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Description

Subfunction for obtaining climatological values of sill, range, and nugget of spherical variogram model. This is based on a climatological variogram based on 30-year automatic rain gauge data sets from The Netherlands. Spherical variograms have been modelled as function of the day number and duration in Van de Beek et al. (2012). They use durations of 1 - 24 h. In this function the relationships can be extrapolated to, e.g. 15-min, data.

Usage

ClimVarParam(DateStr, TimeScaleHours)

Arguments

DateStr The end date of the chosen daily period TimeScaleHours Rainfall aggregation interval in hours

Value

Data frame with values of sill, range and nugget

Author(s)

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References

"ManualRAINLINK.pdf"

Overeem, A., Leijnse, H., and Uijlenhoet, R. (2016): Retrieval algorithm for rainfall mapping from microwave links in a cellular communication network, Atmospheric Measurement Techniques, under review.

Van de Beek, C. Z., Leijnse, H., Torfs, P. J. J. F., and Uijlenhoet, R.: Seasonal semi-variance of Dutch rainfall at hourly to daily scales, Adv. Water Resour., 45, 76-85, doi:10.1016/j.advwatres.2012.03.023, 2012.

Examples

ClimVarParam(DateStr="20110911", TimeScaleHours=TimeScaleHours)

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CorrectMinMaxRSL	Function for correcting minimum and maximum received signal pow-
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	ers.

Description

Function for correcting minimum and maximum received signal powers. For a rainy time interval the corrected minimum received signal power becomes equal to the minimum received signal power if this is below the reference signal level. Otherwise the corrected minimum received signal power becomes equal to the reference signal level. The corrected maximum received signal power becomes equal to the maximum received signal power if both the maximum received signal power and the corrected minimum received signal power are below the reference signal level.

Works for a sampling strategy where minimum and maximum received signal powers are provided, and the transmitted power levels are constant.

Usage

```
CorrectMinMaxRSL(Data, Dry = NULL, Pref)
```

Arguments

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Data	Data trame	with microway	e link data
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Dry Data frame: Should interval be considered dry for reference level determination?

(0 = wet; 1 = dry)

Pref Reference level (dB)

Value

Data frame with corrected minimum and maximum received powers (dB)

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References

"ManualRAINLINK.pdf"

Overeem, A., Leijnse, H., and Uijlenhoet, R. (2016): Retrieval algorithm for rainfall mapping from microwave links in a cellular communication network, Atmospheric Measurement Techniques, under review.

Examples

 ${\tt CorrectMinMaxRSL(Data=DataOutlierFiltered,Dry=WetDry\$Dry,Pref=Pref)}$

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IDW	Subfunction for inverse distance weighted interpolation on point data.

Description

Subfunction for inverse distance weighted interpolation on point data.

Usage

```
IDW(idp, rain.grid, Rainlink)
```

Arguments

idp The inverse distance weighting power

rain.grid Interpolation grid in Azimuthal Equidistant Cartesian coordinate system

Rainlink Coordinates of links in Azimuthal Equidistant Cartesian coordinate system and

rainfall intensity (latitude in km, longitude in km, intensity in mm h⁻¹)

Value

Interpolated field of rainfall intensities

Author(s)

Aart Overeem & Hidde Leijnse

References

"ManualRAINLINK.pdf"

Overeem, A., Leijnse, H., and Uijlenhoet, R. (2016): Retrieval algorithm for rainfall mapping from microwave links in a cellular communication network, Atmospheric Measurement Techniques, under review.

Examples

 ${\tt IDW(idp=idp,rain.grid=rain.grid,Rainlink=Rainlink)}$

 $Interpolation \qquad \qquad \textit{Interpolation of link-based path-averaged rainfall estimates}.$

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Description

Interpolation of link-based path-averaged rainfall estimates. The type of interpolation has to be specified. The following types are available: 1) Inverse distance weighted interpolation on data (subfunction IDW); 2) Ordinary kriging with spherical variogram model. Its parameter values nugget, sill, and range, can be defined by the user; 3) Ordinary kriging with spherical variogram model with climatological parameter values based on a 30-year rain gauge data set. These are computed for the day of year as obtained from the file name, thus taking into account seasonality in spatial rainfall correlation. The subfunction ClimVarParam computes these parameter values.

Ordinary kriging is performed by subfunction OrdinaryKriging. Note that this interpolation algorithm is developed for interpolation of link-based rainfall estimates, which are path averages. The subfunction IntpPathToPoint computes the path-averaged rainfall intensities for unique link paths. And it assigns path-averaged intensity to the point at the middle of the link path.

Usage

```
Interpolation(Data, CoorSystemInputData = NULL, idp = 2,
   IntpMethod = "OK", nmax = 50, NUGGET, RANGE, RainGrid, Rmean, SILL,
   Variogram, OutputDir = NULL)
```

Arguments

Data frame with microwave link data Use "Manual" for spherical variogram

model with nugget, sill, and range values supplied as function arguments.

CoorSystemInputData

Define coordinate system of input data (in case of WGS84 provide NULL)

idp The inverse distance weighting power

IntpMethod Interpolation method: Ordinary kriging ("OK") or inverse distance weighted

interpolation ("IDW")

nmax The number of nearest observations that should be used for a kriging predic-

tion or simulation, where nearest is defined in terms of the space of the spatial

locations

NUGGET Nugget of spherical variogram model (mm)

RANGE Range of spherical variogram model (km)

RainGrid Data frame containing information on the points in space where rainfall needs

to be estimated, is assumed to be in the same coordinate system as the original

link data.

Rmean Vector of link-derived rainfall intensities (mm h^{-1}) with length equal to Data

SILL Sill of spherical variogram model (mm²)

Variogram For OK: which variogram to use? Use "ClimvdBeek" for climatological spheri-

cal variogram model. Use "Manual" for spherical variogram model with NUGGET,

SILL, and RANGE values supplied as function arguments.

OutputDir If supplied (not NULL), files with resulting interpolated rainfall fields will be

written to this directory. If not supplied, the interpolated fields will be returned.

Value

Interpolated field of rainfall intensities (mm h^{-1})

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Author(s)

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References

"ManualRAINLINK.pdf"

Overeem, A., Leijnse, H., and Uijlenhoet, R. (2016): Retrieval algorithm for rainfall mapping from microwave links in a cellular communication network, Atmospheric Measurement Techniques, under review..

Examples

```
Interpolation(Data=DataPreprocessed,CoorSystemInputData=NULL,idp=2.0,
IntpMethod="OK",nmax=50,NUGGET=0.37,RANGE=18.7,RainGrid=RainGrid,
Rmean=Rmean,SILL=3.7,Variogram="ClimVar",OutputDir="RainMapsLinks15min")
```

IntpPathToPoint	Subfunction for	computing	path-averaged	rainfall	intensities	for
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unique link paths. A path-averaged rainfall intensity is assigned to

a point at the middle of the link path.

Description

Subfunction for computing path-averaged rainfall intensities for unique link paths. The link-based, e.g. a 15-minute path-averaged rainfall accumulation is converted to a path-averaged rainfall intensity, and subsequently assigned to a point at the middle of the link path. Path-averaged rainfall intensities are obtained, so data from full-duplex links are averaged.

Usage

```
IntpPathToPoint(ID, Rmean, XEnd, XStart, YEnd, YStart)
```

Arguments

Rmean Data frame with mean path-averaged rainfall intensities $(mm h^{-1})$

XEnd Easting of end of links (km)

XStart Easting of start of links (km)

YEnd Northing of end of links (km)

YStart Northing of start of links (km)

Value

Coordinates of links in Azimuthal Equidistant Cartesian coordinate system (latitude, longitude) and rainfall intensity $(mm\ h^{-1})$)

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References

"ManualRAINLINK.pdf"

Overeem, A., Leijnse, H., and Uijlenhoet, R. (2016): Retrieval algorithm for rainfall mapping from microwave links in a cellular communication network, Atmospheric Measurement Techniques, under review.

Examples

IntpPathToPoint(ID,Rmean,Xend,XStart,YEnd,YStart)

Linkdata

Microwave link dataset from which path-averaged rainfall intensities can be computed. Received signal powers were obtained from Nokia microwave links in one of the national cellular communication networks in The Netherlands, operated by T-Mobile NL. The minimum and maximum received powers over 15-min intervals were provided, based on 10-Hz sampling. The transmitted power was almost constant. Here the data have a resolution of 1 dB, and the majority of these Nokia links used vertically polarised signals.

Description

Data were obtained from September 9, 0800 UTC - September 11, 0800 UTC (2011). The data set contains data from 2613 microwave links.

Usage

data(Linkdata)

Format

A data frame with link data from a commercial cellular communication network

Details

Several functions in the RAINLINK package read a data frame with microwave link data. Such a data frame always contains the variables as indicated below, i.e. the variables in the data set supplied to PreprocessingMinMaxRSL.

For each link and time interval the following variables are provided:

- Frequency: microwave frequency f (GHz)
- DateTime: date and end time of observation (YYYYMMDDhhmm, i.e. year (2011), month (09), day (11), hour (08), minutes (00): 201109110800)
- Pmin: minimum received power Pmin (dBm)
- Pmax: maximum received power Pmax (dBm)
- PathLength: length of microwave link path (km)
- XStart: Longitude of start of links (°; WGS84)
- YStart: Latitude of start of links (°; WGS84)
- Xend: Longitude of end of links (°; WGS84)

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- YEnd: Latitude of end of links (°; WGS84)
- ID: Link identifier

MinMaxRSLToMeanR	Subfunction for path-averaged rainfall estimation from minimum and maximum attenuations from microwave links.

Description

Subfunction for path-averaged rainfall estimation using microwave links. Compute minimum and maximum attenuation over the link path. Convert these to minimum and maximum path-averaged rainfall intensities. Convert minimum and maximum path-averaged rainfall intensities to mean path-averaged rainfall intensities.

Works for a sampling strategy where minimum and maximum received signal powers are provided, and the transmitted power levels are constant.

