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Description

Algorithms for spatial coverage sampling and for random sampling from compact geographical strata based on

k

-means.

Details

The **spcosa**-package provides algorithms for spatial coverage sampling and for random sampling from compact geographical strata based on

k

-means (see de Gruijter et al., 2006, Walvoort et al., 2010, and kmeans). S4-classes and methods are available for spatial coverage sampling, random sampling from compact geographical strata, and

stratified simple random sampling for composites. In case of spatial coverage sampling, existing sampling points may be taken into account. See the package vignette for more information and examples.

Note

In order to get the **spcosa**-package running, make sure that a recent version of Java (>= 6.0) is installed. Free Java downloads are available at http://www.java.com.

In case of problems, you may wish to consult the FAQ located at C:\Temp\RtmpgvKycf\Rinst66c6098489\spcosa\FAQ

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k

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See Also

stratify for stratification, spsample for sampling, and estimate for inference.

 ${\tt CompactStratification-class}$

Class "CompactStratification"

Description

A class for storing a stratification with compact strata.

Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form new("CompactStratification", cells, stratumId, centroids, mssd However, objects are usually created by calling stratify.

Slots

```
cells: Object of class "SpatialPixels", representing the area to be partitioned.
stratumId: Object of class "integer", indicating to which stratum each cell in cells belong.
centroids: Object of class "SpatialPoints", representing the centers of gravity of each stratum.
mssd: Object of class "numeric", representing the mean squared shortest distance.
```

Extends

Class "Stratification", directly.

Methods

```
coerce signature(from = "CompactStratification", to = "data.frame"): coerces to "data.frame".
coerce signature(from = "CompactStratification", to = "SpatialPixels"): coerces to
     "SpatialPixels".
coerce signature(from = "CompactStratification", to = "SpatialPixelsDataFrame"): co-
    erces to "SpatialPixelsDataFrame".
estimate signature(statistic = "SamplingVariance", stratification = "CompactStratification", samplingVariance
    estimates the sampling variance. See "SamplingVariance" for more details.
estimate signature(statistic = "SpatialCumulativeDistributionFunction", stratification = "Compact
    estimates the spatial cumulative distribution function (SCDF). See "SpatialCumulativeDistributionFunction"
    for more details.
estimate signature(statistic = "SpatialMean", stratification = "CompactStratification", samplingF
    estimates the spatial mean. See "SpatialMean" for more details.
estimate signature(statistic = "SpatialVariance", stratification = "CompactStratification", sampl
    estimates the spatial variance. See "SpatialVariance" for more details.
estimate signature(statistic = "StandardError", stratification = "CompactStratification", sampling
    estimates the standard error of the spatial mean. See "StandardError" for more details.
estimate signature(statistic = "character", stratification = "CompactStratification", samplingPat
    estimates statistic, one of spatial mean, spatial variance, SCDF, sampling variance,
    or standard error.
getArea signature(object = "CompactStratification"): returns the area of each stratum.
getCentroid signature(object = "CompactStratification"): returns the center of gravity
    of each stratum.
getNumberOfStrata signature(object = "CompactStratification"): returns the number of
getObjectiveFunctionValue signature(object = "CompactStratification"): extracts the mean
    squared shortest distance.
getRelativeArea signature(object = "CompactStratification"): returns the relative area
    of each stratum. The sum of the relative areas equals one.
plot signature(x = "CompactStratification", y = "missing"): plots stratification x.
plot signature(x = "CompactStratification", y = "SamplingPattern"): plots sampling
    pattern y on top of stratification x.
plot signature(x = "CompactStratification", y = "SamplingPatternPriorPoints"): plots
    sampling pattern y on top of stratification x.
plot signature(x = "CompactStratification", y = "SamplingPatternRandomComposite"):
    plots sampling pattern y on top of stratification x.
```

```
spsample signature(x = "CompactStratification", n = "missing", type = "missing"):
    returns the centers of gravity of each stratum.
spsample signature(x = "CompactStratification", n = "numeric", type = "missing"):
    randomly selects n sampling points in each stratum.
```

