) Partnership. FAO, Rome, Italy.

FAO. (2016b). *Greenhouse gas emissions and fossil energy use from small ruminant supply chains: Guidelines for assessment*. Livestock Environmental Assessment and Performance (LEAP) Partnership. FAO, Rome, Italy.

FAO. (2016c). *Greenhouse gas emissions and fossil energy use from poultry supply chains: Guidelines for assessment*. Livestock Environmental Assessment and Performance (LEAP) Partnership. FAO, Rome, Italy.

See Also

[run_allocation_module](#), [calc_metabolic_energy_req_work](#), [run_metabolic_energy_req_module](#)

 run_aggregation_module

Run Aggregation Module Pipeline

Description

This function generates final herd-level results by aggregating key cohort-level outputs, scaling variables over the assessment duration, allocating emissions to commodities, and converting methane (CH₄) and nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions to CO₂-equivalents (CO₂eq) using selected 100-year Global Warming Potential (GWP-100) factors.

Usage

```
run_aggregation_module(
  cohort_level_data,
  allocation_herd_long,
  simulation_duration = 365,
  global_warming_potential_set = "AR6",
  show_indicator = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

cohort_level_data

data.table. Cohort-level input table with the following data requirement:

herd_id Character. Unique identifier for the herd, repeated for each cohort belonging to the same herd.

species_short Character. Livestock species code. Supported values include:

- CTL: cattle
- BFL: buffalo
- SHP: sheep
- GTS: goats
- PGS: pigs
- CML: camels

cohort_short Character. Sex- and age-specific cohort code. Supported values include:

- FA: adult females
- FS: sub-adult females
- FJ: juvenile females
- MA: adult males
- MS: sub-adult males
- MJ: juvenile males

cohort_stock_size Numeric. Average population size in each of the 6 sex-age cohorts (# heads). (cohorts=FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA).

- Feed variables** **ration_intake** Numeric. Average daily dry matter intake of feed (kg DM/head/day).
- Nitrogen balance variables** **nitrogen_intake** Numeric. Daily nitrogen intake (kg N/head/day)
- nitrogen_retention** Numeric. Daily nitrogen retention in animal body tissues and products (e.g., growth, pregnancy, milk...) (kg N/head/day)
- nitrogen_excretion** Numeric. Daily nitrogen excretion (kg N/head/day)
- Production variables** **milk_production_mass_cohort** Numeric. Total milk production produced over the assessment period (kg/cohort/assessment period).
- milk_production_protein_cohort** Numeric. Total milk protein production produced over the assessment period (kg protein/cohort/assessment period).
- milk_production_fpcm_cohort** Numeric. Total fat-protein-corrected milk (FPCM) produced over the assessment period (kg/cohort/assessment period).
- meat_production_live_weight_cohort** Numeric. Total meat produced as live weight over the assessment period by cohort (kg/cohort/assessment period).
- meat_production_carcass_weight_cohort** Numeric. Total meat as carcass weight (excluding organs, and other by-products after dressing) produced over the assessment period by cohort (kg/cohort/assessment period).
- meat_production_bone_free_meat_cohort** Numeric. Total bone-free-meat (excluding bones, organs, and other by-products after dressing and bone removal) produced over the assessment period by cohort (kg/cohort/assessment period)
- meat_production_protein_cohort** Numeric. Total meat protein (excluding bones, organs, and other by-products after dressing and bone removal) produced over the assessment period by cohort (kg protein/cohort/assessment period).
- fibre_production_cohort** Numeric. Total fibre produced over the assessment period by cohort (kg/cohort/assessment period)
- Emission variables** **ch4_enteric** Numeric. Average daily enteric methane (CH₄) emissions (kg CH₄/head/day).
- ch4_manure_pasture** Numeric. Methane (CH₄) emissions from manure deposited on pasture (kg CH₄/head/day)
- ch4_manure_burned** Numeric. Methane (CH₄) emissions from manure burned for fuel (kg CH₄/head/day)
- ch4_manure_other** Numeric. Methane (CH₄) emissions from manure management systems, excluding emissions from manure deposited on pasture and burned for fuel (kg CH₄/head/day)
- n2o_manure_pasture_direct** Numeric. Direct nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions from manure deposited on pasture (kg N₂O/head/day)
- n2o_manure_burned_direct** Numeric. Direct nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions from manure burned for fuel (kg N₂O/head/day)

- n2o_manure_other_direct** Numeric. Direct nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions from manure management systems, excluding emissions from manure deposited on pasture and burned for fuel (kg N₂O/head/day)
- n2o_manure_burned_indirect** Numeric. Total indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions from manure deposited on pasture. Includes emissions from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH₃ and NO_x) and from leaching and runoff of manure nitrogen (kg N₂O/head/day).
- n2o_manure_pasture_indirect** Numeric. Total indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions originating from manure burned for fuel. Includes emissions from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH₃ and NO_x) and from leaching and runoff of manure nitrogen (kg N₂O/head/day).
- n2o_manure_other_indirect** Numeric. Total indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions originating from manure management systems, excluding manure deposited on pasture and burned for fuel. Includes emissions from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH₃ and NO_x) and from leaching and runoff of manure nitrogen (kg N₂O/head/day).
- co2_ration_fertilizer** Numeric. Diet-level average carbon dioxide (CO₂) emission factor from fertilizer manufacture in feed production (g CO₂/kg DM).
- co2_ration_pesticides** Numeric. Diet-level average carbon dioxide (CO₂) emission factor from pesticide manufacture in feed production (g CO₂/kg DM).
- co2_ration_crop_activities** Numeric. Diet-level average carbon dioxide (CO₂) emission factor from on-field agricultural activities in feed production (g CO₂/kg DM).
- co2_ration_luc_nopeat** Numeric. Diet-level average carbon dioxide (CO₂) emission factor from land-use change (excluding peatland drainage) in feed production (g CO₂/kg DM).
- co2_ration_luc_peat** Numeric. Diet-level average carbon dioxide (CO₂) emission factor from peatland drainage in feed production (g CO₂/kg DM).
- n2o_ration_fertilizer** Numeric. Diet-level average nitrous oxide (N₂O) emission factor from fertilizer use in feed production (g N₂O/kg DM).
- n2o_ration_manure_applied** Numeric. Diet-level average nitrous oxide (N₂O) emission factor from manure applied to or deposited on soil in feed production (g N₂O/kg DM).
- n2o_ration_crop_residues** Numeric. Diet-level average nitrous oxide (N₂O) emission factor from crop residues decomposition in feed production (g N₂O/kg DM).
- ch4_ration_rice** Numeric. Diet-level average methane (CH₄) emission factor from rice cultivation in feed production (g CH₄/kg DM).

allocation_herd_long

data.table. Herd-level allocation table in long format, typically generated by `run_allocation_module()`, with the following data requirements:

herd_id Character. Unique identifier for the herd, repeated for each cohort belonging to the same herd.

- species_short** Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include PGS, CML, CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS
- variable_name** Character. Names of emission variables to which allocation should be applied (e.g., "ch4_enteric", "ch4_manure_pasture", "ch4_manure_burned", "ch4_manure_other", "n2o_manure_pasture_direct", "n2o_manure_burned_direct", "n2o_manure_other_direct", "n2o_manure_burned_indirect", "n2o_manure_pasture_indirect", "n2o_manure_other_indirect", "co2_ration_fertilizer", "co2_ration_pesticides", "co2_ration_crop_activities", "co2_ration_luc_nopeat", "co2_ration_luc_peat", "n2o_ration_fertilizer", "n2o_ration_manure_applied", "n2o_ration_crop_residues", "ch4_ration_rice")
- commodity_name** Character. List of commodity categories to which emissions may be allocated. List = c("None", "Milk", "Meat", "Fibre", "Work", "Eggs")
- commodity_type** Character. Commodity (commodity_name) grouping, either "Edible" or "Non-Edible".
- allocation_share** Numeric. Allocation share assigned to the commodity for the corresponding emission source (fraction).
- simulation_duration
Numeric. Length of the assessment period (days).
- global_warming_potential_set
Character. Settings for the 100-year Global Warming Potential (GWP-100) conversion factors used to express CH₄ and N₂O emissions as CO₂eq. Must be one of:
- "AR6": IPCC Sixth Assessment Report (IPCC, 2021) - CH₄ = 27, N₂O = 273
 - "AR5_excluding_carbon_feedback": IPCC Fifth Assessment Report (excluding climate-carbon feedbacks) (IPCC, 2013) - CH₄ = 28, N₂O = 265
 - "AR5_including_carbon_feedback": IPCC Fifth Assessment Report (including climate-carbon feedbacks) (IPCC, 2013) - CH₄ = 34, N₂O = 298
 - "AR4": IPCC Fourth Assessment Report (IPCC, 2007) - CH₄ = 25, N₂O = 298
- show_indicator Logical. Whether to display progress indicators during the pipeline run. Defaults to TRUE.

Details

This function represents the final step of the Global Livestock Environmental Assessment Model (GLEAM) computational pipeline `run_gleam()` and performs the following calculation sequence:

1. Cohort-level variables are reshaped from wide to long format.
2. Variables are classified into "Feed", "NitrogenBalance", "Production", and "Emissions".
3. Cohort totals are calculated using `calc_cohort_totals()`. Production variables are retained as provided, whereas emissions, feed, and nitrogen balance variables are scaled using cohort stock size and simulation duration.
4. Cohort totals are aggregated to herd level within each herd_id x species_short x variable_type x variable_name group.

5. Herd-level emissions are merged with commodity allocation shares from `allocation_herd_long`.
6. Emissions are allocated to commodities using `calc_allocated_emissions()`.
7. Gas type is identified from the emission variable name as "CH4", "N2O", or "CO2".
8. Allocated CH4, N2O, and CO2 emissions are converted to CO2-equivalents (CO2eq) using `calc_co2eq()` and the selected GWP-100 option.
9. Final output tables are produced summarizing herd-level results for emissions, feed, production, and nitrogen balance variables.

Value

A named list with the following elements:

results_emissions A `data.table` containing herd-level emissions scaled to the assessment duration and allocated to commodities. Includes gas type, allocation shares, commodity metadata, GWP factors, and emissions expressed both as allocated gas mass (kg gas) and as CO2-equivalents (kg CO2eq).

results_feed A `data.table` containing herd-level feed variables, aggregated at herd level and scaled to the assessment duration.

results_production A `data.table` containing herd-level production variables aggregated from cohort-level values over the assessment duration.

results_nitrogen A `data.table` containing herd-level nitrogen balance variables aggregated from cohort-level values and scaled to the assessment duration.

See Also

`run_gleam()`, `calc_cohort_totals()`, `calc_cohort_to_herd_aggregation()`, `calc_allocated_emissions()`, `calc_co2eq()`, `run_allocation_module()`

Examples

```
# Load cohort-level aggregation input
aggregation_chrt_dt <- data.table::fread(system.file(
  "extdata/run_modules_examples/aggregation_input_chrt_data.csv",
  package = "gleam"
))

# Load allocation shares (herd-level, long format)
allocation_long <- data.table::fread(system.file(
  "extdata/run_modules_examples/aggregation_allocation_input_data.csv",
  package = "gleam"
))

# Run aggregation
results <- run_aggregation_module(
  cohort_level_data = aggregation_chrt_dt,
  allocation_herd_long = allocation_long,
  simulation_duration = 365,
  global_warming_potential_set = "AR6"
)
```

run_allocation_module *Run Allocation Module Pipeline*

Description

Calculates biophysical allocation shares for livestock commodities by computing cohort-level energy requirements for meat, milk, fibre, work, and eggs, aggregating these terms to herd level, and assigning allocation shares to emission sources.

Usage

