An empirical example: Rhynoclemmys data.

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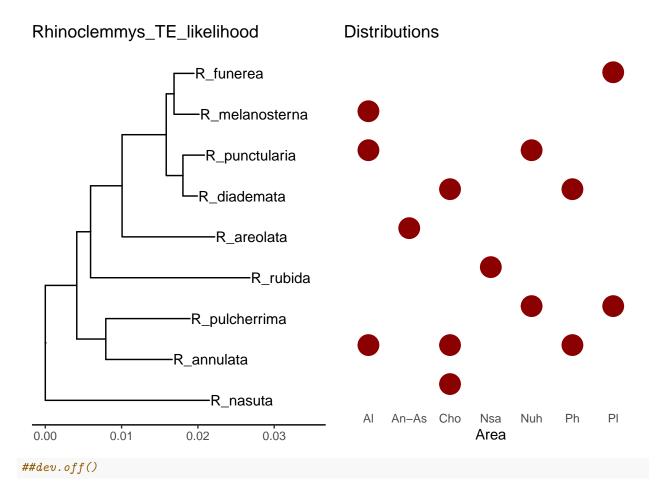
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We read the data, distribution and tree.

```
## for reproductibility purposes
set.seed(121)
options(warn=-1)
suppressMessages(library(ggtree))
#~ library(ape)
suppressMessages(library(blepd))
library(ggplot2)
#~ library(ggtree)
## Version
cat("Analyses made with blepd version:",unlist(packageVersion("blepd")))
## Analyses made with blepd version: 0 1 8 2020 10 21
## Create an object to place the distribution and the tree
RhinoclemmysData <- list()</pre>
## Read data
## distribution is a csv file areas x terminals, labeled
setwd("../data/")
csvFile <- dir(pattern=".csv")</pre>
RhinoclemmysData$distribution <- as.matrix(read.table(csvFile,
                                   stringsAsFactors=TRUE,
                                   header=TRUE,
                                   row.names=1,
                                   sep=",")
                           )
```

```
##print(t(RhinoclemmysData$distribution))
## tree(s) in nexus or newick format
treeFiles <- dir(pattern=".tre")</pre>
##treeFiles
RhinoclemmysData$tree <- read.tree(treeFiles)
## name of tree(s)
treeFiles <- gsub(".tre","",treeFiles)</pre>
## Plotting
\#par(mfrow=c(2,1))
## The tree
## using ggtree
plotTree <- ggtree(RhinoclemmysData$tree, ladderize=TRUE,</pre>
                    color="black", size=0.51, linetype="solid") +
             geom_tiplab(size=4, color="black") +
             xlim(0,0.035) +
             theme_tree2() +
             ggtitle(treeFiles[1])
##print(plotTree)
#~ Alternatively, we can plot the trees using APE
## plot.phylo(RhinoclemmysData$tree)
####nodelabels()
####tiplabels()
```

```
## the distribution
distXY <- matrix2XY(RhinoclemmysData$distribution)</pre>
terminals <- colnames(RhinoclemmysData$distribution)</pre>
realOrder <- match(terminals,RhinoclemmysData$tree$tip.label)</pre>
equivalencias <- data.frame(terminals,realOrder)</pre>
dXY2 <-
            distXY
for(cambiar in terminals){
    dXY2$Terminal[distXY$Terminal == cambiar]
    equivalencias$realOrder[equivalencias$terminals==cambiar]
}
distGraficar <- dXY2</pre>
plotDistrib <- ggplot(distGraficar,</pre>
                       aes(x= Area, y=Terminal), size =35) +
                geom_point(shape=19, fill="white", color="darkred", size=7) +
               labs(title = "Distributions",
                     y = "",
                     x = "Area") +
                theme(axis.line=element_blank(),
                      axis.text.y=element_blank(),
                      axis.ticks=element_blank(),
                      axis.title.y=element_blank(),
                      legend.position="none",
                      panel.background=element_blank(),
                      panel.border=element blank(),
                      panel.grid.major=element_blank(),
                      panel.grid.minor=element_blank(),
                      plot.background=element_blank()
##print(plotDistrib)
##
cowplot::plot_grid(plotTree, plotDistrib, ncol=2)
```



We want to test whether the branch lengths will have any effect in the area(s) chosen for conservation using a Phylogenetic Diversity (PD) analysis.