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```
Compact Stratification Equal Area-class \\ Class \ "Compact Stratification Equal Area"
```

Description

A class for storing a stratification with compact strata of equal size.

Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form new("CompactStratificationEqualArea", cells, stratumId, centro However, objects are usually created by calling stratify.

Slots

```
cells: Object of class "SpatialPixels", representing the area to be partitioned. stratumId: Object of class "integer", indicating to which stratum each cell in cells belong. centroids: Object of class "SpatialPoints", representing the centers of gravity of each stratum. mssd: Object of class "numeric", representing the mean squared shortest distance.
```

Extends

```
Class "CompactStratification", directly. Class "Stratification", by class "CompactStratification", distance 2.
```

Methods

```
estimate signature(statistic = "SamplingVariance", stratification = "CompactStratificationEqualArea"
estimates the sampling variance. See "SamplingVariance" for more details.

estimate signature(statistic = "SpatialMean", stratification = "CompactStratificationEqualArea",
        estimates the spatial mean. See "SpatialMean" for more details.

spsample signature(x = "CompactStratificationEqualArea", n = "missing", type = "missing"):
        returns the centers of gravity of each stratum.

spsample signature(x = "CompactStratificationEqualArea", n = "numeric", type = "missing"):
        randomly selects n sampling points in each stratum.

spsample signature(x = "CompactStratificationEqualArea", n = "numeric", type = "character"):
        randomly selects n sampling points in each stratum. if type = "composite", stratified simple
        random sampling of n composites.
```

Author(s)

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```
\label{local_compact} CompactStratification Prior Points-class \\ \textit{Class "CompactStratificationPriorPoints"}
```

Description

A class for storing a stratification with compact strata, given prior sampling locations.

Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form new("CompactStratificationPriorPoints", cells, stratumId, cent However, objects are usually created by calling stratify.

Slots

```
    priorPoints: Object of class "SpatialPoints", containing the coordinates of the existing locations.
    cells: Object of class "SpatialPixels", representing the area to be partitioned.
    stratumId: Object of class "integer", indicating to which stratum each cell in cells belong.
    centroids: Object of class "SpatialPoints", representing the centers of gravity of each stratum.
    mssd: Object of class "numeric", representing the mean squared shortest distance.
```

Extends

```
Class "CompactStratification", directly. Class "Stratification", by class "CompactStratification", distance 2.
```

Methods

```
spsample signature(x = "CompactStratificationPriorPoints", n = "missing", type = "missing"):
    returns the centers of gravity of strata without prior points in addition to the prior points.
```

Author(s)

```
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```

Description

Methods for estimating statistics given a spatial sample.

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Methods

statistic = "character", stratification = "CompactStratification", samplingPattern = "SamplingPatternRandomS estimates one of the following statistics, depending on the value of argument statistic: spatial mean, spatial variance, sampling variance, standard error, or scdf. See the examples below for details.

- statistic = "character", stratification = "CompactStratificationEqualArea", samplingPattern = "SamplingPattern estimates one of the following statistics, depending on the value of argument statistic: spatial mean, sampling variance, or standard error.
- statistic = "SamplingVariance", stratification = "CompactStratification", samplingPattern = "SamplingPattern February and Stratification of the sampling variance. See "SamplingVariance" for more details.
- statistic = "StandardError", stratification = "CompactStratificationEqualArea", samplingPattern = "SamplingPattern = "SamplingPattern = "SamplingPattern = "StandardError" for more details.
- statistic = "SpatialCumulativeDistributionFunction", stratification = "CompactStratification", samplingPattern estimates the spatial cumulative distribution function (SCDF). See "SamplingPatternRandomSamplingUnits" for more details.
- statistic = "SpatialMean", stratification = "CompactStratification", samplingPattern = "SamplingPatternRando estimates the spatial mean. See "SpatialMean" for more details.
- statistic = "SpatialVariance", stratification = "CompactStratification", samplingPattern = "SamplingPatternRanestimates the spatial variance. See "SpatialVariance" for more details.

Examples