```
run_allocation_module(  
  cohort_level_data,  
  herd_level_data,  
  simulation_duration = 365,  
  show_indicator = TRUE  
)
```

Arguments

cohort_level_data

Cohort-level input table with the following data requirement:

herd_id Character. Unique identifier for the herd, repeated for each cohort belonging to the same herd.

species_short Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include:

- PGS: pigs
- CML: camels
- CTL: cattle
- BFL: buffalo
- SHP: sheep
- GTS: goats

cohort_short Character. Sex- and age-specific cohort code describing the production stage of the animals. Supported values include:

- FA: adult females (from age at first parturition)
- FS: sub-adult females (from weaning to age at first parturition)
- FJ: juvenile females (from birth to weaning)
- MA: adult males (from age at first breeding)
- MS: sub-adult males (from weaning to age at first breeding)
- MJ: juvenile males (from birth to weaning)

milk_production_fpcm_cohort Numeric. Total fat-protein-corrected milk (FPCM) produced over the assessment period (kg/cohort/assessment period). Suggested standard fat, protein and lactose contents are 0.04, 0.033, and 0.048 respectively.

live_weight_cohort_at_slaughter Numeric. Live weight at slaughter for animals removed from the cohort (kg).

meat_production_live_weight_cohort Numeric. Total meat produced as live weight over the assessment period by cohort (kg/cohort/assessment period).

metabolic_energy_req_fibre_production Numeric. Energy required for the synthesis of fibre for SHP, GTS and CML. Assumed to be 0 for other species. (MJ/head/day). Expressed as net energy for SHP and GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML.

cohort_stock_size Numeric. Average population size in each of the 6 sex-age cohorts (# heads). (cohorts=FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA).

metabolic_energy_req_work Numeric. Energy required for work, used to estimate the energy required for draught power for CTL, BFL and CML. (MJ/head/day) Assumed to be 0 for other species. Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML.

herd_level_data

data.table. Herd-level input table (one row per herd_id) with the following data requirement:

herd_id Character. Unique identifier for the herd, repeated for each cohort belonging to the same herd.

species_short Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include:

- PGS: pigs
- CML: camels
- CTL: cattle
- BFL: buffalo
- SHP: sheep
- GTS: goats

live_weight_at_birth Numeric. Live weight of the animal at birth (kg).

milk_protein_fraction_standard Numeric. Standard protein content of milk, used to calculate Fat-protein-corrected milk (FPCM), (kg protein/kg milk). Suggested value = 0.033.

milk_fat_fraction_standard Numeric. Standard fat content of milk, used to calculate Fat-protein-corrected milk (FPCM), (kg fat/kg milk). Suggested value = 0.04.

milk_lactose_fraction_standard Numeric. Standard lactose content of milk, used to calculate Fat-protein-corrected milk (FPCM), (kg lactose/kg milk). Suggested value = 0.048.

ratio_me_to_ne Numeric. Ratio of metabolizable energy converted to net energy (fraction). Used for species_short = CML.

simulation_duration

Numeric. Length of the assessment period (days).

`show_indicator` Logical. Whether to display progress indicators during simulation. Defaults to TRUE.

Details

This function implements the allocation pipeline used to derive biophysical allocation shares for livestock commodities in multifunctional production systems.

The approach follows the IDF standard for the dairy sector, adapted for livestock systems in which emissions are apportioned among multiple products according to their physiological energy requirements. In accordance with ISO 14044:2006, known biophysical relationships may be used to assign shared inputs and outputs of a production system to individual products or sub-units.

This function represents the intermediate allocation module of the Global Livestock Environmental Assessment Model (GLEAM) computational pipeline `run_gleam()` and performs the following calculation sequence:

1. Calculation of cohort-level energy allocation terms for meat, milk, fibre, work, and eggs using `calc_meat_allocation_energy`, `calc_milk_allocation_energy`, `calc_fibre_allocation_energy`, `calc_work_allocation_energy`, and `calc_eggs_allocation_energy`.
2. Aggregation of cohort-level energy terms to herd level using `calc_cohort_to_herd_aggregation`.
3. Calculation of herd-level allocation shares for commodities using `calc_allocation_shares`.
4. Reshaping of allocation shares to long format and assignment of shares to emission sources using `assign_allocation_shares`.

Commodity-specific allocation shares represent the fraction of total herd-level energy requirements attributable to each commodity. These shares are then used to assign emissions to meat, milk, fibre, work, eggs, or the residual category "None".

Emissions from manure burned for fuel and manure deposited on pasture are not allocated to livestock commodities. These flows are assigned fully to "None" in accordance with the rules implemented in `assign_allocation_shares`.

Value

A named list of two `data.table` objects:

cohort_allocation_inputs A `data.table` with the original cohort-level input columns plus the following new variables:

milk_allocation_energy Numeric. Energy required to produce total milk output by cohort (MJ/cohort/assessment period).

meat_allocation_energy Numeric. Energy required by a given sex–age cohort for total meat output by cohort during the assessment period, equal to the energy needed to produce all live-weight gain to reach the target slaughter weight (MJ/cohort/assessment period).

fibre_allocation_energy Numeric. Energy required to produce all fibre output by cohort (MJ/cohort/assessment period).

work_allocation_energy Numeric. Energy required to provide all draught power (traction/work) by cohort (MJ/cohort/assessment period).

egg_allocation_energy Numeric. Energy required for egg production over the assessment period (MJ/cohort/assessment period). Currently set to 0.

allocation_long A herd-level data table in long format with one row per herd, commodity, and emission source combination, containing the following columns:

herd_id Character. Unique identifier for the herd, repeated for each cohort belonging to the same herd.

species_short Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include:

- PGS: pigs
- CML: camels
- CTL: cattle
- BFL: buffalo
- SHP: sheep
- GTS: goats

variable_name Character. Names of emission variables to which allocation should be applied (e.g., "ch4_enteric", "ch4_manure_pasture", "ch4_manure_burned", "ch4_manure_other", "n2o_manure_pasture_direct", "n2o_manure_burned_direct", "n2o_manure_other_direct", "n2o_manure_burned_indirect", "n2o_manure_pasture_indirect", "n2o_manure_other_indirect", "co2_ration_fertilizer", "co2_ration_pesticides", "co2_ration_crop_activities", "co2_ration_luc_nopeat", "co2_ration_luc_peat", "n2o_ration_fertilizer", "n2o_ration_manure_applied", "n2o_ration_crop_residues", "ch4_ration_rice")

commodity_name Character. List of commodity categories to which emissions may be allocated. List=c("None", "Milk", "Meat", "Fibre", "Work", "Eggs")

commodity_type Character. Commodity (commodity_name) grouping, either "Edible" or "Non-Edible".

allocation_share Numeric. Allocation share assigned to the commodity for the corresponding emission source (fraction).

References

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FAO. (2016b). *Greenhouse gas emissions and fossil energy use from small ruminant supply chains: Guidelines for assessment*. Livestock Environmental Assessment and Performance (LEAP) Partnership. FAO, Rome, Italy.

FAO. (2016c). *Greenhouse gas emissions and fossil energy use from poultry supply chains: Guidelines for assessment*. Livestock Environmental Assessment and Performance (LEAP) Partnership. FAO, Rome, Italy.

See Also

[run_gleam](#), [calc_milk_production](#), [calc_meat_production](#), [run_production_module](#), [calc_meat_allocation_energy](#), [calc_milk_allocation_energy](#), [calc_fibre_allocation_energy](#), [calc_work_allocation_energy](#), [calc_eggs_allocation_energy](#), [calc_cohort_to_herd_aggregation](#), [calc_allocation_shares](#), [assign_allocation_shares](#)

Examples

```
# Load allocation inputs (cohort and herd-level)
allocation_chrt_dt <- data.table::fread(system.file(
  "extdata/run_modules_examples/allocation_input_chrt_data.csv",
  package = "gleam"
))
allocation_hrd_dt <- data.table::fread(system.file(
  "extdata/run_modules_examples/allocation_input_hrd_data.csv",
  package = "gleam"
))
results <- run_allocation_module(
  cohort_level_data = allocation_chrt_dt,
  herd_level_data = allocation_hrd_dt
)
head(results$allocation_long)
```

run_demographic_herd_module

Run Demographic Herd Module Pipeline

Description

This function takes herd- and cohort-level demographic inputs and estimates a steady-state sex–age herd structure compatible with downstream calculations in the Global Livestock Environmental Assessment Model (GLEAM) computational pipeline [run_gleam\(\)](#). In addition to cohort population sizes, it derives population growth rates, and offtake numbers. The steady state is defined as a constant sex–age cohort structure over time, with population size potentially growing or declining at a constant rate.

Usage

```
run_demographic_herd_module(
  cohort_level_data,
  herd_level_data,
  initial_herd_structure = c(FJ = 100, FS = 50, FA = 30, MJ = 100, MS = 50, MA = 30),
  max_simulation_years = 100,
  min_lambda_change = 1e-09,
  show_indicator = TRUE,
  simulation_duration = 365
)
```

Arguments**cohort_level_data**

A `data.table` with the one row per herd and cohort, and the following mandatory columns:

herd_id Character. Unique identifier for the herd, repeated for each cohort belonging to the same herd.

cohort_short Character. Sex- and age-specific cohort code describing the production stage of the animals. Supported values include:

- FA: adult females (from age at first parturition)
- FS: sub-adult females (from weaning to age at first parturition)
- FJ: juvenile females (from birth to weaning)
- MA: adult males (from age at first breeding)
- MS: sub-adult males (from weaning to age at first breeding)
- MJ: juvenile males (from birth to weaning)

cohort_duration_days Numeric vector of length 6. Amount of time that each animal spends in a specific cohort (days).

offtake_rate Numeric vector of length 6. Annual proportion of animals removed from the herd for each sex-age cohort (fraction).

death_rate Numeric vector of length 6. Fraction of deaths in a herd over a year for each sex-age cohort (fraction).

herd_level_data

A `data.table` with one row per herd, and the following mandatory columns:

herd_id Character. Unique identifier for the herd, repeated for each cohort belonging to the same herd.

parturition_rate Numeric. Average annual number of parturitions per female animal (# parturitions/adult female/year). A herd-level reproductive performance indicator calculated as the total number of parturitions (deliveries) occurring during a year divided by the number of adult females potentially able to give birth during that year.

litter_size Numeric. Average number of offspring born per parturition (# offspring/parturition). This value can be calculated as the total number of offspring born divided by the total number of parturitions during the year.

birth_fraction_female Numeric. Female birth fraction, defined as the probability that a newborn offspring is female (fraction). Can be calculated as the number of female offspring born divided by the total number of offspring born.

herd_size_total Numeric. Total population size at the start of the year, including all cohorts (# heads).

initial_herd_structure

Named numeric vector of length 6. Initial number of individuals in each of the 6 sex-age cohorts used to bootstrap the steady-state simulation (# heads). These values are used as starting points for the iterative simulation and do not affect the final steady-state results (only convergence speed). Default is `c(FJ = 100, FS = 50, FA = 30, MJ = 100, MS = 50, MA = 30)`.

max_simulation_years	Numeric. Maximum number of years to simulate (years). Defaults to 100.
min_lambda_change	Numeric. Convergence threshold for changes in cohort-specific growth rates of sex-age cohort proportions (lambda). Iterations of the herd simulation stop when the absolute change in lambda between successive iterations falls below this threshold. Defaults to 1e-9.
show_indicator	Logical. Whether to display progress indicators during simulation. Defaults to TRUE.
simulation_duration	Numeric. Length of the assessment period (days).

Details

The function operates under a **steady-state assumption**: demographic parameters are constant over time, so the population converges to a stable cohort composition and a constant annual growth rate. Once this regime is reached, the model computes cohort population sizes (start/end/average), cohort shares, and offtake totals.

A key feature of this implementation is that it applies demography at a **daily** resolution. Annual mortality and offtake inputs are converted into daily hazards and daily transition probabilities under competing risks (death vs. offtake vs. survival).

Conceptually, this corresponds to the steady-state demographic approach implemented in Dynmod *STEADYI* (Lesnoff, 2013), adapted here to a daily time-step formulation within an R workflow and fully integrated into the GLEAM computational pipeline.

Model structure:

The population is divided by sex (female/male) and age class (juvenile/subadult/adult), represented by six cohorts:

- FJ, FS, FA (female juvenile, subadult, adult)
- MJ, MS, MA (male juvenile, subadult, adult)

Only adult females (FA) contribute to reproduction. Births are distributed between females and males using `birth_fraction_female`. Reproduction is assumed to be distributed over time (no birth pulse). Daily fecundity rates are computed in [calc_fecundity_rates](#).

Dynamics and parameters:

Herd dynamics result from:

- births (driven by `parturition_rate` and `litter_size`)
- natural deaths (driven by `death_rate`)
- removals by offtake (driven by `offtake_rate`)
- cohort aging / growth transitions (driven by `cohort_duration_days`)

As in Dynmod, `offtake_rate` is interpreted as a *net removal rate* for the cohort (e.g. slaughter), while `death_rate` represents natural mortality excluding offtake.

Competing risks and conversion to daily probabilities:

Mortality and offtake are treated as **competing risks** within each cohort: at any time an animal can survive, die, or be offtaken. Annual inputs are converted to daily hazards and then daily transition probabilities in [calc_transition_probabilities](#).

Internally, the model:

1. Converts annual mortality (`death_rate`) into a daily mortality hazard.
2. Solves for the daily offtake hazard such that the implied offtake probability matches `offtake_rate` under competing risks.
3. Computes daily probabilities of death, offtake, and survival from the hazards.

Steady state:

Under constant parameters, the cohort structure converges to a stable composition and a stable population growth rate. This function seeks that steady state by iterating the demographic system (see `calc_steady_state_structure`) starting from `initial_herd_structure` until changes in cohort-specific growth rates of sex–age cohort proportions (λ) fall below `min_lambda_change`, or until `max_simulation_years` is reached.

Projection of population size:

The steady-state solution obtained here provides:

- cohort shares used to scale herd-level population sizes,
- a stable annual herd growth rate,
- internally consistent death, offtake, and survival probabilities.

These outputs are subsequently used to project one year of population dynamics (`calc_projected_population_size`) and to summarise annual offtake and stock variation (`calc_summary_offtake`).

Value

A named list with two elements:

`cohort_level_results` A `data.table` with one row per herd and cohort containing all original `cohort_level_data` columns plus the following simulation results:

- `cohort_stock_size` - Numeric vector of length 6. Average population size in each of the 6 sex–age cohorts (# heads) (cohorts = (FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA)). This corresponds to `cohort_stock_start` returned by `calc_projected_population_size`, as it reflects the size of the population by cohort while preserving the total population size (`herd_size_total`) provided in the inputs.
- `offtake_heads` - Numeric vector of length 6. Total number of animals removed via offtake over the year, aggregated to 6 sex–age cohorts (heads/year) (cohorts = FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA).
- `offtake_heads_assessment` - Numeric vector of length 6. Total number of animals removed via offtake over the assessment period, aggregated to 6 sex–age cohorts (heads/assessment period) (cohorts = FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA).

`herd_level_results` A `data.table` with one row per herd containing all original `herd_level_data` columns plus the following herd-level simulation results:

- `growth_rate_herd` - Numeric. Annualized growth rate at which the herd size reaches steady state (fraction).

References

Lesnoff, M. (2013). *DYNAMOD: A spreadsheet interface for demographic projections of tropical livestock populations, User's manual*. CIRAD, Montpellier, France.

See Also

[calc_fecundity_rates](#), [calc_transition_probabilities](#), [calc_steady_state_structure](#),
[calc_projected_population_size](#), [calc_summary_offtake](#)

Examples

```
# Load herd simulation inputs (cohort- and herd-level)
herd_simulation_chrt_dt <- data.table::fread(system.file(
  "extdata/run_modules_examples/herd_simulation_input_chrt_data.csv",
  package = "gleam"
))
herd_simulation_hrd_dt <- data.table::fread(system.file(
  "extdata/run_modules_examples/herd_simulation_input_hrd_data.csv",
  package = "gleam"
))

# Run herd simulation
results <- run_demographic_herd_module(
  cohort_level_data = herd_simulation_chrt_dt,
  herd_level_data = herd_simulation_hrd_dt,
  simulation_duration = 200
)

# Access results
print(results$cohort_level_results)
print(results$herd_level_results)
```

run_emissions_enteric_module

Run Enteric Methane (CH₄) Emissions Module Pipeline

Description

Calculates daily enteric methane emissions by cohort (kg CH₄/head/day) using a Tier 2 IPCC approach, by applying species-, cohort- and diet-specific methane conversion factors (ym).

Usage

