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soilphysics-package   *Soil Physical Analysis*

Description

Basic and model-based soil physical analyses.

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Functions for modelling the load bearing capacity and the penetration resistance, and for predicting the stress applied by agricultural machines in the soil profile. The package allows one to model the soil water retention through six different models. There are some useful and easy-to-use functions to perform parameter estimation of these models. Methods to obtain the preconsolidation stress are available, such as the standard of Casagrande (1936) and so on. It is possible to quantify soil water availability for plants through the Least Limiting Water Range approach as well as the Integral Water Capacity. Moreover, it is possible to determine the water suction at the point of hydraulic cut-off. Also, users can deal with the high-energy-moisture-characteristics (HEMC) methodology proposed by Pierson and Mulla (1989), which is used to analyze the aggregate stability. There is a function to determine the soil critical moisture and the maximum bulk density for one or more samples, based on the Proctor (1933) compaction test. Other utilities like a function to calculate the soil liquid limit, the void ratio and to determine the maximum curvature point are available.

Note

soilphysics is an ongoing project. We welcome any and all criticism, comments and suggestions.

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da Silva, A.R.; Lima, R.P. (2017) Determination of maximum curvature point with the R package soilphysics. *International Journal of Current Research*, 9: 45241-45245.

De Lima, R.P.; Da Silva, A.R.; Da Silva, A.P. (2021) soilphysics: An R package for simulation of soil compaction induced by agricultural field traffic. *SOIL and TILLAGE RESEARCH*, 206: 104824.

aggreg.stability	*Soil Aggregate-Size Distribution*

Description

It calculates the mean weight diameter (MWD), the geometric mean diameter (GMD) and the soil aggregates size distribution per class based on the mass of the aggregates retained in each sieve from a total soil mass used for the soil aggregate stability test.

Usage

```
aggreg.stability(sample.id = NA, dm.classes, aggre.mass)
```

Arguments

sample.id	optional; a character vector containing the sample names.
dm.classes	a numeric vector containing the aggregates classes, in mm.
aggre.mass	a data.frame consisting of columns with soil aggregates mass (g) of each one of the corresponding dm.classes.

Details

The user must arrange a data.frame with lines representing the samples and the columns representing the mass of the aggregates retained in each one of the meshes (corresponding to each size class) in the aggregate stability test.

$$\boxed{\text{MWD} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i m_i)} \qquad \boxed{\text{GMD} = e^{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{m_i}{m} \ln(x_i)}}$$

where *n* is the number of aggregate size classes; x_i is mean size class *i*; and m_i is the soil water-stable aggregate mass at the class = *i*

where *n* is the number of aggregate size classes; x_i is mean size class *i*; and m_i is soil water-stable aggregate mass at the class = *i*; *m* is the total soil mass used in the test.

Value

A `data.frame` containing valor of MWD, GMD, total soil mass (`total.mass`) used in the aggregate stability test and the percentage of soil aggregate size distribution per class.

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References

W. Kemper, W. Chepil. (1965). Size distribution of aggregates. C. Black (Ed.). *Methods of Soil Analysis*, American Society Agronomy, Madison. pp. 499-510.

Yoder, R. A. (1936). A direct method of aggregate analysis of soils and a study of the physical nature of erosion losses. *Journal of the American Society of Agronomy*, 28:337-351.

Examples

```
data(SoilAggregate)
classes <- c(3, 1.5, 0.75, 0.375, 0.178, 0.053)
aggreg.stability(sample.id = SoilAggregate[ ,1],
   dm.classes = classes, aggre.mass = SoilAggregate[ ,-1])

# End (not run)
```

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aggreg.stability_App   *A shiny for Soil Aggregate-Size Distribution*

Description

A shiny for Soil Aggregate-Size Distribution

Usage

```
aggreg.stability_App()
```

Value

A shiny app

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See Also

stressTraffic

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bulkDensity   *Soil Bulk Density Data Set*

Description

This data set refers to five observations of soil bulk density and soil moisture per sample. There are four soil samples.

Usage

```
data(bulkDensity)
```

Format

A data frame with 20 observations on the following 3 variables.

Id a factor with levels s1 s2 s3 s4, the 'ID' of each soil sample.

MOIS a numeric vector containing soil moisture values (cm^3 / cm^3).

BULK a numeric vector containing soil bulk density values (g / cm^3).

Source

Simulated data.

Examples

```
data(bulkDensity)
summary(bulkDensity)
```

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compaction *Soil Compaction Data Set*

Description

This data set refers to physical soil variables related to soil compaction.

Usage

```
data(compaction)
```

Format

A data frame with 50 observations on the following 4 variables.

PR a numeric vector containing soil penetration resistance values (MPa).

BD a numeric vector containing soil bulk density values (g / cm^3).

Mois a numeric vector containing soil moisture values (cm^3 / cm^3).

PS a numeric vector containing soil preconsolidation stress values (kPa).

Source

Simulated data.

Examples

```
data(compaction)
summary(compaction)
```

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compressive_properties

Estimation of compressive properties by Defossez et al. (2003)

Description

It calculates the compressive parameters N and lambda using the pedo-transfer function from Defossez et al. (2003)

Usage

```
compressive_properties(water.content, soil=c("Loess", "Calcareous"))
```

Arguments

water.content   a numeric vector containing the values of gravimetric water content, %

soil   the soil group 'Loess' or 'Calcareous'. See examples

Details

In Defossez et al. (2003), the recompression index, kappa, was assumed as 0.0058 for both soil group.

Value

N   the specific volume at $p = 1kPa$, N

CI   the compression index, lambda

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References

Defossez, P., Richard, G., Boizard, H., & O'Sullivan, M. F., 2003. Modeling change in soil compaction due to agricultural traffic as function of soil water content. *Geoderma*, 116: 89–105.

See Also

stressTraffic

Examples

```
# EXAMPLE 1 - For Loess and Calcareous soil

water.content <- 25
compressive_properties(water.content=water.content, soil="Loess")
compressive_properties(water.content=water.content, soil="Calcareous")

# EXAMPLE 2 - For Loess soil

water.content <- seq(from=5,to=30,len=20)
out <- compressive_properties(water.content=water.content, soil="Loess")
plot(x=water.content ,y=out$N, ylab="N", xlab="Bulk density") # plot for N
plot(x=water.content ,y=out$CI, ylab="Lambda", xlab="Bulk density") # plot for compression index


# EXAMPLE 3 - For Calcareous soil

water.content <- seq(from=5,to=30,len=20)
out <- compressive_properties(water.content=water.content, soil="Calcareous")
plot(x=water.content ,y=out$N, ylab="N", xlab="Bulk density") # plot for N
plot(x=water.content ,y=out$CI, ylab="Lambda", xlab="Bulk density") # plot for compression index

# End (not run)
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compressive_properties2

Estimation of compressive properties by Keller and Arvidsson (2007)

Description

It calculates the compressive parameters N and lambda using the pedo-transfer function from Keller and Arvidsson (2007)

Usage