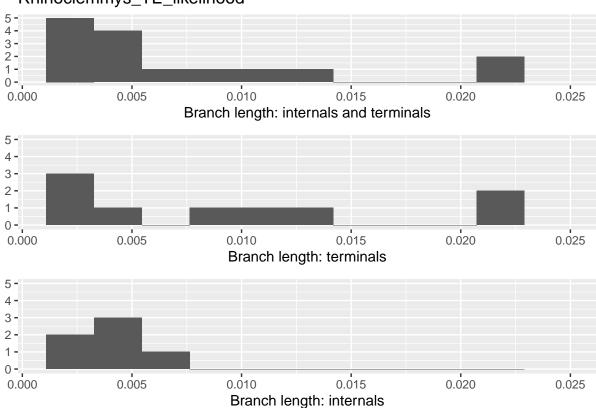
The topology corresponds to a Total Evidence analysis for the *Rhynoclemmys* genus, from R-Alarcon and Miranda-Esquivel (2020), and the distribution is taken and modified from Le and McCord (2008).

```
xlab="Branch length: terminals") +
xlim(c(0.001,0.025)) +
ylim(c(0,5))

c <- qplot(RhinoclemmysData$tree$edge.length[!terminals],
    bins=12,
    #main=treeFiles,
    xlab="Branch length: internals") +
    xlim(c(0.001,0.025)) +
    ylim(c(0,5))</pre>
#~

cowplot::plot_grid(a, b, c, nrow=3)
```

Rhinoclemmys_TE_likelihood



###dev.off()

The branch length histogram and the tree plot, show the internal length branches are similar, nad different to terminals'; there are two longer branches, R. aerolata (inhabiting Al) and R. rubida (Pl), while Al and Cho are the richest areas.

Fist we calculate the PD value for the tree, we save the values as a table and later we convert the table to a matrix.

```
RhinoclemmysData$tablePD <- PDindex(RhinoclemmysData$tree,</pre>
                                      distribution=RhinoclemmysData$distribution,
                                      root=TRUE)
RhinoclemmysData$matrixPD <- as.data.frame(</pre>
                                        unlist(RhinoclemmysData$tablePD),
                                        nrow= length(treeFiles),
                                        byrow=TRUE))
colnames(RhinoclemmysData$matrixPD) <- row.names(RhinoclemmysData$distribution)</pre>
row.names(RhinoclemmysData$matrixPD) <- "PD value"</pre>
print(t(sort(RhinoclemmysData$matrixPD,decreasing = TRUE)))
##
         PD value
## Cho
         0.054150
## Al
         0.044127
         0.041646
## Pl
## Nuh 0.034323
         0.032655
## Ph
## An-As 0.020853
## Nsa
        0.019937
Now, we test the efect of branch length swapping, terminal and internal branch lengths.
for( modelo in c("simpleswap","allswap","uniform") ){
        for( rama in c("terminals", "internals") ){
            val <- swapBL(RhinoclemmysData$tree,</pre>
                           RhinoclemmysData$distribution,
                           model = modelo,
                          branch = rama
               )
         cat("\n\tTree=",treeFiles,"\n\tModel=",modelo,"\n\tBranchs swapped=",rama,"\n")
        print.blepd(val)
         cat("\n\n\n")
     }
 }
## model to test simpleswap reps 100
##
## Tree= Rhinoclemmys_TE_likelihood
## Model= simpleswap
```

```
## Branchs swapped= terminals
##
## BestInitial:Cho
## AreaSelected Freq Percent
             Al
                   13
## 2
             Cho
                   86
                           86
## 3
             Pl
                    1
##
##
##
## model to test simpleswap reps 100
##
## Tree= Rhinoclemmys_TE_likelihood
## Model= simpleswap
## Branchs swapped= internals
##
## BestInitial:Cho
   AreaSelected Freq Percent
            Cho 100
## 1
                          100
##
##
##
## model to test allswap reps 100
## Tree= Rhinoclemmys_TE_likelihood
## Model= allswap
## Branchs swapped= terminals
## BestInitial:Cho
    AreaSelected Freq Percent
## 1
              Al
                   34
## 2
             Cho
                   54
                           54
## 3
             Nuh
                  10
                           10
## 4
              Pl
                    2
                            2
##
##
## model to test allswap reps 100
## Tree= Rhinoclemmys_TE_likelihood
## Model= allswap
## Branchs swapped= internals
## BestInitial:Cho
    AreaSelected Freq Percent
          Cho 100
## 1
                          100
##
##
## model to test uniform reps 100
##
## Tree= Rhinoclemmys_TE_likelihood
## Model= uniform
## Branchs swapped= terminals
```

```
##
## BestInitial:Cho
     AreaSelected Freq Percent
##
                     59
## 1
               Al
## 2
              Cho
                     38
                             38
## 3
              Nuh
                      3
                              3
##
##
##
   model to test uniform reps 100
##
##
    Tree= Rhinoclemmys_TE_likelihood
   Model= uniform
##
    Branchs swapped= internals
##
##
## BestInitial:Cho
##
     AreaSelected Freq Percent
## 1
                   100
```