```
run_emissions_enteric_module(cohort_level_data, show_indicator = TRUE)
```

Arguments

cohort_level_data

data.table. Cohort-level input table with the following data requirement:

herd_id Character. Unique identifier for the herd, repeated for each cohort belonging to the same herd.

species_short Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include:

- PGS: pigs
- CML: camels
- CTL: cattle
- BFL: buffalo
- SHP: sheep
- GTS: goats

cohort_short Character. Sex- and age-specific cohort code describing the production stage of the animals. Supported values include:

- FA: adult females (from age at first parturition)
- FS: sub-adult females (from weaning to age at first parturition)
- FJ: juvenile females (from birth to weaning)
- MA: adult males (from age at first breeding)
- MS: sub-adult males (from weaning to age at first breeding)
- MJ: juvenile males (from birth to weaning)

ration_digestibility_fraction Numeric. Average digestibility of the feed ration, expressed as ratio of digestible (or metabolizable, for poultry) to gross energy content (fraction).

ration_gross_energy Numeric. Average gross energy content of the diet (MJ/kg DM).

ration_intake Numeric. Average daily dry matter intake of feed (kg DM/head/day).

ch4_mitigation_factor Numeric. Optional. Multiplicative mitigation factor applied to baseline enteric methane (CH₄) emissions (dimensionless). If not provided, a default value of 1 (no mitigation) is used. Values lower than 1 represent proportional reductions (e.g., 0.90 = 10% reduction). This factor can represent mitigation measures with a direct effect on enteric methane emissions, such as the use of feed additives or methane inhibitors.

show_indicator Logical. Whether to display progress indicators during calculations. Defaults to TRUE.

Details

This function represents the intermediate module of the Global Livestock Environmental Assessment Model (GLEAM) computational pipeline `run_gleam()` to estimate enteric methane emissions and performs the following calculation sequence:

1. If `ch4_mitigation_factor` is not provided in the input data, it is set to 1 (no mitigation).
2. The methane conversion factor (`ym`) is computed using `calc_conversion_factor_ym`.
3. Daily enteric methane emissions are computed using `calc_ch4_enteric`.

Value

A `data.table` with the original input columns plus the following new variables:

ch4_mitigation_factor Added by the function if not provided as input.

ch4_conversion_factor_ym Numeric. Methane (CH4) conversion factor (ym), representing the percentage of gross energy of the feed ration that is converted to CH4 (percentage).

ch4_enteric Numeric. Average daily enteric methane (CH4) emissions (kg CH4/head/day).

References

IPCC. (2019). *2019 Refinement to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*. Chapter 10: Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management, Equation 10.21.

IPCC. (2006). *2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*. Chapter 10: Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management, Equation 10.21.

See Also

[run_gleam](#), [calc_conversion_factor_ym](#), [calc_ch4_enteric](#)

Examples

```
# Load example input (6 herd_ids, cohort-level; only required columns)
input_path <- system.file(
  "extdata/run_modules_examples/emissions_enteric_input_chrt_data.csv",
  package = "gleam"
)
emissions_enteric_input_chrt_data <- data.table::fread(input_path)
results <- run_emissions_enteric_module(
  cohort_level_data = emissions_enteric_input_chrt_data
)
```

run_emissions_manure_module

Run Emissions from Manure Module Pipeline

Description

Calculates methane (CH4) and nitrous oxide (N2O) emissions at cohort-level from manure management systems (MMS).

Usage

```
run_emissions_manure_module(
  cohort_level_data,
  manure_management_system_fraction,
  manure_management_system_factors,
  show_indicator = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

cohort_level_data

data.table. Cohort-level input table with the following minimum data requirement:

herd_id Character. Unique identifier for the herd, repeated for each cohort belonging to the same herd.

cohort_short Character. Sex- and age-specific cohort code describing the production stage of the animals. Supported values include:

- FA: adult females (from age at first parturition)
- FS: sub-adult females (from weaning to age at first parturition)
- FJ: juvenile females (from birth to weaning)
- MA: adult males (from age at first breeding)
- MS: sub-adult males (from weaning to age at first breeding)
- MJ: juvenile males (from birth to weaning)

ration_intake Numeric. Average daily dry matter intake of feed (kg DM/head/day).

ration_digestibility_fraction Numeric. Average digestibility of the feed ration, expressed as ratio of digestible to gross energy content (fraction).

ration_urinary_energy_fraction Numeric. Fraction of feed's gross energy that is excreted in urine (fraction).

ration_ash Numeric. Average ash content of feed, calculated as a fraction of the dry matter intake (kg ash/kg DM).

nitrogen_excretion Numeric. Daily nitrogen excretion (kg N/head/day).

manure_management_system_fraction

data.table. Cohort-level MMS fractions with:

herd_id Character. Unique identifier for the herd, repeated for each cohort belonging to the same herd.

cohort_short Character. Sex- and age-specific cohort code describing the production stage of the animals. Supported values include:

- FA: adult females (from age at first parturition)
- FS: sub-adult females (from weaning to age at first parturition)
- FJ: juvenile females (from birth to weaning)
- MA: adult males (from age at first breeding)
- MS: sub-adult males (from weaning to age at first breeding)
- MJ: juvenile males (from birth to weaning)

manure_management_system Character. Name identifying the manure management system. The identifiers mms_pasture and mms_burned are reserved for manure deposited on pasture and manure burned for fuel, respectively. No specific naming convention is required for other manure management systems, which are grouped and handled as "other" systems.

manure_management_system_fraction Numeric. Fraction of total manure excreted by animals in a given herd and cohort that is handled in a specific manure management system. Values ranges from 0 to 1. The sum of all fractions for each herd_id must equal 1.

manure_management_system_factors

data.table. Herd-level MMS factors with:

- manure_management_system** Character. Name identifying the manure management system. The identifiers mms_pasture and mms_burned are reserved for manure deposited on pasture and manure burned for fuel, respectively. No specific naming convention is required for other manure management systems, which are grouped and handled as “other” systems.
- ratio_m3CH4_to_kgCH4** Numeric. Conversion factor used to convert methane (CH₄) from volumetric unit (m³) to a mass unit (kg). This value represents the density of methane. It defaults to 0.67 kg/m³
- methane_conversion_factor_mcf** Numeric. Methane (CH₄) conversion factor represents the portion or degree of the maximum methane producing capacity (B₀) that is effectively achieved within a specific manure management system. It represents the extent to which the theoretical methane yield is realized based on management practices and environmental conditions, specifically the temperature of the system, the retention time of the organic material, and the degree of anaerobic conditions present. The value theoretically ranges from 0 to 100 percent. Default values can be selected from Table 10.17 of IPCC guidelines (IPCC 2006, 2019).
- ch4_max_producing_capacity_bo** Numeric. Maximum methane (CH₄) producing capacity (B₀) for all systems (m³ CH₄/kg VS). The value is region- and species-specific, and represents the theoretical maximum methane yield per unit of volatile solids. Default can be selected from Table 10.16 (IPCC, 2019) or from Tables 10A-4 to 10A-9 (IPCC, 2006).
- n2o_ef3** Numeric. Emission factor for direct nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions for each manure management system, representing nitrous oxide emitted per unit of nitrogen from nitrification and denitrification processes occurring during manure storage and treatment (kg N₂O–N per kg N). Default values can be selected from Table 10.21 and Table 11.1 (for manure deposited on pasture) in IPCC Guidelines (IPCC 2006, 2019).
- n2o_ef4** Numeric. Emission factor for indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions resulting from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH₃–N and NO_x–N) onto soils and water surfaces (kg N₂O–N / (kg NH₃–N + NO_x–N)). Default values can be selected from Table 11.3 in IPCC Guidelines (IPCC 2006, 2019).
- nitrogen_fracgas** Numeric. Fraction of manure nitrogen excreted by a given livestock category that is lost through volatilisation as ammonia (NH₃) and nitrogen oxides (NO_x) within a specific manure management system. This parameter represents the share of excreted nitrogen that is mineralised and released to the atmosphere during manure collection, storage, and treatment. It is expressed as a dimensionless fraction (0–1). Default values are provided in Table 10.22 of IPCC Guidelines (IPCC 2006, 2019).
- n2o_ef5** Numeric. Emission factor for indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions resulting from nitrogen leaching and runoff, expressed as kilograms of N₂O–N per kilogram of nitrogen leached or lost through runoff (kg N₂O–N/kg N). Default values can be selected from Table 11.3 in IPCC Guidelines (IPCC 2006, 2019).

nitrogen_fracleach Numeric. Fraction of manure nitrogen excreted by a given livestock category that is lost through leaching and runoff from a specific manure management system. This parameter is highly uncertain and is used to estimate indirect N₂O emissions from nitrogen that enters the surrounding environment of the storage facility. It is expressed as a dimensionless fraction (0–1). Default values are provided in Table 10.22 of IPCC Guidelines (IPCC 2006, 2019).

show_indicator Logical. Whether to display progress indicators during the calculation. Defaults to TRUE.

Details

This function represents the intermediate module of the Global Livestock Environmental Assessment Model (GLEAM) computational pipeline `run_gleam()` to estimate emissions from manure management systems (MMS) and orchestrates a cohort-level implementation of the IPCC manure management methodology.

The following calculation sequence is applied:

1. VS excretion is computed from nutritional parameters of the feed ration (digestibility, urinary energy, and ash) using a simplified formulation of Equation 10.24 (IPCC 2006, 2019) - `calc_volatile_solids`
2. Methane (CH₄) emissions from manure management are computed from VS and MMS-specific factors (MCF and B₀) and reported by MMS group (pasture, burned, and other), consistently with Equation 10.23 (IPCC, 2006, 2019) - `calc_ch4_manure`
3. Direct nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions from manure management are computed from nitrogen excretion and MMS-specific EF₃ values, and reported by MMS group, consistently with Equation 10.25 (IPCC, 2006, 2019) - `calc_n2o_manure_direct`
4. Indirect N₂O emissions are computed as the sum of:
 - volatilisation-driven N₂O using MMS-specific nitrogen losses (FracGas) and EF₄, consistently with Equations 10.26 (IPCC, 2006, 2019), 10.27 (IPCC, 2006), and 10.28 (IPCC, 2019) - `calc_n2o_manure_volatilization`
 - leaching/runoff-driven N₂O using MMS-specific nitrogen losses (FracLeach) and EF₅, consistently with Equations 10.28 (IPCC, 2006), 10.27 (IPCC, 2019), and 10.29 (IPCC, 2006, 2019) - `calc_n2o_manure_leaching`
5. Total N₂O emissions are aggregated by MMS group (pasture, burned, other) - `calc_n2o_manure_total`

The approach corresponds to a Tier 2 implementation as:

- VS is derived from ration-level inputs rather than using fixed daily excretion defaults, and
- emissions are allocated across MMS categories using herd/cohort MMS fractions and MMS-specific parameters.

Value

`cohort_level_data` data.table. Input cohort table with added manure emissions columns:

volatile_solids Numeric. Total volatile solids (VS) excreted per animal per day, representing the organic material in livestock manure and consisting of both biodegradable and non-biodegradable fractions (kg VS/head/day).

- ch4_manure_pasture** Numeric. Methane (CH₄) emissions from manure deposited on pasture (kg CH₄/head/day).
- ch4_manure_burned** Numeric. Methane (CH₄) emissions from manure burned for fuel (kg CH₄/head/day).
- ch4_manure_other** Numeric. Methane (CH₄) emissions from manure management systems, excluding emissions from manure deposited on pasture and burned for fuel (kg CH₄/head/day).
- ch4_manure_all_noburn** Numeric. Methane (CH₄) emissions from manure management systems, excluding manure burned for fuel (kg CH₄/head/day).
- n2o_manure_pasture_direct** Numeric. Direct nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions from manure deposited on pasture (kg N₂O/head/day).
- n2o_manure_burned_direct** Numeric. Direct nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions from manure burned for fuel (kg N₂O/head/day).
- n2o_manure_other_direct** Numeric. Direct nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions from manure management systems, excluding emissions from manure deposited on pasture and burned for fuel (kg N₂O/head/day).
- n2o_manure_all_noburn_direct** Numeric. Direct nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions from manure management systems, excluding emissions from manure burned for fuel (kg N₂O/head/day).
- n2o_manure_pasture_vol** Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions resulting from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH₃ and NO_x) from manure deposited on pasture (kg N₂O/head/day).
- n2o_manure_burned_vol** Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions resulting from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH₃ and NO_x) from manure burned for fuel (kg N₂O/head/day).
- n2o_manure_other_vol** Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions resulting from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH₃ and NO_x) from manure management systems, excluding manure deposited on pasture and manure burned for fuel (kg N₂O/head/day).
- n2o_manure_all_noburn_vol** Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions resulting from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH₃ and NO_x) from manure management systems, excluding losses from manure burned for fuel (kg N₂O/head/day).
- n2o_manure_pasture_leach** Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions resulting from leaching and runoff of manure nitrogen from manure deposited on pasture (kg N₂O/head/day).
- n2o_manure_burned_leach** Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions resulting from leaching and runoff of manure nitrogen from manure burned for fuel (kg N₂O/head/day).
- n2o_manure_other_leach** Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions resulting from leaching and runoff of manure nitrogen from manure management systems, excluding losses from manure deposited on pasture and manure burned for fuel (kg N₂O/head/day).
- n2o_manure_all_noburn_leach** Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions resulting from leaching and runoff of manure nitrogen from manure management systems, excluding losses from manure burned for fuel (kg N₂O/head/day).
- n2o_manure_pasture_indirect** Numeric. Total indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions from manure deposited on pasture. Includes emissions from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH₃ and NO_x) and from leaching and runoff of manure nitrogen (kg N₂O/head/day).
- n2o_manure_burned_indirect** Numeric. Total indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions originating from manure burned for fuel. Includes emissions from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH₃ and NO_x) and from leaching and runoff of manure nitrogen (kg N₂O/head/day).

- n2o_manure_other_indirect** Numeric. Total indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions originating from manure management systems, excluding manure deposited on pasture and burned for fuel. Includes emissions from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH₃ and NO_x) and from leaching and runoff of manure nitrogen.
- n2o_manure_pasture_total** Numeric. Total nitrous oxide emissions from manure deposited on pasture. Includes direct emissions and indirect emissions from volatilisation, leaching, and runoff (kg N₂O/head/day).
- n2o_manure_burned_total** Numeric. Total nitrous oxide emissions (N₂O) from manure burned for fuel. Includes direct emissions and indirect emissions from volatilisation, leaching, and runoff (kg N₂O/head/day).
- n2o_manure_other_total** Numeric. Total nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions from manure management systems, excluding manure deposited on pasture and manure burned for fuel. Includes direct emissions and indirect emissions from volatilisation, leaching, and runoff (kg N₂O/head/day).

Manure management system (MMS) reference

A complete list of MMS names, definitions, and associated emission factors can be accessed in the [GLEAM Data Explorer](#).

References

- IPCC. (2019). *2019 Refinement to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*, Volume 4, Chapter 10: Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management. Equations 10.23, 10.24, 10.25, 10.26, 10.27, 10.28, and 10.29.
- IPCC. (2006). *2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories*, Volume 4, Chapter 10: Emissions from Livestock and Manure Management. Equations 10.23, 10.24, 10.25, 10.26, 10.27, 10.28, and 10.29.

