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Overview of the functions in the camtrapR package

## Description

This package provides a streamlined workflow for processing data generated in camera trap-based wildlife studies and prepares input for further analyses, particularly in occupancy and spatial capture-recapture frameworks. It suggests a simple data structure and provides functions for managing digital camera trap photographs, generating record tables, maps of species richness and species detections and species activity diagrams. It further helps prepare subsequent analyses by creating detection/non-detection matrices for occupancy analyses, e.g. in the **unmarked** package, and capthist objects for spatial capture-recapture analyses in the **secr** package. In addition, basic survey statistics are computed. The functions build on one another in a logical sequence. The only manual input needed it species (and individual) identification, which is achieved by moving images into species directories or by tagging images in image management software. Besides, a table holding basic information about camera trap station IDs, locations and trapping periods must be created in spreadsheet software.

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#### **Details**

Image metadata (such as date and time or user-assigned tags) are extracted from the images using Phil Harvey's ExifTool (available from <a href="http://www.sno.phy.queensu.ca/~phil/exiftool/">http://www.sno.phy.queensu.ca/~phil/exiftool/</a>) and the information is stored in a record table. An adjustable criterion for temporal independence of records can be applied. Maps of species presence and species richness can be generated. Several functions are available for plotting single- and two-species activity patterns. Information about the camera-specific trapping periods (and periods of malfunction) are summarized into information about camera trap operability. These, together with the record table, are used to generate species detection histories for occupancy and spatial capture-recapture analyses. The user has considerable freedom in generating the detection histories; sampling occasion length, beginning date and and occasion start times are adjustable. In addition, trapping effort (i.e. active trap nights per station and occasion) can be computed for use as a covariate / offset on detection probability.

#### Image organisation and management

The functions in this section set up a directory structure for storing camera trap images and identifying species and individuals from images. They build on one another and can be run in sequential order as needed.

createStationFolders
timeShiftImages
imageRename
appendSpeciesNames

Create camera trap station directories for raw images

Apply time shifts to JPEG images

Copy and rename images based on station ID and image creation date

Add or remove species names from image filenames

#### Species / individual identification

These functions assist in species identification and prepare individual identification of animals.

checkSpeciesNames
createSpeciesFolders
checkSpeciesIdentification
getSpeciesImages

Check species names against the ITIS taxonomic database Create directories for species identification Consistency check on species image identification Gather all images of a species in a new directory

#### Image data extraction

These function use the directory structure built above (Section 'Image management workflow') and a table containing basic information about camera traps and/or stations (IDs, location, trapping period).

recordTable
recordTableIndividual
exifTagNames
exiftoolPath

Create a species record table from camera trap images

Create a single-species record table from camera trap images with individual IDs

Return Exif metadata tags and tag names from JPEG images

Add the directory containing exiftool.exe to PATH temporarily (Windows only)

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## Data exploration and visualisation

These plots are generated from the record table and the camera trap table.

detectionMaps
activityHistogram
activityDensity
Generate maps of species richness and species presence by station
Single-species diel activity histograms
Single-species diel activity kernel density estimation plots

activityRadial Single-species diel activity radial plot

activityOverlap Two-species diel activity overlap plots and estimates

#### Data export

#### Sample data

camtraps
Sample camera trap station information table
Sample species record table
recordTableIndividualSample
timeShiftTable
Sample camera trap time shift information
Sample camera trap time shift information

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#### References

Lemon, J. (2006) Plotrix: a package in the red light district of R. R-News, 6(4): 8-12. Mike Meredith and Martin Ridout (2014). overlap: Estimates of coefficient of overlapping for animal activity patterns. R package version 0.2.4. http://CRAN.R-project.org/package=overlap Phil Harvey's ExifTool http://www.sno.phy.queensu.ca/~phil/exiftool/

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#### See Also

#### overlap unmarked secr plotrix taxize

activityDensity

Plot kernel density estimation of single-species activity

#### **Description**

The function plots a kernel density estimation of species diel activity using function densityPlot from package **overlap**.

#### Usage

```
activityDensity(recordTable,
    species,
    allSpecies = FALSE,
    speciesCol = "Species",
    recordDateTimeCol = "DateTimeOriginal",
    recordDateTimeFormat = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S",
    plotR = TRUE,
    writePNG = FALSE,
    plotDirectory,
    createDir = FALSE,
    pngMaxPix = 1000,
    add.rug = TRUE,
    ...
)
```

#### Arguments

recordTable data.frame. the record table created by recordTable Name of the species for which to create an kernel density plot of activity species allSpecies logical. Create plots for all species in speciesCol of recordTable? Overrides argument species speciesCol character. name of the column specifying species names in recordTable recordDateTimeCol character. name of the column specifying date and time in recordTable recordDateTimeFormat character. format of column recordDateTimeCol in recordTable plotR logical. Show plots in R graphics device? writePNG logical. Create pngs of the plots? plotDirectory character. Directory in which to create png plots if writePNG = TRUE logical. Create plotDirectory if writePNG = TRUE? createDir pngMaxPix integer. image size of png (pixels along x-axis) logical. add a rug to the plot? add.rug additional arguments to be passed to function densityPlot

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#### **Details**

species must be in the speciesCol of recordTable.

#### Value

Returns invisibly a vector of species record observation times in radians, i.e. scaled to  $[0, 2\pi]$ . If all species == TRUE, all species' vectors are returned in an invisible named list.

#### Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

#### References

Martin Ridout and Matthew Linkie (2009). Estimating overlap of daily activity patterns from camera trap data. Journal of Agricultural, Biological and Environmental Statistics, 14(3), 322-337 Mike Meredith and Martin Ridout (2014). overlap: Estimates of coefficient of overlapping for animal activity patterns. R package version 0.2.4. http://CRAN.R-project.org/package=overlap

#### See Also

activityHistogram, activityRadial, activityOverlap http://www.kent.ac.uk/smsas/personal/ msr/overlap.html

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## Description

The function generates a histogram of species diel activity in 1-hour intervals.

## Usage

```
activityHistogram(recordTable,
species,
allSpecies = FALSE,
speciesCol = "Species",
recordDateTimeCol = "DateTimeOriginal",
recordDateTimeFormat = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S",
plotR = TRUE,
writePNG = FALSE,
plotDirectory,
createDir = FALSE,
pngMaxPix = 1000,
...)
```

## Arguments

| recordTable          | data.frame. the record table created by recordTable  |  |  |
|----------------------|--|--|--|
| species              | Name of the single species for which to create a histogram of activity                         |  |  |
| allSpecies           | logical. Create plots for all species in speciesCol of recordTable? Overrides argument species |  |  |
| speciesCol           | character. name of the column specifying species names in recordTable                          |  |  |
| recordDateTime       | Col  |  |  |
|                      | character. name of the column specifying date and time in recordTable                          |  |  |
| recordDateTimeFormat |  |  |  |
|                      | character. format of column recordDateTimeCol in recordTable                                   |  |  |
| plotR                | logical. Show plots in R graphics device?  |  |  |
| writePNG             | logical. Create pngs of the plots?   |  |  |
| plotDirectory        | character. Directory in which to create png plots if writePNG = TRUE                           |  |  |
| createDir            | logical. Create plotDirectory?   |  |  |
| pngMaxPix            | integer. image size of png (pixels along x-axis)   |  |  |
| •••                  | additional arguments to be passed to function hist   |  |  |

## **Details**

Activity is calculated from the time of day of records. The date is ignored.

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#### Value

It returns invisibly a vector of species record date and time in POSIX1t format. If allSpecies == TRUE, all species' vectors are returned in an invisible named list.

#### Note

If you have a sufficiently large number of records you may wish to consider using activityDensity instead. Please be aware that this function (like the other activity... function of this package) use clock time. If your survey was long enough to see changes in sunrise and sunset times, this may result in biased representations of species activity.

#### Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

#### See Also

```
activityDensity, activityRadial, activityOverlap
```

## **Examples**

activityOverlap

Plot overlapping kernel densities of two-species activities

#### **Description**

This function plots kernel density estimates of two species' diel activity data by calling the function overlapPlot from package **overlap**. It further computes the overlap coefficient Dhat1 by calling overlapEst.

## Usage

```
activityOverlap(recordTable,
speciesA,
speciesB,
speciesCol = "Species",
recordDateTimeCol = "DateTimeOriginal",
```

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```
recordDateTimeFormat = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S",
plotR = TRUE,
writePNG = FALSE,
addLegend = TRUE,
legendPosition = "topleft",
plotDirectory,
createDir = FALSE,
pngMaxPix = 1000,
add.rug = TRUE,
...
)
```

#### Arguments

recordTable data.frame. the record table created by recordTable

speciesA Name of species 1 speciesB Name of species 2

speciesCol character. name of the column specifying species names in recordTable

recordDateTimeCol

character. name of the column specifying date and time in recordTable

recordDateTimeFormat

character. format of column recordDateTimeCol in recordTable

plotR logical. Show plots in R graphics device?

writePNG logical. Create pngs of the plots?
addLegend logical. Add a legend to the plots?

legendPosition character. Position of the legend (keyword)

plotDirectory character. Directory in which to create png plots if writePNG = TRUE

createDir logical. Create plotDirectory?

pngMaxPix integer. image size of png (pixels along x-axis)

add.rug logical. add a rug to the plot?

... additional arguments to be passed to function overlapPlot

#### **Details**

 $\dots$  can be graphical parameters, e.g. linetype, linewidth, linecol.

#### Value

Returns invisibly the data. frame with plot coordinates returned by overlapPlot.

#### Note

Please be aware that the function (like the other activity... function of this package) use clock time, not solar time. If your survey was long enough to see changes in sunrise and sunset times, this may result in biased representations of species activity.

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#### Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

#### References

Mike Meredith and Martin Ridout (2014). overlap: Estimates of coefficient of overlapping for animal activity patterns. R package version 0.2.4. http://CRAN.R-project.org/package=overlap Ridout, M.S. and Linkie, M. (2009) Estimating overlap of daily activity patterns from camera trap data. Journal of Agricultural, Biological and Environmental Statistics, 14, 322-337.

#### See Also

