

# Package ‘rakeR’

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check_constraint	<i>check_constraint</i>
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### Description

Checks a constraint table for common errors.

### Usage

```
check_constraint(constraint_var, num_zones)
```

### Arguments

constraint_var	The constraint table to check, usually a data frame
num_zones	The number of zones that should be present in the table

### Details

Checks a constraint table for the following common errors:

- Ensures all zone codes are unique
- Ensures there are the expected number of zones
- Ensures all but the zone column are numeric (integer or double)

### Value

If no errors are detected the function returns silently. Any errors will stop the function or script to be investigated.

**Examples**

```
cons <- data.frame(  
  "zone"      = letters[1:3],  
  "age_0_49"  = c(8, 2, 7),  
  "age_gt_50" = c(4, 8, 4),  
  "sex_f"     = c(6, 6, 8),  
  "sex_m"     = c(6, 4, 3)  
)  
check_constraint(cons, 3) # no errors
```

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check\_ind

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**Description**

Checks an individual (survey) variable for common errors.

**Usage**

```
check_ind(ind_var)
```

**Arguments**

ind\_var            the individual (survey) variable you want to check

**Details**

Checks an individual (survey) variable for the following common errors:

- That each row sums to 1 (i.e. correctly converted to a dummy variable)

**Value**

If no errors are detected the function returns silently. Any errors will stop the function or script to be investigated.

**Examples**

```
## check_ind(ind_var)
```

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extract	<i>extract</i>
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### Description

Extract aggregate weights from individual weight table

### Usage

```
extract(weights, inds, id)
```

### Arguments

weights	A weight table, typically produced by rakeR::weight()
inds	The individual level data
id	The unique id variable in the individual level data (inds), usually the first column

### Details

Extract aggregate weights from individual weight table, typically produced by rakeR::weight()

Extract cannot operate with numeric variables because it creates a new variable for each unique factor of each variable. If you want numeric information, like income, use integerise() instead.

### Value

A data frame with zones and aggregated simulated values for each variable

### Examples

```
## Not run
## Use weights object from weights()
## ext_weights <- extract(weights = weights, inds = inds, id = "id")
```

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extract_weights	<i>extract_weights</i>
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### Description

Deprecated: use rakeR::extract()

### Usage

```
extract_weights(weights, inds, id)
```

**Arguments**

weights	A weight table, typically produced by <code>rakeR::weight()</code>
inds	The individual level data
id	The unique id variable in the individual level data (inds), usually the first column

**Value**

A data frame with zones and aggregated simulated values for each variable

**Examples**

```
## Not run
## extract_weights() is deprecated, use extract() instead
```

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integerise	<i>integerise</i>
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**Description**

Generate integer cases from numeric weights matrix.

**Usage**

```
integerise(weights, inds, method = "trs", seed = 42)
```

**Arguments**

weights	A matrix or data frame of fractional weights, typically provided by <code>rakeR::weight()</code>
inds	The individual-level data (i.e. one row per individual)
method	The integerisation method specified as a character string. Defaults to "trs"; currently other methods are not implemented.
seed	The seed to use, defaults to 42.

**Details**

Extracted weights (using `rakeR::extract()`) are more 'precise' than integerised weights (although the user should be careful this is not spurious precision based on context) as they return fractions. Nevertheless, integerised weights are useful in cases when:

- Numeric information (such as income) is required, as this needs to be `cut()` to work with `rakeR::extract()`
- Simulated 'individuals' are required for case studies of key areas.
- Input individual-level data for agent-based or dynamic models are required

The default integerisation method uses the 'truncate, replicate, sample' method developed by Robin Lovelace and Dimitris Ballas <http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0198971513000240>  
Other methods (for example proportional probabilities) may be implemented at a later date.