```
# Note: the example below requires the 'rgdal'-package.
# You may consider the 'maptools'-package as an alternative
if (require(rgdal)) {
    # read vector representation of the "Mijdrecht" area
   shp <- readOGR(</pre>
        dsn = system.file("maps", package = "spcosa"),
        layer = "mijdrecht"
   # stratify into 30 strata
   myStratification <- stratify(shp, nStrata = 30, nTry = 10, verbose = TRUE)
   # random sampling of two sampling units per stratum
   mySamplingPattern <- spsample(myStratification, n = 2)</pre>
   # plot sampling pattern
   plot(myStratification, mySamplingPattern)
    # simulate data
   # (in real world cases these data have to be obtained by field work etc.)
   myData <- as(mySamplingPattern, "data.frame")</pre>
   myData$observation <- rnorm(n = nrow(myData), mean = 10, sd = 1)</pre>
   # design-based inference
   estimate("spatial mean", myStratification, mySamplingPattern, myData["observation"])
   estimate("sampling variance", myStratification, mySamplingPattern, myData["observation"])
   estimate("standard error", myStratification, mySamplingPattern, myData["observation"])
   estimate("spatial variance", myStratification, mySamplingPattern, myData["observation"])
   estimate("scdf", myStratification, mySamplingPattern, myData["observation"])
}
```

getArea-methods

Extract the Area of an Object

Description

Methods for extracting the area of objects.

Methods

object = "CompactStratification" returns the area of each stratum.

See Also

getRelativeArea

getCentroid-methods

Extract Centroids

Description

Methods for extracting centroids

Methods

object = "CompactStratification" returns the centers of gravity of each stratum.

 ${\tt getNumberOfStrata-methods}$

Extract the Number of Strata in an Object

Description

Methods for extracting the number of strata of objects.

Methods

object = "CompactStratification" returns the number of strata in a compact stratification.

 ${\tt getObjectiveFunctionValue-methods}$

Extract the Objective Function Value of an Object

Description

Methods for extracting the objective function value

Methods

object = "CompactStratification" extracts the mean squared shortest distance.

getRelativeArea-methods

Extract the Relative Area of an Object

Description

Methods for extracting relative areas of objects. The total area equals unity.

Methods

object = "CompactStratification" returns the relative area of each stratum. The sum of the relative areas equals 1.

See Also

getArea

Description

Methods for extracting the sample size.

Methods

```
object = "SamplingPattern" returns the sample size.
object = "SamplingPatternRandomComposite" returns the number of composites
```

plot-methods

Visualizing Compact Stratifications and Sampling Patterns

Description

The plot method can be used to visualize compact stratifications and sampling patterns. Since it has been built on top of the **ggplot2** package, functions provided by this package can be used to modify the plots.

Methods

- x = "CompactStratification", y = "missing" plots stratification x.
- x = "CompactStratification", y = "SamplingPattern" plots sampling pattern y on top of stratification x.
- x = "CompactStratification", y = "SamplingPatternPriorPoints" plots sampling pattern y on top of stratification x.
- x = "CompactStratification", y = "SamplingPatternRandomComposite" plots sampling pattern y on top of stratification x.
- x = "SamplingPattern", y = "missing" plots sampling pattern x.
- x = "SamplingPatternPriorPoints", y = "missing" plots sampling pattern x.
- x = "SamplingPatternRandomComposite", y = "missing" plots sampling pattern x.

See Also

ggplot2-package

SamplingPattern-class Class "SamplingPattern"

Description

A class for storing a sampling pattern.

Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form new("SamplingPattern", ...). However, objects are usually created by calling spsample.

Slots

sample: Object of class "SpatialPoints", containing the sampling locations.

Methods

Author(s)

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SamplingPatternCentroids-class

Class "SamplingPatternCentroids"

Description

A class for storing a sampling pattern, where the sampling locations are the centers of gravity of each stratum.

Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form new("SamplingPatternCentroids", ...). However, objects are usually created by calling spsample.

Slots

sample: Object of class "SpatialPoints", containing the sampling locations

Extends

Class "SamplingPatternPurposive", directly. Class "SamplingPattern", by class "SamplingPatternPurposive", distance 2.

Methods

No methods defined with class "SamplingPatternCentroids" in the signature.

Author(s)

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 ${\tt SamplingPatternPriorPoints-class}$

Class "SamplingPatternPriorPoints"

Description

A class for storing a sampling pattern consisting of existing points and new points. The new points are the centers of gravity of their stratum.

Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form new("SamplingPatternPriorPoints", ...). However, objects are usually created by calling spsample.

Slots

isPriorPoint: Object of class "logical", which is TRUE is the location is a prior point, and FALSE if it is not.

sample: Object of class "SpatialPoints", containing the sampling locations

Extends

Class "SamplingPatternPurposive", directly. Class "SamplingPattern", by class "SamplingPatternPurposive", distance 2.

Methods