Usage

```
MinMaxRSLToMeanR(a, Aa, alpha, b, PathLength, PmaxCor, PminCor, Pref)
```

Arguments

a	Coefficients in relationship between rainfall intensity and specific attenuation (mm ${\rm h}^{-1}~{\rm dB}^{-b}~{\rm km}^b$)
Aa	Wet antenna attenuation correction A_a (dB)
alpha	Coefficient (α) determining contribution of minimum and maximum path-averaged rainfall intensity to mean path-averaged rainfall intensity (-)
b	Exponents in relationship between rainfall intensity and specific attenuation (-)
PathLength	Lengths of link paths (km)

Value

Data frame with mean path-averaged rainfall intensities (mm h^{-1})

Author(s)

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References

"ManualRAINLINK.pdf"

Overeem, A., Leijnse, H., and Uijlenhoet, R. (2016): Retrieval algorithm for rainfall mapping from microwave links in a cellular communication network, Atmospheric Measurement Techniques, under review.

Examples

```
\label{lem:minMaxRSLToMeanR} $$\operatorname{MinMaxRSLToMeanR}(a=a,Aa=Aa,alpha=alpha,b=b,PathLength=Data$PathLength, PmaxCor=PmaxCor,PminCor=PminCor,Pref=Pref)
```

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OrdinaryKriging	Subfunction for ordinary kriging interpolation of point values using spherical variogram model with predefined parameters sill, range, and nugget.
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Description

Subfunction for ordinary kriging interpolation of point values using spherical variogram model with predefined parameters sill, range, and nugget.

Usage

```
OrdinaryKriging(nmax, Nugget, rain.grid, Rainlink, Range, Sill)
```

Arguments

nmax	The number of nearest observations that should be used for a kriging prediction or simulation, where nearest is defined in terms of the space of the spatial locations
Nugget	Nugget of spherical variogram model (mm)
rain.grid	Interpolation grid in Azimuthal Equidistant Cartesian coordinate system
Rainlink	Coordinates of links in Azimuthal Equidistant Cartesian coordinate system and rainfall intensity (latitude in km, longitude in km, intensity in mm ${\sf h}^{-1}$)
Range	Range of spherical variogram model (km)
Sill	Sill of spherical variogram model (mm ²)

Value

Interpolated field of rainfall intensities

Author(s)

Aart Overeem & Hidde Leijnse

References

"ManualRAINLINK.pdf"

Overeem, A., Leijnse, H., and Uijlenhoet, R. (2016): Retrieval algorithm for rainfall mapping from microwave links in a cellular communication network, Atmospheric Measurement Techniques, under review.

Examples

```
\label{lem:condition} Ordinary Kriging (nmax=50, Nugget=0.37, rain.grid=rain.grid, Rainlink=Rainlink, Range=18.7, Sill=3.7)
```

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OutlierFilterMinMaxRSL

Function to apply filter to remove outliers in path-averaged microwave link attenuations.

Description

Function to apply filter to remove outliers in link-based rainfall estimates. Malfunctioning link antennas can cause outliers in rainfall retrievals (especially for daily accumulations). These outliers can be removed by using a filter that is based on the assumption that rainfall is correlated in space. The filter discards a time interval of a link for which the cumulative difference between its specific attenuation and that of the surrounding links over the previous 24 h (including the present time interval) becomes lower than a threshold value in dB h km⁻¹.

The outlier filter has been tested on minimum received signal powers, i.e. for a sampling strategy where minimum and maximum received signal powers are provided, and the transmitted power levels are constant. This function can also be applied for other sampling strategies, because it does not explicitly require minimum and maximum received signal powers. It just applies the selection on all rows in a data frame. Whether the outlier filter will give good results when applied to link data obtained from other sampling strategies would need to be tested. Hence, "MinMaxRSL" is kept in this function name to stress that it has been tested for a sampling strategy where minimum and maximum received powers are provided.

Can only be applied when function WetDryNearbyLinkApMinMaxRSL has been executed.

Usage

```
OutlierFilterMinMaxRSL(Data, F, FilterThreshold)
```

Arguments

Data frame with microwave link data

F Values for filter to remove outliers (dB km⁻¹ h)

FilterThreshold

Outlier filter threshold (dB h km⁻¹)

Value

Data frame with microwave link data

Author(s)

Aart Overeem & Hidde Leijnse

References

"ManualRAINLINK.pdf"

Overeem, A., Leijnse, H., and Uijlenhoet, R. (2016): Retrieval algorithm for rainfall mapping from microwave links in a cellular communication network, Atmospheric Measurement Techniques, under review.

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Examples

OutlierFilterMinMaxRSL(Data=DataPreprocessed,F=WetDry\$F,FilterThreshold=-32.5)

PlotLinkLocations

Function which visualises microwave link paths on a map.

Description

Function which visualises microwave link paths on a map.

Usage

PlotLinkLocations(AlphaLinkLocations, BBoxOSMauto, OSMBottom, ColourLinks, ColourType, dataf, DateTime, ExtraTextLinkLocations, FigFileLinkLocations, FigHeight, FigWidth, FolderFigures, FontFamily, GoogleLocDegSpecified, GoogleLocLat, GoogleLocLon, GoogleLocName, GoogleLocNameSpecified, GoogleMapType, GoogleZoomlevel, LabelAxisLat, LabelAxisLonGoogle, LabelAxisLonOSM, OSMLeft, MapBackground, OSMRight, OSMScale, SizeLinks, SizePlotTitle, TitleLinkLocations, OSMTop)

Arguments

AlphaLinkLocations

Transparency of link paths

BBoxOSMauto Compute bounding box from input data or used bounding box defined above?

(for OpenStreetMap only). Use "yes" if bounding box is to be computed from

interpolation grid.

OSMBottom Latitude in degrees (WGS84) for bottom side of the area for which rainfall

depths are to be plotted (for OpenStreetMap only).

ColourLinks Colour of plotted link paths

Colour Type Colour or black-and-white background map? Use "color" for colour and "bw"

for black-and-white background map.

data frame which contains (at least) locations of microwave links in Azimuthal

Equidistant Cartesian coordinate system

DateTime Date and time for which link locations are plotted. This is used in the title

caption of the figure and in the file name

 ${\sf ExtraTextLinkLocations}$

Second part of title of plot

 ${\tt FigFileLinkLocations}$

Part of figure output file name

FigHeight

Figure height. 1280 times 1280 pixels seems maximum graphical resolution for downloaded Google Maps. Because also axes and legend are plotted, it is advised to use e.g. 1450 times 1450 pixels. Then the Google Map will remain approximately 1280 times 1280 pixels. Using higher values is not a problem (e.g. 2000). In this way it is tried to get the highest possible resolution. For OpenStreetMap the maps may reach resolutions of 1500 - 2000 pixels. Hence, using FigWidth and FigHeight of 2000 pixels or higher is advised. The OpenStreetMap itself is stored in file "ggmapTemp.png". From this file the resolution of the background map can be obtained. This can be useful for determining an appropriate FigWidth and FigHeight above.

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FigWidth

Figure width. 1280 times 1280 pixels seems maximum graphical resolution for downloaded Google Maps. Because also axes and legend are plotted, it is advised to use e.g. 1450 times 1450 pixels. Then the Google Map will remain approximately 1280 times 1280 pixels. Using higher values is not a problem (e.g. 2000). In this way it is tried to get the highest possible resolution. For OpenStreetMap the maps may reach resolutions of 1500 - 2000 pixels. Hence, using FigWidth and FigHeight of 2000 pixels or higher is advised. The OpenStreetMap itself is stored in file "ggmapTemp.png". From this file the resolution of the background map can be obtained. This can be useful for determining an appropriate FigWidth and FigHeight above.

FolderFigures

Folder name of figures

FontFamily

Specify font family of text in figures. To select the default font use "". Using "Times" may give warnings when executing the visualisation. In that case the font is not installed on the computer. This can be solved by using the default font ("").

 ${\tt GoogleLocDegSpecified}$

If GoogleLocDegSpecified is "yes" then the specified location in degrees is used is used as the centre of the Google Map. If both GoogleLocNameSpecified and GoogleLocDegSpecified are not equal to "yes", the bounding box of the map is determined from the provided grid and used as centre of the Google Map.

GoogleLocLat

Latitude of middle of Google Map (degrees)

GoogleLocLon

Longitude of middle of Google Map (degrees).

GoogleLocName

Location of middle of Google Map, provided as text, e.g. name of city, street name, country

GoogleLocNameSpecified

If GoogleLocNameSpecified is "yes" then the specified location name GoogleLocName is used as the centre of the Google Map. If both GoogleLocName-Specified and GoogleLocDegSpecified are not equal to "yes", the bounding box of the map is determined from the provided grid and used as centre of the Google Map.

GoogleMapType

In case of Google Maps: which map type should be used? Available map types: "terrain", "satellite", "roadmap", and "hybrid".

GoogleZoomlevel

Which zoom level to use for the Google Maps?

LabelAxisLat Label nam

Label name of vertical axis

LabelAxisLonGoogle

Label name of horizontal axis (for Google Maps only)

LabelAxisLonOSM

Label name of horizontal axis (for OpenStreetMap only)

OSMLeft

Longitude in degrees (WGS84) for left side of the area for which rainfall depths are to be plotted (for OpenStreetMap only).

MapBackground

Google Maps or OpenStreetMap as background? Use "Google" for Google Maps and "OSM" for OpenStreetMap. Note that Google Maps will only plot on a square figure.

OSMRight

Longitude in degrees (WGS84) for right side of the area for which rainfall depths are to be plotted (for OpenStreetMap only).

OSMScale

Give value of scale (for OpenStreetMap only). A proper choice of the scale parameter in get_openstreetmap is difficult. It cannot be computed automatically.

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Hence, a scale parameter value should be provided below. The scale parameter should be as small as possible to get the highest graphical resolution. However, a too low value may result in a map not being downloaded. Hence, the user should manually supply get_openstreetmap with a scale. It may require some iterations to find the appropriate value for scale. The file "ggmapTemp.png" is written to disk when an OpenStreetMap is loaded. The highest possible resolution for a square area is about 2000 x 2000 pixels.

