Package 'ClimateNAr'

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Title The R version of ClimateNA and some related functions

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Description The R version of ClimateNA has the following advantages: 1) runs faster for big datasets (>5 times); 2) can use DEM raster in TIFF format; 3) the output variables can customized. Several related functions are included, such as raster stacking, API version access, desktop CMDline, and variable scanning.

System Requirements ClimateBC or ClimateNA installed for CMD Line access.

URL https://climatena.ca/downloads/ClimateNAr.zip

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Package installation

The ClimateNAr R package is not registered in CRAN. It needs to be downloaded and installed locally. The package can be installed locally in one of the three options:

- 1. Through R console interface: Packages => Install package(s) from local files.
- Through RStudio: Tools => Install Packages => Install from: Package Archive Files (.zip; .tar.gz)
- 3. Through R code: install.packages('path/ClimateNAr.zip', repos=NULL, type='source'). For example: install.packages('C:/temp/climateNAr.zip', repos=NULL, type='source')
- 4. Simply unzip *ClimateNAr.zip* to the R library folder on your computer.

R Functions

climateNAr

Description

climateNAr is an R version of ClimateNA that generates scale-free climate data for historical and future periods. The input file can be a CSV file (or a data frame) or a DEM raster file (either in TIFF or ASCII format) in latitude and longitude projection. The output variables can be customized. A full list of the climate variables can be found on the <u>ClimateNA website</u>. climateNAr runs much faster but uses much more memory (RAM) than the desktop version. Thus, the size of the input file, which can be processed, depends on the size of your computer's memory.

Usage

climateNAr(inputFile, periodList, varList, outDir)

Arguments

inputFile The full name of the input file. It can be either in CSV or raster (.tif or .asc) format. The

raster must be in latitude-longitude projection (WGS84). The inputFile can also be a data frame. A CSV file or a data frame must have five columns in the following order: ID1,

ID2, lat, lon, and elevation in the given order.

periodList A list of periods to generate climate variables. It can be a single period or a list of

periods. They can be either historical or future, such as periodList=

c('Normal_1961_1990.nrm','Year_1902.ann','8GCMs_ensemble_ssp245_2041-

2070.gcm'). The periodList can also be a range, such as, periodList=1961:1965 between

1901-2023.

varList A list of climate variables to generate, for example, varList=c('MAT','MAP'); or varList='Y'

('S' or 'M') for all annual variables (all seasonal or monthly variables), or varList='YS' for

both annual and seasonal variables, varList='YSM' for all variables.

outDir The folder to save the output files.

Examples

```
library(ClimateNAr)

#using a CSV input file
inputFile = 'C:/temp/test.csv'
varList=c('MAT','MAP','DD5','CMI','RH') # or varList='YS'
```

```
periodList=
c('Normal_1961_1990.nrm','Year_1902.ann','8GCMs_ensemble_ssp245_2041-
2070.gcm')
outDir= 'C:/temp/'
test <- climateNAr(inputFile,periodList,varList,outDir); test

#using a TIFF or ASCII DEM raster file
inputFile = 'C:/temp/na20k.tif'
varList=c('MAT','MAP','DD5','CMI','RH') # or varList='YS'
periodList=
c('Normal_1961_1990.nrm','Year_1902.ann','8GCMs_ensemble_ssp245_2041-
2070.gcm')
outDir= 'C:/temp/'
test <- climateNAr(inputFile,periodList,varList,outDir); test</pre>
```

ClimateNA cmdLine

Description

ClimateNA_cmdLine is to run ClimateBC or ClimateNA using CMD Line feature in R, which allows integrating the climate models into a programming workflow. It can use most of the features of ClimateBC/NA. In addition, if this function is used to generate climate data in raster format (.asc), it also converts the .asc files into georeferenced .tif files with lat/lon projection (WGS84) and reduces the file size substantially.

Usage

ClimateNA_cmdLine <- function(exe = "ClimateNA_v7.42.exe", wkDir, period = 'Normal_1961_1990.nrm', MSY = 'Y', inputFile, outputFile)

Arguments

exe The .exe file. It can be "ClimateNA_v7.42.exe" or "ClimateBC_v7.42.exe" the default

value is "ClimateNA v7.42.exe".

wkDir The root directory of ClimateNA or ClimateBC in a format of "C:\\Climatena v742\\".

Please make sure to use double backslashes (\\) in the path.

Period The period of the climate data. The default is "Normal_1961_1990.nrm". It can also be

another historical normal (.nrm), decadal (e.g., "Decade_2001_2010.dcd"), annual (e.g.,

"Year_2021.ann"), and future period (.gcm).