```
activityDensity
http://www.kent.ac.uk/smsas/personal/msr/overlap.html
```

## **Examples**

```
# load record table
data(recordTableSample)
# define species of interest
speciesA_for_activity <- "VTA"</pre>
                               # = Viverra tangalunga, Malay Civet
                               # = Prionailurus bengalensis, Leopard Cat
speciesB_for_activity <- "PBE"
# create activity overlap plot
activityOverlap (recordTable = recordTableSample,
                speciesA = speciesA_for_activity,
                speciesB = speciesB_for_activity,
                writePNG = FALSE,
                           = TRUE,
                plotR
                createDir = FALSE,
                pngMaxPix = 1000,
                            = c("red", "blue"),
                linecol
                linewidth = c(3,3),
                add.rug
                            = TRUE
)
```

activityRadial

Radial plots of single-species activity

## **Description**

The function generates a radial plot of species diel activity using an adapted version of function radial.plot from package **plotrix** (without the need to install the package). Records are aggregated by hour. The number of independent events is used as input, which in turn is based on the argument minDeltaTime in recordTable.

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#### Usage

```
activityRadial(recordTable,
  species,
  allSpecies = FALSE,
  speciesCol = "Species",
  recordDateTimeCol = "DateTimeOriginal",
  recordDateTimeFormat = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S",
  byNumber = FALSE,
  plotR = TRUE,
  writePNG = FALSE,
  plotDirectory,
  createDir = FALSE,
  pngMaxPix = 1000,
  ...
)
```

#### Arguments

recordTable data.frame. the record table created by recordTable

species Name of the species for which to create an kernel density plot of activity

allSpecies logical. Create plots for all species in speciesCol of recordTable? Overrides

argument species

speciesCol character. name of the column specifying species names in recordTable

recordDateTimeCol

character. name of the column specifying date and time in recordTable

recordDateTimeFormat

character. format of column recordDateTimeCol in recordTable

byNumber logical. If FALSE, plot proportion of records. If TRUE, plot number of records

plotR logical. Show plots in R graphics device?

writePNG logical. Create pngs of the plots?

plotDirectory character. Directory in which to create png plots if writePNG = TRUE

createDir logical. Create plotDirectory?

pngMaxPix integer. image size of png (pixels along x-axis)

... additional arguments to be passed to function radial.plot

## **Details**

radial.plot was adjusted to show a clockwise 24-hour clock face. It is recommended to set argument lwd to a value >= 2. You may also wish to add argument rp.type="p" to show a polygon instead of bars.

#### Value

Returns invisibly a data.frame containing all information needed to create the plot: radial position, lengths, hour (for labels). If allSpecies == TRUE, all species' data frames are returned in an invisible named list.

#### Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

#### References

```
Lemon, J. (2006) Plotrix: a package in the red light district of R. R-News, 6(4): 8-12. 
http://CRAN.R-project.org/package=plotrix
```

#### See Also

activityDensity, activityHistogram, activityOverlap

```
# load record table
data(recordTableSample)
species4activity <- "PBE"</pre>
                   # = Prionailurus bengalensis, Leopard Cat
recordDateTimeCol = "DateTimeOriginal",
                  = TRUE,
          writePNG
                     = FALSE,
          lwd
                     = 5
)
# plot type = polygon
recordDateTimeCol = "DateTimeOriginal",
          plotR = TRUE,
          writePNG
                     = FALSE,
          lwd
                     = 5,
          rp.type
                     = "p"
)
```

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## **Description**

Add or remove species names from JPEG image filenames. It makes it easier to find images of a species.

#### **Usage**

```
appendSpeciesNames(inDir,
   IDfrom,
   hasCameraFolders,
   metadataSpeciesTag,
   metadataHierarchyDelimitor = "|",
   removeNames = FALSE,
   writecsv = FALSE
)
```

## **Arguments**

inDir character. Directory containing camera trap images sorted into station subdirec-

tories (e.g. inDir/StationA/)

IDfrom character. Read species ID from image metadata ("metadata") of from species

directory names ("directory")?

hasCameraFolders

logical. Do the station subdirectories of inDir have camera-subdirectories (e.g.

inDir/StationA/CameraA1; inDir/StationA/CameraA2)?

metadataSpeciesTag

character. The species ID tag name in image metadata (if IDfrom = "metadata").

 ${\tt metadataHierarchyDelimitor}$ 

character. The character delimiting hierarchy levels in image metadata tags in

field "HierarchicalSubject". Either "I" or ":".

removeNames logical. remove appended species names?

writecsv logical. write csv table containing old and new file names into inDir?

## **Details**

Species names can be appended or removed from image filenames. Before running the function, you may want to run <a href="mailto:checkSpeciesIdentification">checkSpeciesIdentification</a> to detect possible misidentifications. As an example, the function would change an image file name from "StationA\_2015-05-41\_20-59-59(1).JPG" to "StationA\_2015-05-41\_20-59-59(1)\_Species Name.JPG". If species names were appended several times by accident, they can all be removed by running the function with removeNames = TRUE

#### Value

A data. frame containing the old and new file names and directories.

#### Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

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## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
# copy sample images to another location (so we don't mess around in the package directory)
wd_images_ID <- system.file("pictures/sample_images", package = "camtrapR")</pre>
file.copy(from = wd_images_ID, to = getwd(), recursive = TRUE)
wd_images_ID_copy <- file.path(getwd(), "sample_images")</pre>
# append species names
SpecNameAppend1 <- appendSpeciesNames(inDir</pre>
                                                         = wd_images_ID_copy,
                                       IDfrom
                                                         = "directory",
                                       hasCameraFolders = FALSE,
                                       removeNames = FALSE,
                                       writecsv
                                                        = FALSE)
SpecNameAppend1
# remove species names
SpecNameRemove1 <- appendSpeciesNames(inDir</pre>
                                                        = wd_images_ID_copy,
                                       (inDir = wd_images_ID
IDfrom = "directory",
                                       hasCameraFolders = FALSE,
                                       removeNames = TRUE,
                                       writecsv
                                                         = FALSE)
SpecNameRemove1
## End(Not run)
```

cameraOperation

Create a camera trap station operability matrix

#### **Description**

Construct a matrix of daily camera trap station operability for use in detectionHistory and spatialDetectionHistory, where it is needed for calculating trapping effort per occasion. If several cameras were deployed per station, the matrix can contain camera- or station-specific trap operation information.

## Usage

```
cameraOperation(CTtable,
    stationCol,
    cameraCol,
    setupCol,
    retrievalCol,
    hasProblems = FALSE,
    byCamera,
    allCamsOn,
    camerasIndependent,
```

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```
dateFormat = "%Y-%m-%d",
  writecsv = FALSE,
  outDir
)
```

#### **Arguments**

CTtable data.frame containing information about location and trapping period of camera

trap stations

stationCol character. name of the column specifying Station ID in CTtable

cameraCol character. name of the column specifying Camera ID in CTtable (optional). If

empty, 1 camera per station is assumed.

setupCol character. name of the column containing camera setup dates in CTtable retrievalCol character. name of the column containing camera retrieval dates in CTtable

retrievalCol character. name of the column containing camera retrieval dates in CTtable hasProblems logical. If TRUE, function will look for columns specifying malfunction perio

logical. If TRUE, function will look for columns specifying malfunction periods in CTtable (naming convention: ProblemX\_from and ProblemX\_to, where X

is a number)

byCamera logical. If TRUE, camera operability matrix is computed by camera, not by

station (requires cameraCol)

allCamsOn logical. Takes effect only if cameraCol is defined and if byCamera is FALSE.

If allCamsOn = TRUE, all cameras at a station need to be operational for the station to be operational (e.g. 1 camera out of 2 malfunctioning renders the station inoperational). Output values can be 1/0/NA only (all cameras at a station operational/ at least 1 camera not operational/ no camera set up). If

allCamsOn = FALSE, at least 1 active camera makes a station operational.

camerasIndependent

logical. Return number of active camera traps by station? Only if byCamera is FALSE and allCamsOn is FALSE. If camerasIndependent is TRUE, output values will be the number of operational cameras at a station. If camerasIndependent is FALSE, the value is 1 if at least 1 camera was operational, otherwise 0. In

both cases, values are NA if no camera was set up.

dateFormat character. The format of columns setupCol and retrievalCol. Should be

interpretable by as.Date

writecsv logical. Should the camera operability matrix be saved as a .csv?

outDir character. Directory into which csv is saved

#### Details

cameraCol is NULL by default. The function then assumes there was 1 camera per station CTtable. In more than 1 camera was deployed per station, cameraCol needs to be specified to identify individual cameras within a station. dateFormat defaults to "YYYY-MM-DD", e.g. "2014-10-31". See strptime for formatting options. If hasProblems is TRUE, the function tries to find columns ProblemX\_from and ProblemX\_to in CTtable. X is a consecutive number from 1 to n, specifying periods in which a camera or station was not operational. If hasProblems is FALSE, cameras are assumed to have been operational uninterruptedly from setup to retrieval (see camtraps for details). allCamsOn only has an effect if there was more than 1 camera at a station. If TRUE, for the station

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to be considered operational, all cameras at a station need to be operational. If FALSE, at least 1 active camera renders the station operational. Argument camerasIndependent defines if cameras record animals independently (it thus only has an effect if there was more than 1 camera at a station). This is the case if an observation at one camera does not increase the probability for detection at another camera (cameras face different trails at a distance of one another). Non-independence occurs if an animal is likely to trigger both camers (as would be the case with 2 cameras facing each other). If camerasIndependent is TRUE, 2 active cameras at a station will result in a station operation value of 2 in the resulting matrix, i.e., 2 independent trap days at 1 station and day. If camerasIndependent is FALSE, 2 active cameras will return value 1, i.e., 1 trap night at 1 station per day.

#### Value

A matrix. Row names indicate Station IDs (camera ID if byCamera = TRUE), column names are dates.

Legend: NA: camera(s) not set up, 0: camera(s) not operational, 1 (or higher): number of operational camera(s) or an indicator for whether the station was operational (depending on camerasIndependent and allCamsOn)

#### Note

Setting camerasIndependent according to the sampling situation is important for the functions detectionHistory and spatialDetectionHistory, if sampling effort (the number of active trap nights in a occasion) is to be computed and returned.

## Author(s)

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```
data(camtraps)
# no problems/malfunction
camop_no_problem <- cameraOperation(CTtable</pre>
                                                 = camtraps,
                                    stationCol = "Station",
                                    setupCol = "Setup_date",
                                    retrievalCol = "Retrieval_date",
                                              = FALSE,
                                    writecsv
                                    hasProblems = FALSE,
                                    dateFormat = "%d/%m/%Y"
)
# with problems/malfunction
                                              = camtraps,
camop_problem <- cameraOperation(CTtable</pre>
                                 stationCol = "Station";
                                 setupCol
                                             = "Setup_date",
                                 retrievalCol = "Retrieval_date";
                                 writecsv
                                             = FALSE,
                                 hasProblems = TRUE,
```