SizeLinks Size of plotted link paths

SizePlotTitle Size of plot title

TitleLinkLocations

First part of title of plot

OSMTop Latitude in degrees (WGS84) for top side of the area for which rainfall depths

are to be plotted (for OpenStreetMap only)

Author(s)

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References

"ManualRAINLINK.pdf"

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Examples

PlotLinkLocations(AlphaLinkLocations=AlphaLinkLocations, BBoxOSMauto=BBoxOSMauto,OSMBottom=OSMBottom, ColourLinks=ColourLinks,ColourType=ColourType, dataf=dataf,DateTime=DateTime,ExtraTextLinkLocations=ExtraTextLinkLocations, FigFileLinkLocations=FigFileLinkLocations,FigHeight=FigHeight, FigWidth=FigWidth,FolderFigures=FolderFigures,FontFamily=FontFamily, GoogleLocDegSpecified=GoogleLocDegSpecified,GoogleLocLat=GoogleLocLat, GoogleLocLon=GoogleLocLon,GoogleLocName=GoogleLocName, GoogleLocNameSpecified, GoogleLocNameSpecified, GoogleMapType=GoogleMapType,GoogleZoomlevel=GoogleZoomlevel, LabelAxisLat=LabelAxisLat,LabelAxisLonGoogle=LabelAxisLonGoogle, LabelAxisLonOSM=LabelAxisLonOSM,OSMLeft=OSMLeft, MapBackground=MapBackground,OSMRight=OSMRight,OSMScale=OSMScale,

SizeLinks=SizeLinks,SizePlotTitle=SizePlotTitle,
TitleLinkLocations=TitleLinkLocations,OSMTop=OSMTop)

Polygons

Subfunction which makes dataframe for polygons with rainfall estimates in specific rainfall class.

Description

Subfunction which makes dataframe for polygons with rainfall estimates in specific rainfall class.

Usage

Polygons(cond, Selected)

Arguments

cond Row numbers of dataframe which fall in specific rainfall class
Selected Coordinates of polygons and their assigned rainfall values

Value

Data frame

Author(s)

Aart Overeem & Hidde Leijnse

References

"ManualRAINLINK.pdf"

Overeem, A., Leijnse, H., and Uijlenhoet, R. (2016): Retrieval algorithm for rainfall mapping from microwave links in a cellular communication network, Atmospheric Measurement Techniques, under review.

Examples

Polygons(cond=cond, Selected=Selected)

PreprocessingMinMaxRSL

Function for preprocessing of microwave link data.

Description

Function for preprocessing of microwave link data. This function performs the following tasks:

- 1. Link data are selected for microwave frequencies within chosen range.
- 2. Data selection criteria are applied.

Works for a sampling strategy where minimum and maximum received signal powers are provided, and the transmitted power levels are constant.

Usage

```
PreprocessingMinMaxRSL(Data, MaxFrequency = Inf, MinFrequency = 0,
  verbose = TRUE)
```

Arguments

Data	Data frame with microwave link data (use data(Linkdata) to load example data)
MaxFrequency	Maximum allowed microwave frequency of link in output (GHz; default infinite)
MinFrequency	Minimum allowed microwave frequency of link in output (GHz; default 0)

Value

Data frame with microwave link data

Author(s)

Aart Overeem & Hidde Leijnse

References

"ManualRAINLINK.pdf"

Overeem, A., Leijnse, H., and Uijlenhoet, R. (2016): Retrieval algorithm for rainfall mapping from microwave links in a cellular communication network, Atmospheric Measurement Techniques, under review.

Examples

```
data(Linkdata)
PreprocessingMinMaxRSL(Data=Linkdata, MaxFrequency=40.5, MinFrequency=12.5)
```

RainMapsLinksDaily

Function which visualises daily link-based rainfall depths.

Description

Function which visualises daily link-based rainfall depths. Requires interpolation grid and file with polygons of pixels. Daily rainfall depths are computed irrespective of the number of available files. If, for instance, only one out of 96 files is available, the daily rainfall depth is still computed and visualised. The data availability is plotted as a percentage in the title caption of the graph. Function will also plot accumulations for other aggregation intervals. Note that the data availability, plotted in the figure caption is only correctly computed for daily intervals.

Usage

RainMapsLinksDaily(AlphaLinksDaily, AlphaPlotLocation, AlphaPolygon, AlphaScale, AutDefineLegendTop, BBoxOSMauto, ColourLinks, ColoursNumber, ColourPlotLocation, ColourPlotLocationText, ColourType, ColourHighestClass, ConversionDepthToIntensity, CoorSystemInputData, DateTimeEndRainMaps, DateTimeStartRainMaps, ExtraDeg, ExtraText, FigFileLinksDaily, FigHeight, FigWidth, FileGrid, FilePolygonsGrid, FolderFigures, FolderRainMaps, FolderRainEstimates, FontFamily, GoogleLocDegSpecified, GoogleLocLat, GoogleLocLon, GoogleLocName, GoogleLocNameSpecified, GoogleMapType, GoogleZoomlevel, LabelAxisLat, LabelAxisLonGoogle, LabelAxisLonOSM, LatLocation, LatText, LegendTitleLinksDaily, LonLocation, LonText, ManualScale, MapBackground, OSMBottom, OSMLeft, OSMRight, OSMScale, OSMTop, Palette, PERIOD, PlotLocation, PixelBorderCol, PlotBelowScaleBottom, PlotLocLinks, ScaleBottomDaily, ScaleHigh, ScaleLow, ScaleTopDaily, SizeLinks, SizePixelBorder, SizePlotLocation, SizePlotTitle, SymbolPlotLocation, TIMESTEP, TitleLinks, XMiddle, YMiddle)

Arguments

AlphaLinksDaily

Transparency of link paths

AlphaPlotLocation

Transparency of plotted symbol for specified location on map

AlphaPolygon Transparency of polygons
AlphaScale Transparency of legend

AutDefineLegendTop

Let R automatically define highest value of legend in case of "yes". Then the highest class, i.e. the one plotted separately above the other classes, is not plotted anymore.

BBoxOSMauto

Compute bounding box from input data or used bounding box defined above? (for OpenStreetMap only). Use "yes" if bounding box is to be computed from interpolation grid.

ColourLinks

Colour of plotted link paths

ColoursNumber

Number of colour classes in legend

ColourPlotLocation

Colour of plotted symbol for specified location on map

 ${\tt ColourPlotLocationText}$

Colour of plotted rainfall depth for specified location on map

ColourType

Colour or black-and-white background map? Use "color" for colour and "bw"

for black-and-white background map.

ColourHighestClass

Colour of highest class

ConversionDepthToIntensity

Conversion factor from rainfall depth (mm) to intensity (mm/h)

CoorSystemInputData

Define coordinate system of input data (e.g. "+init=epsg:4326" for WGS84 in degrees)

DateTimeEndRainMaps

Date and time at which rainfall mapping ends

DateTimeStartRainMaps

Date and time at which rainfall mapping starts

ExtraDeg

To reduce computational time, it is automatically determined which grid cells fall within the plotted region. To also plot grid cell values which partly fall outside the plotted region, a positive number for ExtraDeg should be specified (degrees). This should typically be at least the size of one grid cell in degrees.

ExtraText Second part of title of plot

FigFileLinksDaily

Part of figure output file name

FigHeight

Figure height. 1280 times 1280 pixels seems maximum graphical resolution for downloaded Google Maps. Because also axes and legend are plotted, it is advised to use e.g. 1450 times 1450 pixels. Then the Google Map will remain approximately 1280 times 1280 pixels. Using higher values is not a problem (e.g. 2000). In this way it is tried to get the highest possible resolution. For OpenStreetMap the maps may reach resolutions of 1500 - 2000 pixels. Hence, using FigWidth and FigHeight of 2000 pixels or higher is advised. The OpenStreetMap itself is stored in file "ggmapTemp.png". From this file the resolution

of the background map can be obtained. This can be useful for determining an appropriate FigWidth and FigHeight above.

FigWidth

Figure width. 1280 times 1280 pixels seems maximum graphical resolution for downloaded Google Maps. Because also axes and legend are plotted, it is advised to use e.g. 1450 times 1450 pixels. Then the Google Map will remain approximately 1280 times 1280 pixels. Using higher values is not a problem (e.g. 2000). In this way it is tried to get the highest possible resolution. For OpenStreetMap the maps may reach resolutions of 1500 - 2000 pixels. Hence, using FigWidth and FigHeight of 2000 pixels or higher is advised. The OpenStreetMap itself is stored in file "ggmapTemp.png". From this file the resolution of the background map can be obtained. This can be useful for determining an appropriate FigWidth and FigHeight above.

FileGrid File with interpolation grid in same coordinate system as CoorSystemInputData FilePolygonsGrid

Name of file with polygons of interpolation grid

FolderFigures Folder name of figures

FolderRainMaps Folder name of interpolated link data (input)

FolderRainEstimates

Folder name of input link path data

FontFamily

Specify font family of text in figures. To select the default font use "". Using "Times" may give warnings when executing the visualisation. In that case the font is not installed on the computer. This can be solved by using the default font ("").

GoogleLocDegSpecified

If GoogleLocDegSpecified is "yes" then the specified location in degrees is used as the centre of the Google Map. If both GoogleLocNameSpecified and GoogleLocDegSpecified are not equal to "yes", the bounding box of the map is determined from the provided grid and used as centre of the Google Map.

GoogleLocLat Latitude of middle of Google Map (degrees)

GoogleLocLon Longitude of middle of Google Map (degrees).

GoogleLocName Location of middle of Google Map, provided as text, e.g. name of city, street name, country

 ${\tt GoogleLocNameSpecified}$

If GoogleLocNameSpecified is "yes" then the specified location name GoogleLocName is used as the centre of the Google Map. If both GoogleLocName-Specified and GoogleLocDegSpecified are not equal to "yes", the bounding box of the map is determined from the provided grid and used as centre of the Google Map.