The terminal branch length is critical in the decision taken, if we swap all terminal branch lengths (model=allswap), or if we replace them with a uniform distribution (model=uniform), the area selected might change from Cho to Al. As the terminal branch lengths are distributed unequally, we might suspect that the results depend heavily on the longest branches that inhabit the area.

But first, let us see if the number of replicates has any effect.

```
## model to test allswap reps 10
##
## BestInitial:Cho
##
     AreaSelected Freq Percent
## 1
                Al
                      5
                              50
                      5
## 2
              Cho
                              50
## model to test allswap reps 100
##
## BestInitial:Cho
     AreaSelected Freq Percent
## 1
               Al
                     41
                              41
## 2
               Cho
                     43
                              43
## 3
              Nsa
                               1
                      1
## 4
              Nuh
                     11
                              11
               Pl
## 5
                      4
## model to test allswap reps 1000
##
```

```
## BestInitial:Cho
    AreaSelected Freq Percent
## 1
               Al 379
## 2
            An-As
                            1.3
                    13
## 3
              Cho 429
                           42.9
## 4
                      9
                            0.9
              Nsa
## 5
                           14.8
              Nuh 148
                            2.2
## 6
               Pl
                     22
Roughly speaking from 1000 – 10000 the results are alike, and the largest difference is in 10 –100. As a rule
of thumb, we most use at least 100 replicates, but 1000 will be better.
now, let's see if the possible difference in results could be assigned to both of our longest branches.
## Testing the effect if we reduce the branch lenght form the actual
## value to 0.0 using evalTerminal {lower}
testEvalTerminalALL <- evalTerminal(RhinoclemmysData$tree,
                                     RhinoclemmysData$distribution,
                                      tipToEval = "all",
                                      approach = "lower")
## Terminal: R annulata, has NO effect on branch length == 0 or Max
## Terminal: R_pulcherrima, has NO effect on branch length == 0 or Max
## Terminal: R diademata, has NO effect on branch length == 0 or Max
## Terminal: R_punctularia, has NO effect on branch length == 0 or Max
## Terminal: R_melanosterna, has NO effect on branch length == 0 or Max
## Terminal: R_funerea, has NO effect on branch length == 0 or Max
## Terminal: R areolata, has NO effect on branch length == 0 or Max
## Terminal: R_rubida, has NO effect on branch length == 0 or Max
print.multiBlepd(testEvalTerminalALL)
##
## Delta (%)
                Terminal
                             Initial Selected
                                                  Evaluating lower
## -0.0047
                         Cho Al
             R_nasuta
## 0
         R_{annulata}
                         Cho Cho
## 0
         R_pulcherrima Cho Cho
## 0
         R_{diademata}
                         Cho Cho
## 0
         R_punctularia Cho Cho
## 0
         R_{melanosterna}
                             Cho Cho
## O
         R_funerea Cho Cho
## 0
         R areolata
                         Cho Cho
## 0
         R rubida
                    Cho Cho
## Testing the effect if we increase the branch lenght form the actual
## value to the sum of all branch length using evalTerminal {upper}
testEvalTerminalALL <- evalTerminal(RhinoclemmysData$tree,</pre>
                                      RhinoclemmysData$distribution,
                                      tipToEval = "all",
```

