

# Appendix S7 - Extracting Migration Status, Diet Diversity and Habitat Diversity

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This appendix describes how to extract information on species' migratory status from BirdLife International as well as calculate indices of habitat diversity, diet diversity and rarity. This data can be accessed in the `BBS.occurrences` library using `data('Bird.traits')`. Note, the primary functions for extracting migratory status were adapted from code that was generously provided by [Tad Dallas](#).

Some libraries that are not automatically included in the package will be needed for web-scraping. Check that they are installed and up-to-date

```
library(tidyverse)
library(httr)
library(rvest)
library(purrr)
library(stringr)
library(parallel)
```

Download the Birdtree.org taxonomy file, which will be necessary for searching common names when species' binomials are not recognised by BirdLife. Note, this step requires an internet connection

```
temp <- tempfile()
download.file("https://data.vertlife.org/birdtree/BLIOCPhyloMasterTax.csv",
             temp)
BT.tax <- read.csv(temp)
```

Load the binary species occurrence data that is included in the `BBS.occurrences` package and extract the column names

```
library(BBS.occurrences)
data("BBS.occurrences")
sp_names <- colnames(BBS.occurrences)
```

Here we perform a sanity check to ensure that parallel loading is supported on our machine. Note, the library `parallel` needs to be loaded for this to function properly. If parallel computation is not desired, just set `n_cores` to 1

```
n_cores <- 3

if (n_cores > 1) {
  cl <- makePSOCKcluster(n_cores)
  setDefaultCluster(cl)

  # Check errors when loading on each cluster
  test_load1 <- try(clusterEvalQ(cl, library(rvest)),
    silent = TRUE)

  # If errors, iterate over options for loading
  if (class(test_load1) == "try-error") {

    # Try finding paths using system.file()
    pkgLibs <- unique(c(sub("/rvest$", "", system.file(package = "rvest"))))
    clusterExport(NULL, c("pkgLibs"), envir = environment())
    clusterEvalQ(cl, .libPaths(pkgLibs))

    # Check again for errors
    test_load2 <- try(clusterEvalQ(cl, library(rvest)),
      silent = TRUE)

    if (class(test_load2) == "try-error") {

      # Try loading .libPath() directly
      clusterEvalQ(cl, .libPaths(as.character(.libPaths()))))
      test_load3 <- try(clusterEvalQ(cl, library(rvest)),
        silent = TRUE)

      if (class(test_load3) == "try-error") {

        parallel_compliant <- FALSE
        stopCluster(cl)

      } else {
        parallel_compliant <- TRUE
      }

    } else {
      parallel_compliant <- TRUE
    }

  } else {
    parallel_compliant <- TRUE
  }
} else {
  parallel_compliant <- FALSE
}

parallel_compliant
```

