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firedata	<i>Data on burned area, land cover, climate, vegetation, and socioeconomics</i>
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Description

This data.frame contains several datasets on burned area, climate, soil moisture, vegetation, land cover, and socioeconomic variables. The data was extracted for sampled 0.25° grid cells of the globe and has monthly time steps. The data includes the following variables:

- cellid: identifier of grid cells
- lon: longitude
- lat: latitude
- regid: identifier for regions
- time: time (months between 1997 and 2011)
- area: area of grid cells (ha)
- train: indicator if data is used for training (train=1) or evaluation (train=4)
- GFED burned area version 4 (Giglio et al., 2013), <http://www.globalfiredata.org>
 - GFED.BA.obs: Fractional burned area of a 0.25° grid cell, used for optimization of SOFIA models
 - GFED.BA.unc: uncertainty of burned area
- ESA land cover_cci version 1.6.1, <http://maps.elie.ucl.ac.be/CCI/viewer/index.php>

- CCI.LC.Tree.BE: broadleaved evergreen tree
- CCI.LC.Tree.BD: Broadleaved deciduous trees
- CCI.LC.Tree.NE: Needle-leaved evergreen trees
- CCI.LC.Tree.ND: Needle-leaved deciduous trees
- CCI.LC.Shrub.BE: Broadleaved evergreen shrubs
- CCI.LC.Shrub.BD: Broadleaved deciduous shrubs
- CCI.LC.Shrub.NE: Needle-leaved evergreen shrubs
- CCI.LC.Herb: Natural grass and herbaceous vegetation
- CCI.LC.Crop: Cropland and managed grass
- CCI.LC.HrbCrp: Natural and managed grass and croplands = Herb + Crop
- CCI.LC.Tree: Coverage of trees = Tree.BE + Tree.BD + Tree.NE + Tree.ND
- CCI.LC.Shrub: Coverage of shrubs = Shrub.BE + Shrub.BD + Shrub.NE
- CCI.LC.Broadleaf: Coverage of broadleaved vegetation = Tree.BE + Tree.BD + Shrub.BE + Shrub.BD
- CCI.LC.Needleleaf: Coverage of needle-leaved vegetation = Tree.NE + Tree.ND + Shrub.NE
- CRU TS3.23 climate data (Harris et al., 2014), https://crudata.uea.ac.uk/cru/data/hrg/cru_ts_3.23
 - CRU.T.orig: Mean monthly air temperature (degC)
 - CRU.T.annual: Mean air temperature in the actual month and the 12 months before a fire
 - CRU.WET.orig: Monthly number of wet day
 - CRU.WET.annual: Mean number of wet days in the actual month and the 12 months before a fire
 - CRU.DTR.orig: Mean monthly diurnal temperature range (K)
- GPCC precipitation version 7, http://dx.doi.org/10.5676/DWD_GPCC/FD_M_V7_050
 - GPCC.P.orig: Monthly total precipitation (mm)
 - GPCC.P.annual: Total precipitation in the actual month and the 12 months before a fire
- ESA soil moisture_cci version 2.3 (Dorigo et al.), <http://cci.esa.int/data>
 - CCI.SM.orig Mean monthly surface soil moisture
 - CCI.SM.annual Mean monthly surface soil moisture
- GIMMS fraction of absorbed photosynthetic active radiation version 3g (Zhu et al., 2013), <http://cliveg.bu.edu/modismisr/lai3g-fpar3g.html>
 - GIMMS.FAPAR.orig: Mean monthly FAPAR
 - GIMMS.FAPAR.pre: FAPAR in the month before a fire
 - GIMMS.FAPAR.annual: Mean FAPAR in the 12 months before a fire
- Multi-sensor harmonized vegetation optical depth (Liu et al., 2011b, 2015)
 - Liu.VOD.orig: Mean monthly VOD
 - Liu.VOD.pre: VOD in the month before a fire
 - Liu.VOD.annual: Mean VOD in the 12 months before a fire
- GRUMP population density version 1 (years 1990, 1995, 2000) (Balk et al., 2006), <http://dx.doi.org/10.7927/H4R20>
 - PD.med: Population density (individuals km⁻²), median estimate of three methods for temporal inter- and extrapolation (spline interpolation, linear interpolation, interpolation with last value as constant)
- Night light development index (year 2006) (Elvidge et al., 2012), http://ngdc.noaa.gov/eog/dmsp/download_nldi.htm
 - NLDI: Night light development index, but grid cells without night lights or population set to 1.01

Format

A `data.frame`.