GoogleMapType In case of Google Maps: which map type should be used? Available map types: "terrain", "satellite", "roadmap", and "hybrid".

GoogleZoomlevel

Which zoom level to use for the Google Maps?

Label AxisLat Label name of vertical axis

LabelAxisLonGoogle

Label name of horizontal axis (for Google Maps only)

LabelAxisLonOSM

Label name of horizontal axis (for OpenStreetMap only)

LatLocation Latitude of location on map (degrees)

Latitude of text (rainfall depth) of location on map (degrees)

LegendTitleLinksDaily

Title of legend

LonLocation Longitude of location on map (degrees)

LonText Longitude of text (rainfall depth) of location on map (degrees)

ManualScale Manually supply the legend breaks if ManuelScale is not equal to "no". Interval

breaks are determined manually from ScaleLow and ScaleHigh. If ManualScale

is "no" interval breaks are determined automatically.

MapBackground Google Maps or OpenStreetMap as background? Use "Google" for Google

Maps and "OSM" for OpenStreetMap. Note that Google Maps will only plot

on a square figure.

OSMBottom Latitude in degrees (WGS84) for bottom side of the area for which rainfall

depths are to be plotted (for OpenStreetMap only).

OSMLeft Longitude in degrees (WGS84) for left side of the area for which rainfall depths

are to be plotted (for OpenStreetMap only).

OSMRight Longitude in degrees (WGS84) for right side of the area for which rainfall depths

are to be plotted (for OpenStreetMap only).

OSMScale Give value of scale (for OpenStreetMap only). A proper choice of the scale pa-

rameter in get_openstreetmap is difficult. It cannot be computed automatically. Hence, a scale parameter value should be provided below. The scale parameter should be as small as possible to get the highest graphical resolution. However, a too low value may result in a map not being downloaded. Hence, the user should manually supply get_openstreetmap with a scale. It may require some iterations to find the appropriate value for scale. The file "ggmapTemp.png" is written to disk when an OpenStreetMap is loaded. The highest possible resolution for a

square area is about 2000 x 2000 pixels.

OSMTop Latitude in degrees (WGS84) for top side of the area for which rainfall depths

are to be plotted (for OpenStreetMap only)

Palette Choose (RColorBrewer) palette. "Blues", "YlGnBu", "GnBu": sequential. "Spec-

tral", "RdYlBu", "BrBG": diverging. Unfortunately, it seems not possible to select those colours from the full range of the palette. For 6 or less classes we

get a reasonable set of colours though.

PERIOD Select daily time interval, i.e. "0800" implies 0800 UTC previous day - 0800

UTC present day (use 2400 for 0000 UTC)

PlotLocation A location is plotted on map if PlotLocation is "yes"

PixelBorderCol Choose colour of pixel borders. Use NA (without quotes) to not plot pixel bor-

ders. If the pixels are relatively small with respect to the plotted region, the graphical quality of the pixel borders deteriorates due to low number of pixels

(low resolution).

PlotBelowScaleBottom

Plot grid lines for polygons below threshold ScaleBottomTimeStep or ScaleBot-

tomDaily? If "yes" grid lines are plotted, otherwise they are not plotted.

PlotLocLinks Plot locations of links in plot? If "yes" than locations of links are plotted in the

plot. Note that full-duplex links are plotted twice.

ScaleBottomDaily

Lowest class starts at this threshold (minimum rainfall accumulation (mm) to be plotted). Using a value clearly above 0 mm can save a lot of computation time if the polygons belonging to values below the threshold are not plotted.

ScaleHigh ScaleHigh Highest value per class interval, i.e. the highest legend breaks, if

these are manually chosen. Please note that in case of x values in ColoursNum-

ber, ScaleHigh should also contain x values.

ScaleLow ScaleLow Lowest value per class interval, i.e. the lowest legend breaks, if these

are manually chosen. Please note that in case of x values in ColoursNumber,

ScaleLow should also contain x values.

ScaleTopDaily Highest colour class ends here (maximum rainfall accumulation (mm) to be plot-

ted). Sometimes the legend is not correctly plotted. In that case try other values for ScaleTopDaily and/or ScaleBottomDaily For instance, if the highest class (> x mm) is plotted below instead of above the other classes. Or if the number of classes does not match the number of chosen classes. Another way to prevent this is to manually give the legend breaks (ManualScale not equal to "no").

SizeLinks Size of plotted link paths

SizePixelBorder

Size of pixel borders

SizePlotLocation

Size of symbol and and accompanied text for specified location on map

SizePlotTitle Size of plot title

SymbolPlotLocation

Symbol to be plotted for specified location on map

TIMESTEP Duration of time interval of sampling strategy (min)

TitleLinks First part of title of plot

XMiddle The longitude of the centre of the Azimuthal Equidistant Cartesian coordinate

system, given in the coordinate system of the input data

YMiddle The latitude of the centre of the Azimuthal Equidistant Cartesian coordinate

system, given in the coordinate system of the input data

Author(s)

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References

"ManualRAINLINK.pdf"

Overeem, A., Leijnse, H., and Uijlenhoet, R. (2016): Retrieval algorithm for rainfall mapping from microwave links in a cellular communication network, Atmospheric Measurement Techniques, under review.

Examples

 ${\tt RainMapsLinksDaily} \gets {\tt function(AlphaLinksDaily=AlphaLinksDaily,}$

 ${\bf AlphaPlotLocation=AlphaPlotLocation, AlphaPolygon=AlphaPolygon,}$

AlphaScale=AlphaScale,AutDefineLegendTop=AutDefineLegendTop,

BBoxOSMauto=BBoxOSMauto,ColourLinks=ColourLinks,

 ${\tt Colours Number=Colours Number, Colour Plot Location=Colour Plot Location,}$

ColourPlotLocationText=ColourPlotLocationText,ColourType=ColourType,

ColourHighestClass=ColourHighestClass,

 ${\tt ConversionDepthToIntensity=ConversionDepthToIntensity,}$

CoorSystemInputData=CoorSystemInputData,

 ${\tt DateTimeEndRainMaps=DateTimeEndRainMaps},\\$

DateTimeStartRainMaps=DateTimeStartRainMaps,

ExtraDeg=ExtraDeg,ExtraText=ExtraText, FigFileLinksDaily=FigFileLinksDaily,FigHeight=FigHeight, FigWidth=FigWidth,FileGrid=FileGrid,FilePolygonsGrid=FilePolygonsGrid, FolderFigures=FolderFigures,FolderRainMaps=FolderRainMaps, FolderRainEstimates=FolderRainEstimates,FontFamily=FontFamily, ${\tt GoogleLocDegSpecified=GoogleLocDegSpecified}, {\tt GoogleLocLat=GoogleLocLat}, \\$ GoogleLocLon=GoogleLocName=GoogleLocName, GoogleLocNameSpecified=GoogleLocNameSpecified, GoogleMapType=GoogleMapType,GoogleZoomlevel=GoogleZoomlevel, LabelAxisLat=LabelAxisLat,LabelAxisLonGoogle=LabelAxisLonGoogle, LabelAxisLonOSM=LabelAxisLonOSM, LatLocation=LatLocation, LatText=LatText, LegendTitleLinksDaily=LegendTitleLinksDaily, LonLocation=LonLocation,LonText=LonText,ManualScale=ManualScale, MapBackground=MapBackground,OSMBottom=OSMBottom,OSMLeft=OSMLeft, OSMRight=OSMRight,OSMScale=OSMScale,OSMTop=OSMTop,Palette=Palette, PERIOD=PERIOD, PlotLocation=PlotLocation, PixelBorderCol=PixelBorderCol, ${\tt PlotBelowScaleBottom=PlotBelowScaleBottom,PlotLocLinks=PlotLocLinks,}$ ScaleBottomDaily=ScaleBottomDaily,ScaleHigh=ScaleHigh,ScaleLow=ScaleLow, ScaleTopDaily=ScaleTopDaily,SizeLinks=SizeLinks, SizePixelBorder=SizePixelBorder,SizePlotLocation=SizePlotLocation, SizePlotTitle=SizePlotTitle,SymbolPlotLocation=SymbolPlotLocation, TIMESTEP=TIMESTEP, TitleLinks=TitleLinks, XMiddle=XMiddle,YMiddle=YMiddle)

RainMapsLinksTimeStep Function which visualises link-based rainfall depths for each time interval in a supplied period.

Description

Function which visualises link-based rainfall depths for each time interval in a supplied period. Requires interpolation grid and file with polygons of pixels, the polygons having four angular points. Note that the zoom level for Google Maps can be chosen. This zoom level will not always match with the area to be plotted. Downloading a GoogleMaps background map is very fast, but downloading an OpenStreetMap may require tenths of seconds. Note that such a map is downloaded only once, which saves time in case of multiple rainfall maps.

Usage

RainMapsLinksTimeStep(AlphaLinksTimeStep, AlphaPlotLocation, AlphaPolygon, AlphaScale, AutDefineLegendTop, BBoxOSMauto, ColourLinks, ColoursNumber, ColourPlotLocation, ColourPlotLocationText, ColourType, ColourHighestClass, ConversionDepthToIntensity, CoorSystemInputData, DateTimeEndRainMaps, DateTimeStartRainMaps, ExtraDeg, ExtraText, FigFileLinksTimeStep, FigHeight, FigWidth, FileGrid, FilePolygonsGrid, FolderFigures, FolderRainMaps, FolderRainEstimates, FontFamily, GoogleLocDegSpecified, GoogleLocLat, GoogleLocLon, GoogleLocName, GoogleLocNameSpecified, GoogleMapType, GoogleZoomlevel, LabelAxisLat, LabelAxisLonGoogle, LabelAxisLonOSM, LatLocation, LatText, LegendTitleLinksTimeStep, LonLocation, LonText, ManualScale, MapBackground, OSMBottom, OSMLeft, OSMRight, OSMScale, OSMTop, Palette, PlotLocation, PixelBorderCol, PlotBelowScaleBottom, PlotLocLinks, ScaleBottomTimeStep, ScaleHigh, ScaleLow, ScaleTopTimeStep, SizeLinks, SizePixelBorder, SizePlotLocation, SizePlotTitle, SymbolPlotLocation, TitleLinks, XMiddle, YMiddle)

Arguments

AlphaLinksTimeStep

Transparency of link paths

AlphaPlotLocation

Transparency of plotted symbol for specified location on map

AlphaPolygon Transparency of polygons
AlphaScale Transparency of legend

AutDefineLegendTop

Let R automatically define highest value of legend in case of "yes". Then the highest class, i.e. the one plotted separately above the other classes, is not plotted

anymore.