See Also

[run_gleam](#), [calc_volatile_solids](#), [calc_ch4_manure](#), [calc_n2o_manure_direct](#), [calc_n2o_manure_volatilization](#), [calc_n2o_manure_leaching](#), [calc_n2o_manure_total](#)

Examples

```
# Load emissions manure inputs (cohort-level and system lookups)
emissions_manure_input_chrt_data <- data.table::fread(system.file(
  "extdata/run_modules_examples/emissions_manure_input_chrt_data.csv",
  package = "gleam"
))
manure_management_system_factors <- data.table::fread(system.file(
  "extdata/run_modules_examples/manure_management_system_factors.csv",
  package = "gleam"
))
manure_management_system_fraction <- data.table::fread(system.file(
  "extdata/run_modules_examples/manure_management_system_fraction.csv",
  package = "gleam"
))
```

```
results <- run_emissions_manure_module(  
  cohort_level_data = emissions_manure_input_chrt_data,  
  manure_management_system_fraction = manure_management_system_fraction,  
  manure_management_system_factors = manure_management_system_factors  
)
```

run_emissions_ration_module

Run Emissions from Feed Production Module Pipeline

Description

Computes cohort-level average greenhouse gas (GHG) emission factors from feed production by weighting emission factors of individual feed components by diet composition. Returns diet-level average GHG emission factors by gas and emission source for each cohort.

Usage

```
run_emissions_ration_module(  
  rations_share,  
  feed_emissions,  
  show_indicator = TRUE  
)
```

Arguments

- rations_share** data.table. Cohort-level feed ration composition shares with the following minimum data requirement:
- herd_id** Character. Unique identifier for the herd, repeated for each cohort belonging to the same herd.
- species_short** Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include:
- PGS: pigs
 - CML: camels
 - CTL: cattle
 - BFL: buffalo
 - SHP: sheep
 - GTS: goats
- cohort_short** Character. Sex- and age-specific cohort code describing the production stage of the animals. Supported values include:
- FA: adult females (from age at first parturition)
 - FS: sub-adult females (from weaning to age at first parturition)
 - FJ: juvenile females (from birth to weaning)

- MA: adult males (from age at first breeding)
- MS: sub-adult males (from weaning to age at first breeding)
- MJ: juvenile males (from birth to weaning)

feed_id Character. Unique identifier for the feed component, used to join feed ration data with feed parameter tables.

feed_name Character. Feed component name (optional, for readability and reporting). If provided, it should uniquely identify the same feed component as feed_id.

feed_ration_fraction Numeric. Proportion of a specific feed component in the total ration, expressed as its fraction of diet dry matter intake (fraction). Within each herd_id and cohort, proportions should sum to 1.

feed_emissions data.table. Emission factors of individual feed components with the following data requirement:

feed_id Character. Unique identifier for the feed component, used to join feed ration data with feed parameter tables.

feed_name Character. Feed component name (optional, for readability and reporting). If provided, it should uniquely identify the same feed component as feed_id.

co2_feed_fertilizer Numeric. Carbon dioxide (CO₂) emission factor of a feed component, representing CO₂ emissions from fertilizer manufacture in feed production, expressed per kilogram of dry matter intake (g CO₂/kg DM).

co2_feed_pesticides Numeric. Carbon dioxide (CO₂) emission factor of a feed component, representing CO₂ emissions from pesticide manufacture in feed production, expressed per kilogram of dry matter intake (g CO₂/kg DM).

co2_feed_crop_activities Numeric. Carbon dioxide (CO₂) emission factor of a feed component, representing CO₂ emissions from on-field agricultural activities in feed production, expressed per kilogram of dry matter intake (kg CO₂/kg DM).

co2_feed_luc_nopeat Numeric. Carbon dioxide (CO₂) emission factor of a feed component, representing CO₂ emissions from land-use change in feed production (excluding peatland drainage), expressed per kilogram of dry matter intake (g CO₂/kg DM).

co2_feed_luc_peat Numeric. Carbon dioxide (CO₂) emission factor of a feed component, representing CO₂ emissions from peatland drainage in feed production, expressed per kilogram of dry matter intake (g CO₂/kg DM).

n2o_feed_fertilizer Numeric. Nitrous oxide (N₂O) emission factor of a feed component, representing N₂O emissions from fertilizer use in feed production, expressed per kg of dry matter intake (g N₂O/kg DM).

n2o_feed_manure_applied Numeric. Nitrous oxide (N₂O) emission factor of a feed component, representing N₂O emissions from manure applied to or deposited on soil in feed production, expressed per kg of dry matter intake (g N₂O/kg DM).

n2o_feed_crop_residues Numeric. Nitrous oxide (N₂O) emission factor of a feed component, representing N₂O emissions from crop residues decomposition in feed production, expressed per kg of dry matter intake (g N₂O/kg DM).

- ch4_feed_rice** Numeric. Methane (CH₄) emission factor of a feed component, representing CH₄ emissions from rice cultivation in feed production, expressed per kg of dry matter intake (g CH₄/kg DM).
- show_indicator** Logical. Whether to display progress indicators during calculations. Defaults to TRUE.

Details

This function represents the intermediate module of the Global Livestock Environmental Assessment Model (GLEAM) computational pipeline `run_gleam()` to estimate emissions from feed production used in the animal's ration. The function joins `rations_share` with `feed_emissions` by `feed_id`, uses `species_short` directly, and computes ration-weighted emission factors by cohort.

The following calculation sequence is applied:

1. **Merge ration shares with emission factors** at the feed-component level using `merge` on `feed_id` (left join: `all.x = TRUE`).
2. **Compute feed-component contributions** (row-wise) for each emission source by multiplying the ration share of each feed component (`feed_ration_fraction`) by the corresponding feed emission factor. Each contribution is computed using the specific helper below (called with `by = .I`):
 - CO₂ fertilizer: `calc_co2_ration_fertilizer`
 - CO₂ pesticides: `calc_co2_ration_pesticides`
 - CO₂ crop operations: `calc_co2_ration_crop_activities`
 - CO₂ land-use change (no peat): `calc_co2_ration_luc_nopeat`
 - CO₂ land-use change (peat): `calc_co2_ration_luc_peat`
 - N₂O fertilizer: `calc_n2o_ration_fertilizer`
 - N₂O manure applied: `calc_n2o_ration_manure`
 - N₂O crop residues: `calc_n2o_ration_crop_residues`
 - CH₄ rice cultivation: `calc_ch4_ration_rice`
3. **Aggregate to cohort-level diet emission factors** by summing feed-component contributions across all feeds within each group (`herd_id`, `species_short`, `cohort_short`).

For each emission source, cohort-level dietary emission factors are computed as:

$$\text{diet_ef} = \sum_{i=1}^n (\text{feed_ration_fraction}_i \times \text{feed_ef}_i)$$

Value

`data.table`. Cohort-level emission factors summarized by `herd_id`, `species_short`, and `cohort_short` with the following columns:

co2_ration_fertilizer Numeric. Diet-level average carbon dioxide (CO₂) emission factor from fertilizer manufacture in feed production (g CO₂/kg DM).

co2_ration_pesticides Numeric. Diet-level average carbon dioxide (CO₂) emission factor from pesticide manufacture in feed production (g CO₂/kg DM).

co2_ration_crop_activities Numeric. Diet-level average carbon dioxide (CO₂) emission factor from on-field agricultural activities in feed production (g CO₂/kg DM).

co2_ration_luc_nopeat Numeric. Diet-level average carbon dioxide (CO₂) emission factor from land-use change (excluding peatland drainage) in feed production (g CO₂/kg DM).

co2_ration_luc_peat Numeric. Diet-level average carbon dioxide (CO₂) emission factor from peatland drainage in feed production (g CO₂/kg DM).

n2o_ration_fertilizer Numeric. Diet-level average nitrous oxide (N₂O) emission factor from fertilizer use in feed production (g N₂O/kg DM).

n2o_ration_manure_applied Numeric. Diet-level average nitrous oxide (N₂O) emission factor from manure applied to or deposited on soil in feed production (g N₂O/kg DM).

n2o_ration_crop_residues Numeric. Diet-level average nitrous oxide (N₂O) emission factor from crop residues decomposition in feed production (g N₂O/kg DM).

ch4_ration_rice Numeric. Diet-level average methane (CH₄) emission factor from rice cultivation in feed production (g CH₄/kg DM).

See Also

[run_gleam](#), [calc_co2_ration_fertilizer](#), [calc_co2_ration_pesticides](#), [calc_co2_ration_crop_activities](#), [calc_co2_ration_luc_nopeat](#), [calc_co2_ration_luc_peat](#), [calc_n2o_ration_fertilizer](#), [calc_n2o_ration_manure](#), [calc_n2o_ration_crop_residues](#), [calc_ch4_ration_rice](#)

Examples

```
# Load cleaned example input from the package and compute the calculation of feed emission factors

# Load table with ration shares
rations_share <- data.table::fread(system.file(
  "extdata/run_modules_examples/feed_rations_share_chrt.csv",
  package = "gleam"
))

# Load table with feed emission factors
feed_emissions <- data.table::fread(system.file(
  "extdata/run_modules_examples/feed_emission_factors.csv",
  package = "gleam"
))

# Run the code
result <- run_emissions_ration_module(
  rations_share = rations_share,
  feed_emissions = feed_emissions
)
```

run_gleam	<i>Run the full Global Livestock Environmental Assessment Model (GLEAM) Pipeline</i>
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Description

Runs the full GLEAM pipeline from master herd and cohort inputs through all modules: herd (optional), weights, ration quality, energy requirements, manure emissions, enteric fermentation, nitrogen balance, feed emissions, allocation, and aggregation.

Common identifiers: Several input tables share the following identifier columns. Their supported values are listed once here and referenced throughout.

species_short — Character. Species code:

- CTL: Cattle
- BFL: Buffalo
- SHP: Sheep
- GTS: Goats
- PGS: Pigs
- CML: Camels

cohort_short — Character. Sex- and age-specific cohort code:

- FA: adult females (from age at first parturition)
- FS: sub-adult females (from weaning to age at first parturition)
- FJ: juvenile females (from birth to weaning)
- MA: adult males (from age at first breeding)
- MS: sub-adult males (from weaning to age at first breeding)
- MJ: juvenile males (from birth to weaning)

Usage

```
run_gleam(  
  has_herd_structure = FALSE,  
  cohort_level_data,  
  herd_level_data,  
  feed_rations,  
  feed_params,  
  feed_emissions,  
  manure_management_system_fraction,  
  manure_management_system_factors,  
  simulation_duration = 365,  
  global_warming_potential_set = "AR6",  
  show_indicator = TRUE  
)
```

Arguments

has_herd_structure

Logical. If TRUE, cohort_level_data is treated as an existing herd structure and the demographic herd simulation step is skipped. If FALSE, herd structure is first generated from cohort_level_data and herd_level_data using [run_demographic_herd_module](#).

cohort_level_data

data.table. Cohort-level master input table. Required columns:

herd_id Character. Unique herd identifier, repeated for each cohort within the same herd.

species_short Character. Species code (see Common identifiers).

cohort_short Character. Cohort code (see Common identifiers).

cohort_duration_days Numeric. Time each animal spends in the cohort (days).

offtake_rate Numeric. Annual proportion of animals removed from the herd per cohort (fraction).

low_activity_fraction Numeric. Proportion of the assessment period with low-intensity movement, e.g. stall-feeding or near-field grazing (fraction).

high_activity_fraction Numeric. Proportion of the assessment period with sustained locomotion, e.g. herding or long-distance grazing over uneven terrain (fraction).

Additional columns when has_herd_structure = FALSE:

death_rate Numeric. Annual fraction of deaths per cohort (fraction).

Additional columns when has_herd_structure = TRUE:

cohort_stock_size Numeric. Average population size in each cohort (heads).

offtake_heads_assessment Numeric. Total animals removed via offtake over the assessment period per cohort (heads/assessment period).

Optional column (both cases):

ch4_mitigation_factor Numeric. Multiplicative factor applied to baseline enteric CH₄ emissions (dimensionless). Defaults to 1 (no mitigation). Values < 1 represent proportional reductions (e.g. 0.90 = 10 percent reduction). Can represent feed additives or methane inhibitors.

herd_level_data

data.table. Herd-level master input table (one row per herd_id). Required columns:

herd_id Character. Unique herd identifier.

species_short Character. Species code (see Common identifiers).

live_weight_female_adult Numeric. Adult female live weight (kg).

live_weight_male_adult Numeric. Adult male live weight (kg).

live_weight_at_birth Numeric. Live weight at birth (kg).

live_weight_at_weaning Numeric. Live weight at weaning (kg).

live_weight_female_at_slaughter Numeric. Female sub-adult slaughter weight (kg).

live_weight_male_at_slaughter Numeric. Male sub-adult slaughter weight (kg).

- age_first_parturition** Numeric. Age at first parturition (days).
- lactating_females_fraction** Numeric. Proportion of adult females lactating during the assessment period (fraction). Required for CTL, BFL, CML, SHP, GTS.
- milk_yield_day** Numeric. Average daily milk yield per milk-producing animal (kg/head/day), calculated as total milk produced for human consumption divided by the number of milk-producing animals and the assessment period length. Required for CTL, BFL, CML, SHP, GTS.
- milk_fat_fraction** Numeric. Milk fat content (kg fat/kg milk). Required for CTL, BFL, CML, SHP, GTS.
- milk_protein_fraction** Numeric. Milk protein content (kg protein/kg milk). Required for CTL, BFL, CML, SHP, GTS.
- milk_lactose_fraction** Numeric. Milk lactose content (kg lactose/kg milk). Required for CTL, BFL, CML, SHP, GTS.
- milk_protein_fraction_standard** Numeric. Standard milk protein content for FPCM calculation (kg protein/kg milk). Suggested: 0.033.
- milk_fat_fraction_standard** Numeric. Standard milk fat content for FPCM calculation (kg fat/kg milk). Suggested: 0.04.
- milk_lactose_fraction_standard** Numeric. Standard milk lactose content for FPCM calculation (kg lactose/kg milk). Suggested: 0.048.
- non_productive_duration** Numeric. Period without productive function (pregnancy/lactation) (days). Required for PGS.
- pregnancy_duration** Numeric. Pregnancy duration (days).
- death_rate_juvenile** Numeric. Annual death fraction for juvenile cohorts (FJ, MJ) (fraction).
- lactation_duration** Numeric. Lactation period length (days). Required for PGS.
- parturition_rate** Numeric. Average annual parturitions per adult female (parturitions/adult female/year).
- litter_size** Numeric. Average offspring born per parturition (offspring/parturition).
- draught_work_hours_female** Numeric. Average daily working time per adult female (hours/head/day). Required for CTL, BFL, CML.
- draught_work_hours_male** Numeric. Average daily working time per adult male (hours/head/day). Required for CTL, BFL, CML.
- draught_fraction_female** Numeric. Fraction of adult females doing draught work (fraction). Required for CTL, BFL, CML.
- draught_fraction_male** Numeric. Fraction of adult males doing draught work (fraction). Required for CTL, BFL, CML.
- fibre_yield_year** Numeric. Annual fibre production (wool, cashmere, mohair) (kg/head/year). Required for CML, SHP, GTS.
- carcass_dressing_fraction** Numeric. Carcass weight to live weight ratio (fraction).
- bone_free_meat_fraction** Numeric. Bone-free meat to carcass weight ratio (fraction).
- meat_protein_fraction** Numeric. Protein content of bone-free meat (kg protein/kg bone-free meat).

