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Description An R package to query and summarize camera trap data from the Urban Wildlife Information Network (UWIN) database. Furthermore, uwinr provides a number of quality assurance / quality control checks to ensure that data has been entered correctly.

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censor_photos	<i>Remove UWIN Images With Faulty Timestamps</i>
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Description

censor_photos removes photos from the 'Photos' table and associated detections from the 'Detections' table if the time stamp on the photo is > 7 days before a camera was set at a site or > 7 days after a camera was pulled at a site. These latter values are stored in the 'Visits' table.

Usage

```
censor_photos(uwin_data = NULL)
```

Arguments

uwin_data The list object returned from [collect_tables](#).

Details

This function requires the following tables in the list object to work : 'Photos', 'Detections', and 'Visits'.

Furthermore, [do_qaqc](#) must be applied to the uwin list object before photos can be summarised.

Value

Returns the list object, but with offending photos and detections removed from their respective tables. This also will update the active dates within the 'Visits' table

Examples

```
# check for errors
uwin_list <- do_qaqc(uwin_test)

# censor the photos
uwin_list <- censor_photos(uwin_data = uwin_list)
```

collect_tables	<i>Collect tables from UWIN database</i>
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Description

collect_tables uses the [RODBC](#) package to connect to the UWIN database and collect the requested tables.

Note: For this function to work the Microsoft Access Database Engine must be installed. It can be found [here](#).

Usage

```
collect_tables(database = NULL, tables = NULL)
```

Arguments

database	File name of the UWIN Access database as a character vector. If database does contain an absolute path, the file name is relative to the current working directory.
tables	A character vector of the table names to be pulled from the UWIN database. If this argument is left blank then tables is set to include CameraLocations, Detections, Photos, Species, StudyAreas, Visits, lkupAction, lkupDetectionStatus, lkupSeasons, lkupVisitTypes.

Value

A named list of tables from the UWIN database. Each table will be returned as a [data.table](#) instead of a [data.frame](#), as this considerably speeds up summarizing these data.

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Examples

```
# not run: dat <- collect_tables("UWIN_DB_CHIL.accdb")
# not run: dat <- collect_tables("UWIN_DB_CHIL.accdb", tables = c("Photos", "Visits"))
```

create_detection_matrix	<i>Create species detection non-detection matrix</i>
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Description

Create species detection non-detection matrix

Usage

```
create_detection_matrix(uwin_data = NULL, observation_matrix = NULL,
  binomial_detections = FALSE, select_species = TRUE, species = NULL)
```

Arguments

<code>uwin_data</code>	The list object returned from collect_tables and after it has been through do_qaqc and reduced to the seasons of interest via reduce_seasons .
<code>observation_matrix</code>	The list object returned by create_observation_matrix .
<code>binomial_detections</code>	If TRUE, <code>create_detection_matrix</code> will return the total number of days a species was observed at a site. If FALSE, <code>create_detection_matrix</code> will return a vector of binary elements that take the value of 1 if a species was observed on a given day, 0 if it was not, or NA if the camera was not operable.
<code>select_species</code>	If TRUE, a pop-up list will open up that you can use to select the species you would like to make a detection matrix for. You can hold Ctrl to select multiple species that are separated by other species you do not want to make a detection matrix for. Defaults to TRUE.
<code>species</code>	A vector of the species names from the ShortName column of the Species table within the UWIN database. If left NULL and <code>select_species = FALSE</code> then a detection matrix will be made for each species in the Species table.

Value

A list with three elements. The first element, `mat`, contains a survey ID (i.e., site-season-year abbreviation). The second element, `days_active`, is a vector of the days that camera traps were active in a given season. The final element, `binom_mat` is the total number of days a camera trap was active on a given season.

Examples

```
# apply qaqc
dat <- do_qaqc(uwin_test)

# collect only one season of data
dat <- reduce_seasons(dat, start = "JU17")

# make observation matrix
obser_matrix <- create_observation_matrix(dat)

# make a detection matrix
detect_matrix <- create_detection_matrix(dat, obser_matrix, species = "raccoon")
```

`create_observation_matrix`*The number of days each camera trap is operable per season*

Description

The number of days each camera trap is operable per season

Usage

```
create_observation_matrix(uwin_data = NULL, drop_tails = FALSE)
```

Arguments

<code>uwin_data</code>	The list object returned from <code>collect_tables</code> and after it has been through <code>do_qaqc</code> . If the Visits table is not within this object an error will occur.
<code>drop_tails</code>	This will check if the date range for a site taken from the camera trap images occurs between when the camera set date and camera pull date entered into the Visits table of the UWIN database. If the date range is > 7 days before the first recorded camera set for a sampling season or > 7 days after the last recorded camera pull for a sampling season then those days will be removed from the analysis.

Value

A list with 3 elements. The first element, `mat`, contains either a survey ID (i.e., site-season-year abbreviation) by date matrix if `binomial_detections = FALSE` or a named vector of the number of days each survey ID was active. The second element, `days_active`, is a vector of the days that camera traps were active in a given season. The final element, `binom_mat`, is a binomial version of the `mat` element (i.e., the `rowSums` from `mat`).