After confirming parallel capabilities, start the parallel clusters and run the function. Note, this step requires an internet connection and will take some time to process the 303 avian species in the dataset

```
# Export necessary data and variables to each
# cluster
clusterExport(NULL, c("BT.tax", "sp_names"), envir = environment())

# Export necessary libraries
clusterEvalQ(cl, library(rvest))
clusterEvalQ(cl, library(stringr))
clusterEvalQ(cl, library(purrr))
clusterEvalQ(cl, library(xml2))

search_migstatus <- pbapply::pblapply(seq_along(sp_names),
  function(x) {

    session <- rvest::html_session("http://datazone.birdlife.org/species/search")
    Sys.sleep(4)

    form <- html_form(session)[[3]]

    filledform <- set_values(form, kw = sp_names[x])
    session <- submit_form(session, filledform)$url

    landing_pg <- xml2::read_html(session)

    # Find text that forms the species' hyperlink
    sp_link <- rvest::html_nodes(landing_pg, css = "tr") %>%
      rvest::html_attrs() %>% purrr::flatten_chr() %>%
      purrr::keep(~grepl("rowClick", .x)) %>%
      stringr::str_replace("rowClick\\(\\'\\'",
        "") %>% stringr::str_replace("\\'\\'",
        "")

    # If binomial not found, try the common name
    if (identical(sp_link, character(0))) {
      session <- rvest::html_session("http://datazone.birdlife.org/species/search")
      Sys.sleep(4)

      comm_name <- as.character(BT.tax$English[which(BT.tax$TipLabel ==
        paste(sp_names[x]))])
      form <- rvest::html_form(session)[[3]]

      filledform <- rvest::set_values(form, kw = comm_name)
      session <- rvest::submit_form(session,
        filledform)$url
      landing_pg <- xml2::read_html(session)

      sp_link <- rvest::html_nodes(landing_pg,
        css = "tr") %>% rvest::html_attrs() %>%
        purrr::flatten_chr() %>% purrr::keep(~grepl("rowClick",
          .x)) %>% stringr::str_replace("rowClick\\(\\'\\'",
          "") %>% stringr::str_replace("\\'\\'",
          "")
    }
  })
```

```

# If still not found, return NA
if (identical(sp_link, character(0))) {
  output <- data.frame(species = sp_names[x],
    Migrate.status = "NA")
} else {
  details_link <- paste0("http://datazone.birdlife.org/species/factsheet/",
    sp_link[1], "/details/")

  migrate_status <- xml2::read_html(details_link) %>%
    rvest::html_nodes(css = "tr:nth-child(1) td:nth-child(2)") %>%
    rvest::html_text()
  output <- data.frame(species = sp_names[x],
    Migrate.status = migrate_status)
}
} else {
  details_link <- paste0("http://datazone.birdlife.org/species/factsheet/",
    sp_link[1], "/details/")

  migrate_status <- xml2::read_html(details_link) %>%
    rvest::html_nodes(css = "tr:nth-child(1) td:nth-child(2)") %>%
    rvest::html_text()
  output <- data.frame(species = sp_names[x],
    Migrate.status = migrate_status)
}
}
output
}, cl = cl)
Bird.mig.status <- do.call(rbind, search_migstatus)
Bird.mig.status$Migrate.status <- as.character(Bird.mig.status$Migrate.status)

```

Next, we calculate Shannon Diversity indices to represent species' diet and habitat breadths. This function makes use of the data available in the [EltonTraits database](#), which is the same that we used in [Appendix\\_S4](#)

```

temp <- tempfile()
download.file("https://ndownloader.figshare.com/files/5631081",
  temp)
Sp_traits <- read.table(temp, header = TRUE, fill = TRUE,
  quote = "\"", stringsAsFactors = FALSE, sep = "\t")
unlink(temp)

```

Calculate Shannon indices of diet and habitat diversity for each species

```
Sp_traits <- Sp_traits[which(Sp_traits$Scientific %in%
  sub("_", " ", sp_names)), ] %>% dplyr::right_join(data.frame(Scientific = sub("_",
  " ", sp_names))) %>% dplyr::select(Scientific:ForStrat.aerial) %>%
dplyr::mutate(species = sub(" ", "_", Scientific)) %>%
dplyr::select(-Scientific, -English, -Diet.5Cat,
  -Diet.Source, -Diet.Certainty, -Diet.EnteredBy) %>%
dplyr::mutate_if(stringr::str_detect(colnames(.),
  "Diet"), funs((./100) * log(./100) * -1)) %>%
dplyr::mutate_if(stringr::str_detect(colnames(.),
  "ForStrat"), funs((./100) * log(./100) * -1)) %>%
dplyr::mutate(Diet.diversity = rowSums(.[1:10],
  na.rm = T), Hab.diversity = rowSums(.[11:17],
  na.rm = T)) %>% dplyr::select(species, Diet.diversity,
  Hab.diversity)
```

Calculate an index of rarity for each species, defined by it's scaled occurrence total across all observations, where larger values indicate a species is more rare

```
Rarity <- data.frame(species = sp_names,
  Rarity = as.vector(scale(colSums(BBS.occurrences) /
    nrow(BBS.occurrences))))
Rarity$Rarity <- -1 * Rarity
```

Add the rarity and diversity metrics to the migration dataset and save in the analysis folder. This dataframe can be accessed in the BBS.occurrences library using `data('Bird.traits')`.

```
Bird.traits = Bird.mig.status %>% dplyr::left_join(Rarity) %>%
  dplyr::left_join(Sp_traits) %>% dplyr::select(species,
  dplyr::everything())

save(Bird.traits, file = "./Analysis_data/
  Bird.traits.Rdata")
```