	<p>ratio_me_to_ne Numeric. Metabolizable-to-net energy ratio (fraction). Used for CML. Suggested: 0.43.</p> <p>Additional columns when <code>has_herd_structure = FALSE</code>:</p> <p>birth_fraction_female Numeric. Probability that a newborn is female (fraction).</p> <p>herd_size_total Numeric. Total population at start of year, all cohorts (heads).</p>
feed_rations	<p>data.table. Cohort-level feed ration shares, also used by <code>run_ration_quality_module</code> and <code>run_emissions_ration_module</code>. Required columns:</p> <p>herd_id Character. Unique herd identifier.</p> <p>species_short Character. Species code (see Common identifiers).</p> <p>cohort_short Character. Cohort code (see Common identifiers).</p> <p>feed_id Character. Unique feed component identifier, used as join key with feed parameter tables.</p> <p>feed_name Character. Optional. Human-readable feed name; should match <code>feed_id</code> uniquely if provided.</p> <p>feed_ration_fraction Numeric. Proportion of this feed component in the total ration as a fraction of diet dry matter intake (fraction). Must sum to 1 within each <code>herd_id</code> × cohort combination.</p>
feed_params	<p>data.table. Feed nutritional parameters. Required columns:</p> <p>feed_id Character. Unique feed component identifier.</p> <p>feed_gross_energy Numeric. Gross energy: total chemical energy upon complete combustion (MJ/kg DM).</p> <p>feed_digestible_energy_ruminant Numeric. Digestible energy for ruminants: energy absorbed after faecal losses (MJ/kg DM).</p> <p>feed_digestible_energy_pigs Numeric. Digestible energy for pigs (MJ/kg DM).</p> <p>feed_metabolizable_energy_ruminant Numeric. Metabolizable energy for ruminants: digestible energy minus urinary and gaseous losses (MJ/kg DM).</p> <p>feed_metabolizable_energy_pigs Numeric. Metabolizable energy for pigs (MJ/kg DM).</p> <p>feed_metabolizable_energy_chicken Numeric. Metabolizable energy for chickens: digestible energy minus uric acid and gaseous losses (MJ/kg DM).</p> <p>feed_nitrogen_content Numeric. Nitrogen content (kg N/kg DM).</p> <p>feed_urinary_energy_ruminant Numeric. Fraction of gross energy excreted in urine for ruminants (fraction).</p> <p>feed_urinary_energy_pigs Numeric. Fraction of gross energy excreted in urine for pigs (fraction).</p> <p>feed_ash Numeric. Ash content as a fraction of dry matter (g ash/100 g DM).</p> <p>category Character. Optional. Feed category; should be used consistently with <code>feed_id</code>.</p> <p>feed_name Character. Optional. Human-readable feed name; should match <code>feed_id</code> uniquely if provided.</p>
feed_emissions	<p>data.table. Emission factors per feed component. All emission factors are expressed per kg of feed dry matter intake. Required columns:</p>

feed_id Character. Unique feed component identifier.

feed_name Character. Optional. Human-readable feed name.

co2_feed_fertilizer Numeric. CO₂ from fertilizer manufacture (g CO₂/kg DM).

co2_feed_pesticides Numeric. CO₂ from pesticide manufacture (g CO₂/kg DM).

co2_feed_crop_activities Numeric. CO₂ from on-field agricultural activities (g CO₂/kg DM).

co2_feed_luc_nopeat Numeric. CO₂ from land-use change, excluding peatland drainage (g CO₂/kg DM).

co2_feed_luc_peat Numeric. CO₂ from peatland drainage (g CO₂/kg DM).

n2o_feed_fertilizer Numeric. N₂O from fertilizer use (g N₂O/kg DM).

n2o_feed_manure_applied Numeric. N₂O from manure applied to or deposited on soil (g N₂O/kg DM).

n2o_feed_crop_residues Numeric. N₂O from crop residue decomposition (g N₂O/kg DM).

ch4_feed_rice Numeric. CH₄ from rice cultivation (g CH₄/kg DM).

manure_management_system_fraction

data.table. Cohort-level manure management system fractions passed to [run_emissions_manure_module](#).
Required columns:

herd_id Character. Unique herd identifier.

cohort_short Character. Cohort code (see Common identifiers).

manure_management_system Character. Manure management system name. mms_pasture and mms_burned are reserved for manure deposited on pasture and burned for fuel, respectively. All other systems are grouped as "other".

manure_management_system_fraction Numeric. Fraction of total manure handled by this system for each herd × cohort combination (0–1). Must sum to 1 per herd_id.

manure_management_system_factors

data.table. Emission factors and parameters per manure management system, passed to [run_emissions_manure_module](#). Required columns:

manure_management_system Character. System name (see manure_management_system_fraction).

ratio_m3CH4_to_kgCH4 Numeric. CH₄ density conversion factor (kg/m³). Default: 0.67.

methane_conversion_factor_mcf Numeric. Fraction of maximum CH₄-producing capacity (Bo) realised under given management and environmental conditions (0–1). See IPCC Table 10.17 (2006, 2019).

ch4_max_producing_capacity_bo Numeric. Maximum CH₄-producing capacity per unit volatile solids (m³ CH₄/kg VS). Region- and species-specific. See IPCC Table 10.16 (2019) or Tables 10A-4 to 10A-9 (2006).

n2o_ef3 Numeric. Direct N₂O emission factor per manure management system (kg N₂O-N/kg N). See IPCC Table 10.21 and Table 11.1 (2006, 2019).

n2o_ef4 Numeric. Indirect N₂O emission factor from atmospheric deposition of volatilised N (kg N₂O-N/(kg NH₃-N + NO_x-N)). See IPCC Table 11.3 (2006, 2019).

nitrogen_fracgas Numeric. Fraction of excreted N volatilised as NH₃ and NO_x during collection, storage, and treatment (0–1). See IPCC Table 10.22 (2006, 2019).

n2o_ef5 Numeric. Indirect N₂O emission factor from leaching and runoff (kg N₂O-N/kg N). See IPCC Table 11.3 (2006, 2019).

nitrogen_fracleach Numeric. Fraction of excreted N lost through leaching and runoff (0–1). See IPCC Table 10.22 (2006, 2019).

simulation_duration

Numeric. Assessment period length (days). Used by the demographic herd simulation (when `has_herd_structure = FALSE`) and by the production and aggregation steps. Default: 365.

global_warming_potential_set

Character. GWP-100 conversion factors for expressing CH₄ and N₂O as CO₂-eq. One of:

- "AR6": IPCC 6th Assessment (2021) — CH₄ = 27, N₂O = 273.
- "AR5_excluding_carbon_feedback": IPCC 5th Assessment, excl. climate-carbon feedbacks (2013) — CH₄ = 28, N₂O = 265.
- "AR5_including_carbon_feedback": IPCC 5th Assessment, incl. climate-carbon feedbacks (2013) — CH₄ = 34, N₂O = 298.
- "AR4": IPCC 4th Assessment (2007) — CH₄ = 25, N₂O = 298.

show_indicator Logical. Whether to display progress indicators during calculations. Defaults to TRUE.

Details

The GLEAM package implements the core computational engine of the Global Livestock Environmental Assessment Model (GLEAM), developed by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO). It provides a modular workflow for quantifying greenhouse gas emissions from livestock systems using a Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) approach based on the IPCC Tier 2 methodology.

The pipeline covers seven species (CTL, BFL, CML, SHP, GTS, PGS). Within each herd, animals are organised into six sex-age cohorts (FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA). These identifiers are used consistently across all modules.

The assessment period is specified in days via `simulation_duration` (typically 365). Intermediate per-head-per-day variables are carried through the cohort workflow and scaled to cohort and herd totals in the final aggregation step.

Pipeline sequence:

1. If `has_herd_structure = FALSE`, generate herd structure with `run_demographic_herd_module`; otherwise use supplied tables directly.
2. Compute cohort weights (`run_weights_module`).
3. Summarise ration quality (`run_ration_quality_module`) and merge into the cohort table.
4. Compute energy requirements and dry matter intake (`run_metabolic_energy_req_module`).
5. Compute enteric CH₄ (`run_emissions_enteric_module`).
6. Compute nitrogen balance (`run_nitrogen_balance_module`).

7. Compute manure emissions ([run_emissions_manure_module](#)).
8. Summarise feed production emissions ([run_emissions_ration_module](#)) and merge into the cohort table.
9. Compute production outputs ([run_production_module](#)).
10. Compute allocation ([run_allocation_module](#)).
11. Aggregate to herd-level results and CO2-eq ([run_aggregation_module](#)).

All inputs containing `herd_id` must refer to the same herd set. Validation blocks variables that are expected to be produced internally.

Value

A named list with four elements:

cohort_level_results A cohort-level data.table containing the original input columns plus all variables generated across the pipeline. Calculated variables are grouped below by module.

Demographic herd simulation: Computed when `has_herd_structure = FALSE`:

cohort_stock_size Numeric. Average population size in each of the 6 sex-age cohorts (# heads). (cohorts = FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA).

offtake_heads Numeric. Total number of animals removed via offtake over the year, aggregated to 6 sex-age cohorts (heads/year) (cohorts = FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA).

offtake_heads_assessment Numeric. Total number of animals removed via offtake over the assessment period, aggregated to 6 sex-age cohorts (heads/assessment period) (cohorts = FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA).

Weight variables:

live_weight_mature_stage Numeric. Mature (adult) live weight that the animal can attain under given biological and management conditions (kg).

live_weight_cohort_initial Numeric. Live weight at the beginning of the cohort stage (kg).

live_weight_cohort_potential_final Numeric. Potential final live weight attainable at the end of the cohort stage in the absence of offtake (kg). (For juveniles: equals weaning weight; For subadults: equals adult live weight; For adults: equals adult live weight)

live_weight_cohort_at_slaughter Numeric. Live weight at slaughter for animals removed from the cohort (kg).

live_weight_cohort_average Numeric. Average live weight over the cohort stage. Computed by accounting for the share of offtaken animals within the cohort, using their slaughter weight, and the potential final weight of animals that remain in the cohort (kg).

live_weight_cohort_final Numeric. Live weight at the end of the cohort stage, accounting for both surviving and offtaken animals. Computed as a weighted average of the potential final weight of surviving animals and the slaughter weight of offtaken animals, based on the offtake rate (kg).

daily_weight_gain Numeric. Average live weight gain of the cohort over the cohort stage (kg/head/day).

Ration quality variables:

ration_gross_energy Numeric. Average gross energy content of the diet (MJ/kg DM).

ration_metabolizable_energy Numeric. Average metabolizable energy content of the diet (MJ/kg DM).

ration_nitrogen Numeric. Average nitrogen content of diet (kg N/kg DM).

ration_digestibility_fraction Numeric. Average digestibility of the feed ration, expressed as ratio of digestible (or metabolizable, for poultry) to gross energy content (fraction).

ration_urinary_energy_fraction Numeric. Fraction of feed's gross energy that is excreted in urine (fraction).

ration_ash Numeric. Average ash content of feed, calculated as a fraction of the dry matter intake (kg ash/kg DM).

Energy requirement variables: Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS unless stated otherwise.

metabolic_energy_req_maintenance Numeric. Energy required for maintenance, defined as the amount of energy needed to keep the animal at equilibrium such that body energy is neither gained nor lost (MJ/head/day). Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS.

metabolic_energy_req_activity Numeric. Energy required for activity, defined as the amount of energy needed to support animal movement and physical activity (MJ/head/day). Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS.

metabolic_energy_req_growth Numeric. Energy required for growth (i.e., weight gain) (MJ/head/day). Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS.

metabolic_energy_req_lactation Numeric. Energy required for lactation (MJ/head/day). Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS.

metabolic_energy_req_work Numeric. Energy required for work, used to estimate the energy required for draught power for CTL, BFL and CML (MJ/head/day). Assumed to be 0 for other species. Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS.

metabolic_energy_req_fibre_production Numeric. Energy required for the synthesis of fibre for SHP, GTS and CML. Assumed to be 0 for other species. (MJ/head/day). Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS (MJ/head/day).

metabolic_energy_req_pregnancy Numeric. Energy required for pregnancy for pregnant females (MJ/head/day). Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS.

net_energy_maintenance_digestible_energy_ratio Numeric. Ratio of net energy available for maintenance in the diet to digestible energy consumed (fraction).

net_energy_growth_digestible_energy_ratio Numeric. Ratio of net energy available for growth in the diet to digestible energy consumed (fraction).

metabolic_energy_req_total Numeric. Total daily energy requirement (MJ/head/day). For CTL, BFL, SHP and GTS this is expressed as gross energy intake requirement (GE). For CML and PGS the function returns the summed daily metabolizable energy requirement.

ration_intake Numeric. Average daily dry matter intake of feed (kg DM/head/day).

Enteric emission variables:

ch4_mitigation_factor Numeric. Multiplicative mitigation factor applied to baseline enteric methane (CH₄) emissions (dimensionless). If not provided, a default value of 1 (no mitigation) is used.

ch4_conversion_factor_ym Numeric. Methane (CH₄) conversion factor (ym), representing the percentage of gross energy of the feed ration that is converted to CH₄ (percentage).

ch4_enteric Numeric. Average daily enteric methane (CH₄) emissions (kg CH₄/head/day).

Nitrogen balance variables:

nitrogen_intake Numeric. Daily nitrogen intake (kg N/head/day).

nitrogen_retention Numeric. Daily nitrogen retention in animal body tissues and products (e.g., growth, pregnancy, milk...) (kg N/head/day).

nitrogen_excretion Numeric. Daily nitrogen excretion (kg N/head/day).

