## Additional functions for transforming soil particlesize distributions

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## 1 Load the soiltexture package

The soiltexture package can be installed from CRAN with the following commands:

```
install.packages("soiltexture")
And loaded with the following commands:
require("soiltexture")
```

## 2 Transforming soil texture data using many Particle-Size Distribution models (from 3 or more particle size classes)

TT.text.transf.Xm() is used to transform soil texture data from 3 or more particle size classes using various Particle-Size Distribution (PSD) models. The drc package and its associate packages(lattice,magic,nlme, plotrix) are required in the PSD model fitting.Compared to TT.text.transf(), the following check is not needed (and not done):

• When the 1st value of input tri.data and output particle size classes limits is 0, The 2nd value of the output particle size classes limits must be higher or equal to the 2nd value of the input particle size classes limits."

We need first to create a dummy dataset with more than 3 particle size classes:

```
 \begin{array}{lll} \mbox{my.text4} <- & \mbox{data.frame(} \\ \mbox{"CLAY"} &= & \mbox{c(05,60,15,05,25,05,25,45,65,75,13,47),} \\ \mbox{"FSILT"} &= & \mbox{c(02,04,10,15,25,40,35,20,10,05,10,20),} \\ \mbox{"CSILT"} &= & \mbox{c(03,04,05,10,30,45,30,25,05,10,07,23),} \\ \mbox{"SAND"} &= & \mbox{c(90,32,70,70,20,10,10,10,20,10,70,10)} \\ \mbox{)} &  \mbox{\#}  \end{array}
```

Transform this data frame from 4 particle size classes to 3 particle size classes:

```
res <- TT.text.transf.Xm(</pre>
    tri.data = my.text4,
     base.ps.lim = c(0,1,50,2000),
    dat.ps.lim = c(0,2,30,60,2000),
    psdmodel
                ="AD"
)
#
round( res[,1:6], 3 )
               1-50 50-2000 f0:(Intercept) b:(Intercept)
 [1,] 4.341 4.651 91.007
                                                    0.364
                                      0.584
 [2,] 59.657 6.931 33.412
                                      0.807
                                                    0.148
 [3,] 13.657 14.860
                     71.483
                                                    0.477
                                      0.763
 [4,] 3.408 23.472
                     73.119
                                      0.571
                                                    0.412
 [5,] 24.116 49.480 26.403
                                     0.619
                                                    0.265
 [6,] 4.472 81.324 14.283
                                                    0.318
                                     0.521
 [7,] 24.365 62.043 13.594
                                     0.620
                                                    0.255
 [8,] 44.507 41.646 13.848
                                     0.721
                                                    0.189
[9,] 63.849 14.739 21.412
                                     0.833
                                                    0.171
[10,] 74.779 11.981 13.240
                                                    0.087
                                     0.874
[11,] 11.934 15.826
                    72.239
                                     0.611
                                                    0.361
[12,] 46.495 39.835 13.677
                                     0.731
                                                    0.183
     c:(Intercept)
[1,]
             4.276
[2,]
             3.211
[3,]
             1.314
[4,]
             1.630
 [5,]
              4.298
 [6,]
              9.084
[7,]
              6.745
             5.920
[8,]
[9,]
              1.102
[10,]
              4.801
[11,]
              1.989
[12,]
              5.533
round( res[,7:ncol(res)], 3 )
     r0:(Intercept)
                       dev
 [1,]
               0.613 0.783
               0.138 0.000
 [2,]
 [3,]
               0.773 0.003
 [4,]
               0.179 0.000
               0.039 0.000
 [5,]
 [6,]
               0.032 0.018
 [7,]
               0.031 0.000
[8,]
               0.035 0.000
[9,]
               0.090 0.000
[10,]
               0.052 0.000
```