BBoxOSMauto Compute bounding box from input data or used bounding box defined above?

(for OpenStreetMap only). Use "yes" if bounding box is to be computed from

interpolation grid.

Colour Links Colour of plotted link paths

ColoursNumber Number of colour classes in legend

ColourPlotLocation

Colour of plotted symbol for specified location on map

ColourPlotLocationText

Colour of plotted rainfall depth for specified location on map

ColourType Colour or black-and-white background map? Use "color" for colour and "bw"

for black-and-white background map.

ColourHighestClass

Colour of highest class

ConversionDepthToIntensity

Conversion factor from rainfall depth (mm) to intensity (mm/h)

CoorSystemInputData

Define coordinate system of input data (e.g. "+init=epsg:4326" for WGS84 in degrees)

DateTimeEndRainMaps

Date and time at which rainfall mapping ends

DateTimeStartRainMaps

Date and time at which rainfall mapping starts

ExtraDeg

To reduce computational time, it is automatically determined which grid cells fall within the plotted region. To also plot grid cell values which partly fall outside the plotted region, a positive number for ExtraDeg should be specified (degrees). This should typically be at least the size of one grid cell in degrees.

ExtraText Second part of title of plot

FigFileLinksTimeStep

Part of figure output file name

FigHeight

Figure height. 1280 times 1280 pixels seems maximum graphical resolution for downloaded Google Maps. Because also axes and legend are plotted, it is advised to use e.g. 1450 times 1450 pixels. Then the Google Map will remain approximately 1280 times 1280 pixels. Using higher values is not a problem (e.g. 2000). In this way it is tried to get the highest possible resolution. For OpenStreetMap the maps may reach resolutions of 1500 - 2000 pixels. Hence, using FigWidth and FigHeight of 2000 pixels or higher is advised. The OpenStreetMap itself is stored in file "ggmapTemp.png". From this file the resolution

of the background map can be obtained. This can be useful for determining an appropriate FigWidth and FigHeight above.

FigWidth

Figure width. 1280 times 1280 pixels seems maximum graphical resolution for downloaded Google Maps. Because also axes and legend are plotted, it is advised to use e.g. 1450 times 1450 pixels. Then the Google Map will remain approximately 1280 times 1280 pixels. Using higher values is not a problem (e.g. 2000). In this way it is tried to get the highest possible resolution. For OpenStreetMap the maps may reach resolutions of 1500 - 2000 pixels. Hence, using FigWidth and FigHeight of 2000 pixels or higher is advised. The OpenStreetMap itself is stored in file "ggmapTemp.png". From this file the resolution of the background map can be obtained. This can be useful for determining an appropriate FigWidth and FigHeight above.

FileGrid File with interpolation grid in same coordinate system as CoorSystemInputData

FilePolygonsGrid

Name of file with polygons of interpolation grid

FolderFigures Folder name of figures

FolderRainMaps Folder name of interpolated link data (input)

FolderRainEstimates

Folder name of input link path data

FontFamily

Specify font family of text in figures. To select the default font use "". Using "Times" may give warnings when executing the visualisation. In that case the font is not installed on the computer. This can be solved by using the default font ("").

GoogleLocDegSpecified

If GoogleLocDegSpecified is "yes" then the specified location in degrees is used is used as the centre of the Google Map. If both GoogleLocNameSpecified and GoogleLocDegSpecified are not equal to "yes", the bounding box of the map is determined from the provided grid and used as centre of the Google Map.

GoogleLocLat Latitude of middle of Google Map (degrees)

GoogleLocLon Longitude of middle of Google Map (degrees).

GoogleLocName Location of middle of Google Map, provided as text, e.g. name of city, street

name, country

 ${\tt GoogleLocNameSpecified}$

If GoogleLocNameSpecified is "yes" then the specified location name GoogleLocName is used as the centre of the Google Map. If both GoogleLocName-Specified and GoogleLocDegSpecified are not equal to "yes", the bounding box of the map is determined from the provided grid and used as centre of the Google Map.

GoogleMapType In

In case of Google Maps: which map type should be used? Available map types: "terrain", "satellite", "roadmap", and "hybrid".

GoogleZoomlevel

Which zoom level to use for the Google Maps?

Label AxisLat Label name of vertical axis

LabelAxisLonGoogle

Label name of horizontal axis (for Google Maps only)

LabelAxisLonOSM

Label name of horizontal axis (for OpenStreetMap only)

LatLocation Latitude of location on map (degrees)

Latitude of text (rainfall depth) of location on map (degrees)

LegendTitleLinksTimeStep

Title of legend

LonLocation Longitude of location on map (degrees)

LonText Longitude of text (rainfall depth) of location on map (degrees)

ManualScale Manually supply the legend breaks if ManuelScale is not equal to "no". Interval

breaks are determined manually from ScaleLow and ScaleHigh. If ManualScale

is "no" interval breaks are determined automatically.

MapBackground Google Maps or OpenStreetMap as background? Use "Google" for Google

Maps and "OSM" for OpenStreetMap. Note that Google Maps will only plot

on a square figure.

OSMBottom Latitude in degrees (WGS84) for bottom side of the area for which rainfall

depths are to be plotted (for OpenStreetMap only).

OSMLeft Longitude in degrees (WGS84) for left side of the area for which rainfall depths

are to be plotted (for OpenStreetMap only).

OSMRight Longitude in degrees (WGS84) for right side of the area for which rainfall depths

are to be plotted (for OpenStreetMap only).

OSMScale Give value of scale (for OpenStreetMap only). A proper choice of the scale pa-

rameter in get_openstreetmap is difficult. It cannot be computed automatically. Hence, a scale parameter value should be provided below. The scale parameter should be as small as possible to get the highest graphical resolution. However, a too low value may result in a map not being downloaded. Hence, the user should manually supply get_openstreetmap with a scale. It may require some iterations to find the appropriate value for scale. The file "ggmapTemp.png" is written to disk when an OpenStreetMap is loaded. The highest possible resolution for a

square area is about 2000 x 2000 pixels.

OSMTop Latitude in degrees (WGS84) for top side of the area for which rainfall depths

are to be plotted (for OpenStreetMap only)

Palette Choose (RColorBrewer) palette. "Blues", "YlGnBu", "GnBu": sequential. "Spec-

tral", "RdYlBu", "BrBG": diverging. Unfortunately, it seems not possible to select those colours from the full range of the palette. For 6 or less classes we

get a reasonable set of colours though.

PlotLocation A location is plotted on map if PlotLocation is "yes"

PixelBorderCol Choose colour of pixel borders. Use NA (without quotes) to not plot pixel bor-

ders. If the pixels are relatively small with respect to the plotted region, the graphical quality of the pixel borders deteriorates due to low number of pixels

(low resolution).

PlotBelowScaleBottom

Plot grid lines for polygons below threshold ScaleBottomTimeStep or ScaleBottomDaily? If "yes" grid lines are plotted, otherwise they are not plotted.

PlotLocLinks Plot locations of links in plot? If "yes" than locations of links are plotted in the

plot. Note that full-duplex links are plotted twice.

ScaleBottomTimeStep

ScaleBottomDaily Lowest class starts at this threshold (minimum rainfall accumulation (mm) to be plotted). Using a value clearly above 0 mm can save a lot of computation time if the polygons belonging to values below the threshold are

not plotted.

ScaleHigh ScaleHigh Highest value per class interval, i.e. the highest legend breaks, if

these are manually chosen. Please note that in case of x values in ColoursNum-

ber, ScaleHigh should also contain x values.

ScaleLow ScaleLow Lowest value per class interval, i.e. the lowest legend breaks, if these

are manually chosen. Please note that in case of x values in ColoursNumber,

ScaleLow should also contain x values.

ScaleTopTimeStep

Highest colour class ends here (maximum rainfall accumulation (mm) to be plotted). Sometimes the legend is not correctly plotted. In that case try other values for ScaleTopTimeStep and/or ScaleBottomTimeStep For instance, if the highest class (> x mm) is plotted below instead of above the other classes. Or if the number of classes does not match the number of chosen classes. Another way to prevent this is to manually give the legend breaks (ManualScale not equal to

SizeLinks Size of plotted link paths

SizePixelBorder

Size of pixel borders

SizePlotLocation

Size of symbol and and accompanied text for specified location on map

SizePlotTitle Size of plot title

SymbolPlotLocation

Symbol to be plotted for specified location on map

TitleLinks First part of title of plot

XMiddle The longitude of the centre of the Azimuthal Equidistant Cartesian coordinate

system, given in the coordinate system of the input data

YMiddle The latitude of the centre of the Azimuthal Equidistant Cartesian coordinate

system, given in the coordinate system of the input data

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Examples

 $\label{lem:rate_rate} Rain \texttt{MapsRadarsTimeStep} (AlphaLinksTimeStep=AlphaLinksTimeStep, AlphaPlotLocation=AlphaPlotLocation, AlphaPolygon=AlphaPolygon, AlphaPolygon=AlphaPolygon, AlphaPolygon=AlphaPolygon, AlphaPolygon, AlphaPolygon=AlphaPolygon, AlphaPolygon=AlphaPolygon, AlphaPolygon=AlphaPolygon, AlphaPolygon=AlphaPolygon=AlphaPolygon, AlphaPolygon=AlphaPolygon=AlphaPolygon, AlphaPolygon=AlphaPolygo$

AlphaScale=AlphaScale,AutDefineLegendTop=AutDefineLegendTop,

BBoxOSMauto=BBoxOSMauto,ColourLinks=ColourLinks,

 ${\tt Colours Number=Colours Number, Colour Plot Location=Colour Plot Location,}$