References

Forkel, M., et al. (2016): in prep.

Examples

```
require(ModelDataComp)

data(firedata)
colnames(firedata)
dim(firedata)

# spatial distribution of the data
ScatterPlot(firedata$lon, firedata$lat, fit.global=FALSE, plot.type="points")

# latitudinal pattern of burned area
fit <- ScatterPlot(firedata$lat, firedata$GFED.BA.obs)
```

FitSofia

Fit a Sofia model to a data set

Description

The function fits a SOFIA model to a dataset.

Usage

```
FitSofia(x, y, unc = NULL, per.group = rep(FALSE, ncol(x)), nodes = 4,
         sofiapar, restart = 0, cost = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	data.frame with independent variables
<code>y</code>	dependent variable (observation)
<code>unc</code>	uncertainty of dependent variable
<code>per.group</code>	a boolean vector that indicates if a column in <code>x</code> acts per group (e.g. PFTs)
<code>nodes</code>	number of nodes for parallel computation during genetic optimization
<code>sofiapar</code>	SofiaPar object with prior parameters
<code>restart</code>	restart previous Sofia optimization? 0 = start new, 1 = continue with previous, 2 = do post-processing
<code>cost</code>	cost function to be used
<code>...</code>	further arguments

Details

No details.

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References

No reference.

See Also

Sofia, SofiaOpt

MakeFig

fig positions for graphics

Description

Calculates positions for figure that consist of multiple panels

Usage

```
MakeFig(nfig, border = c(0, 1, 0, 1), nrow = NULL, ncol = NULL)
```

Arguments

nfig	number of figures
border	relative graphic borders in which the figures should be placed
nrow	number of rows to arrange the figures
ncol	number of cols to arrange the figures

Value

A list with positions for each figure and number of rows and columns

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plot.Sofia	<i>plot a Sofia object</i>
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Description

Plots a Sofia object.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'Sofia'
plot(x, ylab = "y", mfrow = NULL, names = NULL, main = NULL,
      plot.order = NULL, labels = paste0("(", letters, ")"), ...)
```

Arguments

x	a 'Sofia' object
ylab	label for response variable
mfrow	number of rows and columns for the plot
names	names of the variables in the response functions
main	title of the plot
plot.order	Order for plotting of factors
labels	Labels for subplots. Set to NULL to avoid labels.
...	further arguments (not used)

Details

No details.

Author(s)

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References

No reference.

See Also

Sofia

Examples

```

# get data
data(firedata)

# predictor variables
train <- firedata$train == 1 # use training data
xvars.df <- data.frame(
  NLDI = firedata$NLDI[train],
  CRU.WET.orig = firedata$CRU.WET.orig[train],
  Liu.VOD.annual = firedata$Liu.VOD.annual[train],
  GIMMS.FAPAR.pre = firedata$GIMMS.FAPAR.pre[train],
  CRU.DTR.orig = firedata$CRU.DTR.orig[train]
)

# observed data
obs <- firedata$GFED.BA.obs[train]
regid <- firedata$regid[train]

# Which x variable should depend on land cover?
per.group <- c(FALSE, TRUE, TRUE, TRUE, TRUE)

# land cover
area <- data.frame(
  Tree = firedata$CCI.LC.Tree[train],
  Shrub = firedata$CCI.LC.Shrub[train],
  HrbCrp = firedata$CCI.LC.HrbCrp[train]
)

# define parameters (from Forkel et al. 2016, Fig. 1)
sofiapar <- SofiaPar(colnames(xvars.df), colnames(area), per.group=per.group,
  par.act=c(1.9, 0, 780, 1, # for PopDens
            0.3, 1.1, -5.3, 0, 0, 0, 8.9, 0.54, -23, -39, 13, -16, # f
            0.13, 3, 0.53, 0, 0, 0, 0.35, -0.44, 0.36, -1.2, -4.8, -45
            -0.7, 18, -1.5, 0, 0, 0, 22, 11, -17, -2.3, 0.64, 1, # fo
            1.9, 3, -0.36, 0, 0, 0, -21, 68, -38, 0.35, 0.31, 0.11) #
)

# run model
sf <- Sofia(xvars.df, area, per.group=per.group, sofiapar=sofiapar)
plot(sf)