Terminal: R_nasuta, has NO effect on branch length == 0 or Max

approach = "upper")

```
## Terminal: R_annulata, has NO effect on branch length == 0 or Max
## Terminal: R_melanosterna, has NO effect on branch length == 0 or Max
print.multiBlepd(testEvalTerminalALL)
## Delta (%)
                Terminal
                             Initial Selected
                                                  Evaluating upper
## 0
         R nasuta Cho Cho
                        Cho Cho
## 0
         R_annulata
## 0.0116
             R_pulcherrima Cho Pl
## 0.182
             R diademata
                             Cho Nsa
             R_punctularia Cho An-As
## 0.1203
## 0
         R_melanosterna
                             Cho Cho
## 0.0391
             R_funerea Cho Al
## 0.0085
             R_{areolata}
                             Cho Al
## 0.0061
                        Cho Pl
             R_rubida
The area selected depends heavily in the branch length of R. aerolata and R. rubida, if the branch length is
just a little shorter, the area selected will change from area A to area B.
To test whether internal branches have more impact than terminal branches, we can use the function eval-
TerminalvsInternal.
#~ ## calculate values
terminals <- evalTerminalvsInternal(RhinoclemmysData$tree,
                                 RhinoclemmysData$distribution,
                                 nTimes=100,
                                 branch = "terminals")
## model to test allswap reps 100
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## model to test allswap reps 100
internals <- evalTerminalvsInternal(RhinoclemmysData$tree,
                                 RhinoclemmysData$distribution,
                                 nTimes=100,
                                 branch = "internals")
## model to test allswap reps 100
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for( i in 1:3){
     cat("name ",i," \n")
    cat("Evaluated:",terminals[[i]]$evaluated,"\tBranch swapped:",terminals[[i]]$branch,"\n")
    print.blepd(terminals[[i]])
    cat("Evaluated:",internals[[i]]$evaluated,"\tBranch swapped:",internals[[i]]$branch,"\n")
    print.blepd(internals[[i]])
```

Branch swapped: terminals

Evaluated: All equal

```
##
## BestInitial:AlCho
     AreaSelected Freq Percent
            AlCho 100
## 1
                            100
## Evaluated: All equal
                             Branch swapped: internals
##
## BestInitial:AlCho
##
     AreaSelected Freq Percent
## 1
            AlCho 100
                            100
## Evaluated: Terminals
                             Branch swapped: terminals
##
## BestInitial:AlCho
##
     AreaSelected Freq Percent
## 1
            AlCho 100
## Evaluated: Terminals
                             Branch swapped: internals
##
## BestInitial:AlCho
     AreaSelected Freq Percent
## 1
                    40
                             40
               Αl
                             52
## 2
            AlCho
                    52
## 3
              Cho
                     8
                              8
## Evaluated: Internals
                             Branch swapped: terminals
##
## BestInitial:Cho
     AreaSelected Freq Percent
## 1
               Al
                    43
                             43
## 2
              Cho
                    40
                             40
              Nuh
                    17
                             17
## Evaluated: Internals
                             Branch swapped: internals
##
## BestInitial:Cho
##
     AreaSelected Freq Percent
## 1
              Cho
                  100
```

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