ColourPlotLocationText=ColourPlotLocationText,

ColourType=ColourType,ColourHighestClass=ColourHighestClass,

ConversionDepthToIntensity=ConversionDepthToIntensity,

 ${\tt CoorSystemInputData=CoorSystemInputData,}$

DateTimeEndRainMaps=DateTimeEndRainMaps,

DateTimeStartRainMaps=DateTimeStartRainMaps,ExtraDeg=ExtraDeg, ExtraText=ExtraText,FigFileLinksTimeStep=FigFileLinksTimeStep, FigHeight=FigHeight,FigWidth=FigWidth,FileGrid=FileGrid, FilePolygonsGrid=FilePolygonsGrid,FolderFigures=FolderFigures, FolderRainMaps=FolderRainMaps,FolderRainEstimates=FolderRainEstimates, FontFamily=FontFamily,GoogleLocDegSpecified=GoogleLocDegSpecified, GoogleLocLat=GoogleLocLat,GoogleLocLon=GoogleLocLon, ${\tt GoogleLocName=GoogleLocName}, \ {\tt GoogleLocNameSpecified=GoogleLocNameSpecified},$ GoogleMapType=GoogleMapType,GoogleZoomlevel=GoogleZoomlevel, LabelAxisLat=LabelAxisLat,LabelAxisLonGoogle=LabelAxisLonGoogle, LabelAxisLonOSM=LabelAxisLonOSM, LatLocation=LatLocation, LatText=LatText, LegendTitleLinksTimeStep-LegendTitleLinksTimeStep, LonLocation=LonLocation,LonText=LonText, ManualScale=ManualScale, MapBackground=MapBackground, OSMBottom=OSMBottom,OSMLeft=OSMLeft,OSMRight=OSMRight,OSMScale=OSMScale, OSMTop=OSMTop, Palette=Palette, PlotLocation=PlotLocation, PixelBorderCol=PixelBorderCol,PlotBelowScaleBottom=PlotBelowScaleBottom, PlotLocLinks=PlotLocLinks,ScaleBottomTimeStep=ScaleBottomTimeStep, ScaleHigh=ScaleHigh, ScaleLow=ScaleLow, ScaleTopTimeStep=ScaleTopTimeStep, SizeLinks=SizeLinks,SizePixelBorder=SizePixelBorder, SizePlotLocation=SizePlotLocation, SizePlotTitle=SizePlotTitle,SymbolPlotLocation=SymbolPlotLocation, TitleLinks=TitleLinks,XMiddle=XMiddle,YMiddle=YMiddle)

RainMapsRadarsDaily

Function which visualises daily radar rainfall depths.

Description

Function which visualises daily radar rainfall depths. Requires interpolation grid and file with polygons of pixels. The radar data have been obtained from http://climate4impact.eu (catalog "Radar precipitation climatology") and are freely available.

Usage

RainMapsRadarsDaily(AlphaPlotLocation, AlphaPolygon, AlphaScale, AutDefineLegendTop, BBoxOSMauto, ColoursNumber, ColourPlotLocation, ColourPlotLocationText, ColourType, ColourHighestClass, CoorSystemInputData, DateMap, ExtraDeg, ExtraText, FigFileRadarsDaily, FigHeight, FigWidth, FileGrid, FileNameRadarDaily, FilePolygonsGrid, FolderFigures, FolderRadarRainMapsDaily, FontFamily, GoogleLocDegSpecified, GoogleLocLat, GoogleLocLon, GoogleLocName, GoogleLocNameSpecified, GoogleMapType, GoogleZoomlevel, LabelAxisLat, LabelAxisLonGoogle, LabelAxisLonOSM, LatLocation, LatText, LegendTitleRadarsDaily, LonLocation, LonText, ManualScale, MapBackground, OSMBottom, OSMLeft, OSMRight, OSMScale, OSMTop, Palette, PathRadarRainfallDepth, PERIOD, PlotLocation, PixelBorderCol, PlotBelowScaleBottom, ScaleBottomDaily, ScaleHigh, ScaleLow, ScaleTopDaily, SizePixelBorder, SizePlotLocation, SizePlotTitle, SymbolPlotLocation, TIMESTEP, TitleRadars, XMiddle, YMiddle)

Arguments

AlphaPlotLocation

Transparency of plotted symbol for specified location on map

AlphaPolygon Transparency of polygons
AlphaScale Transparency of legend

AutDefineLegendTop

Let R automatically define highest value of legend in case of "yes". Then the highest class, i.e. the one plotted separately above the other classes, is not plotted anymore.

BBoxOSMauto

Compute bounding box from input data or used bounding box defined above? (for OpenStreetMap only). Use "yes" if bounding box is to be computed from interpolation grid.

ColoursNumber

Number of colour classes in legend

ColourPlotLocation

Colour of plotted symbol for specified location on map

ColourPlotLocationText

Colour of plotted rainfall depth for specified location on map

ColourType

Colour or black-and-white background map? Use "color" for colour and "bw" for black-and-white background map.

ColourHighestClass

Colour of highest class

 ${\tt CoorSystemInputData}$

Define coordinate system of input data (e.g. "+init=epsg:4326" for WGS84 in degrees)

DateMap

End date of daily period for which rainfall map should be plotted

ExtraDeg

To reduce computational time, it is automatically determined which grid cells fall within the plotted region. To also plot grid cell values which partly fall outside the plotted region, a positive number for ExtraDeg should be specified (degrees). This should typically be at least the size of one grid cell in degrees.

ExtraText

Second part of title of plot

FigFileRadarsDaily

Part of figure output file name

FigHeight

Figure height. 1280 times 1280 pixels seems maximum graphical resolution for downloaded Google Maps. Because also axes and legend are plotted, it is advised to use e.g. 1450 times 1450 pixels. Then the Google Map will remain approximately 1280 times 1280 pixels. Using higher values is not a problem (e.g. 2000). In this way it is tried to get the highest possible resolution. For OpenStreetMap the maps may reach resolutions of 1500 - 2000 pixels. Hence, using FigWidth and FigHeight of 2000 pixels or higher is advised. The OpenStreetMap itself is stored in file "ggmapTemp.png". From this file the resolution of the background map can be obtained. This can be useful for determining an appropriate FigWidth and FigHeight above.

FigWidth

Figure width. 1280 times 1280 pixels seems maximum graphical resolution for downloaded Google Maps. Because also axes and legend are plotted, it is advised to use e.g. 1450 times 1450 pixels. Then the Google Map will remain approximately 1280 times 1280 pixels. Using higher values is not a problem (e.g. 2000). In this way it is tried to get the highest possible resolution. For OpenStreetMap the maps may reach resolutions of 1500 - 2000 pixels. Hence, using FigWidth and FigHeight of 2000 pixels or higher is advised. The OpenStreetMap itself is stored in file "ggmapTemp.png". From this file the resolution of the background map can be obtained. This can be useful for determining an appropriate FigWidth and FigHeight above.

FileGrid File with interpolation grid in same coordinate system as CoorSystemInputData FileNameRadarDaily

Filename of radar file of rainfall depths to be visualised (NetCDF4 format).

FilePolygonsGrid

Name of file with polygons of interpolation grid

FolderFigures Folder name of figures

FolderRadarRainMapsDaily

Name of folder which contains daily radar rainfall files (input data)

FontFamily Specify font family of text in figures. To select the default font use "". Using

"Times" may give warnings when executing the visualisation. In that case the font is not installed on the computer. This can be solved by using the default

font ("").

 ${\tt GoogleLocDegSpecified}$

If GoogleLocDegSpecified is "yes" then the specified location in degrees is used as the centre of the Google Map. If both GoogleLocNameSpecified and GoogleLocDegSpecified are not equal to "yes", the bounding box of the map is deter-

mined from the provided grid and used as centre of the Google Map.

GoogleLocLot Latitude of middle of Google Map (degrees)

Longitude of middle of Google Map (degrees).

GoogleLocName Location of middle of Google Map, provided as text, e.g. name of city, street

name, country

GoogleLocNameSpecified

If GoogleLocNameSpecified is "yes" then the specified location name GoogleLocName is used as the centre of the Google Map. If both GoogleLocName-Specified and GoogleLocDegSpecified are not equal to "yes", the bounding box of the map is determined from the provided grid and used as centre of the Google

Map.

GoogleMapType
In case of Google Maps: which map type should be used? Available map types:

"terrain", "satellite", "roadmap", and "hybrid".

GoogleZoomlevel

Which zoom level to use for the Google Maps?

Label AxisLat Label name of vertical axis

LabelAxisLonGoogle

Label name of horizontal axis (for Google Maps only)

LabelAxisLonOSM

Label name of horizontal axis (for OpenStreetMap only)

 ${\tt Latitude\ of\ location\ on\ map\ (degrees)}$

Latitude of text (rainfall depth) of location on map (degrees)

LegendTitleRadarsDaily

Title of legend

LonLocation Longitude of location on map (degrees)

LonText Longitude of text (rainfall depth) of location on map (degrees)

ManualScale Manually supply the legend breaks if ManuelScale is not equal to "no". Interval

breaks are determined manually from ScaleLow and ScaleHigh. If ManualScale

is "no" interval breaks are determined automatically.

MapBackground Google Maps or OpenStreetMap as background? Use "Google" for Google

Maps and "OSM" for OpenStreetMap. Note that Google Maps will only plot

on a square figure.

OSMBottom Latitude in degrees (WGS84) for bottom side of the area for which rainfall

depths are to be plotted (for OpenStreetMap only).

OSMLeft Longitude in degrees (WGS84) for left side of the area for which rainfall depths

are to be plotted (for OpenStreetMap only).

OSMRight Longitude in degrees (WGS84) for right side of the area for which rainfall depths

are to be plotted (for OpenStreetMap only).