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[11,] 0.231 0.000
[12,] 0.035 0.000
```

The first 3 columns are the predicted values with a sum not equal to 100% (can be normalised by TT.normalise.sum.X()). The following 4 columns are the fitted PSD model parameters. And the last column is the Residual Sum of Squares (deviance). Note that the transforming results may be slightly different even with the same function parameters. This is cause by the nature of drc package in fitting dose-response models.

Sometimes, the fitting will failed for the iteration is not converged or some errors and warnings happened. These can be ignored, as you can get the transforming results.

The following PSD models are implemented: Anderson (AD), Fredlund4P (F4P), Fredlund3P (F3P), modified logistic growth (ML), Offset-Nonrenormalized Lognormal (ONL), Offset-Renormalized Lognormal (ORL), Skaggs (S), van Genuchten type(VG), van Genuchten modified, Weibull (W), Logarithm(L), Logistic growth (LG), Simple Lognormal (SL), Shiozawa and Compbell (SC). The performance of PSD models is influenced by many aspects like soil texture class, number and position (or closeness) of observation points, clay content etc. The latter four PSD models perform worse than the former ten. The AD, F4P, S, and W model is recommended for most of texture classes. And it will be even better to compare several different PSD models and using the results of the model with the minimum residual sum of squares. Except S and W models, all the PSD models could be used to predict the content below the minimum input limit. The "psdmodel" option could be changed to any other of the above models:

```
res <- TT.text.transf.Xm(</pre>
     tri.data
                 = my.text4,
     base.ps.lim = c(0,1,50,2000),
     dat.ps.lim = c(0,2,30,60,2000),
     psdmodel
                 = "ML"
 )
round( res[,1:6], 3 )
               1-50 50-2000 a: (Intercept) b: (Intercept)
 [1,] 4.941
              3.947
                     91.113
                                     19.476
                                                   13.341
 [2,] 59.849
             6.848
                                                    5.740
                     33.302
                                     0.675
 [3,] 14.721 13.805
                     70.984
                                     6.473
                                                    4.910
 [4,]
      4.413 22.512
                     72.511
                                    53.869
                                                    7.420
 [5,] 24.466 46.833
                     28.700
                                     3.162
                                                   62.763
 [6,] 4.376 76.265
                     19.359
                                     26.148
                                                   57.096
 [7,] 24.185 58.851
                     16.964
                                     3.259
                                                   72.585
 [8,] 44.788 38.541
                                     1.238
                                                  180.302
                     16.671
 [9,] 64.027 14.560
                     21.321
                                     0.615
                                                    4.399
[10,] 74.978 11.682
                     13.340
                                     0.334
                                                  249.075
[11,] 12.405 15.396
                                                    5.553
                     71.925
                                     8.171
```

```
[12,] 46.747 37.139 16.114
                                      1.146
                                                   144.538
      c:(Intercept)
 [1,]
              1.013
 [2,]
              0.983
 [3,]
              0.549
 [4,]
              0.304
 [5,]
              1.140
              0.834
 [6,]
 [7,]
              1.090
 [8,]
              1.534
[9,]
              0.563
[10,]
              1.927
[11,]
              0.527
[12,]
              1.467
#
round( res[,7:ncol(res)], 3 )
 [1] 0.000 0.000 1.669 1.071 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.011 0.000
[11] 0.205 0.000
```

Because the current PSD model fitting is quite time-consuming and some models are not always successful for all soils, you can change the PSD model, or optimization method potentially at the cost of some accuracy. The default "omethod" option (i.e. "all") is to run all methods and choose the best results with minimum residual sum of squares. The optional methods are "Nelder-Mead", "BFGS", "CG", "L-BFGS-B", "SANN" (see optim() for details.)