```

plot.SofiaOpt

Plot SOFIA optimization results

Description

Plots the development of the cost and of other performance metrics during the optimization of a SOFIA model. SofiaOpt produces files that can be used to restart or monitor an optimization

experiment. These files can be read with `ReadSofiaOpt` and plotted with this function..

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'SofiaOpt'
plot(x, plot.objfct = c("IoA", "FV", "MEF"), ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	an object of class <code>SofiaOpt</code> as returned by <code>ReadSofiaOpt</code>
<code>plot.objfct</code>	which objective function should be plotted (maximum 3)?
<code>...</code>	further arguments (not used)

Details

No details.

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References

No reference.

See Also

`SofiaOpt`

<code>predict.Sofia</code>	<i>Predict values based on a 'Sofia' object</i>
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Description

Make a prediction based on a `Sofia` object and `newdata`

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'Sofia'
predict(object, newdata, return.all = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>object</code>	an object of class <code>'Sofia'</code> , see <code>Sofia</code>
<code>newdata</code>	a data frame with columns names as in <code>object\$group.names</code> for area fractions of groups and as in <code>object\$x.names</code> for explanatory variables
<code>return.all</code>	return all Sofia results? If <code>FALSE</code> , returns only total burned area
<code>...</code>	further arguments (not used)

Details

No details.

Value

A vector with predicted values.

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References

No reference.

See Also

Sofia, SofiaOpt

ReadSofiaOpt

Read results from an SOFIA optimization experiment

Description

The optimization within `SofiaOpt` produces files that can be used to restart or monitor an optimization experiment. This function reads these files.

Usage

```
ReadSofiaOpt(files, combine = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>files</code>	vector of file names
<code>combine</code>	combine several files in a single file?
<code>...</code>	further arguments (not used)

Details

No details.

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References

No reference.

See Also

SofiaOpt

Sofia

*Satellite Observations for Fire Activity***Description**

SOFIA (Satellite Observations for Fire Activity) is an empirical modelling concept to predict burned area based on satellite and climate data. Thereby several logistic functions are multiplicatively combined.

Usage

```
Sofia(x, area = rep(1, nrow(x)), per.group = rep(FALSE, ncol(x)),
      sofiapar = NULL, par = NULL, return.all = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	data.frame with independent variables
<code>area</code>	a vector or data.frame/matrix with fractional coverage of grid cell area. If 'area' is a vector, it represents the maximal fractional burned area of a grid cell (e.g. the maximum vegetated area). If 'area' is a data.frame or matrix, it represents fractional coverage of groups (e.g. PFTs). Columns should represent groups and rows should be observations (grid cells and time steps).
<code>per.group</code>	a boolean vector that indicates if a column in x acts per group (e.g. PFTs)
<code>sofiapar</code>	object of class <code>SofiaPar</code> which is used for the fit. If <code>NULL</code> , the argument 'par' is used to create <code>sofiapar</code> using the function <code>SofiaPar</code>
<code>par</code>	vector of parameters of logistic functions. If <code>NULL</code> , default parameters are used (that are usually physically not plausible)
<code>return.all</code>	return all input and results? The function returns an object of class 'Sofia'. If <code>TRUE</code> , this object includes in the 'data' slot the fitted values, the fits per group, the response functions, the inputs 'x' and 'area'. If <code>FALSE</code> , only the fitted values are included.
<code>...</code>	further arguments

Details

No details.