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```
dateFormat = "%d/%m/%Y"
)
camop_no_problem
camop_problem
```

camtraps

Sample camera trap station information

#### **Description**

Example camera trap station information table

#### **Usage**

data(camtraps)

#### **Format**

A data frame with 3 rows and 7 variables

#### **Details**

This is a general example of how information about camera trap stations are arranged in camtrapR. It contains setup and retrieval dates and coordinates. If more than 1 camera was set up at a station (e.g. 2 cameras facing each other), a camera ID column must be added, with camera-specific information instead of station-specific information. If cameras malfunctioned repeatedly, additional pairs of problem columns can be added, e.g. "Problem2\_from" and "Problem2\_to" etc..

The variables are as follows:

- Station. Camera trap station ID
- utm\_y. y coordinate of station (northing)
- utm\_x. x coordinate of station (easting)
- Setup\_date. camera trap setup date
- Retrieval\_date. camera trap retrieval date
- Problem1\_from. first day of camera malfunction
- Problem1\_to. last day of camera malfunction

## Note

The coordinates can be in the units of any coordinate system. UTM was chosen as an example, but it could be latlong or anything else, too. capthist objects (as created by spatialDetectionHistory for spatial capture-recapture analyses) expect the unit to be meters.

checkSpeciesIdentification

Consistency check on species image identification

## **Description**

This function serves 2 purposes: 1) it assesses possible misidentification of species and 2) compares double observer species identification (only if metadata tagging was used for species identification).

Within each station, it assesses whether there are images of a species taken within a given time interval of another species. Often, it is unlikely that different species are encountered within a very short time intervals at the same location. This type of misidentification can arise easily if some images belonging to a sequence of images were accidentally moved into different species directories or tagged incorrectly.

Double observer identification may be desirable to increase reliability of species identification. The function returns conflicts in species identification between 2 observers. These conflicts can then be corrected.

#### Usage

```
checkSpeciesIdentification(inDir,
   IDfrom,
   hasCameraFolders,
   metadataSpeciesTag,
   metadataSpeciesTagToCompare,
   metadataHierarchyDelimitor = "|",
   maxDeltaTime,
   excludeSpecies,
   stationsToCheck,
   writecsv = FALSE
)
```

#### **Arguments**

inDir character. Directory containing identified camera trap images sorted into station

subdirectories (e.g. inDir/StationA/)

IDfrom character. Read species ID from image metadata ("metadata") of from species

directory names ("directory")?

hasCameraFolders

logical. Do the station directories in inDir have camera subdirectories (e.g. "inDir/StationA/Camera1" or "inDir/StationA/Camera1/Species1")?

metadataSpeciesTag

character. The species ID tag name in image metadata (if IDfrom = "metadata").

 ${\tt metadataSpeciesTagToCompare}$ 

character. A second species ID tag name in image metadata (if IDfrom = "metadata"). For comparing double observer species identification.

```
metadataHierarchyDelimitor
```

character. The character delimiting hierarchy levels in image metadata tags in

field "HierarchicalSubject". Either "I" or ":"

maxDeltaTime numeric. Maximum time interval between images to be returned (in seconds)

excludeSpecies character. vector of species to exclude from checks

stationsToCheck

character. vector of stations to be checked (optionally)

writecsv logical. Should the resulting data.frame be saved as a .csv?

#### **Details**

Images may accidentally be misidentified by assigning wrong species tags or by moving them into wrong species directories. Imagine your cameras take sequences of images each time they are triggered and one image of the sequence is misidentified. The time difference between these images (that have different species assigned to them) will be very small, usually a few seconds. This function will return all these images for you to check if they were identified correctly.

If multiple observers identify images independently using metadata tagging, their identifications can be compared by setting metadataSpeciesTagToCompare. Conflicting or missing identifications will be reported. This feature is only available if images were identified by metadata tagging.

Species like "blank" or "team" can be ignored using excludeSpecies. If only specific stations are to be checked, stationsToCheck can be set.

#### Value

A list containing 2 data frames. The first contains a data frame with images file names, directories, time stamp and species ID that were taken within maxDeltaTime seconds of another species image at a particular station. The second data frame contains images with conflicting species IDs (if IDfrom = "metadata" and metadataSpeciesTagToCompare is defined)

#### Note

The function will not be able to find "isolated" images, i.e. images that were misidentified, but were not part of a sequence of images. Likewise, if all images of a sequence were misidentified, they cannot be found either. From version 0.99.0, the function can also handle images identied with metadata tags.

#### Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

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```
{\tt maxDeltaTime}
                                                                = 120,
                                             writecsv
                                                                = FALSE)
check.folders # In the example, 2 different species were photographed within 2 minutes.
# now exclude one of these 2 species
check.folders2 <- checkSpeciesIdentification(inDir</pre>
                                                                 = wd_images_ID,
                                                                 = "directory",
                                              hasCameraFolders = FALSE,
                                              maxDeltaTime
                                                                 = 120,
                                                                 = "EGY",
                                              excludeSpecies
                                                                 = FALSE)
                                              writecsv
check.folders2
                 # the data frame is empty
# now we check only one station
check.folders3 <- checkSpeciesIdentification(inDir</pre>
                                                                 = wd_images_ID,
                                                                 = "directory",
                                              hasCameraFolders = FALSE,
                                              maxDeltaTime
                                                                 = 120,
                                              stationsToCheck = "StationB",
                                              writecsv
                                                                 = FALSE)
check.folders3 # the data frame is empty
}
```

checkSpeciesNames

Check species names against the ITIS taxonomic database

## Description

The function checks species names (common or scientific names) provided by the user with the ITIS taxonomic database (http://www.itis.gov/) via functions from the package taxize. It returns both common and scientific names, the taxon authors, taxon rank name and status, the TSN (taxonomic serial numbers) and ITIS urls.

## Usage

#### **Arguments**

speciesNames

character. Vector of species names to check. Either common names or scientific names.

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| searchtype | character. Type of names specified in speciesNames. One of 'scientific' or 'common'.   |
|------------|--|
| accepted   | logical. Return only accepted valid names? If TRUE, invalid names are returned as NA. Set to FALSE to return both accepted and unaccepted names.   |
| ask        | logical. Should the function be run in interactive mode? If TRUE and more than one TSN is found for a species, the user is asked to choose one. If FALSE, NA is returned for multiple matches. |

#### **Details**

Arguments searchtype, accepted and ask are passed on to get\_tsn.

#### Value

A data. frame with the names supplied by the user, matching common and scientific names, taxon author and year, taxonomic rank, status, TSNs (taxonomic serial numbers) and ITIS urls.

#### Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

#### References

```
http://www.itis.gov/
```

```
## Not run:
species_common <- c("Leopard Cat", "moonrat")</pre>
# ask = TRUE. Multiple matches for leopard cat will cause menu to pop up asking user input.
species.names.check1 <- checkSpeciesNames(speciesNames = species_common,</pre>
                                          searchtype = "common",
                                                       = TRUE,
                                          accepted
                                          ask
                                                      = TRUE)
   # we choose entry 2
species.names.check1
# ask = FALSE. Multiple matches for leopard cat will cause NA.
species.names.check2 <- checkSpeciesNames(speciesNames = species_common,</pre>
                                          searchtype = "common",
                                          accepted = TRUE,
                                          ask
                                                       = FALSE)
species.names.check2
```

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createSpeciesFolders Create species directories for species identification

## Description

This function creates species subdirectories within station directories. They can be used for species identification by manually moving images into the respective species directories. The function can also delete empty species directories (if species were not detected at sites). It is not necessary to run this function if animals will be identified by metadata tagging.

## Usage

```
createSpeciesFolders(inDir,
  hasCameraFolders,
  species,
  removeFolders = FALSE
)
```

#### **Arguments**

inDir character. Directory containing camera trap images sorted into station subdirec-

tories (e.g. inDir/StationA/)

hasCameraFolders

logical. Do the station directories in inDir have camera-subdirectories (e.g.

inDir/StationA/CameraA1; inDir/StationA/CameraA2)?

species character. names of species directories to be created in every station (or sta-

tion/camera) subdirectory of inDir

removeFolders logical. Indicating whether to create (TRUE) or remove (FALSE) species direc-

tories.