Examples

```
# apply qaqc
dat <- do_qaqc(uwin_test)

# collect only one season of data
dat <- reduce_seasons(dat, start = "JU17")

# make observation matrix
obser_matrix <- create_observation_matrix(dat)
```

do_qaqc

*Quality assurance / quality control for UWIN database***Description**

do_qaqc is a utility function that calls all other QA/QC functions available in uwinr for the tables that are loaded via [collect_tables](#). Currently, the tables where QA/QC functions exist include: Visits ([visits_qaqc](#)) and Photos ([photos_qaqc](#)).

Usage

```
do_qaqc(uwin_data = NULL, show_error_file = TRUE)
```

Arguments

uwin_data The list object returned from [collect_tables](#).

show_error_file If TRUE, then an error report will be opened up if there are errors in the UWIN database. This error report will direct you to a number of csv files within an errors sub-folder within your working directory.

Value

Returns the list object from [collect_tables](#). Furthermore, this function will create a sub-folder in your working directory titled `error_reports` if it does not exist and populate that sub-folder with an error report titled `error_report_DATE.txt` where DATE is the current date called via [Sys.Date](#). This error report will describe potential issues with the data in your UWIN database and point you out to a number of csv files that further describe these errors.

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Examples

```
# do qaqc, assuming you had loaded data with collect_tables
uwin_list <- do_qaqc(uwin_test)
```

photos_qaqc

*Check 'Photos' table for errors***Description**

photos_qaqc looks for errors in the timestamps of the photos uploaded into the UWIN database. The 'Visits' table must also be present in the list object supplied by [collect_tables](#) as the timestamps are compared to the set and pull records in this table.

Usage

```
photos_qaqc(uwin_data = NULL, file_conn = NULL)
```

Arguments

uwin_data The list object returned from [collect_tables](#). If the Photos and Visits table is not within this object an error will occur.

file_conn The file path in which to write errors to supplied as a character string. This argument is managed automatically if [do_qaqc](#) is called instead. If left NULL then [visits_qaqc](#) will create a `error_reports` sub-folder in the working directory and populate it with an error report titled `error_report_DATE.txt` where DATE is the current date called via [Sys.Date](#)

Author(s)

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Examples

```
uwin_list <- photos_qaqc(uwin_data = uwin_test)
```

reduce_seasons

Query data within two sampling periods

Description

reduce_seasons queries data for a single season or between two seasons depending on how arguments are filled.

Usage

```
reduce_seasons(uwin_data = NULL, start = NULL, end = NULL)
```

Arguments

uwin_data The list object returned from [collect_tables](#).

start A character vector that contains the first sampling period and year that you would like to query. start must be 4 characters long with the first two characters denoting the sampling season and the last two characters denoting the year (e.g., April 2017 would be "AP17").

end A character vector that contains the last sampling period and year that you would like to query. start must be 4 characters long with the first two characters denoting the sampling season and the last two characters denoting the year (e.g., April 2017 would be "AP17"). If only querying one season of data end should be left as NULL.

Value

Returns the list object from [collect_tables](#) with data from either a single season (if end is left NULL) or with data that lie between the sampling periods specified in start and end. Note that this only queries data in the Visits, Photos, and Detections table within the Access database.

Author(s)

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Examples

```
dat <- do_qaqc(uwin_test)
dat <- reduce_seasons(dat, start = "JA16", end = "JU17")

# if only collecting data from one season.

dat <- do_qaqc(uwin_test)
dat <- reduce_seasons(dat, start = "JA16")
```

uwin_test

A sample of the Chicago UWIN database

Description

A list object that is a small subset of the Chicago UWIN database. This is used so that the examples in the help files are executable.

Usage

```
uwin_test
```

Format

A list object of length 8.

Detections A data.table with 6698 rows and 6 columns. Contains info on the species observed within a photo.

Photos A data.table with 26360 rows and 3 columns. Used to link detections to a particular image, which can then be linked to a camera deployment.

Species A data.table with 30 rows and 5 columns. Links species common names to a unique numeric ID used within the database.

Visits A data.table with 139 rows and 13 columns. Holds data for given camera deployment.

lkupAction A lookup table that links actions taken during a camera trap deployment to a numeric ID.

lkupDetecitonStatus A lookup that that links what happened to a camera trap during a deployment to a numeric ID

lkupSeasons A lookup table that links the season a camera was deployed to a numeric ID.

lkupVisitTypes A lookup table that links the type of deployment events (i.e., camera set, camera check, and camera pull) to a numeric ID.

@source A whole bunch of camera trapping

Details

Detections

visits_qaqc	<i>Check 'Visits' table for errors</i>
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Description

visits_qaqc looks for data entry errors in the 'Visits' table in the UWIN database.

Usage

```
visits_qaqc(uwin_data = NULL, file_conn = NULL)
```

Arguments

- | | |
|-----------|---|
| uwin_data | The list object returned from collect_tables . If the Visits table is not within this object an error will occur. |
| file_conn | The file path in which to write errors to supplied as a character string. This argument is managed automatically if do_qaqc is called instead. If left NULL then visits_qaqc will create a error_reports sub-folder in the working directory and populate it with an error report titled error_report_DATE.txt where DATE is the current date called via Sys.Date |

Value

Returns uwin_data, will stop if data is not correctly entered and stop_on_error is TRUE.

visits_qaqc also creates a new column in the visits table titled SurveyID which concatenates the LocationID, SeasonID, and year from VisitDate, seperated by a dash (e.g., "449-4-17").

Author(s)

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Examples

```
uwin_list <- visits_qaqc(uwin_data = uwin_test)
```

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