```
plot signature(x = "CompactStratification", y = "SamplingPatternPriorPoints"): plots
    sampling pattern y on top of stratification x.
```

plot signature(x = "SamplingPatternPriorPoints", y = "missing"): plots sampling pattern x.

Author(s)

SamplingPatternPurposive-class

Class "SamplingPatternPurposive"

Description

An ancestor class for storing purposive sampling patterns.

Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form new("SamplingPatternPurposive", ...).

Slots

sample: Object of class "SpatialPoints", containing the sampling locations

Extends

Class "SamplingPattern", directly.

Methods

No methods defined with class "SamplingPatternPurposive" in the signature.

Author(s)

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SamplingPatternRandom-class

Class "SamplingPatternRandom"

Description

An ancestor class for storing random sampling patterns.

Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form new("SamplingPatternRandom", ...).

Slots

sample: Object of class "SpatialPoints", containing the sampling locations

Extends

Class "SamplingPattern", directly.

Methods

No methods defined with class "SamplingPatternRandom" in the signature.

Author(s)

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```
{\tt SamplingPatternRandomComposite-class}
```

Class "SamplingPatternRandomComposite"

Description

A class for storing composites obtained by random sampling.

Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form new("SamplingPatternRandomComposite", ...). However, objects are usually created by calling spsample.

Slots

```
composite: Object of class "integer", indicating to which composite sample a sampling unit belongs.
```

sample: Object of class "SpatialPoints", containing the sampling locations.

Extends

Class "SamplingPatternRandom", directly. Class "SamplingPattern", by class "SamplingPatternRandom", distance 2.

Methods

coerces to "SpatialPointsDataFrame".
estimate signature(statistic = "SamplingVariance", stratification = "CompactStratificationEqualAr

getSampleSize signature(object = "SamplingPatternRandomComposite"): returns the sample size per stratum.

estimates the sampling variance. See "SamplingVariance" for more details.

plot signature(x = "CompactStratification", y = "SamplingPatternRandomComposite"):
 plots sampling pattern y on top of stratification x.

plot signature(x = "SamplingPatternRandomComposite", y = "missing"): plots sampling
 pattern x.

Author(s)

 $Sampling {\tt PatternRandomSampling Units-class} \\ {\tt Class~"Sampling Pattern Random Sampling Units"}$

Description

A class for storing sampling units obtained by random sampling.

Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form new("SamplingPatternRandomSamplingUnits", ...). However, objects are usually created by calling spsample.

Slots

sample: Object of class "SpatialPoints", containing the sampling locations.

Extends

Class "SamplingPatternRandom", directly. Class "SamplingPattern", by class "SamplingPatternRandom", distance 2.

Methods

```
estimate signature(statistic = "SamplingVariance", stratification = "CompactStratification", samplingVariance stimates the sampling variance. See "SamplingVariance" for more details.
```

estimate signature(statistic = "SpatialCumulativeDistributionFunction", stratification = "Compact
estimates the spatial cumulative distribution function (SCDF). See "SamplingPatternRandomSamplingUnits"
for more details.

estimate signature(statistic = "SpatialMean", stratification = "CompactStratification", samplingF
 estimates the spatial mean. See "SpatialMean" for more details.

estimate signature(statistic = "SpatialVariance", stratification = "CompactStratification", sampl
 estimates the spatial variance. See "SpatialVariance" for more details.

estimate signature(statistic = "StandardError", stratification = "CompactStratification", samplir
estimates the standard error of the spatial mean. See "StandardError" for more details.

estimate signature(statistic = "character", stratification = "CompactStratification", samplingPate
 estimates statistic, i.e., "spatial mean", "spatial variance", "sampling variance",
 "standard error", SCDF.