Manure emission variables:

volatile_solids Numeric. Total volatile solids (VS) excreted per animal per day, representing the organic material in livestock manure and consisting of both biodegradable and non-biodegradable fractions (kg VS/head/day).

ch4_manure_pasture Numeric. Methane (CH₄) emissions from manure deposited on pasture (kg CH₄/head/day).

ch4_manure_burned Numeric. Methane (CH₄) emissions from manure burned for fuel (kg CH₄/head/day).

ch4_manure_other Numeric. Methane (CH₄) emissions from manure management systems, excluding emissions from manure deposited on pasture and burned for fuel (kg CH₄/head/day).

ch4_manure_all_noburn Numeric. Methane (CH₄) emissions from manure management systems, excluding manure burned for fuel (kg CH₄/head/day).

n2o_manure_pasture_direct Numeric. Direct nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions from manure deposited on pasture (kg N₂O/head/day).

n2o_manure_burned_direct Numeric. Direct nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions from manure burned for fuel (kg N₂O/head/day).

n2o_manure_other_direct Numeric. Direct nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions from manure management systems, excluding emissions from manure deposited on pasture and burned for fuel (kg N₂O/head/day).

n2o_manure_all_noburn_direct Numeric. Direct nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions from manure management systems, excluding emissions from manure burned for fuel (kg N₂O/head/day).

n2o_manure_pasture_vol Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions resulting from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH₃ and NO_x) from manure deposited on pasture (kg N₂O/head/day).

n2o_manure_burned_vol Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions resulting from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH₃ and NO_x) from manure burned for fuel (kg N₂O/head/day).

n2o_manure_other_vol Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions resulting from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH₃ and NO_x) from manure management systems, excluding manure deposited on pasture and manure burned for fuel (kg N₂O/head/day).

- n2o_manure_all_noburn_vol** Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions resulting from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH₃ and NO_x) from manure management systems, excluding losses from manure burned for fuel (kg N₂O/head/day).
- n2o_manure_pasture_leach** Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions resulting from leaching and runoff of manure nitrogen from manure deposited on pasture (kg N₂O/head/day).
- n2o_manure_burned_leach** Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions resulting from leaching and runoff of manure nitrogen from manure burned for fuel (kg N₂O/head/day).
- n2o_manure_other_leach** Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions resulting from leaching and runoff of manure nitrogen from manure management systems, excluding losses from manure deposited on pasture and manure burned for fuel (kg N₂O/head/day).
- n2o_manure_all_noburn_leach** Numeric. Indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions resulting from leaching and runoff of manure nitrogen from manure management systems, excluding losses from manure burned for fuel (kg N₂O/head/day).
- n2o_manure_pasture_indirect** Numeric. Total indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions from manure deposited on pasture. Includes emissions from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH₃ and NO_x) and from leaching and runoff of manure nitrogen (kg N₂O/head/day).
- n2o_manure_burned_indirect** Numeric. Total indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions originating from manure burned for fuel. Includes emissions from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH₃ and NO_x) and from leaching and runoff of manure nitrogen (kg N₂O/head/day).
- n2o_manure_other_indirect** Numeric. Total indirect nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions originating from manure management systems, excluding manure deposited on pasture and burned for fuel. Includes emissions from atmospheric deposition of volatilised nitrogen (NH₃ and NO_x) and from leaching and runoff of manure nitrogen (kg N₂O/head/day).
- n2o_manure_pasture_total** Numeric. Total nitrous oxide emissions from manure deposited on pasture. Includes direct emissions and indirect emissions from volatilisation, leaching, and runoff (kg N₂O/head/day).
- n2o_manure_burned_total** Numeric. Total nitrous oxide emissions (N₂O) from manure burned for fuel. Includes direct emissions and indirect emissions from volatilisation, leaching, and runoff (kg N₂O/head/day).
- n2o_manure_other_total** Numeric. Total nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions from manure management systems, excluding manure deposited on pasture and manure burned for fuel. Includes direct emissions and indirect emissions from volatilisation, leaching, and runoff (kg N₂O/head/day).

Feed production emission variables:

- co2_ration_fertilizer** Numeric. Diet-level average carbon dioxide (CO₂) emission factor from fertilizer manufacture in feed production (g CO₂/kg DM).
- co2_ration_pesticides** Numeric. Diet-level average carbon dioxide (CO₂) emission factor from pesticide manufacture in feed production (g CO₂/kg DM).
- co2_ration_crop_activities** Numeric. Diet-level average carbon dioxide (CO₂) emission factor from on-field agricultural activities in feed production (g CO₂/kg DM).
- co2_ration_luc_nopeat** Numeric. Diet-level average carbon dioxide (CO₂) emission factor from land-use change (excluding peatland drainage) in feed production (g CO₂/kg DM).
- co2_ration_luc_peat** Numeric. Diet-level average carbon dioxide (CO₂) emission factor from peatland drainage in feed production (g CO₂/kg DM).

n2o_ration_fertilizer Numeric. Diet-level average nitrous oxide (N₂O) emission factor from fertilizer use in feed production (g N₂O/kg DM).

n2o_ration_manure_applied Numeric. Diet-level average nitrous oxide (N₂O) emission factor from manure applied to or deposited on soil in feed production (g N₂O/kg DM).

n2o_ration_crop_residues Numeric. Diet-level average nitrous oxide (N₂O) emission factor from crop residues decomposition in feed production (g N₂O/kg DM).

ch4_ration_rice Numeric. Diet-level average methane (CH₄) emission factor from rice cultivation in feed production (g CH₄/kg DM).

Production variables:

milk_production_mass_cohort Numeric. Total milk production produced over the assessment period (kg/cohort/assessment period).

milk_production_protein_cohort Numeric. Total milk protein production produced over the assessment period (kg protein/cohort/assessment period).

milk_production_fpcm_cohort Numeric. Total fat-protein-corrected milk (FPCM) produced over the assessment period (kg/cohort/assessment period).

fibre_production_cohort Numeric. Total fibre produced over the assessment period by cohort (kg/cohort/assessment period).

meat_production_live_weight_cohort Numeric. Total meat produced as live weight over the assessment period by cohort (kg/cohort/assessment period).

meat_production_carcass_weight_cohort Numeric. Total meat as carcass weight (excluding organs, and other by-products after dressing) produced over the assessment period by cohort (kg/cohort/assessment period).

meat_production_bone_free_meat_cohort Numeric. Total bone-free-meat (excluding bones, organs, and other by-products after dressing and bone removal) produced over the assessment period by cohort (kg/cohort/assessment period).

meat_production_protein_cohort Numeric. Total meat protein (excluding bones, organs, and other by-products after dressing and bone removal) produced over the assessment period by cohort (kg protein/cohort/assessment period).

Allocation variables:

milk_allocation_energy Numeric. Energy required to produce total milk output by cohort (MJ/cohort/assessment period). Non-zero values are applicable only to milk-producing species and cohorts (species = CTL, BFL, CML, SHP, GTS; cohorts = FA). All other species-cohort combinations are assigned a value of 0.

meat_allocation_energy Numeric. Energy required by a given sex-age cohort for total meat output by cohort during the assessment period, equal to the energy needed to produce all live-weight gain to reach the target slaughter weight (MJ/cohort/assessment period).

fibre_allocation_energy Numeric. Energy required to produce all fibre output by cohort (MJ/cohort/assessment period).

work_allocation_energy Numeric. Energy required to provide all draught power (traction/work) by cohort (MJ/cohort/assessment period).

egg_allocation_energy Numeric. Energy required for egg production over the assessment period (MJ/cohort/assessment period). Currently set to 0.

herd_level_results A herd-level data table. When `has_herd_structure = FALSE`, the output from `run_demographic_herd_module`, including:

growth_rate_herd Numeric. Annualized growth rate at which the herd reaches steady state (fraction).

When `has_herd_structure = TRUE`, the supplied `herd_level_data` is returned unchanged.

allocation_long A herd-level data table in long format with one row per herd \times commodity \times emission source:

herd_id Character. Herd identifier.

species_short Character. Species code.

variable_name Character. Emission variable name (e.g. "ch4_enteric", "n2o_manure_pasture_direct").

commodity_name Character. Commodity category: one of "None", "Milk", "Meat", "Fibre", "Work", "Eggs".

commodity_type Character. "Edible" or "Non-Edible".

allocation_share Numeric. Allocation share for this commodity-emission combination (fraction).

aggregation_results A named list from `run_aggregation_module` with elements `results_emissions`, `results_feed`, `results_production`, and `results_nitrogen`. These tables summarise herd-level emissions, feed intake, production, and nitrogen balance, all scaled to the assessment duration.

See Also

[run_demographic_herd_module](#), [run_weights_module](#), [run_ration_quality_module](#), [run_metabolic_energy_req_m](#),
[run_emissions_enteric_module](#), [run_nitrogen_balance_module](#), [run_emissions_manure_module](#),
[run_emissions_ration_module](#), [run_production_module](#), [run_allocation_module](#), [run_aggregation_module](#)

Examples

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# Example 1: You do NOT have herd structure – use cohort input for herd simulation.
# Pipeline runs herd simulation first, then the rest of the pipeline.

path_run_gleam_examples <- system.file("extdata/run_gleam_examples", package = "gleam")

master_chrt_lvl_no_structure_dt <- data.table::fread(file.path(
  path_run_gleam_examples, "master_chrt_lvl_no_structure_data.csv"
))
master_hrd_lvl_dt <- data.table::fread(
  file.path(path_run_gleam_examples, "master_hrd_lvl_data.csv")
)
feed_rations_chrt_dt <- data.table::fread(
  file.path(path_run_gleam_examples, "feed_rations_share_chrt.csv")
)
feed_params_dt <- data.table::fread(system.file(
  "extdata/run_gleam_examples/feed_quality.csv",
  package = "gleam"
))
feed_emissions_dt <- data.table::fread(system.file(
  "extdata/run_gleam_examples/feed_emission_factors.csv",
  package = "gleam"
))
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manure_management_system_fraction_dt <- data.table::fread(
  file.path(path_run_gleam_examples, "manure_management_system_fraction.csv")
)
manure_management_system_factors_dt <- data.table::fread(
  file.path(path_run_gleam_examples, "manure_management_system_factors.csv")
)

results <- run_gleam(
  has_herd_structure = FALSE,
  cohort_level_data = master_chrt_lvl_no_structure_dt,
  herd_level_data = master_hrd_lvl_dt,
  feed_rations = feed_rations_chrt_dt,
  feed_params = feed_params_dt,
  feed_emissions = feed_emissions_dt,
  manure_management_system_fraction = manure_management_system_fraction_dt,
  manure_management_system_factors = manure_management_system_factors_dt,
  simulation_duration = 365
)
print(results$cohort_level_results)
print(results$allocation_long)

# Example 2: You already HAVE herd structure – use cohort table and skip herd simulation.
# Pipeline skips herd simulation and uses this as the starting cohort table.

path_run_gleam_examples <- system.file("extdata/run_gleam_examples", package = "gleam")

master_chrt_lvl_structure_dt <- data.table::fread(file.path(
  path_run_gleam_examples, "master_chrt_lvl_structure_data.csv"
))
master_hrd_lvl_dt <- data.table::fread(
  file.path(path_run_gleam_examples, "master_hrd_lvl_data.csv")
)
feed_rations_chrt_dt <- data.table::fread(
  file.path(path_run_gleam_examples, "feed_rations_share_chrt.csv")
)
feed_params_dt <- data.table::fread(system.file(
  "extdata/run_gleam_examples/feed_quality.csv",
  package = "gleam"
))
feed_emissions_dt <- data.table::fread(system.file(
  "extdata/run_gleam_examples/feed_emission_factors.csv",
  package = "gleam"
))

manure_management_system_fraction_dt <- data.table::fread(
  file.path(path_run_gleam_examples, "manure_management_system_fraction.csv")
)
manure_management_system_factors_dt <- data.table::fread(
  file.path(path_run_gleam_examples, "manure_management_system_factors.csv")
)

results <- run_gleam(

```

```

has_herd_structure = TRUE,
cohort_level_data = master_chrt_lvl_structure_dt,
herd_level_data = master_hrd_lvl_dt,
feed_rations = feed_rations_chrt_dt,
feed_params = feed_params_dt,
feed_emissions = feed_emissions_dt,
manure_management_system_fraction = manure_management_system_fraction_dt,
manure_management_system_factors = manure_management_system_factors_dt,
simulation_duration = 365,
global_warming_potential_set = "AR6"
)
print(results$cohort_level_results)
print(results$allocation_long)

```

```
run_metabolic_energy_req_module
```

Run Metabolic Energy Requirements and Dry Matter Intake Module Pipeline

Description

Calculates cohort-level daily energy requirements (MJ/head/day) and ration dry matter intake (kg DM/head/day) by applying the IPCC Tier 2 energy partitioning functions.

Usage