Value

an object of class 'Sofia' which is actually a list.

Author(s)

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References

No reference.

See Also

SofiaOpt, SofiaLogistic

Examples

```
# example based on artificial data
#-----

# explanatory variables
sm <- 1:100
temp <- rnorm(100, 12, 10)
x <- cbind(sm, temp)

# fractional coverage of groups, e.g. plant functional types
tree <- runif(100, 0, 0.8)
grass <- 1 - tree
area <- cbind(tree, grass)

# calculate Sofia with some dummy parameters:
sf <- Sofia(x, area, per.group=c(TRUE, FALSE))
sf$eq
summary(sf$data)
plot(sf)

# example based on real data
#-----

# get data
data(firedata)

# predictor variables
train <- firedata$train == 1 # use training data
xvars.df <- data.frame(
  NLDI = firedata$NLDI[train],
  CRU.WET.orig = firedata$CRU.WET.orig[train],
  Liu.VOD.annual = firedata$Liu.VOD.annual[train],
  GIMMS.FAPAR.pre = firedata$GIMMS.FAPAR.pre[train],
  CRU.DTR.orig = firedata$CRU.DTR.orig[train]
)

# observed data
```

```

obs <- firedata$GFED.BA.obs[train]
regid <- firedata$regid[train]

# Which x variable should depend on land cover?
per.group <- c(FALSE, TRUE, TRUE, TRUE, TRUE)

# land cover
area <- data.frame(
  Tree = firedata$CCI.LC.Tree[train],
  Shrub = firedata$CCI.LC.Shrub[train],
  HrbCrp = firedata$CCI.LC.HrbCrp[train]
)

# define parameters (from Forkel et al. 2016, Fig. 1)
sofiapar <- SofiaPar(colnames(xvars.df), colnames(area), per.group=per.group,
  par.act=c(1.9, 0, 780, 1, # for NLDI
    0.3, 1.1, -5.3, 0, 0, 0, 8.9, 0.54, -23, -39, 13, -16, # for CRU.DTR
    0.13, 3, 0.53, 0, 0, 0, 0.35, -0.44, 0.36, -1.2, -4.8, -45, # for CRU.WET
    -0.7, 18, -1.5, 0, 0, 0, 22, 11, -17, -2.3, 0.64, 1, # for GIMMS.FAPAR
    1.9, 3, -0.36, 0, 0, 0, -21, 68, -38, 0.35, 0.31, 0.11) # for Liu.VOD
  )

# run model
sf <- Sofia(xvars.df, area, per.group=per.group, sofiapar=sofiapar)
plot(sf)

```

SofiaLogistic

Logistic function

Description

Compute values of a logistic function as used in Sofia models.

Usage

```
SofiaLogistic(par, x, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>par</code>	parameters of logistic function, a vector of length 3 (upper asymptote, slope, turning point) or length 4 (upper asymptote, slope, turning point, lower asymptote)
<code>x</code>	independent variable
<code>...</code>	further arguments (not used)

Details

No details.

Value

a vector

Author(s)

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References

No reference.

See Also

Sofia

Examples

```
x <- -20:20
par <- c(1, 0.5, 0)
plot(x, SofiaLogistic(par, x), type="l")

par <- c(1, 0.2, 0)
plot(x, SofiaLogistic(par, x), type="l")

par <- c(10, -1, 0)
plot(x, SofiaLogistic(par, x), type="l")

# define also the lower asymptote as forth parameter
par <- c(1, 0.5, 0, 0.1)
plot(x, SofiaLogistic(par, x), type="l")

par <- c(1, 0.5, 0, -1)
plot(x, SofiaLogistic(par, x), type="l")
```

SofiaOpt

Optimize a SOFIA model using genetic optimization

Description

The function fits a SOFIA model to observations by estimating model parameters with genetic optimization.

Usage