```
compressive_properties2(particle.density, bulk.density)
```

Arguments

particle.density

a numeric vector containing the values of particle density, Mgm^{-3}

bulk.density a numeric vector containing the values of bulk density, Mgm^{-3}

Details

In Keller and Arvidsson (2007), the recompression index, kappa, was found as 0.042 for all soil.

Value

| N | the specific volume at $p = 1kPa$, N |
| CI | the compression index, lambda |

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References

Keller, T., Arvidsson, J., 2007. Compressive properties of some Swedish and Danish structured agricultural soils measured in uniaxial compression tests. *European Journal of Soil Science* , 58: 1373-1381.

See Also

stressTraffic

Examples

```
# EXAMPLE 1

 compressive_properties2(particle.density=2.65, bulk.density=1.5)

# EXAMPLE 2

BD <- seq(from=1.2,to=1.8, by=0.01) # range of bulk density from 1.2 to 1.8
out <- compressive_properties2(particle.density=2.65, bulk.density=BD)

plot(x=BD,y=out$N, ylab="N", xlab="Bulk density") # for N
plot(x=BD,y=out$CI, ylab="Compression index (CI)", xlab="Bulk density") # for compression index

# End (not run)
```

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compressive_properties3

Estimation of compressive properties by de Lima et al. (2018)

Description

It calculates the compressive parameters N, lambda and kappa using the pedo-transfer function from de Lima et al. (2018)

Usage

```
compressive_properties3(bulk.density, matric.suction, soil=c("SandyLoam","SandyClayLoam"))
```

Arguments

bulk.density	a numeric vector containing the values of bulk density, Mgm^{-3}
matric.suction	a numeric vector containing the values of matric suction, hPa
soil	the soil texture group 'SandyLoam' or 'SandyClayLoam'. See exemples

Details

Pedo-transfer function deveploed under no-till condition. See de Lima et al. (2018)

Value

N	the specific volume at $p = 1kPa$, N
CI	the compression index, lambda
k	the recompression index, kappa

Author(s)

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References

de Lima, R. P., da Silva, A. P., Giarola, N. F., da Silva, A. R., Rolim, M. M., Keller, T., 2018. Impact of initial bulk density and matric suction on compressive properties of two Oxisols under no-till. *Soil and Tillage Research*, 175: 168-177.

See Also

stressTraffic

Examples

```
# EXAMPLE 1

compressive_properties3(bulk.density=1.5, matric.suction=100, soil="SandyLoam")
compressive_properties3(bulk.density=1.5, matric.suction=100, soil="SandyClayLoam")

# EXAMPLE 2 for SandyLoam soil

matric.suction <- seq(from=30,to=1000,len=100)
out <- compressive_properties3(bulk.density=1.5,
matric.suction=matric.suction, soil="SandyLoam")
plot(x=matric.suction,y=out$N, ylab="N",
xlab="Matric suction (hPa)", log="x") # plot for N
# plot for lambda
plot(x=matric.suction,y=out$lambda, ylab="lambda",
xlab="Matric suction (hPa)", log="x")
# plot for kappa
plot(x=matric.suction,y=out$k, ylab="kappa",
xlab="Matric suction (hPa)", log="x")


# EXAMPLE 3 for SandyClayLoam soil

matric.suction <- seq(from=30,to=1000,len=100)
out <- compressive_properties3(bulk.density=1.5,
matric.suction=matric.suction,
soil="SandyClayLoam")
plot(x=matric.suction,y=out$N, ylab="N",
     xlab="Matric suction (hPa)", log="x") # plot for N
# plot for lambda
plot(x=matric.suction,y=out$lambda,
     ylab="lambda", xlab="Matric suction (hPa)", log="x")
# plot for kappa
plot(x=matric.suction,y=out$k,
     ylab="kappa", xlab="Matric suction (hPa)", log="x")

# End (not run)
```

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compressive_properties4

Estimation of compressive properties by de Lima et al. (2020)

Description

It calculates the compressive parameters N, lambda and kappa using the pedo-transfer function from de Lima et al. (2020)

Usage

```
compressive_properties4(matric.suction, soil=c("PloughLayer","PloughPan"))
```

Arguments

matric.suction   a numeric vector containing the values of matric suction, hPa.

soil   the soil compaction state 'PloughLayer' or 'PloughPan'. See the examples.

Details

Pedo-transfer function developed for a sandy loam soil texture. See de Lima et al. (2018)

Value

N   the specific volume at $p = 1kPa$, N

CI   the compression index, lambda

k   the recompression index, kappa

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References

de Lima, R. P., Rolim, M. M., da C. Dantas, D., da Silva, A. R., Mendonca, E. A., 2020. Compressive properties and least limiting water range of plough layer and plough pan in sugarcane fields. *Soil Use and Management*, 00: 1-12.

See Also

stressTraffic

Examples

```
# EXAMPLE 1

compressive_properties4(matric.suction=100, soil="PloughLayer")
compressive_properties4(matric.suction=100, soil="PloughPan")



# EXAMPLE 2 for "PloughLayer"

matric.suction <- seq(from=10,to=10000,len=100)
out <- compressive_properties4(matric.suction=matric.suction, soil="PloughLayer")
plot(x=matric.suction,y=out$N, ylab="N",
xlab="Matric suction (hPa)", log="x") # plot for N
# plot for lambda
plot(x=matric.suction,y=out$lambda, ylab="lambda",
xlab="Matric suction (hPa)", log="x")
# plot for kappa
plot(x=matric.suction,y=out$k, ylab="kappa",
xlab="Matric suction (hPa)", log="x")



# EXAMPLE 3 for "PloughPan"

matric.suction <- seq(from=10,to=10000,len=100)
out <- compressive_properties4(matric.suction=matric.suction,
                               soil="PloughPan")
# plot for N
plot(x=matric.suction,y=out$N,
     ylab="N", xlab="Matric suction (hPa)", log="x")
# plot for lambda
plot(x=matric.suction,y=out$lambda,
     ylab="lambda", xlab="Matric suction (hPa)", log="x")
# plot for kappa
plot(x=matric.suction,y=out$k, ylab="kappa",
     xlab="Matric suction (hPa)", log="x")

# End (not run)
```

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compressive_properties5

Estimation of compressive properties by O'Sullivan et al. (1999)

Description

It calculates the compressive parameteres N, lambda and kappa using the pedo-transfer function from O'Sullivan et al. (1999)

Usage

```
compressive_properties5(water.content, soil=c("SandyLoam","ClayLoam"))
```

Arguments

water.content   a numeric vector containing the values of gravimetric water content, %

soil   the the soil texture group 'SandyLoam' or 'ClayLoam'. See exemples.

Details

See O'Sullivan et al. (1999).

Value

N   the specific volume at $p = 1kPa$, N

CI   the compression index, lambda

k   the recompression index, kappa

Author(s)

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References

O'sullivan, M. F., Henshall, J. K., Dickson, J. W., 1999. A simplified method for estimating soil compaction. *Soil and Tillage Research*, 49: 325-335.

See Also

stressTraffic

Examples