MSY The time scale of the climate variables. The default is 'Y' for annual variables. It can also

be 'M' for monthly, 'S' for seasonal, 'SY' for annual and seasonal, or 'MSY' for all.

inputFile The input file name and location. it can be either a .csv or .asc file, like:

'C:\\Climatena v742\\InputFiles\\input test.csv' or

'C:\\ClimateModels\\Climatena v742\\InputFiles\\na50k.asc'.

outputFile The output file name and location. It depends on the type of input file. If the input file is

a .csv file, the output file should also be a .csv file, like:

'C:\\ClimateModels\\Climatena v742\\test\\test Normal 1961 1990.csv'. If the

inputFile is an .asc file, the outputFile is a folder name like: 'C:\\Climatena_v742\\test\\'.

Examples

```
library(ClimateNAr)
wkDir = 'C:\\ClimateModels\\Climatena_v742\\'
exe <- "ClimateNA v7.42.exe"</pre>
```

Using a CSV file as the input file

```
inputFile = 'C:\\Climatena_v742\\InputFiles\\input_test.csv'
outputFile = 'C:\\ Climatena_v742\\test\\test_Normal_1961_1990.csv'
period = 'Normal_1961_1990.nrm'
ClimateNA cmdLine(exe, wkDir, period, MSY='Y',inputFile, outputFile)
```

Using an ASC raster file as the input file

```
inputFile = 'C:\\Climatena_v742\\InputFiles\\na50k.asc'
outputFile = 'C:\\Climatena_v742\\test\\'
period = 'Normal_1961_1990.nrm'
ClimateNA cmdLine(exe,wkDir,period,MSY='SY',inputFile, outputFile)
```

Using a loop to generate climate data for time-series

```
inputFile = 'C:\\Climatena_v742\\InputFiles\\na50k.asc'
outputFile = 'C:\\Climatena_v742\\test\\'
for(yr in 1961:1990) {
    period = paste0('Year_', yr, '.ann')
        ClimateNA_cmdLine(exe,wkDir,period,MSY='SY',inputFile, outputFile)
}
```

ClimateNA API

Description

ClimateNA_API is to get climate variables for a single location from ClimateBC or ClimateNA web API.

Usage

ClimateNA API(ClimateBC NA='NA', latLonEl, period='Normal 1961 1990.nrm', MSY='Y')

Arguments

ClimateBC_NA To specify either to use ClimateBC or ClimateNA web API. The default is ClimateBC_NA =

'NA' for ClimateNA. It can also be ClimateBC NA = 'BC' for ClimateBC.

latLonEl Coordinates and elevation of a location, for example: latLonEl <- c(48.98,-115.02,200).

period The period of the climate data. The default is 'Normal_1961_1990.nrm'. It can also be

another historical or future period. Most period options of the desktop version are

available.

MSY The time scale of the climate variables. The default is 'Y' for annual variables. It can also

be 'M' for monthly, 'S' for seasonal, 'SY' for annual and seasonal, or 'MSY' for all.

Limitations

All computing process occurs on the server for requests from all users and can easily crash the server. To prevent from using this function loops, the number of requests cannot be more than 2 times per second.

Examples

```
>library(ClimateNAr)
```

```
>latLonEl <- c(48.98,-115.02,1000)
>clm <- ClimateNA_API(ClimateBC_NA='BC',latLonEl,period='Normal_1961_1990.nrm',MSY='Y');
>clm <- ClimateNA_API(ClimateBC_NA='NA',latLonEl,period='Year_2011.ann',MSY='Y');
>clm <- ClimateNA_API(ClimateBC_NA='BC',latLonEl,period='8GCMs_ensemble_ssp245_2041-2070.gcm',MSY='Y');
>head(clm);dim(clm)
```

ClimateNA API2

Description

ClimateNA API2 is to get climate variables for multiple locations from ClimateBC or ClimateNA web API.

Usage

ClimateNA_API2(ClimateBC_NA='NA', inputFile, period='Normal_1961_1990.nrm', MSY='Y');

Arguments

ClimateBC_NA To specify either to use ClimateBC or ClimateNA web API. The default is ClimateBC_NA =

'NA' for ClimateNA. It can also be ClimateBC NA = 'BC' for ClimateBC.

inputFile An .CSV input file consists of coordinates and elevation of locations. It has the same

format as the .CSV input file for desktop ClimateBC or ClimateNA.

period The period of the climate data. The default is 'Normal_1961_1990.nrm'. It can also be

another historical or future period. Most period options of the desktop version are

available.

MSY The time scale of the climate variables. The default is 'Y' for annual variables. It can also

be 'M' for monthly, 'S' for seasonal, 'SY' for annual and seasonal, or 'MSY' for all.

Limitations

All computing process occurs on the server for requests from all users and can easily crash the server. To prevent this, a two-way throttling measure is implemented. First, the input file *x* cannot have more than 100 entries. Second, the number of requests cannot be more than 10 times per hour and 100 times per day.