```
res <- TT.text.transf.Xm(</pre>
     tri.data
               = my.text4,
     base.ps.lim = c(0,1,50,2000),
     dat.ps.lim = c(0,2,30,60,2000),
                 = "ML",
     psdmodel
                 = "SANN"
     omethod
 )
round( res[,1:6], 3 )
               1-50 50-2000 a:(Intercept) b:(Intercept)
 [1,] 4.731 4.231 91.027
                                    20.873
                                                   7.161
                                                   5.740
 [2,] 59.849 6.849
                     33.302
                                    0.675
 [3,] 14.721 13.805
                                                   4.911
                     70.985
                                    6.473
 [4,] 4.415 22.509
                     72.513
                                    53.781
                                                   7.420
 [5,] 24.466 46.834
                     28.700
                                    3.162
                                                  62.764
 [6,] 4.376 76.264
                                                  57.091
                     19.360
                                    26.146
 [7,] 24.186 58.850
                     16.964
                                    3.259
                                                  72.608
 [8,] 44.788 38.541
                     16.671
                                    1.238
                                                 180.303
[9,] 64.026 14.561
                     21.321
                                    0.615
                                                   4.396
[10,] 74.978 11.682
                     13.340
                                    0.334
                                                 249.151
[11,] 12.410 15.390
                     71.926
                                    8.166
                                                   5.552
[12,] 46.745 37.142 16.113
                                    1.146
                                                 144.522
```

```
c:(Intercept)
 [1,]
              0.767
 [2,]
              0.983
 [3,]
              0.549
 [4,]
              0.304
 [5,]
              1.140
 [6,]
              0.834
 [7,]
              1.090
 [8,]
              1.534
[9,]
              0.563
[10,]
              1.927
[11,]
              0.527
[12,]
              1.467
round( res[,7:ncol(res)], 3 )
[1] 0.091 0.000 1.669 1.071 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.011 0.000
[11] 0.205 0.000
```

## 3 Normalizing soil texture data (sum of X texture classes)

 $\mathtt{TT.normalise.sum.X()}$  is similar to  $\mathtt{TT.normalise.sum()}$ . But it normalize the sum of the X (X>1) texture classes instead of 3. The option  $\mathtt{tri.data}$  should be a data.frame with only soil texture data (no additional extra columns should be present).

```
my.text5 <- data.frame(</pre>
     "CLAY" = c(05,60,15,04.9,25,05,25,45,65,75,13,47),
     "FSILT" = c(02,04.3,10,15,25,40,35,20,10,05,10,20),
     "CSILT" = c(03,04,05,10,30,45,30,25,05,10,07.2,23.3),
     "SAND" = c(90.5, 32, 70, 70, 20.3, 10.9, 9.3, 9.4, 20, 10, 70, 10)
)
#
res <- TT.normalise.sum.X(</pre>
    tri.data
                 = my.text5,
                 = TRUE
    residuals
[1] 100.5 100.3 100.0 99.9 100.3 100.9 99.3 99.4 100.0 100.0
[11] 100.2 100.3
res
           CLAY
                    FSILT
                               CSILT
                                          SAND residuals
 [1,] 4.975124 1.990050 2.985075 90.049751
                                                      0.5
 [2,] 59.820538 4.287139 3.988036 31.904287
                                                      0.3
 [3,] 15.000000 10.000000 5.000000 70.000000
                                                      0.0
```

```
[4,] 4.904905 15.015015 10.010010 70.070070
                                                 -0.1
[5,] 24.925224 24.925224 29.910269 20.239282
                                                 0.3
[6,] 4.955401 39.643211 44.598612 10.802775
                                                 0.9
[7,] 25.176234 35.246727 30.211480 9.365559
                                                 -0.7
[8,] 45.271630 20.120724 25.150905 9.456740
                                                 -0.6
[9,] 65.000000 10.000000 5.000000 20.000000
                                                 0.0
[10,] 75.000000 5.000000 10.000000 10.000000
                                                  0.0
[11,] 12.974052 9.980040 7.185629 69.860279
                                                  0.2
[12,] 46.859422 19.940179 23.230309 9.970090
                                                  0.3
```