```
SofiaOpt(x, area = rep(1, nrow(x)), per.group = rep(FALSE, ncol(x)),
  sofiapar = NULL, par.init = NULL, obs, unc = NULL, cost = NULL,
  pop.size = 500, max.generations = 30, path = NULL, restart = 0,
  nodes = 5, BFGS = TRUE, BFGSburnin = max.generations - 2,
  ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	data.frame with independent variables
<code>area</code>	a vector or data.frame/matrix with fractional coverage of grid cell area. If 'area' is a vector, it represents the maximal fractional burned area of a grid cell (e.g. the maximum vegetated area). If 'area' is a data.frame or matrix, it represents fractional coverage of groups (e.g. PFTs). Columns should represent groups and rows should be observations (grid cells and time steps).
<code>per.group</code>	a boolean vector that indicates if a column in <code>x</code> acts per group (e.g. PFTs)
<code>sofiapar</code>	object of class <code>SofiaPar</code> which is used for the fit. If <code>NULL</code> , the argument 'par.init' is used to create <code>sofiapar</code> using the function <code>SofiaPar</code>
<code>par.init</code>	matrix of initial parameters for optimization. If <code>NULL</code> , initial parameter sets will be created randomly based on the parameter ranges in <code>SofiaPar</code> .
<code>obs</code>	a vector of observed values
<code>unc</code>	vector of observation uncertainties, if <code>NULL</code> an uncertainty of 1 is used for all observations
<code>cost</code>	a function to compute the cost. If <code>NULL</code> , the SSE (sum of squared error) is used.
<code>pop.size</code>	population size, see <code>genoud</code>
<code>max.generations</code>	maximum number of generations, see <code>genoud</code>
<code>path</code>	directory for optimization results
<code>restart</code>	restart: 0 = start with new optimization, 1 = start with best individuals from previous optimization in 'path', 2 = return results
<code>nodes</code>	how many nodes to use for parallel execution of <code>genoud</code> ?
<code>BFGS</code>	Use the L-BFGS-B algorithm? Overrides <code>BFGSburnin</code> if <code>FALSE</code> .
<code>BFGSburnin</code>	The number of generations before the L-BFGS-B algorithm is first used, see <code>genoud</code>
<code>...</code>	further arguments to <code>genoud</code>

Details

No details.

Value

an object of class 'Sofia' which is actually a list.

Author(s)

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References

No reference.

