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" )
   require( "drc" )

'drc' has been loaded.

Please cite R and 'drc' if used for a publication,
for references type 'citation()' and 'citation('drc')'.
```

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:

```
"SAND" = c(90, 32, 70, 70, 20, 10, 10, 10, 20, 10, 70, 10)
  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) c:(Intercept)
      4.338 4.653
 [1,]
                     91.008
                                       0.587
                                                       0.366
                                                                      4.222
 [2,] 59.656 6.932
                      33.410
                                       0.807
                                                       0.148
                                                                      3.208
 [3,] 13.609 14.906
                      71.486
                                       0.789
                                                       0.497
                                                                      1.281
 [4,] 3.408 23.472
                      73.119
                                       0.571
                                                       0.412
                                                                      1.629
 [5,] 24.117 49.479
                      26.405
                                                                      4.298
                                       0.619
                                                       0.265
 [6,] 4.476 81.339
                      14.253
                                       0.521
                                                      0.318
                                                                      9.100
 [7,] 24.366 62.039
                      13.598
                                       0.620
                                                       0.255
                                                                      6.744
 [8,] 44.507 41.646
                      13.847
                                       0.721
                                                       0.189
                                                                      5.920
[9,] 63.849 14.739
                      21.412
                                       0.833
                                                       0.171
                                                                      1.102
[10,] 74.779 11.980
                      13.241
                                       0.874
                                                       0.087
                                                                      4.801
[11,] 11.933 15.827
                      72.239
                                       0.611
                                                       0.361
                                                                      1.988
[12,] 46.492 39.848
                     13.658
                                       0.731
                                                       0.183
                                                                      5.538
round( res[,7:ncol(res)], 3 )
      r0:(Intercept)
                        dev
               0.634 0.796
 [1,]
 [2,]
               0.138 0.000
 [3,]
               0.888 0.000
               0.179 0.000
 [4,]
 [5,]
               0.039 0.000
               0.032 0.014
 [6,]
 [7,]
               0.031 0.000
 [8,]
               0.035 0.000
[9,]
               0.090 0.000
[10,]
               0.052 0.000
[11,]
                0.231 0.000
[12,]
                0.035 0.000
```

"CSILT" = c(03,04,05,10,30,45,30,25,05,10,07,23),

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) c: (Intercept)
 [1,]
       4.929
              3.965
                      91.106
                                     19.543
                                                    12.805
                                                                    0.997
                                                                    0.983
 [2,] 59.849
             6.848
                      33.302
                                      0.675
                                                     5.741
 [3,] 14.721 13.805
                      70.984
                                      6.473
                                                     4.911
                                                                    0.549
       4.413 22.512
                                     53.879
                                                     7.420
                      72.510
                                                                    0.304
 [5,] 24.466 46.833
                      28.700
                                                    62.765
                                      3.162
                                                                    1.140
 [6,]
      4.269 76.354
                                     27.028
                                                    56.061
                      19.377
                                                                    0.826
 [7,] 24.185 58.851
                      16.964
                                      3.259
                                                    72.589
                                                                    1.090
 [8,] 44.788 38.541
                      16.671
                                      1.238
                                                   180.296
                                                                    1.534
                                                     4.399
 [9,] 64.027 14.559
                      21.321
                                      0.615
                                                                    0.563
[10,] 74.978 11.682
                      13.340
                                      0.334
                                                   249.107
                                                                    1.927
[11,] 12.406 15.396
                      71.926
                                      8.170
                                                     5.554
                                                                    0.527
[12,] 46.747 37.139
                                      1.146
                                                   144.534
                                                                    1.467
 #
round( res[,7:ncol(res)], 3 )
```

[1] 0.000 0.000 1.669 1.071 0.000 0.012 0.000 0.000 0.011 0.000 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
    omethod
                 = "SANN"
)
round( res[,1:6], 3 )
               1-50 50-2000 a:(Intercept) b:(Intercept) c:(Intercept)
 [1,] 4.942
              3.946 91.112
                                    19.470
                                                  13.390
                                                                  1.014
 [2,] 59.849 6.848
                     33.302
                                    0.675
                                                   5.741
                                                                  0.983
 [3,] 14.721 13.805
                     70.984
                                    6.473
                                                   4.911
                                                                  0.549
 [4,] 4.414 22.512
                     72.510
                                    53.854
                                                   7.420
                                                                  0.304
 [5,] 24.468 46.832 28.701
                                    3.161
                                                  62.782
                                                                  1.140
 [6,] 4.299 76.329
                    19.372
                                    26.776
                                                  56.349
                                                                  0.828
 [7,] 24.185 58.851
                    16.964
                                    3.259
                                                  72.584
                                                                  1.090
 [8,] 44.788 38.541
                                    1.238
                                                 180.289
                     16.671
                                                                  1.534
[9,] 64.022 14.566
                     21.319
                                    0.615
                                                   4.395
                                                                  0.563
[10,] 74.977 11.683
                     13.340
                                    0.334
                                                 248.871
                                                                  1.927
[11,] 12.405 15.397
                     71.925
                                    8.172
                                                   5.553
                                                                  0.527
[12,] 46.747 37.139
                    16.114
                                    1.146
                                                 144.520
                                                                  1.467
round( res[,7:ncol(res)], 3 )
```

[1] 0.000 0.000 1.669 1.071 0.000 0.006 0.000 0.000 0.011 0.000 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).

```
tri.data = my.text5,
    residuals = TRUE
[1] 100.5 100.3 100.0 99.9 100.3 100.9 99.3 99.4 100.0 100.0 100.2 100.3
res
                 FSILT
                            CSILT
          CLAY
                                     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
```