```
# EXAMPLE 1
water.content <- 15
compressive_properties5(water.content=water.content, soil="SandyLoam")
compressive_properties5(water.content=water.content, soil="ClayLoam")


# EXAMPLE 2 - SandyLoam

water.content <- seq(from=5,to=20,len=20)
out <- compressive_properties5(water.content=water.content, soil="SandyLoam")
plot(x=water.content ,y=out$N,
     ylab="N", xlab="Bulk density") # plot for N
plot(x=water.content ,y=out$lambda,
    ylab="lambda", xlab="Bulk density") # plot for lambda
plot(x=water.content ,y=out$kappa,
    ylab="kappa", xlab="Bulk density") # plot for kappa
```

```
# EXAMPLE 3 - ClayLoam

water.content <- seq(from=10,to=25,len=20)
out <- compressive_properties5(water.content=water.content, soil="ClayLoam")
plot(x=water.content ,y=out$N,
     ylab="N", xlab="Bulk density") # plot for N
plot(x=water.content ,y=out$lambda,
     ylab="lambda", xlab="Bulk density") # plot for lambda
plot(x=water.content ,y=out$kappa,
     ylab="kappa", xlab="Bulk density") # plot for rkappa

# End (not run)
```

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criticalmoisture   *Critical Moisture and Maximum Bulk Density*

Description

Function to determine the soil Critical Moisture and the Maximum Bulk Density based on the Proctor (1933) compaction test. It estimates compaction curve by fitting a quadradtic regression model.

Usage

```
criticalmoisture(theta, Bd, samples = NULL, graph = TRUE, ...)

maxbulkdensity(theta, Bd, samples = NULL, graph = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

theta	a vector containing the soil moisture values.
Bd	a vector containing the the soil bulk density values.
samples	optional; a vector indicating the multiple samples. Default is NULL (one sample). See details.
graph	logical; if TRUE (default), the soil compaction curve is plotted.
...	further graphical arguments.

Details

If samples is ispecified, then it must has the same length of theta and Bd.

Value

An object of class 'criticalmoisture', i.e., a matrix containing the quadratic model coefficients (rows 1 to 3), the R-squared (row 4), the sample size (row 5), the critical soil moisture (row 6) and the maximum bulk density (row 7), per sample.

Note

maxbulkdensity is just an alias of criticalmoisture.

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References

Proctor, E. R. (1933). Design and construction of rolled earth dams. *Eng. News Record*, 3: 245-284, 286-289, 348-351, 372-376.

Silva, A. P. et al. (2010). Indicadores da qualidade fisica do solo. In: Jong Van Lier, Q. (Ed). *Fisica do solo*. Vicosa (MG): Sociedade Brasileira de Ciencia do Solo. p.541-281.

See Also

maxcurv

Examples

```
# example 1 (1 sample)
mois <- c(0.083, 0.092, 0.108, 0.126, 0.135)
bulk <- c(1.86, 1.92, 1.95, 1.90, 1.87)
criticalmoisture(theta = mois, Bd = bulk)

# example 2 (4 samples)
data(bulkDensity)
attach(bulkDensity)
criticalmoisture(theta = MOIS, Bd = BULK, samples = Id)

# End (not run)
```

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fitbusscher   *Self-starting Nls Busscher's (1990) Model for Soil Penetration Resistance*

Description

Function to self start the nonlinear Busscher's (1990) model for penetration resistance, i.e., $Pr = b0 * (\theta^{b1}) * (Bd^{b2})$. It creates initial estimates (by log-linearization) of the parameters b0, b1 and b2 and uses them to provide its least-squares estimates through nls.

Usage

```
fitbusscher(Pr, theta, Bd, ...)
```

Arguments

Pr	a numeric vector containing penetration resistance values.
theta	a numeric vector containing soil moisture values at which to evaluate the model.
Bd	a numeric vector containing bulk density values at which to evaluate the model.
...	further arguments to nls.

Value

A nls output (see `help(nls)`).

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References

Busscher, W. J. (1990). Adjustment of flat-tipped penetrometer resistance data to common water content. *Transactions of the ASAE*, 3:519-524.

See Also

fitlbc, nls, summary.nls, predict.nls, Rsq

Examples

```
data(compaction)
attach(compaction)
out <- fitbusscher(Pr = PR, theta = Mois, Bd = BD)
summary(out)
Rsq(out)

# 3D plot
X <- seq(min(Mois), max(Mois), len = 30) # theta
Y <- seq(min(BD), max(BD), len = 30) # Bd
f <- function(x, y) coef(out)[1] * (x^coef(out)[2]) * (y^coef(out)[3])
Z <- outer(X, Y, f)
persp(X, Y, Z,
xlab = "Soil moisture",
ylab = "Soil bulk density",
zlab = "Penetration resistance",
ticktype = "detailed",
phi = 20, theta = 30)

# End (not run)
```

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fitlbc *Parameter Estimation of the Load Bearing Capacity Model*

Description

This function creates initial parameter estimates of the nonlinear Load Bearing Capacity (Dias Jr., 1994) model, i.e., $\sigma_P = 10^{(b0+b1*\theta)}$, by using two methods: a getInitial method or a log-linearization. Then, it uses them to provide its least-squares estimates via nls.

Usage

```
 fitlbc(theta, sigmaP, ...)
```

Arguments

theta	a numeric vector containing soil moisture values.
sigmaP	a numeric vector containing values of soil preconsolidation stress.
...	further arguments to nls.

Value

A nls object.

Author(s)

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References

Dias Junior, M. S. (1994). *Compression of three soils under longterm tillage and wheel traffic*. 1994. 114p. Ph.D. Thesis - Michigan State University, East Lansing.

See Also

sigmaP, fitbusscher, maxcurv, Rsq

Examples

```
data(compaction)
attach(compaction)
out <- fitlbc(theta = Mois, sigmaP = PS)
summary(out)
Rsq(out)
curve(10^(coef(out)[1] + coef(out)[2]*x))

# End (not run)
```

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fitsoilwater   *Interactive Estimation of van Genuchten's (1980) Model Parameters*

Description

An interactive graphical adjustment of the soil water retention curve via van Genuchten's (1980) formula. The nonlinear least-squares estimates can be achieved taking the graphical initial values.

