

# Package ‘WaverR’

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## Description

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## Details

The waverr function will estimate all missing values of a dataset by, initially performing linear regressions of all possible combinations of variables using the data available, and subsequently using the average of all available values for each variable to estimate, weighting each estimation based on their log likelihood (see Sears et al 2008). Estimations of the error associated with each estimation are also provided.

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## References

Sears, K.E., Finarelli, J.A., Flynn, J.J., & Wyss, A.R. (2008). Estimating body mass in New World "monkeys" (Platyrrhini, Primates), with a consideration of the Miocene platyrrhine, *Chilecebus carrascoensis*. *American Museum Novitates*, 3617, 1-29.

## Examples

```
AllIrisMeasurements<-iris[,1:4]
Xremove<-sample(1:150, 20,replace=TRUE)
Yremove<-sample(1:4, 20,replace=TRUE)
AllIrisMeasurementsWithNA<-AllIrisMeasurements
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## Usage

```
waverr(RawData, Nrepeats)
```

## Arguments

|          |                                                                                                                         |
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| RawData  | A dataframe with each individual represented by a separate row and each variable by a column. Missing data coded as NA. |
| Nrepeats | The number of repeats performed for the estimation of the error associated with reconstructed data.                     |

**Value****ReconstructedData**

A matrix of the original data with the missing data replaced by estimated values. It is also saved as a text file in the working directory as "ReconstructedData.txt".

**ReconstructedDataStDev**

A matrix of the standard deviation associated with each estimated value. It is also saved as a text file in the working directory as "ReconstructedDataStDev.txt".

**ResampledData**

A three-dimensional array in which each estimated value is resampled (number of repeats determined by Nrepeats) according to a normal distribution. It is also saved as a text file in the working directory as "ResampledReconstructions.txt".

**VariableStDev**

A matrix of the error associated with each estimated data point as a function of the standard deviation of Nrepeat resampled estimations. It is also saved as a text file in the working directory as "ResampledReconstructionsStandardDeviation.txt".

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