Author(s)

SamplingVariance-class

Class "Sampling Variance"

Description

The sampling variance is estimated by means of Equation 7.14 in de Gruijter et al., (2006).

Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form new("SamplingVariance", ...).

Slots

description: Object of class "character" A description op the statistic.

Extends

Class "Statistic", directly.

Methods

estimate signature(statistic = "SamplingVariance", stratification = "CompactStratification", sample estimates the sampling variance, given a stratification, a sampling pattern and data.

estimate signature(statistic = "SamplingVariance", stratification = "CompactStratificationEqualAr estimates the sampling variance, given a stratification, a sampling pattern and data.

Author(s)

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References

de Gruijter, J. J., Brus, D. J., Bierkens, M. F. P., and Knotters, M. (2006) *Sampling for Natural Resource Monitoring* Berlin: Springer-Verlag.

 ${\tt SpatialCumulativeDistributionFunction-class}$

Class "SpatialCumulativeDistributionFunction"

Description

The spatial cumulative distribution function (SCDF) is estimated by applying Equation 7.13 in *de Gruijter et al.*, (2006) to indicator transformations of the data. See also page 83 of *de Gruijter et al.*, (2006).

Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form new("SpatialCumulativeDistributionFunction", ...).

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Slots

description: Object of class "character" A description op the statistic.

Extends

```
Class "Statistic", directly.
```

Methods

estimate signature(statistic = "SpatialCumulativeDistributionFunction", stratification = "Compact estimates the spatial cumulative distribution function (SCDF), given a stratification, a sampling pattern and data.

Author(s)

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References

de Gruijter, J. J., Brus, D. J., Bierkens, M. F. P., and Knotters, M. (2006) *Sampling for Natural Resource Monitoring* Berlin: Springer-Verlag.

SpatialMean-class

Class "SpatialMean"

Description

The spatial mean is estimated by means of Equation 7.13 in de Gruijter et al., (2006).

Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form new("SpatialMean", ...).

Slots

description: Object of class "character" A description op the statistic.

Extends

```
Class "Statistic", directly.
```

Methods

estimate signature(statistic = "SpatialMean", stratification = "CompactStratification", samplingFestimates the spatial mean, given a stratification, a sampling pattern and data.

estimate signature(statistic = "SpatialMean", stratification = "CompactStratificationEqualArea", estimates the spatial mean, given a stratification, a sampling pattern and data.

Author(s)

Spatial Variance-class 17

References

de Gruijter, J. J., Brus, D. J., Bierkens, M. F. P., and Knotters, M. (2006) *Sampling for Natural Resource Monitoring* Berlin: Springer-Verlag.

SpatialVariance-class Class "SpatialVariance"

Description

The spatial variance is estimated by means of Equation 7.16 in de Gruijter et al., (2006).

Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form new("SpatialVariance", ...).

Slots

description: Object of class "character" A description op the statistic.

Extends

Class "Statistic", directly.

Methods

estimate signature(statistic = "SpatialVariance", stratification = "CompactStratification", sample estimates the spatial variance, given a stratification, a sampling pattern and data.

Author(s)

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References

de Gruijter, J. J., Brus, D. J., Bierkens, M. F. P., and Knotters, M. (2006) *Sampling for Natural Resource Monitoring* Berlin: Springer-Verlag.

spsample-methods

Spatial Sampling of Compact Strata

Description

Methods for sampling in compact strata.