Usage

```
fitsoilwater(theta, x, xlab = NULL, ylab = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

theta	a numeric vector containing the values of soil water content.
x	a numeric vector containing the matric potential values.
xlab	a label for the x axis; if is NULL, the label "Matric potential" is used.
ylab	a label for the y axis; if is NULL, the label "Soil water content" is used.
...	further graphical arguments; see `par`.

Value

A plot of `theta` versus `x` and the curve of the current fitted model according to the adjusted parameters in an external interactive panel. Pressing the button "NLS estimates" a `nls` summary of the fitted model is printed on console whether convergence is achieved, otherwise a warning box of "No convergence" is shown.

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References

Genuchten, M. T. van. (1980). A closed form equation for predicting the hydraulic conductivity of unsaturated soils. *Soil Science Society of America Journal*, 44:892-898.

See Also

`nls`, `soilwater`

Examples

```
# Liu et al. (2011)
h <- c(0.001, 50.65, 293.77, 790.14, 992.74, 5065, 10130, 15195)
w <- c(0.5650, 0.4013, 0.2502, 0.2324, 0.2307, 0.1926, 0.1812, 0.1730)
fitsoilwater(w, h)

# End (not run)
```

fitsoilwater2   *Interactive Estimation of the Groenevelt and Grant (2004) Model Pa-*
                                 rameters

Description

An interactive graphical adjustment of the soil water retention curve via Groenevelt and Grant
(2004) formula. The nonlinear least-squares estimates can be achieved taking the graphical initial
values.

Usage

```
fitsoilwater2(theta, x, x0 = 6.653, xlab = NULL, ylab = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

theta	a numeric vector containing the values of soil water content.
x	a numeric vector containing pF (pore water suction) values. See soilwater2.
x0	the value of pF at which the soil water content becomes zero. The default is 6.653.
xlab	a label for the x axis; if is NULL, the label "pF" is used.
ylab	a label for the y axis; if is NULL, the label "Soil water content" is used.
...	further graphical arguments; see par.

Value

A plot of theta versus x and the curve of the current fitted model according to the adjusted pa-
rameters in an external interactive panel. Pressing the button "NLS estimates" a nls summary of
the fitted model is printed on console whether convergence is achieved, otherwise a warning box of
"No convergence" is shown.

Author(s)

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References

Groenevelt & Grant (2004). A newmodel for the soil-water retention curve that solves the problem
of residualwater contents. *European Journal of Soil Science*, 55:479-485.

See Also

nls, soilwater2, soilwater

Examples

```
w <- c(0.417, 0.354, 0.117, 0.048, 0.029, 0.017, 0.007, 0)
pF <- 0:7
fitsoilwater2(w, pF)

# End (not run)
```

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fitsoilwater3   *Interactive Estimation of the Dexter's (2008) Model Parameters*

Description

An interactive graphical adjustment of the soil water retention curve through the Dexter's (2008) formula. The nonlinear least-squares estimates can be achieved taking the graphical initial values.

Usage

```
fitsoilwater3(theta, x, xlab = NULL, ylab = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

theta	a numeric vector containing the values of soil water content.
x	a numeric vector containing the values of applied air pressure.
xlab	a label for the x axis; if is NULL, the label "pF" is used.
ylab	a label for the y axis; if is NULL, the label "Soil water content" is used.
...	further graphical arguments; see par.

Value

A plot of theta versus x and the curve of the current fitted model according to the adjusted parameters in an external interactive panel. Pressing the button "NLS estimates" a nls summary of the fitted model is printed on console whether convergence is achieved, otherwise a warning box of "No convergence" is shown.

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References

Dexter et al. (2008). A user-friendly water retention function that takes account of the textural and structural pore spaces in soil. *Geoderma*, 143:243–253.

See Also

soilwater3, nls, fitsoilwater2

Examples

```
# data extracted from Liu et al. (2011)
h <- c(0.001, 50.65, 293.77, 790.14, 992.74, 5065, 10130, 15195)
w <- c(0.5650, 0.4013, 0.2502, 0.2324, 0.2307, 0.1926, 0.1812, 0.1730)
fitsoilwater3(w, h)

# End (not run)
```

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fitsoilwater4   *Self-starting Nls Power Models for Soil Water Retention*

Description

Function to self start the following nonlinear power models for soil water retention:

$$\theta = \exp(a + b * Bd)\psi^c$$

(Silva et al., 1994)

$$\theta = a\psi^c$$

(Ross et al., 1991)

where θ is the soil water content.

`fitsoilwater()` creates initial estimates (by log-linearization) of the parameters a, b and c and uses them to provide its least-squares estimates through `nls`.

Usage

```
fitsoilwater4(theta, psi, Bd, model = c("Silva", "Ross"))
```

Arguments

theta	a numeric vector containing values of soil water content.
psi	a numeric vector containing values of water potential (Psi).
Bd	a numeric vector containing values of dry bulk density.
model	a character; the model to be used for calculating the soil water content. It must be one of the two: "Silva" (default) or "Ross".

Value

A "nls" object containing the fitted model.

Author(s)

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References

Ross et al. (1991). Equation for extending water-retention curves to dryness. *Soil Science Society of America Journal*, 55:923-927.

Silva et al. (1994). Characterization of the least limiting water range of soils. *Soil Science Society of America Journal*, 58:1775-1781.

See Also

fitsoilwater4, soilwater, soilwater2, soilwater3

Examples

```
data(skp1994)
# Example 1
ex1 <- with(skp1994,
    fitsoilwater4(theta = W, psi = h, model = "Ross"))
ex1
summary(ex1)

# Example 2
ex2 <- with(skp1994,
    fitsoilwater4(theta = W, psi = h, Bd = BD, model = "Silva"))
ex2
summary(ex2)

# Not run
```

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fitsoilwater5	*Interactive Estimation of the Modified van Genuchten's Model Parameters*

Description

An interactive graphical adjustment of the soil water retention curve via the van Genuchten's formula, modified by Pierson and Mulla (1989). The nonlinear least-squares estimates can be achieved taking the graphical initial values. It may be useful to estimate the parameters needed in the high-energy-moisture-characteristics (HEMC) method, which is used to analyze the aggregate stability.

Usage

```
fitsoilwater5(theta, x, theta_S, xlab = NULL, ylab = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

theta	a numeric vector containing the values of soil water content.
x	a numeric vector containing the matric potential values.
theta_S	an offset; a value for the parameter theta_S, the water content at saturation. See details.

xlab   a label for the x axis; if is NULL, the label "Matric potential" is used.

ylab   a label for the y axis; if is NULL, the label "Soil water content" is used.

...   further graphical arguments; see [par](#).

Details

The parameter theta_S must be passed as an argument. It is recommended to consider it as the highest water content value in the data set or the water content at saturation.

Value

A plot of `theta` versus `x` and the curve of the current fitted model according to the adjusted parameters in an external interactive panel. Pressing the button "NLS estimates" a [nls](#) summary of the fitted model is printed on console whether convergence is achieved, otherwise a warning box of "No convergence" is shown.

Author(s)

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References

Pierson, F.B.; Mulla, D.J. (1989) An Improved Method for Measuring Aggregate Stability of a Weakly Aggregated Loessial Soil. *Soil Sci. Soc. Am. J.*, 53:1825–1831.

