

What is new in FLR 2.6.15

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A release of [FLR](#) packages is now on the FLR repository, with binary packages being made available for R version 4.0.0. What is new in the FLR packages being released? This is a brief introduction, including example code, of the main developments and changes that can be found on a number of the FLR packages.

FLCore 2.6.15

`divide()` separates object along `iters` into list.

An object with `iters` can be turned into a list, where each element comes from one of the object `iters`.

```
# An FLQuant with 5 iterations
flq <- FLQuant(rep(seq(1, 5), each=40),
  dimnames=list(age=1:4, year=1:10, iter=1:5))

# Check iter 1
iter(flq, 1)
```

```
## An object of class "FLQuant"
## , , unit = unique, season = all, area = unique
##
##   year
## age 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
##   1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
##   2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
##   3 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
##   4 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
##
## units: NA
```

```
# divide()
dflq <- divide(flq)

# Check element 1
dflq[[1]]
```

```
## An object of class "FLQuant"
```

```
## , , unit = unique, season = all, area = unique
##
##   year
## age 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
##   1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
##   2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
##   3 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
##   4 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
##
## units:  NA
```

```
# Result is an FLlst, in this case
is(dflq)
```

```
## [1] "FLQuants" "FLlst"      "list"       "vector"
```

fwd(FLQuant) and fwd(FLStock) to move one year forward.

Survivors can be simply calculated and projected forward one year, either for a single population vector (as an FLQuant) or a whole stock (FLStock). In the first case, abundances are move forward one year and age, without any mortality. This is still useful when those abundances are already at the end of year. In the second case natural and fishing mortality is applied. In both cases the last age is treated as a plusgroup, and a value for recruitment can provided using argument `rec`.

```
# Get a single population abundance vector
naa <- stock.n(ple4)[,"2000"]
fwd(naa, rec=6.34e5)
```

```
## An object of class "FLQuant"
## , , unit = unique, season = all, area = unique
##
##   year
## age 2001
##   1 634000.0
##   2 857525.0
##   3 531403.0
##   4 381345.0
##   5 510105.0
##   6 64650.9
##   7 28114.9
##   8 9398.3
##   9 5445.6
##  10 14237.6
```

```
##
## units: 1000

# Extract a single year of ple4
test <- ple4[, "2000"]

# Bring it forward
ftest <- fwd(test, rec=rec(ple4)[,"2001"])

# stock.n from ple4 and fwd are almost identical
all.equal(stock.n(ftest), stock.n(ple4)[, "2001"])

## [1] "Mean relative difference: 4.598e-07"
```

`mohnMatrix()` to construct a table of metrics to compute Mohn's rho

The `icesAdvice`¹ package already provides a function to calculate Mohn's rho retrospective metric, from a matrix of years and retro peels. This matrix can be generated from the results of a retrospective analysis, stored as an `FLstocks` object, by using `mohnMatrix`. A metric to compute the matrix for must be selected, as a function or function name, and defaults to `F` (`fbar`).

```
# mohnMatrix returns the years * peel matrix
mohnMatrix(retro, metric=ssb)
```

##	base	-1	-2	-3	-4	-5
## 2010	228416	233236	239118	246959	257466	266074
## 2011	223386	230425	239626	251385	269576	280724
## 2012	230046	241472	257090	276252	307096	321010
## 2013	258728	277516	302933	333093	381062	NA
## 2014	285755	316605	359700	406433	NA	NA
## 2015	259635	299183	356650	NA	NA	NA
## 2016	261399	313386	NA	NA	NA	NA
## 2017	280662	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

```
# to use with icesAdvice::mohn
icesAdvice::mohn(mohnMatrix(retro, metric="ssb"))

## [1] 0.3726
```

`standardUnits` provides a set of standard units of measurement

All slots in an `FLStock` can be set to have a set of standard units of measurement by setting, using `units<-`, the result of this method. The standard

¹<https://github.com/ices-tools-prod/icesAdvice>

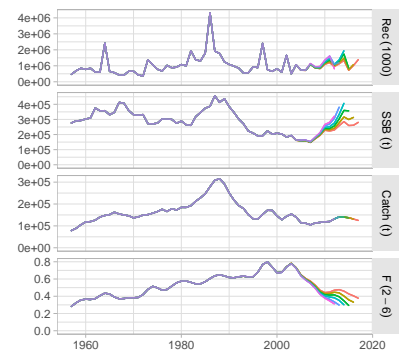


Figure 1: 'retro' is an `FLStocks` of `FLXSA` runs, 5 peels of one year less at a time.

for `asn` `FLStock` is to use 1000 for number in thousands, kg for weights, t for biomass, `m` and `f` for natural and fishing mortality, and an empty string for proportions, such as `mat`, `m.spwn`, and `harvest.spwn`.

```
# Create an FLStock, no units in slots
fls <- FLStock(m=FLQuant(0.2,
  dimnames=list(age=1:4, year=2010:2018)))

# Get standard units for this class, and assign
units(fls) <- standardUnits(fls)
```

`window()` accepts a negative value as `end`

When shortening an object using `window`, a number of years can now be dropped using a negative number of the `end` argument value.

```
# Drop last 3 years
window(FLQuant(seq(1:8)), end=-3)
```

```
## An object of class "FLQuant"
## , , unit = unique, season = all, area = unique
##
##      year
## quant 1 2 3 4 5
##   all 1 2 3 4 5
##
## units:  NA
```