**Value**

A data frame of integerised cases

**Examples**

```
cons <- data.frame(
  "zone"      = letters[1:3],
  "age_0_49"  = c(8, 2, 7),
  "age_gt_50" = c(4, 8, 4),
  "sex_f"     = c(6, 6, 8),
  "sex_m"     = c(6, 4, 3),
  stringsAsFactors = FALSE
)

inds <- data.frame(
  "id"       = LETTERS[1:5],
  "age"      = c("age_gt_50", "age_gt_50", "age_0_49", "age_gt_50", "age_0_49"),
  "sex"      = c("sex_m", "sex_m", "sex_m", "sex_f", "sex_f"),
  "income"   = c(2868, 2474, 2231, 3152, 2473),
  stringsAsFactors = FALSE
)

vars <- c("age", "sex")

weights <- weight(cons = cons, inds = inds, vars = vars)
weights_int <- integerise(weights, inds = inds)
```

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rake

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**Description**

A convenience function wrapping `weight()` and `extract()` or `weight()` and `integerise()`

**Usage**

```
rake(cons, inds, vars, output = "fraction", iterations = 10, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>cons</code>	A data frame of constraint variables
<code>inds</code>	A data frame of individual-level (survey) data
<code>vars</code>	A character string of variables to iterate over
<code>output</code>	A string specifying the desired output, either "fraction" ( <code>extract()</code> ) or "integer" ( <code>integerise()</code> )
<code>iterations</code>	The number of iterations to perform. Defaults to 10.
<code>...</code>	Additional arguments to pass to depending on desired output: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• if "fraction" specify 'id' (see <code>extract()</code> documentation)</li> <li>• if "integer" specify 'method' and 'seed' (see <code>integerise()</code> documentation)</li> </ul>

**Value**

A data frame with extracted weights (if `output == "fraction"`, the default) or integerised cases (if `output == "integer"`)

**Examples**

```
## not run
## frac_weights <- rake(cons, inds, vars, output = "fraction",
##                       id = "id")

## int_weight <- rake(cons, inds, vars, output = "integer",
##                    method = "trs", seed = "42")
```

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simulate	<i>simulate</i>
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**Description**

Deprecated: `integerise() %>% simulate()` has been replaced by simply `integerise()` to be consistent with `extract()`.

**Usage**

```
simulate(...)
```

**Arguments**

... arguments previously passed to `simulate()`

**Value**

Returns an error if used. Just use `integerise()`

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weight	<i>weight</i>
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**Description**

Produces fractional weights using the iterative proportional fitting algorithm.

**Usage**

```
weight(cons, inds, vars = NULL, iterations = 10)
```

**Arguments**

cons	A data frame containing all the constraints. This should be in the format of one row per zone, one column per constraint category. The first column should be a zone code; all other columns must be numeric counts.
inds	A data frame containing individual-level (survey) data. This should be in the format of one row per individual, one column per constraint. The first column should be an individual ID.
vars	A character vector of variables that constrain the simulation (i.e. independent variables)
iterations	The number of iterations the algorithm should complete. Defaults to 10

**Details**

The first column of each data frame should be an ID. The first column of cons should contain the zone codes. The first column of inds should contain the individual unique identifier.

Both data frames should only contain:

- an ID column (zone ID cons or individual ID inds).
- constraints inds or constraint category cons.
- inds can optionally contain additional dependent variables that do not influence the weighting process.

No other columns should be present (the user can merge these back in later).

It is essential that the levels in each inds constraint (i.e. column) match exactly with the column names in cons. In the example below see how the column names in cons ('age\_0\_49', 'sex\_f', ...) match exactly the levels in inds variables.

The columns in cons must be in alphabetical order because these are created alphabetically when they are 'spread' in the individual-level data.

**Value**

A data frame of fractional weights for each individual in each zone with zone codes recorded in column names and individual id recorded in row names.

**Examples**

```
# SimpleWorld
cons <- data.frame(
  "zone"      = letters[1:3],
  "age_0_49"  = c(8, 2, 7),
  "age_gt_50" = c(4, 8, 4),
  "sex_f"     = c(6, 6, 8),
  "sex_m"     = c(6, 4, 3),
  stringsAsFactors = FALSE
)
inds <- data.frame(
  "id"       = LETTERS[1:5],
  "age"      = c("age_gt_50", "age_gt_50", "age_0_49", "age_gt_50", "age_0_49"),
```

```
"sex"      = c("sex_m", "sex_m", "sex_m", "sex_f", "sex_f"),  
"income"   = c(2868, 2474, 2231, 3152, 2473),  
stringsAsFactors = FALSE  
)  
# Set variables to constrain over  
vars <- c("age", "sex")  
weights <- weight(cons = cons, inds = inds, vars = vars)  
print(weights)
```

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