See Also

[nls](#), [soilwater5](#)

Examples

```
h <- seq(0.1, 40, by = 2)
w <- c(0.735, 0.668, 0.635, 0.612, 0.559, 0.462, 0.369, 0.319, 0.296, 0.282,
0.269, 0.256, 0.249, 0.246, 0.239, 0.236, 0.229, 0.229, 0.226, 0.222)
plot(w ~ h)

# suggestions of starting values: thetaR = 0.35, alpha = 0.1, n = 10,
# b0 = 0.02, b1 = -0.0057, b2 = 0.00004 (Not run)

fitsoilwater5(theta = w, x = h, theta_S = 0.70)

# End (Not run)
```

fitsoilwater_App   *A shiny for fitting soil water retention curves*

Description

A shiny for fitting soil water retention curves

Usage

```
fitsoilwater_App()
```

Value

A shiny app

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See Also

[stressTraffic](#)

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fun2form   *Converting Function to Formula*

Description

An accessorial function to convert an object of `class` 'function' to an object of `class` 'formula'.

Usage

```
fun2form(fun, y = NULL)
```

Arguments

fun	a object of class 'function'. It must be a one-line-written function, with no curly braces "{}".
y	optional; a character defining the lef side of the formula, y = `fun()`.

Value

An object of class [formula](#).

Warning

Numerical values into `fun` with three or more digits may cause miscalculation.

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See Also

[function](), [formula]()

Examples

```
g <- function(x) Asym * exp(-b2 * b3 ^ x) # Gompertz Growth Model
fun2form(g, "y")

# f1 <- function(w) {exp(w)} # error
# fun2form(f1, "x")
f2 <- function(w) exp(w) # ok
fun2form(f2, "x")

# End (not run)
```

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getInitiallbc   *Get Initial Parameter Estimates for the Load Bearing Capacity Model*

Description

This is a [getInitial]() function that evaluates initial parameter estimates for the Load Bearing Capacity model via [SSlbc]().

Usage

```
getInitiallbc(theta, sigmaP)
```

Arguments

theta   a numeric vector containing values of soil moisture.

sigmaP   a numeric vector containing values of preconsolidation stress.

Value

A numeric vector containing the estimates of the parameters b0 and b1.

Author(s)

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References

Dias Junior, M. S. (1994). *Compression of three soils under longterm tillage and wheel traffic*. 1994. 114p. Ph.D. Thesis - Michigan State University, East Lansing.

See Also

getInitial, SSlbc, nls, sigmaP

Examples

```
data(compaction)
attach(compaction)
getInitiallbc(theta = Mois, sigmaP = PS)

# End (not run)
```

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hemc   *High-Energy-Moisture-Characteristics Aggregate Stability*

Description

A function to determine the modal suction, volume of drainable pores, structural index and stability ratio using the high-energy-moisture-characteristics (HEMC) method by Pierson & Mulla (1989), which is used to analyze the aggregate stability. Before using hemc(), the user may estimate the parameters of the Modified van Genuchten's Model through the function fitsoilwater5().

Usage

```
hemc(x, theta_R, theta_S, alpha, n, b1, b2,
graph = TRUE, from = 1, to = 30,
xlab = expression(Psi ~ (J~kg^{-1})),
ylab = expression(d ~ theta/d ~ Psi), ...)
```

Arguments

x	a vector containing matric potential values.
theta_R	a numeric vector of length two containing the parameter values in the following orde: fast and slow.
theta_S	a numeric vector of length two containing the parameter values in the following orde: fast and slow.
alpha	a numeric vector of length two containing the parameter values in the following orde: fast and slow.
n	a numeric vector of length two containing the parameter values in the following orde: fast and slow.
b1	a numeric vector of length two containing the parameter values in the following orde: fast and slow.
b2	a numeric vector of length two containing the parameter values in the following orde: fast and slow.
graph	logical; if TRUE (default), a graphical solution is shown).
from	the lower limit for the x-axis

to	the lower limit for the x-axis
xlab	a label for the x-axis
ylab	a label for the y-axis
...	further graphical arguments

Value

A list of a two objects: 1) a matrix containing the Modal Suction, the Volume od Drainable Pores (VDP) and the Structural Index for both, fast and slow wetting; and 2) the value of Stability Ratio.

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References

Pierson, F.B.; Mulla, D.J. (1989). An Improved Method for Measuring Aggregate Stability of a Weakly Aggregated Loessial Soil. *Soil Sci. Soc. Am. J.*, 53:1825–1831.

See Also

fitsoilwater5

Examples

```
hemc(x = seq(1, 30), theta_R = c(0.27, 0.4), theta_S = c(0.65, 0.47),
alpha = c(0.1393, 0.0954), n = c(6.37, 7.47),
b1 = c(-0.008421, -0.011970), b2 = c(0.0001322, 0.0001552))

# End (Not run)
```

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hydraulicCutOff	*The matric potential at the point of hydraulic cut-off obtained from DE (Dexter et al., 2008) and GG (Groenevelt & Grant, 2004) water retention curves.*

Description

The pore water suction at the point of hydraulic cut-off occurs at the point where the residual water content, obtained from Dexter et al. (2008), intercepts with the Groenevelt & Grant (2004) retention curve.

Usage

```
hydraulicCutOff(theta_R, k0, k1, n, x0 = 6.653)
```

Arguments

theta_R	a parameter that represents the residual water content at the the Dexter's (2008) Water Retention Model.
k0	a parameter value, extracted from the water retention curve based on the Groenevelt & Grant (2004) formula.
k1	a parameter value, extracted from the water retention curve based on the Groenevelt & Grant (2004) formula.
n	a parameter value, extracted from the water retention curve based on the Groenevelt & Grant (2004) formula.
x0	the value of pF (pore water suction) at which the soil water content becomes zero. The default is 6.653.

Value

The water suction at the point of hydraulic cut-off.

Author(s)

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References

Dexter, A.R.; Czyz, E.A.; Richard, G.; Reszkowska, A. (2008). A user-friendly water retention function that takes account of the textural and structural pore spaces in soil. *Geoderma*, 143:243–253.

Groenevelt, P.H.; Grnat, C.D. (2004). A new model for the soil-water retention curve that solves the problem of residual water contents. *European Journal of Soil Science*, 55:479–485.

See Also

[fitsoilwater2](), [fitsoilwater3]()

Examples

```
# Dexter et al. (2012), Table 4A
hydraulicCutOff(0.1130, 6.877, 0.6508, 1.0453)
hydraulicCutOff(0.1122, 12.048, 0.4338, 2.0658)

# End (not run)
```

hydraulicCutOff2	*The matric potential at the point of hydraulic cut-off using the point of maximum curvature of DE (Dexter et al. 2008) water retention curve.*

Description

The pore water suction at the point of hydraulic cut-off occurs at the point where the residual water content, obtained from Dexter et al. (2008), intercepts with the Groenevelt & Grant (2004) retention curve. This function calculates the Hydraulic Cut-Off using the point of maximum curvature of the DE (Dexter et al. 2008) curve.