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#### **Details**

This function should be run after imageRename. Empty directories can be created as containers for species identification if images are identified with the drag & drop method. After species identification is complete, empty species directories can be deleted using removeFolders = TRUE. The function will delete only directories which are specified in species. If hasCameraFolders was set to TRUE in function imageRename, hasCameraFolders must be set to TRUE here too. Species directories will then be created within each camera subdirectory of each station directory. If the user wishes to identify species by metadata tagging, running this function is not needed.

#### Value

A data.frame with directory names and an indicator for whether directories were created or deleted.

#### Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

```
## Not run:
# create dummy directories for tests
# (normally, you'd use directory containing renamed, unsorted images)
# this will be used as inDir
wd_createDirTest <- file.path(getwd(), "createSpeciesFoldersTest")</pre>
# now we create 2 station subdirectories
dirs_to_create <- file.path(wd_createDirTest, c("StationA", "StationB"))</pre>
sapply(dirs_to_create, FUN = dir.create, recursive = TRUE)
# species names for which we want to create subdirectories
species <- c("Sambar Deer", "Bay Cat")</pre>
# create species subdirectories
SpecFolderCreate1 <- createSpeciesFolders (inDir</pre>
                                                               = wd_createDirTest,
                                           species
                                                               = species,
                                           hasCameraFolders = FALSE,
                                            removeFolders
                                                              = FALSE)
SpecFolderCreate1
# check if directories were created
list.dirs(wd_createDirTest)
# delete empty species directories
SpecFolderCreate2 <- createSpeciesFolders (inDir</pre>
                                                               = wd_createDirTest,
                                           species
                                                               = species,
                                           hasCameraFolders = FALSE,
                                            removeFolders
                                                              = TRUE)
```

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```
SpecFolderCreate2
# check if species directories were deleted
list.dirs(wd_createDirTest)
## End(Not run)
```

createStationFolders Create camera trap station directories for raw camera trap images

## **Description**

This function creates camera trap station directories, if needed with camera subdirectories. They can be used as an initial directory structure for storing raw camera trap images.

## Usage

```
createStationFolders(inDir,
   stations,
   cameras,
   createinDir
)
```

#### **Arguments**

inDir character. Directory in which station directories are to be created stations character. Station IDs to be used as directory names within inDir

cameras character. Camera trap IDs to be used as subdirectory names in each station

directory (optionally)

createinDir logical. If inDir does not exist, create it?

## **Details**

The empty directories serve as containers for saving raw camera trap images. If more than 1 camera was set up at a station, specifying cameras is required in order to keep images from different cameras separate. Otherwise, generic filenames (e.g., IMG0001.JPG) from different cameras may lead to accidental overwriting of images if images from these cameras are saved in one station directory.

#### Value

A data.frame with station (and possibly camera) directory names and an indicator for whether they were created successfully.

#### Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

#### **Examples**

detectionHistory

Species detection histories for occupancy analyses

#### **Description**

This function generates species detection histories that can be used in occupancy analyses, e.g. with package unmarked. It generates detection histories in different formats, with adjustable occasion length and occasion start time.

#### Usage

```
detectionHistory(recordTable,
  species,
  camOp,
  stationCol = "Station",
  speciesCol = "Species",
  recordDateTimeCol = "DateTimeOriginal",
  recordDateTimeFormat = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S",
  occasionLength,
  maxNumberDays,
  day1,
```

```
buffer,
includeEffort = TRUE,
scaleEffort = FALSE,
occasionStartTime = 0,
datesAsOccasionNames = FALSE,
timeZone,
writecsv = FALSE,
outDir
)
```

#### **Arguments**

recordTable data.frame. the record table created by recordTable

camOp character. the species for which to compute the detection history

The camera operability matrix as created by cameraOperation

stationCol character. name of the column specifying Station ID in recordTable speciesCol character. name of the column specifying species in recordTable

recordDateTimeCol

character. name of the column specifying date and time in recordTable

recordDateTimeFormat

format of column recordDateTimeCol in recordTable

occasionLength integer. occasion length in days

maxNumberDays integer. maximum number of trap days per station (optional)

day1 character. When should occasions begin: station setup date ("station"), first day

of survey ("survey"), a specific date (e.g. "2015-12-31")?

buffer integer. Makes the first occasion begin a number of days after station setup.

(optional)

includeEffort logical. Compute trapping effort (number of active camera trap days per station

and occasion)?

scaleEffort logical. scale and center effort matrix to mean = 0 and sd = 1?

occasionStartTime

integer. time of day (the full hour) at which to begin occasions.

datesAsOccasionNames

If day1 = "survey", occasion names in the detection history will be composed

of first and last day of that occasion.

timeZone character. must be an argument of OlsonNames

writecsv logical. Should the detection history be saved as a .csv?

outDir character. Directory into which detection history .csv file is saved

#### **Details**

The function computes a species detection matrix, either as a detection-by-date or a detection-by-occasion matrix. day1 defines if each stations detection history will begin on that station's setup day (day1 = "station") or if all station's detection histories have a common origin (the day the

first station was set up if day1 = "survey" or a fixed date if, e.g. day1 = "2015-12-31"). If day1 is a date, as. Date must be able to understand it. The most suitable format is "

includeEffort controls whether an additional effort matrix is computed or not. This also affects the detection matrices. If includeEffort = FALSE, all occasions in which a station was not set up or malfunctioning (NA or 0 in camOp) will result in NAs in the detection history. If includeEffort = TRUE, the record history will only contain 0 and 1, and no NAs. The effort matrix can then be included in occupancy models as a (continuous) observation covariate to estimate the effect of effort on detection probability.

The number of days that are aggregated is controlled by occasionLength. occasionStartTime can be used to make occasions begin another hour than midnight (the default). This may be relevant for nocturnal animals, in which 1 whole night would be considered an occasion. The values of stationCol in recordTable must be matched by the row names of camOp (case-insensitive), otherwise an error is raised. DateTimeFormat defaults to "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S", e.g. "2014-09-30 22:59:59". For details on how to specify date and time formats in R see strptime.

#### Value

Depending on the value of includeEffort and scaleEffort, a list with either 1, 2 or 3 elements. The first element is the species detection history. The second is the optional effort matrix and the third contains the effort scaling parameters.

```
detection_history
```

A species detection matrix

effort

A matrix giving the number of active camera trap days per station and occasion (= camera trapping effort). It is only returned if includeEffort = TRUE

effort\_scaling\_parameters

Scaling parameters of the effort matrix. It is only returned if includeEffort and scaleEffort are TRUE

#### Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

```
if (Sys.which("exiftool") != ""){ # only run this function if ExifTool is available
recordTableSample <- recordTable(inDir</pre>
                                                = wd_images_ID,
                                                 = "directory",
                               IDfrom
                               minDeltaTime = 60,
                               deltaTimeComparedTo = "lastRecord",
                                                = "NO_ID",
                                                = "Asia/Kuala_Lumpur"
                               timeZone
)
} else {
data(recordTableSample)
# compute detection history for a species
# without trapping effort
DetHist1 <- detectionHistory(recordTable = recordTableSample,</pre>
                          camOp
                                            = camop_no_problem,
                          stationCol = "Station",
speciesCol = "Species",
                          recordDateTimeCol = "DateTimeOriginal",
                                             = "VTA",
                          species
                          occasionLength
                                             = 7,
                                             = "station",
                          day1
                          datesAsOccasionNames = FALSE,
                          includeEffort = FALSE,
                          timeZone
                                              = "Asia/Kuala_Lumpur"
)
DetHist1
# with effort
DetHist2 <- detectionHistory(recordTable</pre>
                                            = recordTableSample,
                                              = camop_no_problem,
                           camOp
                           stationCol
                                             = "Station",
                           stationCol = "Station",
speciesCol = "Species",
                           recordDateTimeCol = "DateTimeOriginal",
                                               = "VTA",
                           species
                           occasionLength
                                               = 7,
                                               = "station",
                           day1
                           datesAsOccasionNames = FALSE,
                           includeEffort = TRUE,
                           scaleEffort
                                              = FALSE,
                                              = "Asia/Kuala_Lumpur"
                           timeZone
)
DetHist2[[1]] # detection history
DetHist2[[2]] # effort
```

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| station | detectionMaps | Generate maps of observed species richness and species presences by station |
|---------|---------------|---|
|---------|---------------|---|

## Description

Generates maps of observed species richness and species presence by species and station. Output can be R graphics, PNG graphics or a shapefile for use in GIS software.

## Usage

```
detectionMaps(CTtable,
  recordTable,
 Xcol,
  Ycol,
  stationCol = "Station",
  speciesCol = "Species",
  speciesToShow,
  richnessPlot = TRUE,
  speciesPlots = TRUE,
  addLegend = TRUE,
  printLabels = FALSE,
  smallPoints,
  plotR = TRUE,
 writePNG = FALSE,
 plotDirectory,
  createPlotDir = FALSE,
  pngMaxPix = 1000,
 writeShapefile = FALSE,
  shapefileName,
  shapefileDirectory,
  shapefileProjection
)
```

#### **Arguments**

| CTtable       | data.frame. contains station IDs and coordinates  |
|---------------|---|
| Xcol          | character. name of the column specifying x coordinates in CTtable                                   |
| Ycol          | character. name of the column specifying y coordinates in CTtable                                   |
| stationCol    | character. name of the column specifying station ID in CTtable and ${\tt recordTable}$              |
| recordTable   | data.frame. the record table created by recordTable   |
| speciesCol    | character. name of the column specifying species in recordTable                                     |
| speciesToShow | character. Species to include in the maps. If missing, all species in recordTable will be included. |
| writePNG      | logical. Create PNGs of the plots?  |

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logical. Create plots in R graphics device? plotR character. Directory in which to save the PNGs plotDirectory logical. Create plotDirectory? createPlotDir richnessPlot logical. Generate a species richness plot? speciesPlots logical. Generate plots of all species number of independent events? printLabels logical. Add station labels to the plots? smallPoints numeric. Number by which to decrease point sizes in plots (optional). addLegend logical. Add legends to the plots? integer. number of pixels in pngs on the longer side pngMaxPix writeShapefile logical. Create a shapefile from the output? character. Name of the shapefile to be saved. If empty, a name will be generated shapefileName automatically. shapefileDirectory

character. Directory in which to save the shapefile.

shapefileProjection

character. A character string of projection arguments to use in the shapefile.

#### **Details**

The column name stationCol must be identical in CTtable and recordTable and station IDs must match.

Shapefile creation depends on the packages **sp** and **rgdal**. shapefileProjection must be a valid argument of CRS. If shapefileProjection is undefined, the resulting shapefile will lack a coordinate reference system.

#### Value

An invisible data. frame with station coordinates, numbers of events by species at each station and total species number by station. In addition and optionally, R graphics or png image files.

## Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

#### References

A great resource for CRS arguments is <a href="http://spatialreference.org/">http://spatialreference.org/</a>. Use the Proj4 string as shapefileProjection argument.

## **Examples**