```

run_metabolic_energy_req_module(
  cohort_level_data,
  herd_level_data,
  show_indicator = TRUE
)

```

Arguments

cohort_level_data

data.table. Cohort-level input table with the following data requirement:

herd_id Character. Unique identifier for the herd, repeated for each cohort belonging to the same herd.

cohort_short Character. Sex- and age-specific cohort code describing the production stage of the animals. Supported values include:

- FA: adult females (from age at first parturition)
- FS: sub-adult females (from weaning to age at first parturition)
- FJ: juvenile females (from birth to weaning)
- MA: adult males (from age at first breeding)
- MS: sub-adult males (from weaning to age at first breeding)
- MJ: juvenile males (from birth to weaning)

- live_weight_cohort_average** Numeric. Average live weight over the cohort stage. Computed by accounting for the share of offtaken animals within the cohort, using their slaughter weight, and the potential final weight of animals that remain in the cohort (kg).
- offtake_rate** Numeric. Annual proportion of animals removed from the herd for each sex-age cohort (fraction).
- low_activity_fraction** Numeric. Proportion of the assessment period during which the animal performs low-intensity movement typical of stall-feeding or near-field grazing, characterized by minimal walking distances and flat terrain (fraction).
- high_activity_fraction** Numeric. Proportion of the assessment period during which the animal engages in sustained locomotion associated with herding or long-distance grazing, typically involving extended walking distances and/or uneven or hilly terrain (fraction).
- live_weight_cohort_initial** Numeric. Live weight at the beginning of the cohort stage (kg).
- live_weight_cohort_final** Numeric. Live weight at the end of the cohort stage, accounting for both surviving and offtaken animals. Computed as a weighted average of the potential final weight of surviving animals and the slaughter weight of offtaken animals, based on the offtake rate (kg).
- live_weight_mature_stage** Numeric. Mature (adult) live weight that the animal can attain under given biological and management conditions (kg).
- daily_weight_gain** Numeric. Average live weight gain of the cohort over the cohort stage (kg/head/day).
- cohort_duration_days** Numeric. Amount of time that each animal spends in a specific cohort (days).
- ration_digestibility_fraction** Numeric. Average digestibility of the feed ration, expressed as ratio of digestible to gross energy content (fraction).
- ration_gross_energy** Numeric. Average gross energy content of the diet (MJ/kg DM).
- ration_metabolizable_energy** Numeric. Average metabolizable energy content of the diet (MJ/kg DM).

herd_level_data

data.table. Herd-level input table (one row per herd_id) with the following data requirement:

- herd_id** Character. Unique identifier for the herd, repeated for each cohort belonging to the same herd.
- species_short** Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include:
- PGS: pigs
 - CML: camels
 - CTL: cattle
 - BFL: buffalo
 - SHP: sheep
 - GTS: goats

- age_first_parturition** Numeric. Age at first parturition for female breeding animals (days).
- lactating_females_fraction** Numeric. Proportion of adult females that are lactating during the assessment period (fraction). Required only for species = CML, CTL, BFL, SHP, and GTS.
- milk_yield_day** Numeric. Average milk yield per milk-producing animal during the assessment duration (kg/head/day). This value is calculated as the total quantity of milk produced for human consumption by milk-producing animals during the assessment period, divided by the number of milk-producing animals, and the length of the assessment period (days). Required only for species = CML, CTL, BFL, SHP, and GTS.
- milk_fat_fraction** Numeric. Milk fat fraction (kg fat / kg milk). Required only for species = CML, CTL, BFL, SHP, and GTS.
- non_productive_duration** Numeric. Period during which the animal is not performing any productive physiological function such as pregnancy or lactation (days). Required only for PGS.
- pregnancy_duration** Numeric. Duration of pregnancy period (days).
- litter_size** Numeric. Average number of offspring born per parturition (# offsprings/parturition). This value can be calculated as the total number of offspring born divided by the total number of parturitions during the year.
- death_rate_juvenile** Numeric. Fraction of deaths in a herd over a year for juvenile cohorts (i.e. FJ and MJ), (fraction).
- live_weight_at_birth** Numeric. Live weight of the animal at birth (kg).
- live_weight_at_weaning** Numeric. Live weight of the animal at weaning (kg).
- lactation_duration** Numeric. Duration of the lactation period, defined as the number of days during which the animal is lactating (days). Required only for PGS.
- parturition_rate** Numeric. Average annual number of parturitions per female animal (# parturitions/adult female/year). A herd-level reproductive performance indicator calculated as the total number of parturitions (deliveries) occurring during a year divided by the number of adult females potentially able to give birth during that year.
- draught_work_hours_female** Numeric. Average daily working time per adult female (hours/head/day). Required only for species = CML, CTL, and BFL.
- draught_work_hours_male** Numeric. Average daily working time per adult male (hours/head/day). Required only for species = CML, CTL, and BFL.
- draught_fraction_female** Numeric. Fraction of adult females involved in draught work (fraction). Required only for species = CML, CTL, and BFL.
- draught_fraction_male** Numeric. Fraction of adult males involved in draught work (fraction). Required only for species = CML, CTL, and BFL.
- fibre_yield_year** Numeric. Annual production yield of fibre, such as wool, cashmere, mohair (kg/head/year). Required only for species = CML, SHP, and GTS.
- show_indicator Logical. Whether to display progress indicators during simulation. Defaults to TRUE.

Details

This function joins `cohort_level_data` with `herd_level_data` by `herd_id`, uses `species_short` directly for all species-specific energy calculations, and computes IPCC Tier 2 energy partition components and derived feed intake metrics by cohort.

Energy requirements are expressed as:

- **Net energy** for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS.
- **Metabolizable energy** for CML and PGS.

This function represents the intermediate module of the Global Livestock Environmental Assessment Model (GLEAM) computational pipeline `run_gleam()` to estimate animals' metabolic energy requirements and dry matter intake and performs the following calculation sequence:

1. Maintenance energy is computed using `calc_metabolic_energy_req_maintenance`.
2. Activity energy is computed using `calc_metabolic_energy_req_activity`.
3. Growth energy is computed using `calc_metabolic_energy_req_growth`.
4. Lactation energy is computed using `calc_metabolic_energy_req_lactation`.
5. Work energy is computed using `calc_metabolic_energy_req_work`.
6. Fibre production energy is computed using `calc_metabolic_energy_req_fibre`.
7. Pregnancy energy is computed using `calc_metabolic_energy_req_pregnancy`.
8. Diet net energy ratios are computed using `calc_rem_maintenance` and `calc_reg_growth` (ruminants only).
9. Total daily energy requirement is computed using `calc_total_metabolic_energy_req`.
10. Daily dry matter intake is computed using `calc_ration_intake`.

Value

A `data.table` with the original cohort-level input columns plus the following new variables:

metabolic_energy_req_maintenance Numeric. Energy required for maintenance, defined as the amount of energy needed to keep the animal at equilibrium such that body energy is neither gained nor lost. Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS (MJ/head/day).

metabolic_energy_req_activity Numeric. Energy required for activity, defined as the amount of energy needed to support animal movement and physical activity (MJ/head/day). Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS.

metabolic_energy_req_growth Numeric. Energy required for growth (i.e., weight gain) (MJ/head/day). Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS.

metabolic_energy_req_lactation Numeric. Energy required for lactation (MJ/head/day). Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS.

metabolic_energy_req_work Numeric. Energy required for work, used to estimate the energy required for draught power for CTL, BFL and CML (MJ/head/day). Assumed to be 0 for other species. Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS.

metabolic_energy_req_fibre_production Numeric. Energy required for the synthesis of fibre for SHP, GTS and CML. Assumed to be 0 for other species. (MJ/head/day). Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS (MJ/head/day).

metabolic_energy_req_pregnancy Numeric. Energy required for pregnancy for pregnant females (MJ/head/day). Expressed as net energy for CTL, BFL, SHP, GTS and as metabolizable energy for CML and PGS.

net_energy_maintenance_digestible_energy_ratio Numeric. Ratio of net energy available for maintenance in the diet to digestible energy consumed (fraction).

net_energy_growth_digestible_energy_ratio Numeric. Ratio of net energy available for growth in the diet to digestible energy consumed (fraction).

metabolic_energy_req_total Numeric. Total daily energy requirement (MJ/head/day). For CTL, BFL, SHP and GTS this is expressed as gross energy intake requirement (GE). For CML and PGS the function returns the summed daily metabolizable energy requirement.

ration_intake Numeric. Average daily dry matter intake of feed (kg DM/head/day).

See Also

[run_gleam](#), [calc_metabolic_energy_req_maintenance](#), [calc_metabolic_energy_req_activity](#), [calc_metabolic_energy_req_growth](#), [calc_metabolic_energy_req_lactation](#), [calc_metabolic_energy_req_work](#), [calc_metabolic_energy_req_fibre](#), [calc_metabolic_energy_req_pregnancy](#), [calc_rem_maintenance](#), [calc_reg_growth](#), [calc_total_metabolic_energy_req](#), [calc_ration_intake](#)

Examples

```
# Load metabolic energy requirements inputs (cohort and herd-level)
metabolic_energy_req_chrt_dt <- data.table::fread(system.file(
  "extdata/run_modules_examples/metabolic_energy_req_input_chrt_data.csv",
  package = "gleam"
))
metabolic_energy_req_hrd_dt <- data.table::fread(system.file(
  "extdata/run_modules_examples/metabolic_energy_req_input_hrd_data.csv",
  package = "gleam"
))

# Run metabolic energy requirement and rations calculations
results <- run_metabolic_energy_req_module(
  cohort_level_data = metabolic_energy_req_chrt_dt,
  herd_level_data = metabolic_energy_req_hrd_dt
)
```

Description

Calculates cohort-level daily nitrogen intake, retention, and excretion (kg N/head/day) by applying IPCC Tier 2 approach.

Usage

```
run_nitrogen_balance_module(
  cohort_level_data,
  herd_level_data,
  show_indicator = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

cohort_level_data

data.table. Cohort-level input table with the following data requirement:

herd_id Character. Unique identifier for the herd, repeated for each cohort belonging to the same herd.

cohort_short Character. Sex- and age-specific cohort code describing the production stage of the animals. Supported values include:

- FA: adult females (from age at first parturition)
- FS: sub-adult females (from weaning to age at first parturition)
- FJ: juvenile females (from birth to weaning)
- MA: adult males (from age at first breeding)
- MS: sub-adult males (from weaning to age at first breeding)
- MJ: juvenile males (from birth to weaning)

ration_intake Numeric. Average daily dry matter intake of feed (kg DM/head/day).

ration_nitrogen Numeric. Average nitrogen content of diet (kg N/kg DM).

daily_weight_gain Numeric. Average live weight gain of the cohort over the cohort stage (kg/head/day).

cohort_duration_days Numeric. Amount of time that each animal spends in a specific cohort (days).

herd_level_data

data.table. Herd-level input table (one row per herd_id) with the following data requirement:

herd_id Character. Unique identifier for the herd, repeated for each cohort belonging to the same herd.

species_short Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include:

- PGS: pigs
- CML: camels
- CTL: cattle
- BFL: buffalo
- SHP: sheep
- GTS: goats

- milk_protein_fraction** Numeric. Milk protein fraction (kg protein / kg milk). Required only for species = CML, CTL, BFL, SHP, and GTS.
- milk_yield_day** Numeric. Average milk yield per milk-producing animal during the assessment duration (kg/head/day). This value is calculated as the total quantity of milk produced for human consumption by milk-producing animals during the assessment period, divided by the number of milk-producing animals, and the length of the assessment period (days). Required only for species = CML, CTL, BFL, SHP, and GTS.
- fibre_yield_year** Numeric. Annual production yield of fibre, such as wool, cashmere, mohair (kg/head/year). Required only for species = CML, SHP, and GTS.
- litter_size** Numeric. Average number of offspring born per parturition (# offsprings/parturition). This value can be calculated as the total number of offspring born divided by the total number of parturitions during the year.
- parturition_rate** Numeric. Average annual number of parturitions per female animal (# parturitions/adult female/year). A herd-level reproductive performance indicator calculated as the total number of parturitions (deliveries) occurring during a year divided by the number of adult females potentially able to give birth during that year.
- live_weight_at_weaning** Numeric. Live weight of the animal at weaning (kg).
- live_weight_at_birth** Numeric. Live weight of the animal at birth (kg).
- pregnancy_duration** Numeric. Duration of pregnancy period (days).

show_indicator Logical. Whether to display progress indicators during simulation. Defaults to TRUE.

Details

This function represents the intermediate module of the Global Livestock Environmental Assessment Model (GLEAM) computational pipeline `run_gleam()` to compute the nitrogen balance. The function joins `cohort_level_data` with `herd_level_data` by `herd_id`, uses `species_short` directly for all species-specific nitrogen balance calculations, and computes cohort-level nitrogen balance components following the IPCC Tier 2 structure.

The following calculation sequence is applied:

1. Daily nitrogen intake is computed using `calc_nitrogen_intake` from `ration_intake` and `ration_nitrogen`.
2. Daily nitrogen retention is computed using `calc_nitrogen_retention` from cohort-level and herd-level species parameters.
3. Daily nitrogen excretion is computed using `calc_nitrogen_excretion` as intake minus retention (species-specific validation applied).

Value

A data table with the original cohort-level input columns plus the following new variables:

nitrogen_intake Numeric. Daily nitrogen intake (kg N/head/day).

nitrogen_retention Numeric. Daily nitrogen retention in animal body tissues and products (e.g., growth, pregnancy, milk...) (kg N/head/day)

nitrogen_excretion Numeric. Daily nitrogen excretion (kg N/head/day).

See Also

[run_gleam](#), [calc_nitrogen_intake](#), [calc_nitrogen_retention](#), [calc_nitrogen_excretion](#)

Examples

```
# Load nitrogen balance inputs (cohort and herd-level)
nitrogen_balance_chrt_dt <- data.table::fread(system.file(
  "extdata/run_modules_examples/nitrogen_balance_input_chrt_data.csv",
  package = "gleam"
))
nitrogen_balance_hrd_dt <- data.table::fread(system.file(
  "extdata/run_modules_examples/nitrogen_balance_input_hrd_data.csv",
  package = "gleam"
))

# Run nitrogen balance calculations
results <- run_nitrogen_balance_module(
  cohort_level_data = nitrogen_balance_chrt_dt,
  herd_level_data = nitrogen_balance_hrd_dt
)
```

run_production_module *Run Production Module Pipeline*

Description

Calculates cohort-level production outputs over the assessment period by combining cohort-level herd structure inputs with herd-level production parameters. The function returns milk, fibre, and meat outputs for each cohort.