Examples

```
>library(ClimateNAr)
>input_file <- 'C:/temp/locations.csv'
>clm <- ClimateNA_API2 (ClimateBC_NA='NA', inputFile=input_file,
period='Normal_1961_1990.nrm', MSY='Y');
>head(clm);dim(clm)
```

rasterDownload

Description

rasterDownload is to download raster files for specific variables for BC, WNA, or NA generated by ClimateBC and ClimateNA (available for selected periods and climate change scenarios).

Usage

rasterDownload (region='BC',res='800m',period='Normal 1961 1990',varList=varList,sDir='C:/temp')

Arguments

region The region of interest. It can be 'BC', 'WNA' or 'NA'.

res Spatial resolution. The default is '800m'. The '800m' is available for 'BC' and

'WNA', and the '4000m' is available for NA.

period The period of the climate data. The default is "Normal 1961 1990". The available

options include: "Normal_1971_2000", "Normal_1981_2010", and

"Normal_1991_2020" for historical periods, all the 8GCMs_ensembles (for example: "8GCMs_ensemble_ssp126_2011-2040"). More options may be added later on.

varList A list of climate variables to download.

sDir The directory to be created to save the downloaded files.

Examples

```
library(ClimateNAr)
varList <- c('mat', 'map','td')
rasterDownload(region='BC',res='800m',
period='Normal 1961 1990',varList=varList,sDir='C:/temp')</pre>
```

rasterStack

Description

rasterStack is to generate a raster stack from raster files for model spatial predictions.

Usage

rasterStack(wd, varList, rType='tif')

Arguments

wd The working directory where the raster files are located.

varList A list of variables to be included in the stack.

rType Raster type of the raster files. The default is Tiff files ('tif'). It can also be ArcGIS grid files

('grid').

Examples

```
library(ClimateNAr)
wd <- 'C:/temp/Normal_1961_1990SY/'
varList <- c('mat', 'map', 'td')
stk <- rasterStack(wd,varList,rType='tif');stk

#Please check the file location to make sure the 'wd' is correctly specified.</pre>
```

tifToAsc

Description

tifToAsc converts a DEM raster from TIFF to ASCII format that can be used as an input file for ClimateNA. The TIFF file must be in lat/lon projection.

Usage

tifToAsc (tifFile, ascFile)

Arguments

tifFile the full name of the tif raster, for example, 'C:/temp/bc80k.tif'. ascFile the full name of the ascii file, for example, 'C:/temp/bc80k.asc'

Examples

```
library(ClimateNAr)
tifFile = 'C:/temp/bc80k.tif'
ascFile = 'C:/temp/bc80k.asc'
tifToAsc (tifFile, ascFile)
```

varScan

Description

varScan is to scan for the best single climate variables or their combinations as predictors for a dependent variable.

Usage

```
varScan(x, y, varComb = 1, smVar = 0, IR = F, title = "3D chart")
```

Arguments

x A dataframe comprising climate variables (in columns) to be scanned.

v A vector for a dependent variable.

varComb The number of variables combined. varComb=1 for a single variable (default), varComb=2 for

a combination of 2 variables (up to 4 variables).

smVar The number of top single variables selected for scanning multiple regressions.smVar=0 to

scan all variables (default); smVar=5 for top 5 single variables.

IR Considering interactions. IR=False for no interaction considered (Default)

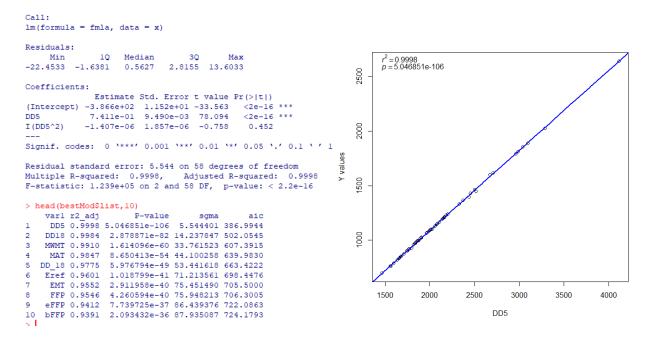
title The title of the output plot

Value The model for the best climate variable combinations and a list of sorted variables based on

their importance.

Examples

```
>library(ClimateNAr)
>xy <- read.csv('C:/temp/Normal_1961_1990Y.csv');head(xy)
>x <- xy[,1:24]; head(x)
>y = xy$TD;y
>bestMod <- varScan(x, y, varComb=1, smVar=10,IR=F,title='Y values');
>head(bestMod$list,10)
```



>bestMod <- varScan(x, y, varComb=2, smVar=10, IR=F, title='Y values');
>head(bestMod\$list,10)