```
# load station information
data(camtraps)
```

# load record table

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```
data(recordTableSample)
# create maps
Mapstest <- detectionMaps(CTtable</pre>
                                     = camtraps,
                         recordTable = recordTableSample,
                         Xcol = "utm_x",
                                    = "utm_y",
                         Ycol
                         stationCol = "Station",
                         speciesCol = "Species",
                         writePNG
                                    = FALSE,
                         plotR
                                     = TRUE,
                         printLabels = TRUE,
                         richnessPlot = TRUE,
                         addLegend = TRUE
)
```

exifTagNames

Show Exif metadata tags and tag names from JPEG images

## **Description**

The function will return sample metadata and tag names of Exif metadata of JPEG images. It uses the first JPEG image it finds in a subdirectory of the specified directory.

#### Usage

```
exifTagNames(inDir,
  whichSubDir = 1,
  returnMetadata = FALSE)
```

#### **Arguments**

character. Directory containing camera trap images sorted into station subdirecinDir tories (e.g. inDir/StationA/)

whichSubDir integer. The number of the subdirectory of inDir in which to look for an image returnMetadata logical. Return actual metadata (TRUE) or metadata tag names only (FALSE)

#### **Details**

Many digital cameras record information such as ambient temperature or moon phase under makerspecific tag names in Exif metadata of JPEG images. The tag names must be known to be passed to the functions recordTable and recordTableIndividual via the additionalMetadataTags argument to extract those information from images and add them to the record tables.

#### Value

A character vector containing available metadata or metadata tag names.

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#### Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

#### References

Phil Harvey's ExifTool http://www.sno.phy.queensu.ca/~phil/exiftool/

#### See Also

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#### **Examples**

exiftoolPath

Add a directory to PATH temporarily

## **Description**

Temporarily adds a directory to the environmental variable PATH for system calls from within R. This allows Windows users to store exiftool.exe anywhere on their hard drive. It is not needed on Linux or MacOS machines.

#### Usage

```
exiftoolPath(exiftoolDir)
```

## **Arguments**

exiftoolDir character. the directory in the file system containing exiftool.exe.

#### **Details**

Several functions within this package depend on ExifTool. Under Windows, exiftool.exe cannot be used if it is not in a directory path specified in PATH. This can be solved by adding the directory containing exiftool.exe for temporary use within the running R process.

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## Value

invisible logical indicating whether exiftoolDir was added to PATH successfully (in the running R process).

#### Note

The directories in PATH can be queried by Sys.getenv("PATH").

## Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

## **Examples**

```
exiftool_dir <- "C:/Path/To/Exiftool"
exiftoolPath(exiftoolDir = exiftool_dir)

# check if it has been added to PATH
grepl(exiftool_dir, Sys.getenv("PATH"))</pre>
```

getSpeciesImages

Collect all images of a species

## Description

This function will fetch all images of a particular species from all camera trap stations and copies these images to a new location. Species IDs can be read from species directories or from metadata. Earlier in the workflow, images should have been renamed (with imageRename) to give images unique file names based on station ID and date/time.

#### Usage

```
getSpeciesImages(species,
  inDir,
  outDir,
  createStationSubfolders = FALSE,
  IDfrom,
  metadataSpeciesTag,
  metadataHierarchyDelimitor = "|"
)
```

## **Arguments**

| species | character. Species whose images are to be fetched   |
|---------|---|
| inDir   | character. Directory containing identified (species level) camera trap images sorted into station subdirectories (e.g. inDir/StationA/) |
| outDir  | character. Directory in which to save species images (in a species subdirectory)  |

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logical. Save images in station directories within the newly created species di-

rectory in outDir?

IDfrom character. Read species ID from image metadata ("metadata") of from species

directory names ("directory")?

metadataSpeciesTag

character. The species ID tag name in image metadata (if IDfrom = "metadata").

metadataHierarchyDelimitor

character. The character delimiting hierarchy levels in image metadata tags in field "HierarchicalSubject". Either "I" or ":" (if IDfrom = "metadata").

#### **Details**

The function can derive species IDs both from a directory structure like this > inDir/Station/Species or > inDir/Station/Camera/Species,

or from species metadata tags. In the latter case, only station directories are needed. In any case, the argument species must match species IDs (either directory names or species metadata tags).

Before running the function, first rename the images using function imageRename to provide unique file names and prevent several images from having the same name (if generic names like "IMGP0001.jpg" are used). The function will not copy images if there are duplicate filenames to prevent overwriting images unintentionally.

#### Value

A data.frame with old and new file locations and the copy status (copy\_ok; TRUE if copying was successful).

#### Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

```
## Not run:
# define image directory
wd_images_ID <- system.file("pictures/sample_images", package = "camtrapR")</pre>
wd_images_ID_copy <- file.path(tempdir(), "sample_species_images")</pre>
species_to_copy <- "VTA"</pre>
                             # = Viverra tangalunga, Malay Civet
specImagecopy <- getSpeciesImages(species</pre>
                                                             = species_to_copy,
                                    inDir
                                                             = wd_images_ID,
                                                             = wd_images_ID_copy,
                                    outDir
                                    createStationSubfolders = FALSE,
                                                             = "directory"
                                    IDfrom
## End(Not run)
```

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#### **Description**

The function renames and copies raw camera trap images into a new location where they can be identified. Images are renamed with camera trap station ID, camera ID (optional), creation date and a numeric identifier for images taken within one minute of each other at a given station. Station ID and camera ID are derived from the raw image directory structure. The creation date is extracted from image metadata using ExifTool.

## Usage

```
imageRename(inDir,
  outDir,
  hasCameraFolders,
  keepCameraSubfolders,
  copyImages = FALSE,
  writecsv = FALSE)
```

#### **Arguments**

inDir character. Directory containing camera trap images sorted into station subdirec-

tories (e.g. inDir/StationA/)

outDir character. Directory into which the renamed images will be copied

hasCameraFolders

logical. Do the station directories in inDir have camera subdirectories (e.g.

"inDir/StationA/Camera1")?

keepCameraSubfolders

logical. Should camera directories be preserved as subdirectories of outDir

(e.g. "outDir/StationA/CameraA1")?

copyImages logical. Copy images to outDir?

writecsv logical. Save a data frame with a summary as a .csv?

## **Details**

Setting up the correct raw image directory structure is necessary for running the function successfully. inDir is the main directory that contains camera trap station subdirectories (e.g. in-Dir/StationA). If one camera was deployed per station and no camera subdirectories are used within station directories, hasCameraFolders can be set to FALSE. If more than one camera was deployed at stations, there must be subdirectories for the individual camera traps within the station directories (e.g. "inDir/StationA/CameraA1" and "inDir/StationA/CameraA2"). Even if only some stations had multiple cameras, all station will need camera subdirectories. The argument hasCameraFolders must be TRUE. Within the camera subdirectories, the directory structure is irrelevant.

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Renaming of images follows the following pattern: If hasCameraFolders is TRUE, it is: "StationID\_CameraID\_Date\_Time(Number).JPG", e.g. "StationA\_CameraA1\_2015-01-31\_18-59-59(1).JPG". If hasCameraFolders is FALSE, it is: "StationID\_Date\_Time(Number).JPG", e.g. "StationA\_2015-01-31\_18-59-59(1).JPG".

The purpose of the number in parentheses is to prevent assigning identical file names to images taken at the same station (and camera) in the same second, as can happen if cameras take sequences of images. It is a consecutive number given to all images taken at the same station by the same camera within one minute. The double underscore "\_\_" in the image file names is for splitting and extracting information from file names in other functions (e.g. for retrieving camera IDs in recordTable if camera subdirectories are not preserved (keepCameraSubfolders = FALSE)).

The function finds all JPEG images and extracts the image timestamp from the image metadata using ExifTool and copies the images (with new file names) into outDir, where it will set up a directory structure based on the station IDs and, if required by keepCameraSubfolders = TRUE, camera IDs (e.g. outDir/StationA/ or outDir/StationA/CameraA1).

copyImages can be set to FALSE to simulate the renaming and check the file names of the renamed images without copying. If you are handling large number of images (>e.g., 100,000), the function may take some time to run.

#### Value

A data. frame with original directory and file names, new directory and file names and an indicator for whether images were copied successfully.

#### Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

#### References

Phil Harvey's ExifTool http://www.sno.phy.queensu.ca/~phil/exiftool/

```
## Not run:
 # define image directories
 # raw image location
wd_images_raw <- system.file("pictures/raw_images", package = "camtrapR")</pre>
  # destination for renamed images
wd_images_raw_renamed <- file.path(tempdir(), "raw_images_renamed")</pre>
 if (Sys.which("exiftool") != ""){
                                          # only run this example if ExifTool is available
 # now we have to set outDir because copyImages = TRUE
renaming.table2 <- imageRename(inDir</pre>
                                                    = wd_images_raw,
                                outDir
                                                    = wd_images_raw_renamed,
                               hasCameraFolders = FALSE,
                                                   = TRUE,
                                copyImages
                                writecsv
                                                   = FALSE
 )
 }
 list.files(wd_images_raw_renamed, recursive = TRUE)
## End(Not run)
```

recordTable

Generate a species record table from camera trap images

# Description

Generates a record table from camera trap images. Images must be sorted into station directories at least. The function can read species identification from a directory structure (Station/Species or Station/Camera/Species) or from image metadata tags.

```
recordTable(inDir,
   IDfrom,
   cameraID,
   camerasIndependent,
   exclude,
   minDeltaTime = 0,
   deltaTimeComparedTo,
   timeZone,
   stationCol,
   writecsv = FALSE,
   outDir,
```

```
metadataHierarchyDelimitor = "|",
metadataSpeciesTag,
additionalMetadataTags
)
```

#### **Arguments**

inDir character. Directory containing station directories. It must either contain images

in species subdirectories (e.g. inDir/StationA/SpeciesA) or images with species

metadata tags (without species directories, e.g. inDir/StationA).

IDfrom character. Read species ID from image metadata ("metadata") of from species

directory names ("directory")?

cameraID character. Where should the function look for camera IDs: 'filename', 'direc-

tory'. 'filename' requires images renamed with imageRename. 'directory' requires a camera subdirectory within station directories (station/camera/species).

Can be missing.

camerasIndependent

logical. If TRUE, species records are considered to be independent between cam-

eras at a station.

exclude character. Vector of species names to be excluded from the record table

minDeltaTime integer. Time difference between records of the same species at the same station

to be considered independent (in minutes)

deltaTimeComparedTo

character. For two records to be considered independent, must the second one be at least minDeltaTime minutes after the last independent record of the same species ("lastIndependentRecord"), or minDeltaTime minutes after the last

record ("lastRecord")

timeZone character. Must be an argument of OlsonNames

stationCol character. Name of the camera trap station column. Assuming "Station" if un-

defined.

writecsv logical. Should the record table be saved as a .csv?

outDir character. Directory to save csv to. If NULL and writecsv = TRUE, recordTable

will be written to inDir.

metadataHierarchyDelimitor

character. The character delimiting hierarchy levels in image metadata tags in

field "HierarchicalSubject". Either "I" or ":".

metadataSpeciesTag

character. In custom image metadata, the species ID tag name.

additionalMetadataTags

character. Additional camera model-specific metadata tags to be extracted.

## **Details**

The function can handle a number of different ways of storing images, and supports species identification by moving images into species directories as well as metadata tagging. In every case, images

need to be stored into station directories. If images are identified by moving them into species directories, a camera directory is optional: "Station/Species/XY.JPG" or "Station/Camera/Species/XY.JPG". Likewise, if images are identified using metadata tagging, a camera directory can be used optionally: "Station/XY.JPG" or "Station/Camera/XY.JPG".

If images are identified by metadata tagging, metadataSpeciesTag specifies the metadata tag group name that contains species identification tags. metadataHierarchyDelimitor is "I" for images tagged in DigiKam and images tagged in Adobe Bridge / Lightroom with the default settings. It is only necessary to change it if the default was changed in these programs.

minDeltaTime is a criterion for temporal independence of species recorded at the same station. Setting it to 0 will make the function return all records. Setting it to a higher value will remove records that were taken less than minDeltaTime minutes after the last record (deltaTimeComparedTo = "lastRecord") or the last independent record (deltaTimeComparedTo = "lastIndependentRecord").

cameras Independent defines if the cameras at a station are to be considered independent. If TRUE, records of the same species taken by different cameras are considered independent (e.g. if they face different trails). Use FALSE if both cameras face each other and possibly TRUE).

exclude can be used to exclude "species" directories containing irrelevant images (e.g. "team", "blank", "unidentified"). stationCol can be set to match the station column name in the camera trap station table (see camtraps).

Many digital images contain Exif metadata tags such as "AmbientTemperature" or "MoonPhase" that can be extracted if specified in metadataTags. Because these are manufacturer-specific and not standardized, function exifTagNames provides a vector of all available tag names. Multiple names can be specified as a character vector as: c(Tag1, Tag2, ...). The metadata tags thus extracted may be used as covariates in modelling species distributions.

#### Value

A data frame containing species records and additional information about stations, date, time and (optionally) further metadata.

# Warning

Custom image metadata must be organised hierarchically, e.g.

- Species # set metadataSpeciesTag to "Species" \* Leopard Cat \* Malay Civet \* Moonrat

Custom image metadata tags must be written to the images. The function cannot read tags from .xmp sidecar files. Make sure you set the preferences accordingly. In DigiKam, go to Settings/Configure digiKam/Metadata. There, make sure "Write to sidecar files" is unchecked.

#### Note

The results of a number of other function will depend on the output of this function (namely on the arguments exclude for excluding species and minDeltaTime/deltaTimeComparedTo for temporal independence):

detectionMaps
detectionHistory
activityHistogram
activityDensity

activityRadial activityOverlap activityHistogram surveyReport

# Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

## References

Phil Harvey's ExifTool http://www.sno.phy.queensu.ca/~phil/exiftool/

```
wd_images_ID <- system.file("pictures/sample_images", package = "camtrapR")</pre>
if (Sys.which("exiftool") != ""){
                                    # only run these examples if ExifTool is available
rec.db1 <- recordTable(inDir
                                             = wd_images_ID,
                      IDfrom
                                             = "directory",
                      minDeltaTime
                                            = 60,
                      deltaTimeComparedTo = "lastRecord",
                      writecsv
                                            = FALSE,
                      additionalMetadataTags = c("Model", "Make")
)
rec.db2 <- recordTable(inDir</pre>
                                            = wd_images_ID,
                      IDfrom
                                           = "directory",
                      minDeltaTime = 60,
                      deltaTimeComparedTo = "lastRecord",
                                            = "NO_ID",
                      exclude
                      writecsv
                                            = FALSE,
                                            = "Asia/Kuala_Lumpur",
                   additionalMetadataTags = c("Model", "Make", "NonExistingMetadataTag")
)
any(rec.db1$Species == "NO_ID")
any(rec.db2$Species == "NO_ID")
} else {
                                    # show function output if ExifTool is not available
message("ExifTool is not available. Cannot test function")
data(recordTableSample)
}
```

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recordTableIndividual Generate a single-species record table with individual identification from camera trap images

# **Description**

The function generates a single-species record table containing individual IDs, e.g. for (spatial) capture-recapture analyses. It prepares input for the function spatialDetectionHistory.

# Usage

```
recordTableIndividual(inDir,
    hasStationFolders,
    IDfrom,
    cameraID,
    camerasIndependent,
    minDeltaTime = 0,
    deltaTimeComparedTo,
    timeZone,
    stationCol,
    writecsv = FALSE,
    outDir,
    metadataHierarchyDelimitor = "|",
    metadataIDTag,
    additionalMetadataTags
)
```

# **Arguments**

inDir

character. Directory containing images of individuals. Must end with species name (e.g. ".../speciesImages/Clouded Leopard")

hasStationFolders

logical. Does inDir have station subdirectories? If TRUE, station IDs will be taken from directory names. If FALSE, they will be taken from image filenames (requires images renamed with imageRename).

IDfrom

character. Read individual ID from image metadata ("metadata") of from directory names ("directory")?

cameraID

character. Should the function look for camera IDs in the image file names? If so, set to 'filename'. Requires images renamed with imageRename. If missing, no camera ID will be assigned and it will be assumed there was 1 camera only per station.

#### camerasIndependent

logical. If TRUE, cameras at a station are assumed to record individuals independently. If FALSE, cameras are assumed to be non-independent (e.g. in pairs). Takes effect only if there was more than 1 camera per station and cameraID = "filename".

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minDeltaTime numeric. time difference between observation of the same individual at the same

station/camera to be considered independent (in minutes)

deltaTimeComparedTo

character. For two records to be considered independent, must the second one be at least minDeltaTime minutes after the last independent record of the same individual ("lastIndependentRecord"), or minDeltaTime minutes after the

last record ("lastRecord")

timeZone character. timeZone must be an argument of OlsonNames

stationCol character. Name of the camera trap station column in the output table.

writecsv logical. Should the individual record table be saved as a .csv file?

outDir character. Directory to save csv file to. If NULL and writecsv = TRUE, the

output csv will be written to inDir.

metadataHierarchyDelimitor

character. The character delimiting hierarchy levels in image metadata tags in

field "HierarchicalSubject". Either "I" or ":".

metadataIDTag character. In custom image metadata, the individual ID tag name.

additionalMetadataTags

character. additional camera model-specific metadata tags to be extracted.

## **Details**

The function can handle a number of different ways of storing images. In every case, images need to be stored in a species directory first (e.g. using function getSpeciesImages). Station subdirectories are optional. Camera subdirectories are not allowed. This directory structure can be created easily with function getSpeciesImages.

As with species identification, individuals can be identified in 2 different ways: by moving images into individual directories ("Species/Station/Individual/XY.JPG" or "Species/Individual/XY.JPG") or by metadata tagging (without the need for individual directories: "Species/XY.JPG" or "Species/Station/XY.JPG").

minDeltaTime is a criterion for temporal independence of records of an individual at the same station/location. Setting it to 0 will make the function return all records. camerasIndependent defines if the cameras at a station are to be considered independent (e.g. FALSE if both cameras face each other and possibly TRUE if they face different trails). stationCol is the station column name to be used in the resulting table. Station IDs are read from the station directory names if hasStationFolders = TRUE. Otherwise, the function will try to extract station IDs from the image filenames (requires images renamed with imageRename.