Usage

```
hydraulicCutOff2(theta_R, a1, a2, p1, p2, graph = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

theta_R	the residual water content from Dexter's (2008) water retention curve (g/g).
a1	a water content parameter from Dexter's (2008) water retention curve (g/g).
a2	a water content parameter from Dexter's (2008) water retention curve (g/g).
p1	a matric potential parameter from Dexter's (2008) water retention curve (hPa).
p2	a matric potential parameter from Dexter's (2008) water retention curve (hPa).
graph	logical; if TRUE a graphical solution with the maximum curvature point is displayed.
...	further graphical arguments. See [par](par)

Details

The arguments are the fitting parameters from Dexter's (2008) water retention curve, which can be fitted using fitsoilwater3. Further examples of how to use these parameters are given in Dexter et al. (2012).

Value

A data.frame containing the values of matric potential (hPa), pF and water content (w) at the hydraulic cut-off (hco) point.

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References

Dexter, A.R.; Czyz, E.A.; Richard, G.; Reszkowska, A. (2008). A user-friendly water retention function that takes account of the textural and structural pore spaces in soil. *Geoderma*, 143:243–253.

Dexter, A.R., Czyz, E.A., Richard, G. (2012). Equilibrium, non-equilibrium and residual water: consequences for soil water retention. *Geoderma*, 177:63–71.

See Also

hydraulicCutOff, fitsoilwater3

Examples

```
# Example 1:  soils from Dexter et al. (2012), Table 4

hydraulicCutOff2(theta_R=0.1130,a1=0.0808,a2=0.0576,p1=4043.2,p2=269.1,
                 graph = TRUE, ylim=c(-0.05,0.15)) # Soil 1

hydraulicCutOff2(theta_R=0.0998,a1=0.1456,a2=0.0162,p1=3156.0,p2=71.51,
                 graph = TRUE, ylim=c(-0.20,0.30)) # Soil 4

hydraulicCutOff2(theta_R=0.0709,a1=0.0195,a2=0.1794,p1=4467.5,p2=1395.5,
                 graph = TRUE, ylim=c(-0.20,0.30)) # Soil 7

hydraulicCutOff2(theta_R=0.0359,a1=0.1014,a2=0.0459,p1=1282.4,p2=56.93,
                 graph = TRUE, ylim=c(-0.10,0.20)) # Soil 10

hydraulicCutOff2(theta_R=0.0736,a1=0.0522,a2=0.0321,p1=3516.2,p2=90.54,
                 graph = TRUE, ylim=c(-0.05,0.15)) # Soil 14

# Example 2:

# Fitting the water retention curve through the Dexter's (2008) curve
h <- c(0.001, 50.65, 293.77, 790.14, 992.74, 5065, 10130, 15195)
w <- c(0.5650, 0.4013, 0.2502, 0.2324, 0.2307, 0.1926, 0.1812, 0.1730)
if (interactive()) {
   fitsoilwater3(theta=w, x=h)
}

# Using the fitted parameter
hydraulicCutOff2(theta_R=0.1738,a1=0.07505,a2=0.316,p1=3673,p2=70.38,
                 graph = TRUE, ylim=c(-0.40,0.60))


# End (not run)
```

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iwc   *Integral Water Capacity (IWC)*

Description

Quantifying the soil water availability for plants through the IWC approach. The theory was based on the work of Groenevelt et al. (2001), Groenevelt et al. (2004) and Asgarzadeh et al. (2014), using the van Genuchten-Mualem Model for estimation of the water retention curve and a simple power model for penetration resistance. The salinity effect on soil available water is also implemented here, according to Groenevelt et al. (2004).

Usage

```
iwc(theta_R, theta_S, alpha, n, a, b, hos = 0,
    graph = TRUE,
    xlab = "Matric head (cm)",
    ylab = expression(cm^-1),
    xlim1 = NULL,
    xlim2 = NULL,
    xlim3 = NULL,
    ylim1 = NULL,
    ylim2 = NULL,
    ylim3 = NULL,
    col12 = c("black", "blue", "red"),
    col3 = c("orange", "black"),
    lty12 = c(1, 3, 2),
    lty3 = c(2, 1), ...)
```

Arguments

theta_R	the residual water content ($m^3 \; m-3$); a numeric parameter from van Genuchten's model; see details.
theta_S	the water content at saturation ($m^3 \; m-3$); a numeric parameter from van Genuchten's model; see details.
alpha	a scale parameter from van Genuchten's model; see details.
n	a shape parameter from van Genuchten's model; see details.
a	a parameter of the soil penetration resistance model; see details.
b	a parameter of the soil penetration resistance model; see details.
hos	optional; the value of osmotic head of the saturated soil extract (cm). Used only if one is concerned about the salinity effects on the water available for plants. Default is zero. See Groenevelt et al. (2004) for more details.
graph	logical; if TRUE (default), graphics for both dry and wet range are built.
xlab	a label for x-axis.
ylab	a label for y-axis.

xlim1, xlim2, xlim3
        the x limits (x1, x2) of each plot. See `plot.default`.

ylim1, ylim2, ylim3
        the y limits (y1, y2) of each plot. See `plot.default`.

col12   a vector of length 3 containing the color of each line of the first two plots. See `par`.

col3   a vector of length 2 containing the color of each line of the third plot. See `par`.

lty12   a vector of length 3 containing the line types for the first two plots. See `par`.

lty3   a vector of length 2 containing the line types for the third plot. See `par`.

...   further graphical parameters. See `par`.

Details

The parameters of the van Genuchten-Mualem Model can be estimated through the function `fitsoilwater()`. The soil penetration resistance model is given by: $PR = a * h^b$, where h is the soil water content and a and b are the fitting parameters.

Value

A table containing each integration of IWC (integral water capacity, in m/m) and EI (integral energy calculation, in J/kg).

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References

Asgarzadeh, H.; Mosaddeghi, M.R.; Nikbakht, A.M. (2014) SAWCal: A user-friendly program for calculating soil available water quantities and physical quality indices. *Computers and Electronics in Agriculture*, 109:86–93.

Groenevelt, P.H.; Grant, C.D.; Semetsa, S. (2001) A new procedure to determine soil water availability. *Australian Journal Soil Research*, 39:577–598.

Groenevelt, P.H., Grant, C.D., Murray, R.S. (2004) On water availability in saline soils. *Australian Journal Soil Research*, 42:833–840.

See Also

`soilwater`, `fitsoilwater`, `llwr`

Examples