OSMScale Give value of scale (for OpenStreetMap only). A proper choice of the scale pa-

rameter in get_openstreetmap is difficult. It cannot be computed automatically. Hence, a scale parameter value should be provided below. The scale parameter should be as small as possible to get the highest graphical resolution. However, a too low value may result in a map not being downloaded. Hence, the user should manually supply get_openstreetmap with a scale. It may require some iterations to find the appropriate value for scale. The file "ggmapTemp.png" is written to disk when an OpenStreetMap is loaded. The highest possible resolution for a

square area is about 2000 x 2000 pixels.

OSMTop Latitude in degrees (WGS84) for top side of the area for which rainfall depths

are to be plotted (for OpenStreetMap only)

Palette Choose (RColorBrewer) palette. "Blues", "YlGnBu", "GnBu": sequential. "Spec-

tral", "RdYlBu", "BrBG": diverging. Unfortunately, it seems not possible to select those colours from the full range of the palette. For 6 or less classes we

get a reasonable set of colours though.

PathRadarRainfallDepth

Path in NetCDF4 file with radar data

PERIOD Select daily time interval, i.e. "0800" implies 0800 UTC previous day - 0800

UTC present day (use 2400 for 0000 UTC)

PlotLocation A location is plotted on map if PlotLocation is "yes"

PixelBorderCol Choose colour of pixel borders. Use NA (without quotes) to not plot pixel bor-

ders. If the pixels are relatively small with respect to the plotted region, the graphical quality of the pixel borders deteriorates due to low number of pixels

(low resolution).

PlotBelowScaleBottom

Plot grid lines for polygons below threshold ScaleBottomTimeStep or ScaleBottomDaily? If "yes" grid lines are plotted, otherwise they are not plotted.

ScaleBottomDaily

ScaleBottomDaily Lowest class starts at this threshold (minimum rainfall accumulation (mm) to be plotted). Using a value clearly above 0 mm can save a lot of computation time if the polygons belonging to values below the threshold are

not plotted.

ScaleHigh ScaleHigh Highest value per class interval, i.e. the highest legend breaks, if

these are manually chosen. Please note that in case of x values in ColoursNum-

ber, ScaleHigh should also contain x values.

ScaleLow ScaleLow Lowest value per class interval, i.e. the lowest legend breaks, if these

are manually chosen. Please note that in case of x values in ColoursNumber,

ScaleLow should also contain x values.

ScaleTopDaily Highest colour class ends here (maximum rainfall accumulation (mm) to be plot-

ted). Sometimes the legend is not correctly plotted. In that case try other values for ScaleTopDaily and/or ScaleBottomDaily For instance, if the highest class (> x mm) is plotted below instead of above the other classes. Or if the number of classes does not match the number of chosen classes. Another way to prevent this is to manually give the legend breaks (ManualScale not equal to "no").

SizePixelBorder

Size of pixel borders

SizePlotLocation

Size of symbol and and accompanied text for specified location on map

SizePlotTitle Size of plot title

SymbolPlotLocation

Symbol to be plotted for specified location on map

TitleRadars First part of title of plot

XMiddle The longitude of the centre of the Azimuthal Equidistant Cartesian coordinate

system, given in the coordinate system of the input data

YMiddle The latitude of the centre of the Azimuthal Equidistant Cartesian coordinate

system, given in the coordinate system of the input data

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Examples

RainMapsRadarsDaily(20110911) # To plot daily radar rainfall map ending at 11 September 2011.

RainMapsRadarsTimeStep

Function which visualises radar rainfall depths for chosen TIMESTEP in configuration file.

Description

Function which visualises radar rainfall depths for chosen TIMESTEP. Requires interpolation grid and file with polygons of pixels.

Usage

RainMapsRadarsTimeStep(AlphaPlotLocation, AlphaPolygon, AlphaScale, AutDefineLegendTop, BBoxOSMauto, ColoursNumber, ColourPlotLocation, ColourPlotLocationText, ColourType, ColourHighestClass, CoorSystemInputData, ExtraDeg, ExtraText, FigFileRadarsTimeStep, FigHeight, FigWidth, FileGrid, FilePolygonsGrid, FolderFigures, FolderRadarRainMapsTimeStep, FontFamily, GoogleLocDegSpecified, GoogleLocLat, GoogleLocLon, GoogleLocName, GoogleLocNameSpecified, GoogleMapType, GoogleZoomlevel, LabelAxisLat, LabelAxisLonGoogle, LabelAxisLonOSM, LatLocation, LatText, LegendTitleRadarsTimeStep, LonLocation, LonText, ManualScale, MapBackground, OSMBottom, OSMLeft, OSMRight, OSMScale, OSMTop, Palette,

PathRadarRainfallDepth, PERIOD, PlotLocation, PixelBorderCol, PlotBelowScaleBottom, ScaleBottomTimeStep, ScaleHigh, ScaleLow, ScaleTopTimeStep, SizePixelBorder, SizePlotLocation, SizePlotTitle, SymbolPlotLocation, TIMESTEP, TimeZone, TitleRadars, XMiddle, YMiddle)

Arguments

AlphaPlotLocation

Transparency of plotted symbol for specified location on map

AlphaPolygon Transparency of polygons
AlphaScale Transparency of legend

AutDefineLegendTop

Let R automatically define highest value of legend in case of "yes". Then the highest class, i.e. the one plotted separately above the other classes, is not plotted anymore.

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BBoxOSMauto Compute bounding box from input data or used bounding box defined above?

(for OpenStreetMap only). Use "yes" if bounding box is to be computed from

interpolation grid.

ColoursNumber Number of colour classes in legend

ColourPlotLocation

Colour of plotted symbol for specified location on map

ColourPlotLocationText

Colour of plotted rainfall depth for specified location on map

Colour Type Colour or black-and-white background map? Use "color" for colour and "bw"

for black-and-white background map.

ColourHighestClass

Colour of highest class

CoorSystemInputData

Define coordinate system of input data (e.g. "+init=epsg:4326" for WGS84 in

degrees)

ExtraDeg

To reduce computational time, it is automatically determined which grid cells fall within the plotted region. To also plot grid cell values which partly fall outside the plotted region, a positive number for ExtraDeg should be specified (degrees). This should typically be at least the size of one grid cell in degrees.

ExtraText Second part of title of plot

FigFileRadarsTimeStep

Part of figure output file name

FigHeight

Figure height. 1280 times 1280 pixels seems maximum graphical resolution for downloaded Google Maps. Because also axes and legend are plotted, it is advised to use e.g. 1450 times 1450 pixels. Then the Google Map will remain approximately 1280 times 1280 pixels. Using higher values is not a problem (e.g. 2000). In this way it is tried to get the highest possible resolution. For OpenStreetMap the maps may reach resolutions of 1500 - 2000 pixels. Hence, using FigWidth and FigHeight of 2000 pixels or higher is advised. The OpenStreetMap itself is stored in file "ggmapTemp.png". From this file the resolution of the background map can be obtained. This can be useful for determining an appropriate FigWidth and FigHeight above.

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FileGrid

File with interpolation grid in same coordinate system as CoorSystemInputData

FilePolygonsGrid

Name of file with polygons of interpolation grid

FolderFigures

Folder name of figures

FolderRadarRainMapsTimeStep

Name of folder which contains 5-min radar rainfall files (input data)

FontFamily

Specify font family of text in figures. To select the default font use "". Using "Times" may give warnings when executing the visualisation. In that case the font is not installed on the computer. This can be solved by using the default font ("").

GoogleLocDegSpecified

If GoogleLocDegSpecified is "yes" then the specified location in degrees is used as the centre of the Google Map. If both GoogleLocNameSpecified and Google-LocDegSpecified are not equal to "yes", the bounding box of the map is determined from the provided grid and used as centre of the Google Map.

GoogleLocLat

Latitude of middle of Google Map (degrees)

GoogleLocLon

Longitude of middle of Google Map (degrees).

GoogleLocName

Location of middle of Google Map, provided as text, e.g. name of city, street

name, country

GoogleLocNameSpecified

If GoogleLocNameSpecified is "yes" then the specified location name Google-LocName is used as the centre of the Google Map. If both GoogleLocName-Specified and GoogleLocDegSpecified are not equal to "yes", the bounding box of the map is determined from the provided grid and used as centre of the Google Map.

GoogleMapType

In case of Google Maps: which map type should be used? Available map types: "terrain", "satellite", "roadmap", and "hybrid".

GoogleZoomlevel

Which zoom level to use for the Google Maps?

LabelAxisLat

Label name of vertical axis

LabelAxisLonGoogle

Label name of horizontal axis (for Google Maps only)

LabelAxisLonOSM

Label name of horizontal axis (for OpenStreetMap only)

LatLocation Latitude of location on map (degrees)

LatText Latitude of text (rainfall depth) of location on map (degrees)

LegendTitleRadarsTimeStep

Title of legend

LonLocation Longitude of location on map (degrees)

LonText Longitude of text (rainfall depth) of location on map (degrees)

ManualScale Manually supply the legend breaks if ManuelScale is not equal to "no". Interval

breaks are determined manually from ScaleLow and ScaleHigh. If ManualScale

is "no" interval breaks are determined automatically.

MapBackground Google Maps or OpenStreetMap as background? Use "Google" for Google

Maps and "OSM" for OpenStreetMap. Note that Google Maps will only plot

on a square figure.

OSMBottom Latitude in degrees (WGS84) for bottom side of the area for which rainfall

depths are to be plotted (for OpenStreetMap only).

OSMLeft Longitude in degrees (WGS84) for left side of the area for which rainfall depths

are to be plotted (for OpenStreetMap only).

OSMRight Longitude in degrees (WGS84) for right side of the area for which rainfall depths

are to be plotted (for OpenStreetMap only).

OSMScale Give value of scale (for OpenStreetMap only). A proper choice of the scale pa-

rameter in get_openstreetmap is difficult. It cannot be computed automatically. Hence, a scale parameter value should be provided below. The scale parameter should be as small as possible to get the highest graphical resolution. However, a too low value may result in a map not being downloaded. Hence, the user should manually supply get_openstreetmap with a scale. It may require some iterations to find the appropriate value for scale. The file "ggmapTemp.png" is written to disk when an OpenStreetMap is loaded. The highest possible resolution for a

square area is about 2000 x 2000 pixels.