If individual IDs were assigned with image metadata tags, metadataIDTag must be set to the name of the metadata tag group used for individual identification. metadataHierarchyDelimitor is "I" for images tagged in DigiKam and images tagged in Adobe Bridge/ Lightroom with the default settings. Manufacturer-specific Exif metadata tags such as "AmbientTemperature" or "Moon-Phase" can be extracted if specified in additionalMetadataTags. Multiple names can be specified as a character vector as: c(Tag1, Tag2, ...). Because they are not standardized, function exifTagNames provides a vector of all available tag names. The metadata tags thus extracted may be used as individual covariates in spatial capture-recapture models.

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## Value

A data frame containing species records with individual IDs and additional information about stations, date, time and (optionally) further metadata.

# Warning

Custom image metadata must be organised hierarchically, e.g.

- Individual \* Female1 \* Female2 \* Male1 \* Male2

Custom image metadata tags must be written to the images. The function cannot read tags from .xmp sidecar files. Make sure you set the preferences of your image management software accordingly. In DigiKam, go to Settings/Configure digiKam/Metadata. There, make sure "Write to sidecar files" is unchecked.

# Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

#### References

Phil Harvey's ExifTool http://www.sno.phy.queensu.ca/~phil/exiftool/

```
wd_images_ID <- system.file("pictures/sample_images_tagged/LeopardCat", package = "camtrapR")</pre>
# missing space in species = "LeopardCat" is because of CRAN package policies
if (Sys.which("exiftool") != ""){
                                        # only run these examples if ExifTool is available
rec.db.pbe <- recordTableIndividual(inDir</pre>
                                                                = wd_images_ID,
                                        minDeltaTime
                                                                = 60,
                                                                = "lastRecord",
                                        deltaTimeComparedTo
                                        hasStationFolders
                                                                = FALSE,
                                        IDfrom
                                                                = "metadata",
                                        camerasIndependent
                                                                = FALSE,
                                                                = FALSE,
                                        writecsv
                                                                = "individual",
                                        metadataIDTag
                                        additionalMetadataTags = c("Model", "Make"),
                                                                = "Asia/Kuala_Lumpur"
                                        timeZone
)
                                      # show function output if ExifTool is not available
} else {
message("ExifTool is not available. Cannot test function")
data(recordTableIndividualSample)
```

recordTableIndividualSample

Sample single-species record table with custom metadata from camera trap images

# **Description**

Sample single-species record table with individual IDs from the tagged sample images in the package. Generated with function recordTableIndividual.

#### Usage

data(recordTableIndividualSample)

#### **Format**

A data frame with 21 rows and 17 variables

## **Details**

The variables are as follows:

- Station. Camera trap station ID
- · Species. Species ID
- · Individual. Individual ID
- DateTimeOriginal. Date and time as extracted from image
- · Date. record date
- Time. record time of day
- delta.time.secs. time difference to first species record at a station (seconds)
- delta.time.mins. time difference to first species record at a station (minutes)
- delta.time.hours. time difference to first species record at a station (hours)
- delta.time.days. time difference to first species record at a station (days)
- · Directory. Image directory
- FileName. image filename
- HierarchicalSubject. content of the HierarchicalSubject image metadata tag
- Model. camera model extracted from image metadata
- Make. camera make extracted from image metadata
- metadata\_Species. content of custom image metadata tag "Species" (see HierarchicalSubject)
- metadata\_individual. content of custom image metadata tag "individual" (see Hierarchical-Subject)

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Sample species record table from camera trap images

# Description

Sample species record table from camera trap images generated from the sample images in the package with the function recordTable.

## Usage

```
data(recordTableSample)
```

## **Format**

A data frame with 39 rows and 11 variables

#### **Details**

The variables are as follows:

- Station. Camera trap station ID
- Species ID
- DateTimeOriginal. Date and time as extracted from image
- · Date. record date
- Time. record time of day
- delta.time.secs. time difference to first species record at a station (seconds)
- delta.time.mins. time difference to first species record at a station (minutes)
- delta.time.hours. time difference to first species record at a station (hours)
- delta.time.days. time difference to first species record at a station (days)
- Directory. Image directory
- FileName. image filename

```
spatialDetectionHistory
```

Generate a capthist object for spatial capture-recapture analyses from camera-trapping data

# **Description**

This function generates spatial detection histories of individuals of a species for spatial capture-recapture analyses with package secr. Data are stored in a capthist object. The capthist object contains detection histories, camera-trap station location and possibly individual and station-level covariates. Detection histories can have adjustable occasion length and occasion start time (as in the function detectionHistory]).

# Usage

```
spatialDetectionHistory(recordTableIndividual,
  species,
  camOp,
 CTtable,
  output,
  stationCol = "Station",
  speciesCol = "Species",
  Xcol,
  Ycol,
  stationCovariateCols,
  individualCol,
  individualCovariateCols,
  recordDateTimeCol = "DateTimeOriginal",
  recordDateTimeFormat = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S",
  occasionLength,
  occasionStartTime = 0,
 maxNumberDays,
  day1,
  buffer,
  includeEffort = TRUE,
  scaleEffort = FALSE,
  binaryEffort,
  timeZone,
  makeRMarkInput
)
```

#### **Arguments**

recordTableIndividual

data.frame. the record table with individual IDs created by recordTableIndividual

species character. the species for which to compute the detection history

| camOp | The camera operability matrix as create | ed by cameraOperation |
|-------|---|-----------------------|
|-------|---|-----------------------|

CTtable data.frame. contains station IDs and coordinates. Same as used in cameraOperation.

output character. Return individual counts ("count") or binary observations ("binary")?
stationCol character. name of the column specifying Station ID in recordTableIndividual

and CTtable

speciesCol character. name of the column specifying species in recordTableIndividual

Xcol character. name of the column specifying x coordinates in CTtable
Ycol character. name of the column specifying y coordinates in CTtable

stationCovariateCols

character. name of the column(s) specifying station-level covariates in CTtable

 $individual Col \quad character. \ name\ of\ the\ column\ specifying\ individual\ IDs\ in\ record Table Individual$ 

individualCovariateCols

 $character.\ name\ of\ the\ column(s)\ specifying\ individual\ covariates\ in\ \texttt{recordTableIndividual}$ 

recordDateTimeCol

character. name of the column specifying date and time in recordTableIndividual

recordDateTimeFormat

format of column recordDateTimeCol in recordTableIndividual

occasionLength integer. occasion length in days

occasionStartTime

integer. time of day (the full hour) at which to begin occasions.

maxNumberDays integer. maximum number of trap days per station (optional)

day1 character. When should occasions begin: station setup date ("station"), first day

of survey ("survey"), a specific date (e.g. "2015-12-31")?

buffer integer. Makes the first occasion begin a number of days after station setup.

(optional)

includeEffort logical. Include trapping effort (number of active camera trap days per station

and occasion) as usage in capthist object?

scaleEffort logical. scale and center effort matrix to mean = 0 and sd = 1?

binaryEffort logical. Should effort be binary (1 if >1 active day per occasion, 0 otherwise)?

timeZone character. must be an argument of OlsonNames

makeRMarkInput logical. If FALSE, output will be a data frame for RMark. If FALSE or not speci-

fied, a secr capthist object

#### **Details**

The function creates a capthist object by combining three different objects: 1) a record table of identified individuals of a species, 2) a camera trap station table with station coordinates and 3) a camera operation matrix computed with cameraOperation. The record table must contain a column with individual IDs and optionally individual covariates. The camera trap station table must contain station coordinates and optionally station-level covariates. The camera operation matrix provides the dates stations were active or not and the number of active stations.

day1 defines if each stations detection history will begin on that station's setup day (day1 = "station") or if all station's detection histories have a common origin (the day the first station was set up if day1 = "survey" or a fixed date if, e.g. day1 = "2015-12-31").

includeEffort controls whether an effort matrix is computed or not. If TRUE, effort will be used for object usage) information in a traps). scaleEffort and binaryEffort further define the behaviour.

The number of days that are aggregated is controlled by occasionLength. occasionStartTime can be used to make occasions begin another hour than midnight (the default). This may be relevant for nocturnal animals, in which 1 whole night would be considered an occasion. Output can be returned as individual counts per occasion (output = "count") or as binary observation (output = "binary").

capthist objects (as created by spatialDetectionHistory for spatial capture-recapture analyses) expect the units of coordinates (Xcol and col in CTtable) to be meters.

#### Value

Output depends on argument makeRMarkInput:

#### Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

## See Also

secr RMark

```
data(recordTableIndividualSample)
data(camtraps)
# create camera operation matrix (with problems/malfunction)
camop_problem <- cameraOperation(CTtable</pre>
                                          = camtraps,
                                 stationCol = "Station",
                                 setupCol = "Setup_date",
                                 retrievalCol = "Retrieval_date",
                                             = FALSE,
                                 writecsv
                                 hasProblems = TRUE,
                                 dateFormat = "%d/%m/%Y"
)
sdh <- spatialDetectionHistory(recordTableIndividual = recordTableIndividualSample,</pre>
                               species
                                                     = "LeopardCat",
                               camOp
                                                     = camop_problem,
```

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```
CTtable
                                                   = camtraps,
                              output
                                                   = "binary",
                              stationCol
                                                   = "Station",
                              speciesCol
                                                   = "Species",
                                                   = "utm_x",
                              Xcol
                              Ycol
                                                   = "utm_y",
                                                  = "Individual",
                              individualCol
                              recordDateTimeCol = "DateTimeOriginal",
                              recordDateTimeFormat = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S",
                                                   = 10,
                              occasionLength
                                                   = "survey",
                              day1
                              includeEffort
                                                   = TRUE,
                              timeZone
                                                   = "Asia/Kuala_Lumpur"
 )
# missing space in species = "LeopardCat" was introduced by recordTableIndividual
# (because of CRAN package policies.
# In your data you can have spaces in your directory names)
 summary(sdh)
 plot(sdh, tracks = TRUE)
```

surveyReport

Create a report about s camera trapping survey and species detections

## **Description**

This function creates a report about a camera trapping survey and species records. It uses a camera trap station information table and a record table (generated with recordTable) as input. Output tables can be saved and a zip file for simple data sharing can be created easily.