```
# example 1 (Fig 1b, Asgarzadeh et al., 2014)
iwc(theta_R = 0.0160, theta_S = 0.4828, alpha = 0.0471, n = 1.2982,
a = 0.2038, b = 0.2558, graph = TRUE)

# example 2 (Table 1, Asgarzadeh et al., 2014)
iwc(theta_R = 0.166, theta_S = 0.569, alpha = 0.029, n = 1.308,
```

```
a = 0.203, b = 0.256, graph = TRUE)

# example 3: evaluating the salinity effect
iwc(theta_R = 0.166, theta_S = 0.569, alpha = 0.029, n = 1.308,
a = 0.203, b = 0.256, hos = 200, graph = TRUE)

# End (Not run)
```

Kr_h   *Unsaturated Hydraulic Conductivity*

Description

A closed-form analytical expressions for calculating the relative unsaturated hydraulic conductivity as a function of soil water tension (h) based on van Genuchten's water retention curve.

Usage

```
Kr_h(Ks, alpha, n, h, f=0.5)
```

Arguments

Ks	Saturated hydraulic conductivity (e.g. cm/day).
alpha	The scale parameter of the van Genuchten's model (hPa^-1).
n	The shape parameter in van Genuchten's formula.
h	The water tension (hPa).
f	The pore-connectivity parameter. Default 0.5 [Mualem, 1976].

Value

numeric, the value of unsaturated hydraulic conductivity.

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References

Guarracino, L. (2007). Estimation of saturated hydraulic conductivity Ks from the van Genuchten shape parameter alpha. *Water Resources Research*, 43(11).

Van Genuchten, M. T. (1980). A closed-form equation for predicting the hydraulic conductivity of unsaturated soils 1. *Soil Science Society of America Journal* 44(5):892-898.

Examples

```
# EXAMPLE 1
Kr_h(Ks = 1.06*10^2, alpha = 0.048, n = 1.5,h=100, f=0.5)

# EXAMPLE 2
x <- seq(log10(1), log10(1000),len=100)
h <- 10^x
y <- Kr_h(Ks = 1.06*10^2, alpha = 0.048, n = 1.5,h=h, f=0.5)
plot(x=h,y=y, log="yx", xlab="h (hPa)", yaxt='n',
    ylab="", ylim=c(0.001,100), xlim=c(1,10000))
mtext(expression(K[r] ~ (cm~d^-1)), 2, line=2)
ax <- c(0.001, 0.01, 0.1, 1, 10, 100)
axis(2,at=ax, labels=ax)

# End (not run)
```

Kr_theta   *Unsaturated Hydraulic Conductivity as a function of water content*

Description

A closed-form analytical expressions for calculating the relative unsaturated hydraulic conductivity as a function of soil water content based on van Genuchten's water retention curve.

Usage

```
Kr_theta(theta, thetaS, thetaR, n, Ks, f=0.5)
```

Arguments

theta	The volumetric water content (m^3/m^3).
thetaS	The volumetric water content at the saturation (m^3/m^3).
thetaR	The volumetric residual water content (m^3/m^3).
n	The shape parameter in van Genuchten's formula.
Ks	Saturated hydraulic conductivity (e.g. cm/day).
f	The pore-connectivity parameter. Default 0.5 [Mualem, 1976].

Value

numeric, the value of unsaturated hydraulic conductivity.

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References

Guarracino, L. (2007). Estimation of saturated hydraulic conductivity Ks from the van Genuchten shape parameter alpha. *Water Resources Research*, 43(11).

Van Genuchten, M. T. (1980). A closed-form equation for predicting the hydraulic conductivity of unsaturated soils. *Soil Science Society of America Journal* 44(5):892-898.

Mualem, Y. (1976). A new model for predicting the hydraulic conductivity of unsaturated porous media. *Water Resour. Res.* 43(11): 513-522,

Examples

```
# EXAMPLE 1
Kr_theta(theta=0.45,thetaS=0.5,thetaR=0.15,
        n = 2, Ks = 1.06*10^2, f=0.5)

# EXAMPLE 2
thetaS <- 0.50
thetaR <- 0.15
theta <- seq(thetaS, thetaR, len=50)
y <- Kr_theta(theta=theta,thetaS=thetaS,thetaR=thetaR,
              n = 2, Ks = 1.06*10^2, f=0.5)

# Just for this example, we are removing the "0" value
# for plotting the graph in log scale, sence log10(0) results in "-Inf"
Kr <- y[-50]
w <- theta[-50]

plot(x=w,y=Kr,xlab=expression(theta~(m^3~m^-3)),
     ylim=c(0.001,100), log="y",yaxt='n',
     ylab="", xlim=c(0.15,0.50))
mtext(expression(K[r] ~ (cm~d^-1)), 2, line=2)
ax <- c(0.001, 0.01, 0.1, 1, 10, 100)
axis(2,at=ax, labels=ax)

# End (not run)
```

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liquidlimit	*Soil Liquid Limit*

Description

Function to determine the soil Liquid Limit by using the Sowers (1965) method.

$$LL = \theta * (n/25)^{0.12}$$

.

Usage

```
liquidlimit(theta, n)
```

Arguments

theta	the soil mositure value corresponding to n drops.
n	the number of drops.

Value

The soil moisture value corresponding to the Liquid Limit.

Author(s)

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References

Sowers, G. F. (1965). Consistency. In: BLACK, C.A. (Ed.). *Methods of soil analysis*. Madison: American Society of Agronomy. Part 1, p.391-399. (Agronomy, 9).

Sowers, G. F. (1965). Consistency. In: KLUTE, A. (Ed.). 2 ed. *Methods of soil analysis*. Madison: American Society of Agronomy. Part 1, p.545-566.

See Also

criticalmoisture

Examples

```
liquidlimit(theta = 0.34, n = 22)

M <- c(0.34, 0.29, 0.27, 0.25, 0.20)
N <- c(22, 24, 25, 26, 28)
liquidlimit(theta = M, n = N)

# End (not run)
```

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llwr	*Least Limiting Water Range (LLWR)*

Description

Graphical solution for the Least Limiting Water Range and parameter estimation of the related water retention and penetration resistance curves. A summary containing standard errors and statistical significance of the parameters is also given.

Usage