OSMTop Latitude in degrees (WGS84) for top side of the area for which rainfall depths

are to be plotted (for OpenStreetMap only)

Palette Choose (RColorBrewer) palette. "Blues", "YlGnBu", "GnBu": sequential. "Spec-

tral", "RdYlBu", "BrBG": diverging. Unfortunately, it seems not possible to select those colours from the full range of the palette. For 6 or less classes we

get a reasonable set of colours though.

 ${\tt PathRadarRainfallDepth}$

Path in NetCDF4 file with radar data

PERIOD Select daily time interval, i.e. "0800" implies 0800 UTC previous day - 0800

UTC present day (use 2400 for 0000 UTC)

PlotLocation A location is plotted on map if PlotLocation is "yes"

PixelBorderCol Choose colour of pixel borders. Use NA (without quotes) to not plot pixel bor-

ders. If the pixels are relatively small with respect to the plotted region, the graphical quality of the pixel borders deteriorates due to low number of pixels

(low resolution).

PlotBelowScaleBottom

Plot grid lines for polygons below threshold ScaleBottomTimeStep or ScaleBottomDaily? If "yes" grid lines are plotted, otherwise they are not plotted.

ScaleBottomTimeStep

ScaleBottomDaily Lowest class starts at this threshold (minimum rainfall accumulation (mm) to be plotted). Using a value clearly above 0 mm can save a lot of computation time if the polygons belonging to values below the threshold are

not plotted.

ScaleHigh ScaleHigh Highest value per class interval, i.e. the highest legend breaks, if

these are manually chosen. Please note that in case of x values in ColoursNum-

ber, ScaleHigh should also contain x values.

ScaleLow

ScaleLow Lowest value per class interval, i.e. the lowest legend breaks, if these are manually chosen. Please note that in case of x values in ColoursNumber, ScaleLow should also contain x values.

ScaleTopTimeStep

Highest colour class ends here (maximum rainfall accumulation (mm) to be plotted). Sometimes the legend is not correctly plotted. In that case try other values for ScaleTopTimeStep and/or ScaleBottomTimeStep For instance, if the highest class (> x mm) is plotted below instead of above the other classes. Or if the number of classes does not match the number of chosen classes. Another way to prevent this is to manually give the legend breaks (ManualScale not equal to "no").

SizePixelBorder

Size of pixel borders

SizePlotLocation

Size of symbol and and accompanied text for specified location on map

SizePlotTitle Size of plot title

SymbolPlotLocation

Symbol to be plotted for specified location on map

TIMESTEP Duration of time interval of sampling strategy (min)

TimeZone Time zone of data (e.g. "UTC")

TitleRadars First part of title of plot

XMiddle The longitude of the centre of the Azimuthal Equidistant Cartesian coordinate

system, given in the coordinate system of the input data

YMiddle The latitude of the centre of the Azimuthal Equidistant Cartesian coordinate

system, given in the coordinate system of the input data

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Examples

RainMapsRadarsTimeStep()

34 RainRetrievalMinMaxRSL

RainRetrievalMinMaxRSL

Function for path-averaged rainfall estimation using microwave links.

Description

Function for path-averaged rainfall estimation using microwave links. Maximum and minimum path-averaged rainfall intensites are computed in subfunction "MinMaxRSLToMeanR", where a fixed correction factor is applied to remove wet antenna attenuation.

Works for a sampling strategy where minimum and maximum received signal powers are provided, and the transmitted power levels are constant.

Usage

```
RainRetrievalMinMaxRSL(Aa = 2.3, alpha = 0.33, Data, kRPowerLawData,
    PmaxCor, PminCor, Pref)
```

Arguments

Aa Wet antenna attenuation correction A_a (dB)

alpha Coefficient (α) determining contribution of minimum and maximum path-averaged

rainfall intensity to mean path-averaged rainfall intensity (-)

Data frame with microwave link data

kRPowerLawData Values of coefficients a and b employed to convert specific attenuation to path-

averaged rainfall intensity for a range of microwave frequencies

PmaxCor Data frame with corrected maximum received powers (dB)

PminCor Data frame with corrected minimum received powers (dB)

Pref Reference level (dB)

Value

Mean path-averaged rainfall intensity (mm h^{-1})

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Examples

```
RainRetrievalMinMaxRSL(Aa=2.3,alpha=0.33,Data=DataOutlierFiltered, kRPowerLawData=kRPowerLawData,PmaxCor=Pcor$PmaxCor,PminCor=Pcor$PminCor,Pref=Pref)
```

ReadRainLocation 35

ReadRainLocation	Function for finding (interpolated) rainfall value for a given latitude and longitude.

Description

Function for finding (interpolated) rainfall value for a given latitude and longitude. I.e. find the grid cell which belongs to the location for which latitude and longitude are provided.

Usage

ReadRainLocation(CoorSystemInputData, dataf, FileGrid, Lat, Lon, XMiddle, YMiddle)

Arguments

dataf FileGrid

Lat

XMiddle

YMiddle

Lot

CoorSystemInputData

•	
	Coordinate system of the input data (e.g. "+init=epsg:4326" for WGS84 in degrees).
	Data frame of (interpolated) rainfall values
	File with interpolation grid in same coordinate system as CoorSystemInputData
	Latitude of location for which (interpolated) rainfall value is to be extracted (in coordinate system CoorSystemInputData)
	The longitude of the centre of the Azimuthal Equidistant Cartesian coordinate system, given in the coordinate system of the input data
	The latitude of the centre of the Azimuthal Equidistant Cartesian coordinate system, given in the coordinate system of the input data

Longitude of location for which (interpolated) rainfall value is to be extracted

Value

Rainfall value for selected location (in unit of provided input rainfall data)

(in coordinate system CoorSystemInputData)

Author(s)

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Examples

Read Rain Location (Coor System Input Data = Coor System Input Data, data f = dataf, File Grid = File Grid, Lat = Lat, Lon = Lon, XMiddle = XMiddle, YMiddle = YMiddle)

36 RefLevelMinMaxRSL

RefLevelMinMaxRSL	Function for determination of reference signal level, which is repre-
	sentative of dry weather.

Description

Function for determination of reference signal level, which is representative of dry weather.

Works for a sampling strategy where minimum and maximum received signal powers are provided, and the transmitted power levels are constant.

Usage

```
RefLevelMinMaxRSL(Data, Dry = NULL, HoursRefLevel = 2.5,
   PeriodHoursRefLevel = 24)
```

Arguments

Data frame with microwave link data.

Dry Data frame: Should interval be considered dry for reference level determination?

(0 = wet; 1 = dry)

HoursRefLevel Minimum number of hours that should be dry in preceding PeriodHoursRe-

fLevel hours for computing reference level (h)

PeriodHoursRefLevel

Period over which reference level is to be determined (h)

Value

Reference level (dB)

Author(s)

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Examples

```
RefLevelMinMaxRSL(Data=DataPreprocessed,Dry=NULL,HoursRefLevel=2.5,PeriodHoursRefLevel=24)
```

ToPolygonsRain 37

ToPolygonsRain

Subfunction which assignes values of rainfall grid to polygons.

Description

Subfunction which assignes values of rainfall grid to polygons.

Usage

ToPolygonsRain(Data)

Arguments

Data

Field of rainfall depths at the chosen grid

Value

Field of rainfall depths for the polygons at the chosen grid

Author(s)

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References

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Examples

ToPolygonsRain(Data=Data)

WetDryNearbyLinkApMinMaxRSL

Function for classifying wet and dry periods according to the nearby link approach. Function also prepares link data for determination of reference signal level and for computing corrected received powers.

Description

The received signal powers often decrease during non-rainy periods, resulting in non-zero rainfall estimates, e.g. caused by reflection of the beam or dew formation on the antennas. To prevent this rainfall overestimation a reliable classification of wet and dry periods is needed. This is also beneficial for determining an appropriate reference signal level, representative for dry weather. In order to define wet and dry periods, we assume that rain is correlated in space, and hence that several links in a given area should experience a decrease in received signal level in the case of rain. A time interval is labeled as wet if at least half of the links in the vicinity (for chosen radius) of the selected link experience such a decrease. This so called nearby link approach is applied in this

function. The function also prepares link data for determination of reference signal level and for computing corrected received powers.

Works for a sampling strategy where minimum and maximum received signal powers are provided, and the transmitted power levels are constant.

Usage

```
WetDryNearbyLinkApMinMaxRSL(Data, CoorSystemInputData = NULL,
    MinHoursPmin = 6, PeriodHoursPmin = 24, Radius = 15, Step8 = TRUE,
    ThresholdMedian = -1.4, ThresholdMedianL = -0.7,
    ThresholdNumberLinks = 3, ThresholdWetDry = 2)
```

Arguments

Data frame with microwave link data

CoorSystemInputData

Define coordinate system of input data (in case of WGS84 provide NULL)

MinHoursPmin Minimum number of hours in the previous PeriodHoursPmin hours needed for

computing $max(P_{min})$ (h)

PeriodHoursPmin

Number of hours that is considered for computation of $max(P_{min})$ (h)

Radius in wet-dry classification (km)

Step8 If TRUE step 8 in the wet-dry classification is performed, else it is not executed

ThresholdMedian

Threshold value (dB)

ThresholdMedianL

Threshold value (dB km⁻¹)

ThresholdNumberLinks

Only use data if number of available links is at least larger than this threshold for the time interval under consideration. The selected link is also counted.

Value

Data frame: Should interval be considered dry for reference level determination? (0 = wet; 1 = dry) Values for filter to remove outliers (dB $\rm km^{-1}~h$)

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Examples

```
WetDryNearbyLinkApMinMaxRSL (Data=DataPreprocessed, CoorSystemInputData=NULL, MinHoursPmin=6, PeriodHoursPmin=24, Radius=15, Step8=TRUE, ThresholdMedian=-1.4, ThresholdMedianL=-0.7, ThresholdNumberLinks=3, ThresholdWetDry=2)
```

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