```
surveyReport (recordTable,
 CTtable,
  speciesCol = "Species",
  stationCol = "Station",
  cameraCol,
  setupCol,
  retrievalCol,
  CTDateFormat = "%Y-%m-%d",
 CTHasProblems = FALSE,
  recordDateTimeCol = "DateTimeOriginal",
  recordDateTimeFormat = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S",
 Xcol,
 Ycol,
  sinkpath,
 makezip
)
```

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# **Arguments**

| recordTable          | data.frame containing a species record table as calculated by recordTable   |  |
|----------------------|---|--|
| CTtable              | data.frame containing information about location and trapping period of camera trap stations                                      |  |
| speciesCol           | character. name of the column specifying Species ID in CTtable  |  |
| stationCol           | character. name of the column specifying Station ID in CTtable  |  |
| cameraCol            | character. name of the column specifying Camera ID in CTtable   |  |
| setupCol             | character. name of the column containing camera setup dates in CTtable  |  |
| retrievalCol         | character. name of the column containing camera retrieval dates in CTtable  |  |
| CTDateFormat         | character. The format of columns setupCol and retrievalCol in CTtable.  |  |
| CTHasProblems        | logical. Are there periods of camera malfunction specified in CTtable?  |  |
| recordDateTimeCol    |   |  |
|                      | character. The names of the column containing date and time of record in recordTable  |  |
| recordDateTimeFormat |   |  |
|                      | character. The date/time format of column recordDateTimeCol in recordTable.   |  |
| Xcol                 | character. name of the column specifying $x$ coordinates in CTtable. Used to create detection maps if makezip is TRUE. (optional) |  |
| Ycol                 | character. name of the column specifying y coordinates in CTtable. Used to create detection maps if makezip is TRUE. (optional)   |  |
| sinkpath             | character. The directory into which the survey report is saved (optional)   |  |
| makezip              | logical. Create a zip file containing tables, plots and maps in sinkpath?   |  |
|                      |   |  |

## **Details**

The value of CTDateFormat should be interpretable by as.Date. CTDateFormat defaults to "YYYY-MM-DD", e.g. "2014-10-31". See strptime for how to format date and time strings in R. If CTHasProblems is set to TRUE, the function tries to find columns ProblemX\_from and ProblemX\_to in CTtable (X designates numbers from 1 to n in which a camera or station was not operational). If there are no such columns all stations are assumed to have been operational uninterruptedly from setup to retrieval.

# Value

An invisible list containing 5 data. frames.

survey\_dates station and image date ranges, number of total and active trap nights, number of cameras per station

species\_by\_station

species numbers by station

events\_by\_species

number of events and stations by species

events\_by\_station

number of events for every species by station (only species that were recorded)

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```
events_by_station2
```

number of events for all species at all stations (including species that were not recorded)

The output will be saved to a .txt file if sinkpath is defined.

If makezip is TRUE, a zip file will be created in sinkpath. It contains single-species activity plots, detection maps (if Xcol and Ycol are defined), the survey report tables, the record table and the camera trap station table, and an example R script.

#### Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

#### See Also

recordTable

```
data(camtraps)
data(recordTableSample)
speciesCol = "Species",
stationCol = "Station",
setupCol = "Setup_date",
retrievalCol = "Retrieval_date",
CTDateFormat = "%d/%m/%Y",
                          recordDateTimeCol = "DateTimeOriginal",
                          recordDateTimeFormat = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S")
class(reportTest) # a list with
length(reportTest) # 5 elements
reportTest[[1]]  # camera trap operation times and image date ranges
reportTest[[2]] # number of species by station
reportTest[[3]]  # number of events and number of stations by species
reportTest[[4]] # number of species events by station
reportTest[[5]] # number of species events by station including 0s (non-observed species)
# with camera problems
reportTest_problem <- surveyReport (recordTable
                                                   = recordTableSample,
                                  CTtable
                                                    = camtraps,
                                 recordDateTimeCol = "DateTimeOriginal",
                                  recordDateTimeFormat = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S",
```

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```
CTHasProblems
                                                           = TRUE)
reportTest_problem$survey_dates
## Not run:
# run again with sinkpath defined
reportTest <- surveyReport (recordTable
                                                  = recordTableSample,
                             CTtable
                                                 = camtraps,
                                               = "Species",
                             speciesCol
                                               = "Station",
                             stationCol
                                                 = "Setup_date",
                             setupCol
                            - setup_date",
retrievalCol = "Retrieval_date",
CTDateFormat = "%d/%m/%Y"
                             recordDateTimeCol = "DateTimeOriginal";
                             recordDateTimeFormat = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S",
                             sinkpath
                                                  = getwd())
# have a look at the text file
readLines(list.files(getwd(), pattern = paste("survey_report_", Sys.Date(), ".txt", sep = ""),
full.names = TRUE))
## End(Not run)
```

timeShiftImages

Apply time shifts to JPEG image metadata

# Description

Change the values of digital timestamps in image metadata using ExifTool. If date/time of images were set incorrectly, they can be corrected easily in batch mode for further analyses. Please, always make a backup of your data before using this function to avoid data loss or damage. This is because ExifTool will make a copy of your images and applies the time shifts to the copies. The file extentsion of the original images (.JPG) will be renamed to ".JPG\_original".

```
timeShiftImages (inDir,
  hasCameraFolders,
  timeShiftTable,
  stationCol,
  cameraCol,
  timeShiftColumn,
  timeShiftSignColumn,
  undo = FALSE
)
```

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## **Arguments**

inDir character. Name of directory containing station directories with images

hasCameraFolders

logical. Do the station directories in inDir have camera subdirectories (e.g.

"inDir/StationA/Camera1")?

timeShiftTable data.frame containing information about station-/camera-specific time shifts.

stationCol character. name of the column specifying Station ID in timeShiftTable

cameraCol character. name of the column specifying Camera ID in timeShiftTable (op-

tional)

timeShiftColumn

character. The name of the column containing time shift values in timeShiftTable

timeShiftSignColumn

character. The name of the column with the direction of time shifts in timeShiftTable.

Can only be "-" or "+".

undo logical. Undo changes and restore the original images? Please be careful, this

deletes any edited images if TRUE

#### **Details**

timeShiftTable is a data frame with columns for station ID, camera ID (optional), time shift value and direction of time shift (for an example see timeShiftTable). Images in inDir must be sorted into station directories. If hasCameraFolders = TRUE, the function expects camera subdirectories in the station directories and will only apply time shifts to the camera subdirectories specified by CameraCol in timeShiftTable. If hasCameraFolders = FALSE, shifts will be applied to the whole station directory (including potential subdirectories).

The values of timeShiftColumn must adhere to the following pattern: "YYYY:mm:dd HH:MM:SS" ("year:month:day hour:minute:second"). Examples: "1:0:0 0:0:0" is a shift of exactly 1 year and "0:0:0 12:10:01" 12 hours and 10 minutes and 1 second. Note that stating "00" may cause problems, so use "0" instead if an entry is zero.

timeShiftSignColumn signifies the direction of the time shift. "+" moves image dates into the future (i.e. the image date lagged behind the actual date) and "-" moves image dates back (if the image dates were ahead of actual time).

ExifTool stores the original images as .JPG\_original files in the original file location. By setting undo = TRUE, any JPG files in the directories specified by timeShiftTable will be deleted and the original JPEGs will be restored from the JPG\_original files. Please make a backup before using undo.

## Value

A data.frame containing the information about the processed directories and the number of images.

#### Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

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## References

http://www.sno.phy.queensu.ca/~phil/exiftool/Shift.html

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
# copy sample images to another location (so we don't mess around in the package directory)
wd_images_ID <- system.file("pictures/sample_images", package = "camtrapR")</pre>
file.copy(from = wd_images_ID, to = tempdir(), recursive = TRUE)
wd_images_ID_copy <- file.path(tempdir(), "sample_images")</pre>
data(timeShiftTable)
timeshift_run <- timeShiftImages(inDir</pre>
                                                     = wd_images_ID_copy,
                                 timeShiftTable = timeShiftTable,
                                                     = "Station",
                                 stationCol
                                 hasCameraFolders
                                                     = FALSE,
                                 timeShiftColumn
                                                    = "timeshift",
                                 timeShiftSignColumn = "sign",
                                                      = FALSE
                                 undo
)
timeshift_undo <- timeShiftImages(inDir</pre>
                                                     = wd_images_ID_copy,
                                  timeShiftTable = timeShiftTable,
                                                     = "Station",
                                  stationCol
                                  hasCameraFolders
                                                     = FALSE,
                                  timeShiftColumn = "timeshift",
                                  timeShiftSignColumn = "sign",
                                                      = TRUE
                                  undo
)
## End(Not run)
```

timeShiftTable

Sample camera trap time shift table

# Description

Sample camera trap time shift table

```
data(timeShiftTable)
```

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# **Format**

A data frame with 2 rows and 4 variables

## **Details**

If image Exif metadata timestamps are wrong systematically (e.g. because camera system time was not set after changing batteries), it can be corrected using a data.frame in the following format using function timeShiftImages. For details on data format, please see timeShiftImages.

The variables are as follows:

- Station. Camera trap station ID
- camera. Camera trap ID (optional)
- timeshift. time shift amount to be applied
- sign. direction of time shift

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