`append()` to add an object after another along the `year` dimension

A single `FLQuant` or a whole `FLStock` can be extended in time with another object using `append()`. `year` `dimnames` are used to match both objects so no year is repeated. Shared year dimensions will be taken from the appended object, its second argument. If a gap exists, `NA` will appear.

```
# Append two objects with contiguous years
append(stock(ple4)[,ac(2005:2006)],
  stock(ple4)[,ac(2007:2008)])
```

```
## An object of class "FLQuant"
## , , unit = unique, season = all, area = unique
##
##      year
## age   2005   2006   2007   2008
##   all 372721 422631 434641 528377
```

```
##
## units:  t

# Years clash, so values taken from second
append(stock(ple4)[,ac(2005:2006)],
        stock(ple4)[,ac(2006:2007)] / 1000)

## An object of class "FLQuant"
## , , unit = unique, season = all, area = unique
##
##      year
## age  2005      2006      2007
##  all 372720.65    422.63    434.64
##
## units:  t
```

```
# Gap in years, so left empty
append(stock(ple4)[,ac(2005:2006)],
        stock(ple4)[,ac(2008:2009)])

## An object of class "FLQuant"
## , , unit = unique, season = all, area = unique
##
##      year
## age  2005    2006    2007    2008    2009
##  all 372721 422631    NA 528377 629539
##
## units:  t
```

residuals methods

Calculation of residuals can now be carried out using different methods but under a common interface. The alternative residuals currently available are:

- Log-standardized, using method `rlogstandard()`
- Pearson, by calling `rstandard()`
- Studentized, using `rstudent()`

All of them require the observation as first argument and the model fit as the second. In addition, standardized residuals need the standard deviation. If not supplied, it is calculated along the year dimension.

A call to `residuals()` will give you access to those methods, selected through the `type` argument.

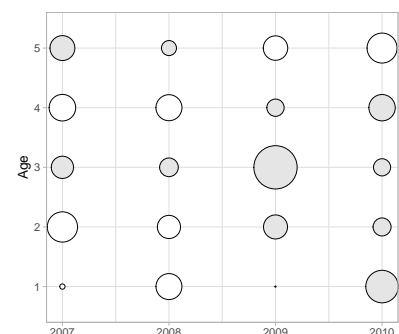


Figure 2: Example of log standardized residuals.

```
residuals(obs, fit, type="log")
```

```
## An object of class "FLQuant"
## , , unit = unique, season = all, area = unique
##
##   year
## age 2007      2008      2009      2010
##   1 -0.12320 -0.94970  0.09977  1.46022
##   2 -1.27190 -0.76932  0.82324  0.49378
##   3  0.71572  0.52504  2.55281  0.45434
##   4 -0.99305 -0.95430  0.46024  0.97784
##   5  0.87831  0.36645 -0.84863 -1.24705
##
## units:
```

`metrics()` can now process formulas combining functions and `FLPar`

The `metrics()` method computes metrics from complex objects and simplifies extracting values from, for example, an `FLStock`.

```
mets <- metrics(ple4, list(SB=ssb, REC=rec))
plot(mets)
```

Those metrics can now be defined to include a named numeric vector or an `FLPar`, for example a reference point. Names in the formula and the object need to match.

```
mets <- metrics(ple4, list(SB=~ssb / Bmsy,
  F=~fbar / Fmsy), FLPar(Bmsy=3.5e5, Fmsy=0.32))
plot(mets) + geom_hline(yintercept=1, linetype=2)
```

`intersect()` method called on two `FLQuants` subsets to common dimension names.

The common dimensions of two `FLQuant` objects can now be used to subset them at the same time by calling `intersect`. The method works on dimension names to find the matching sections on the objects. We can then operate on them in `m`, `may` ays, as their dimensions match.

```
# Objects with mismatching aged and years
fq1 <- FLQuant(2, dimnames=list(age=0:3,
  year=2015:2019))
fq2 <- FLQuant(5, dimnames=list(age=2:6,
```

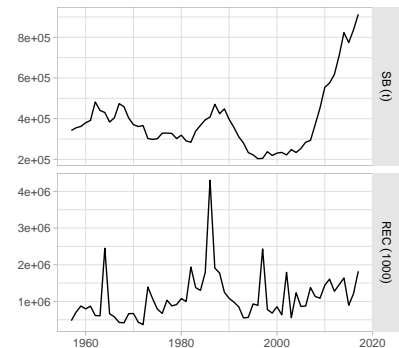


Figure 3: `ssb()` and `rec()` extracted using `metrics()`

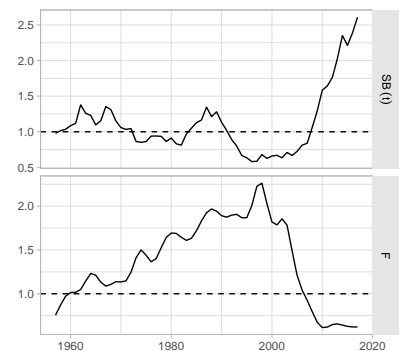


Figure 4: SB/B_{MSY} and F/F_{MSY} as computed from a call to `metrics`. as shown.

```

year=2016:2019))

# An FLQuants object with the subset inputs
intersect(fq1, fq2)

## $ NA
## An object of class "FLQuant"
## , , unit = unique, season = all, area = unique
##
##   year
## age 2016 2017 2018 2019
##   2 2    2    2    2
##   3 2    2    2    2
##
## units: NA

## $ NA
## An object of class "FLQuant"
## , , unit = unique, season = all, area = unique
##
##   year
## age 2016 2017 2018 2019
##   2 5    5    5    5
##   3 5    5    5    5
##
## units: NA

```

Other changes in FLCore 2.6.15

- `readVPAInterCatch()` creates an `FLQuant` from a VPA file in the format exported by ICES Intercatch system.

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