See Also

Sofia

Examples

```
# example based on artificial data
#-----

# some example data
n <- 500
sm <- runif(n, 0, 100) # soil moisture
temp <- rnorm(n, 12, 10) # temperature
tree <- runif(n, 0, 1) # fractional tree cover
grass <- 1 - tree # fractional grass cover
area <- cbind(tree, grass)
x <- cbind(sm, temp)

# create 'observations'
sofiapar <- SofiaPar(colnames(x), colnames(area), per.group=c(TRUE, FALSE))
sofiapar$par <- c(1, 0, 1, 20, 2, 1, 0, 0, -0.2, -0.1, 13, 10) # actual parameters
cbind(sofiapar$name, sofiapar$par)
sf <- Sofia(x, area, per.group=c(TRUE, FALSE), sofiapar=sofiapar)
plot(sf) # fitted values vs. temperature
obs <- sf$data$y # 'observations'

# re-estimate parameters
path <- paste0(here::here(), "/SofiaOpt_test1") # directory for optimization outputs
par.init <- sofiapar$par * 1.5 # some initial parameters for optimization
sfbest <- SofiaOpt(x, area, per.group=c(TRUE, FALSE), obs=obs, sofiapar=sofiapar,
  par.init=par.init, pop.size=10, max.generations=10, BFGS=FALSE, path=path, nodes=1)
str(sfbest)
plot(sfbest)

# plot iterations of optimization
files <- list.files(pattern="SofiaOpt")
fit <- ReadSofiaOpt(files)
plot(fit)
plot(fit, plot.objfct = c("Cor", "Pbias", "RMSE"))

# compare retrieved vs. real
sim <- sfbest$data$y
ScatterPlot(obs, sim, objfct=TRUE)
ObjFct(sim, obs)

# compare real and retrieved response functions
plot(sf$data$x.temp, sf$data$f.temp)
points(sfbest$data$x.temp, sfbest$data$f.temp, col="red")

plot(sf$data$x.sm, sf$data$f.sm.tree)
points(sfbest$data$x.sm, sfbest$data$f.sm.tree, col="red")
```

```

plot(sf$data$x.sm, sf$data$f.sm.grass)
points(sfbest$data$x.sm, sfbest$data$f.sm.grass, col="red")

# example based on real data
# This example is commented because it needs some time.
#-----
#
# data(firedata)
#
# # use only training subset
# train <- firedata$train == 1
#
# # predictor variables
# xvars.df <- data.frame(
#   GFED.BA.obs = firedata$GFED.BA.obs[train],
#   Tree = firedata$CCI.LC.Tree[train],
#   Shrub = firedata$CCI.LC.Shrub[train],
#   HrbCrp = firedata$CCI.LC.HrbCrp[train],
#   NLDI = firedata$NLDI[train],
#   CRU.T.orig = firedata$CRU.T.orig[train],
#   CRU.WET.orig = firedata$CRU.WET.orig[train],
#   Liu.VOD.annual = firedata$Liu.VOD.annual[train]
# )
# xvars.df <- na.omit(xvars.df)
# obs <- xvars.df$GFED.BA.obs
# area <- xvars.df[,3:5] # land cover fractions
# xvars.df <- xvars.df[,-(1:4)]
#
# # Which x variable should depend on land cover?
# per.group <- c(FALSE, TRUE, TRUE, TRUE)
#
# # create parameters - with dummy prior parameter values
# sofiaapar <- SofiaPar(colnames(xvars.df), colnames(area), per.group=per.group)
# sofiaapar
#
# # run prior model
# sf <- Sofia(xvars.df, area, per.group=per.group, sofiaapar=sofiaapar)
# plot(sf)
#
# # optimize model
# # Note that pop.size should be higher for real applications
# path <- paste0(here::here(), "/SofiaOpt_test2") # directory for optimization outputs
# par.init <- sofiaapar$par.act # some initial parameters for optimization
# sfbest <- SofiaOpt(xvars.df, area, per.group=per.group, obs=obs, sofiaapar=sofiaapar, res=
#   path=path, par.init=par.init, pop.size=10, max.generations=10, BFGS=
# plot(sfbest)
# ScatterPlot(obs, sfbest$data$y, objfct=TRUE)

```


Description

The function creates an object of class 'SofiaPar' (which is actually a list) which contains information about Sofia model parameters.

Usage

```
SofiaPar(x.names, per.group = rep(FALSE, length(x.names)), group.names = NULL,  
        par.act = NULL, par.prior = NULL, par.lower = NULL, par.upper = NULL,  
        par.priorsd = NULL, par.optim = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x.names</code>	names of independent variables
<code>per.group</code>	a boolean vector that indicates if a column in <code>x</code> acts per group (e.g. PFTs)
<code>group.names</code>	names of groups
<code>par.act</code>	
<code>par.prior</code>	prior parameters
<code>par.lower</code>	lower parameter limits
<code>par.upper</code>	upper parameter limits
<code>par.priorsd</code>	uncertainty of prior parameters
<code>par.optim</code>	(boolean) parameters that should be included in optimization
<code>...</code>	further arguments

Details

No details.

Value

An object of class 'SofiaPar', which is actually a list.

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References

No reference.

See Also

`Sofia`, `SofiaLogistic`

Examples

```
# explanatory variables
sm <- 1:100
temp <- rnorm(100, 12, 10)
x <- cbind(sm, temp)

# fractional coverage of groups, e.g. plant functional types
tree <- runif(100, 0, 0.8)
grass <- 1 - tree
area <- cbind(tree, grass)

# parameters for SOFIA models
par <- SofiaPar(colnames(x), per.group=c(TRUE, FALSE), group.names=c("tree", "grass"))
par
```