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Methods

```
x = "CompactStratification", n = "missing", type = "missing" samples the centroids of each stratum.
```

- $\mathbf{x} =$ "CompactStratification", $\mathbf{n} =$ "numeric", type = "missing" stratified simple random sampling with n samples per stratum.
- x = "CompactStratificationEqualArea", n = "numeric", type = "character" if type = "composite", stratified simple random sampling of <math>n composites.
- x = "CompactStratificationPriorPoints", n = "missing", type = "missing" spatial infill sampling

See Also

stratify for stratification, spsample for other types of spatial sampling, and estimate for inference.

Examples

```
# Note: the example below requires the 'rgdal'-package.
# You may consider the 'maptools'-package as an alternative
if (require(rgdal)) {
    # read a vector representation of the 'Farmsum' field
    shpFarmsum <- readOGR(</pre>
        dsn = system.file("maps", package = "spcosa"),
        layer = "farmsum"
    )
    # stratify 'Farmsum' into 50 strata
    # NB: increase argument 'nTry' to get better results
    set.seed(314)
    myStratification <- stratify(shpFarmsum, nStrata = 50, nTry = 1)</pre>
    # sample two sampling units per stratum
    mySamplingPattern <- spsample(myStratification, n = 2)</pre>
    # plot the resulting sampling pattern on
    # top of the stratification
    plot(myStratification, mySamplingPattern)
}
```

StandardError-class Class "StandardError"

Description

The standard error is estimated by means of the square root of Equation 7.14 in de Gruijter et al., (2006).

Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form new("StandardError", ...).

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Slots

description: Object of class "character" A description op the statistic.

Extends

Class "SamplingVariance", directly. Class "Statistic", by class "SamplingVariance", distance 2

Methods

estimate signature(statistic = "StandardError", stratification = "CompactStratification", samplir
estimates the standard error, given a stratification, a sampling pattern and data.

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Statistic-class

Class "Statistic"

Description

A superclass (ancestor class) for statistics to estimate.

Objects from the Class

A virtual Class: No objects may be created from it.

Slots

description: A description op the statistic

Methods

```
show signature(object = "Statistic"): prints the statistic
```

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```
Stratification-class Class "Stratification"
```

Description

Virtual class to store a spatial stratification.

Objects from the Class

A virtual Class: No objects may be created from it.

Methods

```
show signature(object = "Stratification"): a method for printing objects of class Stratification
```

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Examples

```
showClass("Stratification")
```

stratify-methods

Stratification

Description

Methods for partitioning a spatial object into compact strata by means of

k

-means. The objective function to minimize is the mean squared shortest distance (MSSD). Optionally, the strata may be forced to be of equal size. This facilitates field work in case of stratified simple random sampling for composites. Another option is spatial infill sampling, a variant of spatial coverage sampling where existing sampling points are taken into account. Use nTry > 1, to reduce the risk of ending up in an unfavorable local optimum. Better results will generally be obtained by increasing the ratio nGridCells/nStrata and by increasing nTry.

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Arguments

object	an object of class "SpatialPixels", "SpatialGrid" or "SpatialPolygons"
nStrata	number of strata (nStrata >= 1).
priorPoints	object of class "SpatialPoints", containing the prior (i.e., existing) points
maxIterations	maximum number of iterations.
nTry	the stratify method will try nTry initial configurations and will keep the best solution in order to reduce the risk of ending up with an unfavorable solution.
nGridCells	in case object is an instance of class "SpatialPolygons", the approximate number of grid cells to be used for discretizing the vector map in object.
cellSize	in case object is an instance of class "SpatialPolygons", the cell size to be used for discretizing the vector map in object. Note that cellsize takes precedence over argument nGridCells.
equalArea	If FALSE the algorithm results in compact strata. If TRUE, the algorithm results in compact strata of equal size.
verbose	if TRUE, progress information and intermediate results will be printed to the output device.

Methods

```
object = "SpatialPixels" Stratify a raster representation of the study area.object = "SpatialPolygons" Stratify a vector representation of the study area.
```

Note

The stratify method may raise an error when the projection attributes ("CRS") have been set. A solution is to remove these attributes by calling the following function from the **sp**-package: proj4string(myMap) <- NA_character_, where myMap is the map to be stratified.

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See Also

spsample for sampling, and estimate for inference.

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