Usage

```
run_production_module(
  cohort_level_data,
  herd_level_data,
  simulation_duration = 365,
  show_indicator = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

cohort_level_data

data.table. Cohort-level input table (one row per herd-cohort) with the following data requirement:

herd_id Character. Unique identifier for the herd, repeated for each cohort belonging to the same herd.

cohort_short Character. Sex- and age-specific cohort code describing the production stage of the animals. Supported values include:

- FA: adult females (from age at first parturition)
- FS: sub-adult females (from weaning to age at first parturition)
- FJ: juvenile females (from birth to weaning)
- MA: adult males (from age at first breeding)
- MS: sub-adult males (from weaning to age at first breeding)
- MJ: juvenile males (from birth to weaning)

cohort_stock_size Numeric. Average population size in each of the 6 sex–age cohorts (# heads). (cohorts=FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA).

offtake_heads_assessment Numeric. Total number of animals removed via offtake over the assessment period, aggregated to 6 sex–age cohorts (heads/assessment period) (cohorts = FJ, FS, FA, MJ, MS, MA).

live_weight_cohort_at_slaughter Numeric. Live weight at slaughter for animals removed from the cohort (kg).

herd_level_data

data.table. Herd-level input table (one row per herd_id) with the following data requirement:

herd_id Character. Unique identifier for the herd, repeated for each cohort belonging to the same herd.

species_short Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include:

- PGS: pigs
- CML: camels
- CTL: cattle
- BFL: buffalo
- SHP: sheep
- GTS: goats

milk_yield_day Numeric. Average milk yield per milk-producing animal during the assessment duration (kg/head/day). This value is calculated as the total quantity of milk produced for human consumption by milk-producing animals during the assessment period, divided by the number of milk-producing animals, and the length of the assessment period (days). Required only for species = CML, CTL, BFL, SHP, and GTS.

lactating_females_fraction Numeric. Proportion of adult females that are lactating during the assessment period (fraction). Required only for species: CML, CTL, BFL, SHP, and GTS.

milk_protein_fraction Numeric. Milk protein fraction (kg protein/kg milk). Required only for species = CML, CTL, BFL, SHP, and GTS.

milk_fat_fraction Numeric. Milk fat fraction (kg fat/kg milk). Required only for species = CML, CTL, BFL, SHP, and GTS.

milk_lactose_fraction Numeric. Milk lactose fraction (kg lactose/kg milk). Required only for species = CML, CTL, BFL, SHP, and GTS.

milk_protein_fraction_standard Numeric. Standard protein content of milk, used to calculate Fat-protein-corrected milk (FPCM), (kg protein/kg milk). Suggested value = 0.033.

milk_fat_fraction_standard Numeric. Standard fat content of milk, used to calculate Fat-protein-corrected milk (FPCM), (kg fat/kg milk). Suggested value = 0.04.

milk_lactose_fraction_standard Numeric. Standard lactose content of milk, used to calculate Fat-protein-corrected milk (FPCM), (kg lactose/kg milk). Suggested value = 0.048.

fibre_yield_year Numeric. Annual production yield of fibre, such as wool, cashmere, mohair (kg/head/year). Required only for species = CML, SHP, and GTS.

carcass_dressing_fraction Numeric. Ratio of a slaughtered animal's carcass weight to its live weight (fraction).

bone_free_meat_fraction Numeric. Ratio of bone-free-meat to carcass weight (fraction).

meat_protein_fraction Numeric. Protein content of bone-free-meat (kg protein/kg bone-free-meat).

simulation_duration

Numeric. Length of the assessment period (days).

show_indicator Logical. Whether to display progress indicators during simulation. Defaults to TRUE.

Details

This function represents the intermediate module of the Global Livestock Environmental Assessment Model (GLEAM) computational pipeline `run_gleam()` to estimate meat, milk and fibre production outputs from livestock and performs the following calculation sequence:

1. Milk outputs are computed using `calc_milk_production`
2. Fibre outputs are computed using `calc_fibre_production`
3. Meat outputs are computed using `calc_meat_production`

For species/cohorts where milk or fibre production is not applicable, outputs are returned as zero.

Value

A data.table with the original cohort-level input columns plus the following new variables:

milk_production_mass_cohort Numeric. Total milk production produced over the assessment period (kg/cohort/assessment period).

milk_production_protein_cohort Numeric. Total milk protein production produced over the assessment period (kg protein/cohort/assessment period).

milk_production_fpcm_cohort Numeric. Total fat-protein-corrected milk (FPCM) produced over the assessment period (kg/cohort/assessment period).

fibre_production_cohort Numeric. Total fibre produced over the assessment period by cohort (kg/cohort/assessment period).

meat_production_live_weight_cohort Numeric . Total meat produced as live weight over the assessment period by cohort (kg/cohort/assessment period).

meat_production_carcass_weight_cohort Numeric. Total meat as carcass weight (excluding organs, and other by-products after dressing) produced over the assessment period by cohort (kg/cohort/assessment period).

meat_production_bone_free_meat_cohort Numeric. Total bone-free-meat (excluding bones, organs, and other by-products after dressing and bone removal) produced over the assessment period by cohort (kg/cohort/assessment period).

meat_production_protein_cohort Numeric. Total meat protein (excluding bones, organs, and other by-products after dressing and bone removal) produced over the assessment period by cohort (kg protein/cohort/assessment period).

See Also

[run_gleam](#), [calc_milk_production](#), [calc_fibre_production](#), [calc_meat_production](#)

Examples

```
# Load production inputs (cohort and herd-level)
production_chrt_dt <- data.table::fread(system.file(
  "extdata/run_modules_examples/production_input_chrt_data.csv",
  package = "gleam"
))
production_hrd_dt <- data.table::fread(system.file(
  "extdata/run_modules_examples/production_input_hrd_data.csv",
  package = "gleam"
))

# Run production calculations
results <- run_production_module(
  cohort_level_data = production_chrt_dt,
  herd_level_data = production_hrd_dt,
  simulation_duration = 365
)
```

run_ration_quality_module

Run Ration Quality Module Pipeline

Description

Calculates cohort-level diet nutritional metrics (gross and metabolizable energy content, digestibility, nitrogen content, urinary energy losses, and ash content) from cohort-level feed ration composition shares and feed component nutrient parameters.

Usage

```
run_ration_quality_module(rations_share, feed_params, show_indicator = TRUE)
```

Arguments

- rations_share** data.table. Cohort-level feed ration composition shares with the following minimum data requirement:
- herd_id** Character. Unique identifier for the herd, repeated for each cohort belonging to the same herd.
 - species_short** Character. Code identifying the livestock species. Supported values include:
 - PGS: pigs
 - CML: camels
 - CTL: cattle
 - BFL: buffalo
 - SHP: sheep
 - GTS: goats
 - cohort_short** Character. Sex- and age-specific cohort code describing the production stage of the animals. Supported values include:
 - FA: adult females (from age at first parturition)
 - FS: sub-adult females (from weaning to age at first parturition)
 - FJ: juvenile females (from birth to weaning)
 - MA: adult males (from age at first breeding)
 - MS: sub-adult males (from weaning to age at first breeding)
 - MJ: juvenile males (from birth to weaning)
 - feed_id** Character. Unique identifier for the feed component, used to join feed ration data with feed parameter tables.
 - feed_name** Character. Feed component name (optional, for readability and reporting). If provided, it should uniquely identify the same feed component as feed_id.
 - feed_ration_fraction** Numeric. Proportion of a specific feed component in the total ration, expressed as its fraction of diet dry matter intake (fraction). Within each herd_id and cohort, proportions should sum to 1.
- feed_params** data.table. Feed nutritional parameters with the following minimum data requirement:
- feed_id** Character. Unique identifier for the feed component, used to join feed ration data with feed parameter tables.
 - feed_gross_energy** Numeric. Gross energy content of a feed component, representing the total chemical energy released upon complete combustion of the feed (MJ/kg DM).
 - feed_digestible_energy_ruminant** Numeric. Digestible energy content of a feed component for ruminants, representing the energy absorbed by the animal after fecal losses (MJ/kg DM).

feed_digestible_energy_pigs Numeric. Digestible energy content of a feed component for pigs, representing the energy absorbed by the animal after fecal losses (MJ/kg DM).

feed_metabolizable_energy_ruminant Numeric. Metabolizable energy content of a feed component for ruminants, representing digestible energy minus energy losses in urine and gaseous products of digestion (MJ/kg DM).

feed_metabolizable_energy_pigs Numeric. Metabolizable energy content of a feed component for pigs, representing digestible energy minus energy losses in urine and gaseous products of digestion (MJ/kg DM).

feed_nitrogen_content Numeric. Nitrogen content of a feed component (kg N/kg DM).

feed_urinary_energy_ruminant Numeric. Fraction of feed's gross energy that is excreted in urine for ruminants (fraction).

feed_urinary_energy_pigs Numeric. Fraction of feed's gross energy that is excreted in urine for pigs (fraction).

feed_ash Numeric. Average ash content by feed component, calculated as a fraction of the dry matter intake (g ash/100g DM).

category Character. Feed category (optional). If provided, it should be used consistently with `feed_id`, for a coherent result.

feed_name Character. Feed component name (optional, for readability and reporting). If provided, it should uniquely identify the same feed component as `feed_id`.

`show_indicator` Logical. Whether to display progress indicators during calculations. Defaults to TRUE.

Details

This function represents the intermediate module of the Global Livestock Environmental Assessment Model (GLEAM) computational pipeline `run_gleam()` to estimate the nutritional quality of the feed ration. This function joins `rations_share` with `feed_params` by `feed_id`, uses `species_short` directly, and computes ration-weighted nutritional metrics by cohort.

The following calculation sequence is applied:

1. Species-specific digestibility ratios are computed from energy parameters and `feed_gross_energy` using `calc_feed_digestibility_fraction`.
2. Contributions of each feed component are computed as ration-weighted values:
 - gross energy using `calc_ration_gross_energy`
 - nitrogen using `calc_ration_nitrogen_content`
 - digestibility using `calc_ration_digestibility`
 - metabolizable energy using `calc_ration_metabolizable_energy`
 - urinary energy fraction using `calc_ration_urinary_energy_fraction`
 - ash using `calc_ration_ash`
3. Cohort-level nutritional metrics are obtained for the whole feed ration by summing contributions across feed components within each `herd_id`, `species_short`, and `cohort_short`.

Value

data.table. Cohort-level nutritional metrics summarized by herd_id, species_short, and cohort_short with the following columns:

ration_gross_energy Numeric. Average gross energy content of the diet (MJ/kg DM).

ration_metabolizable_energy Numeric. Average metabolizable energy content of the diet (MJ/kg DM).

ration_nitrogen Numeric. Average nitrogen content of diet (kg N/kg DM).

ration_digestibility_fraction Numeric. Average digestibility of the feed ration, expressed as ratio of digestible to gross energy content (fraction).

ration_urinary_energy_fraction Numeric. Fraction of feed's gross energy that is excreted in urine (fraction).

ration_ash Numeric. Average ash content of feed, calculated as a fraction of the dry matter intake (kg ash/kg DM).

See Also

[run_gleam](#), [calc_feed_digestibility_fraction](#), [calc_ration_gross_energy](#), [calc_ration_nitrogen_content](#), [calc_ration_digestibility](#), [calc_ration_metabolizable_energy](#), [calc_ration_urinary_energy_fraction](#), [calc_ration_ash](#)

Examples

```
# Load feed rations inputs (cohort-level shares and feed parameters)
feed_rations_chrt_dt <- data.table::fread(system.file(
  "extdata/run_modules_examples/feed_rations_share_chrt.csv",
  package = "gleam"
))
feed_params_dt <- data.table::fread(system.file(
  "extdata/run_modules_examples/feed_quality.csv",
  package = "gleam"
))

result <- run_ration_quality_module(
  rations_share = feed_rations_chrt_dt,
  feed_params = feed_params_dt
)
```

run_weights_module *Run Weights Module Pipeline*

Description

Calculates cohort-level live weight metrics by combining cohort-level inputs with herd-level biological parameters. The function appends cohort weights (initial, potential final, slaughter), then derives average and final live weights accounting for offtake, and finally computes average daily live weight gain over each cohort stage.

Usage

```
run_weights_module(cohort_level_data, herd_level_data, show_indicator = TRUE)
```

Arguments

cohort_level_data

A `data.table` in long format with one row per herd \times cohort. Must include:

herd_id Character. Unique identifier for the herd, repeated for each cohort belonging to the same herd.

cohort_short Character. Sex- and age-specific cohort code describing the production stage of the animals. Supported values include:

- FA: adult females (from age at first parturition)
- FS: sub-adult females (from weaning to age at first parturition)
- FJ: juvenile females (from birth to weaning)
- MA: adult males (from age at first breeding)
- MS: sub-adult males (from weaning to age at first breeding)
- MJ: juvenile males (from birth to weaning)

cohort_duration_days Numeric. Amount of time that each animal spends in a specific cohort (days).

offtake_rate Numeric. Annual proportion of animals removed from the herd for each sex-age cohort (fraction).

herd_level_data

A `data.table` with one row per herd. Must include:

- `live_weight_female_adult` Numeric. Live weight of adult females (kg)
- `live_weight_male_adult` Numeric. Live weight of adult males (kg)
- `live_weight_at_birth` Numeric. Live weight of the animal at birth (kg).
- `live_weight_at_weaning` Numeric. Live weight of the animal at weaning (kg)
- `live_weight_female_at_slaughter` Numeric. Slaughter weight of female sub-adult animals (kg)
- `live_weight_male_at_slaughter` Numeric. Slaughter weight of male sub-adult animals (kg)

`show_indicator` Logical. Whether to display progress indicators during calculations. Defaults to TRUE.

Details

This function represents the intermediate module of the Global Livestock Environmental Assessment Model (GLEAM) computational pipeline `run_gleam()` to estimate animals' live weight and is composed of the following steps:

1. **Cohort-stage weight assignment** using `calc_cohort_weights`. Herd-level biological parameters are matched to each cohort row by `herd_id` via `data.table` joins.
2. **Calculation of average and final live weights (accounting for offtake)** using `calc_avg_weights`.
3. **Calculation of average daily live weight gain** using `calc_daily_weight_gain`.

Value

A named list with two data.tables:

cohort_level_results The input cohort_level_data with these additional columns:

live_weight_mature_stage Numeric. Mature (adult) live weight that the animal can attain under given biological and management conditions (kg).

live_weight_cohort_initial Numeric. Live weight at the beginning of the cohort stage (kg).

live_weight_cohort_potential_final Numeric. Potential final live weight attainable at the end of the cohort stage in the absence of offtake (kg). (For juveniles: equals weaning weight; For subadults: equals adult live weight; For adults: equals adult live weight)

live_weight_cohort_at_slaughter Numeric. Live weight at slaughter for animals removed from the cohort (kg).

live_weight_cohort_average Numeric. Average live weight over the cohort stage. Computed by accounting for the share of offtaken animals within the cohort, using their slaughter weight, and the potential final weight of animals that remain in the cohort (kg).

live_weight_cohort_final Numeric. Live weight at the end of the cohort stage, accounting for both surviving and offtaken animals. Computed as a weighted average of the potential final weight of surviving animals and the slaughter weight of offtaken animals, based on the offtake rate (kg).

daily_weight_gain Numeric. Average live weight gain of the cohort over the cohort stage (kg/head/day).

herd_level_results A copy of the input herd_level_data.

See Also

[run_gleam](#), [calc_cohort_weights](#), [calc_avg_weights](#), [calc_daily_weight_gain](#),

Examples

```
# Load weights inputs (cohort- and herd-level)
weights_chrt_dt <- data.table::fread(system.file(
  "extdata/run_modules_examples/weights_input_chrt_data.csv",
  package = "gleam"
))
weights_hrd_dt <- data.table::fread(system.file(
  "extdata/run_modules_examples/weights_input_hrd_data.csv",
  package = "gleam"
))

# Run weight calculations
results <- run_weights_module(
  cohort_level_data = weights_chrt_dt,
  herd_level_data = weights_hrd_dt
)

# Access results
print(results$cohort_level_results)
print(results$herd_level_results)
```

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