```
llwr(theta, h, Bd, Pr,
    particle.density, air,
    critical.PR, h.FC, h.WP,
    water.model = c("Silva", "Ross"),
    Pr.model = c("Busscher", "noBd"),
    pars.water = NULL, pars.Pr = NULL,
    graph = TRUE, graph2 = TRUE,
    xlab = expression(Bulk~Density~(Mg~m^{-3})),
    ylab = expression(theta~(m^{3}~m^{-3})),
    main = "Least Limiting Water Range", ...)
```

Arguments

theta	a numeric vector containing values of volumetric water content ($m^3\ m^{-3}$).
h	a numeric vector containing values of matric head (cm, Psi, MPa, kPa, ...).
Bd	a numeric vector containing values of dry bulk density ($Mg\ m^{-3}$). Note that Bd can also be a vector of length 1. See details.
Pr	a numeric vector containing values of penetration resistance (MPa, kPa, ...).
particle.density	
	the value of the soil particle density ($Mg\ m^{-3}$).
air	the value of the limiting volumetric air content ($m^3\ m^{-3}$).
critical.PR	the value of the critical soil penetration resistance.
h.FC	the value of matric head at the field capacity (cm, MPa, kPa, hPa, ...).
h.WP	the value of matric head at the wilting point (cm, MPa, kPa, hPa, ...).
water.model	a character; the model to be used for calculating the soil water content. It must be one of the two: "Silva" (default) or "Ross". See details.
Pr.model	a character; the model to be used to predict soil penetration resistance. It must be one of the two: "Busscher" (default) or "noBd". See details.
pars.water	optional; a numeric vector containing the estimates of the three parameters of the soil water retention model employed. If NULL (default), llwr() estimates them using a Newton-Raphson algorithm. See details.
pars.Pr	optional; a numeric vector containing estimates of the three parameters of the model proposed by Busscher (1990) for the functional relationship among Pr, theta and Bd. If NULL (default), llwr() estimates them using a Newton-Raphson algorithm. Moreover, if Pr.model = "noBd", then the third value is considered to be null.
graph	logical; if TRUE (default) a graphical solution for the Least Limiting Water Range is plotted.
graph2	logical; if TRUE (default) a line of the Least Limiting Water Range as a function of bulk density is plotted. If graph = FALSE, then llwr() will automatically consider graph2 = FALSE too.
xlab	a title for the x axis; the default is $Bulk\ Density\ (Mg\ m^{-3})$.

ylab	a title for the y axis; the default is $\theta\ (m^3\ m^{-3})$.
main	a main title for the graphic; the default is "Least Limiting Water Range"
...	further graphical arguments.

Details

The numeric vectors theta, h, Bd and Pr are supposed to have the same length, and their values should have appropriate unit of measurement. For fitting purposes, it is not advisable to use vectors with less than five values. It is possible to calculate the LLWR for a especific (unique) value of bulk density. In This case, Bd should be a vector of length 1 and, therfore, it is not possible to fit the models "Silva" and "Busscher", for water content and penetration resistance, respectively.

The model employed by Silva et al. (1994) for the soil water content (θ) as a function of the soil bulk density (ρ) and the matric head (h) is:

$$\theta = exp(a + b\rho)h^c$$

The model proposed by Ross et al. (1991) for the soil water content (θ) as a function of the matric head (h) is:

$$\theta = ah^c$$

The penetration resistance model, as presented by Busscher (1990), is given by

$$Pr = b0 * (\theta^{b1}) * (\rho^{b2})$$

If the agrument Bd receives a single value of bulk density, then llwr() fits the following simplified model (option noBd):

$$Pr = b0 * \theta^{b1}$$

Value

A list of

limiting.theta	
	a $nx4$ matrix containing the limiting values of water content for each input value of bulk density at the volumetric air content (thetaA), penetration resistance (thetaPR), field capacity (thetaFC) and wilting point (thetaWP).
pars.water	a "nls" object or a numeric vector containing estimates of the three parameters of the model employed by Silva et al. (1994) for the functional relationship among theta, Bd and h.
r.squared.water	
	a "Rsq" object containing the pseudo and the adjusted R-squared for the water model.
pars.Pr	a "nls" object or a numeric vector containing estimates of the three parameters of the penetration resistance model.

r.squared.Pr	a "Rsq" object containing the pseudo and the adjusted R-squared for the penetration resistance model.
area	numeric; the value of the shaded (LLWR) area. Calculated only when Bd is a vector of length > 1.
LLWR	numeric; the value of LLWR ($m^3 \ m^{-3}$) corresponding to Bd. Calculated only when Bd is a single value.

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See Also

fitbusscher

Examples

```
# Example 1 - part of the data set used by Leao et al. (2005)
data(skp1994)
ex1 <- with(skp1994,
llwr(theta = W, h = h, Bd = BD, Pr = PR,
particle.density = 2.65, air = 0.1,
critical.PR = 2, h.FC = 100, h.WP = 15000))
ex1

# Example 2 - specifying the parameters (Leao et al., 2005)
a <- c(-0.9175, -0.3027, -0.0835) # Silva et al. model of water content
b <- c(0.0827, -1.6087, 3.0570)   # Busscher's model
ex2 <- with(skp1994,
llwr(theta = W, h = h, Bd = BD, Pr = PR,
particle.density = 2.65, air = 0.1,
critical.PR = 2, h.FC = 0.1, h.WP = 1.5,
pars.water = a, pars.Pr = b))
ex2
```

```
# Example 3 - specifying a single value for Bd
ex3 <- with(skp1994,
llwr(theta = W, h = h, Bd = 1.45, Pr = PR,
particle.density = 2.65, air = 0.1,
critical.PR = 2, h.FC = 100, h.WP = 15000))
ex3

# End (not run)
```

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llwrPTF   *Least Limiting Water Range (LLWR) Using Pedo-Transfer Functions*

Description

It calculates Least Limiting Water Range (LLWR) using pedo-transfer functions in according to Silva \& Kay (1997) and Silva et al. (2008), for Canadian and Brazilian soils, respectively.

Usage

```
llwrPTF(air, critical.PR, h.FC, h.WP, p.density, Bd, clay.content, org.carbon = NULL)
```

Arguments

air	the value of the limiting volumetric air content, $m^3 m^{-3}$
critical.PR	the value of the critical soil penetration resistance, MPa
h.FC	the value of matric suction at the field capacity, hPa
h.WP	the value of matric suction at the wilting point, hPa
p.density	the value of the soil particle density, $Mg m^{-3}$
Bd	a numeric vector containing values of dry bulk density, $Mg m^{-3}$. Note that Bd can also be a vector of length 1.
clay.content	a numeric vector containing values of clay content to each bulk density, $\%$
org.carbon	a numeric vector containing values of organic carbon to each bulk density, $\%$, for Canadian soils. Default is 2%. See details.

Details

Note that org.carbon is only required for Canadian soil. If it is not passed, LLWR for Canadian soil is calculated with 2% of organic carbon.

Value

A list of

LLWR.B	LLWR for Brazilian soils
LLWR.C	LLWR for Canadian soils

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Examples

```
# EXEMPLE 1 (for Brazilian Soils)
llwrPTF(air=0.1,critical.PR=2, h.FC=100, h.WP=15000,p.density=2.65,
        Bd=c(1.2,1.3,1.4,1.5,1.35),clay.content=c(30,30,35,38,40))

# EXEMPLE 2 (for Canadian Soils)
llwrPTF(air=0.1,critical.PR=2, h.FC=100, h.WP=15000,p.density=2.65,
        Bd=c(1.2,1.3,1.4),clay.content=c(30,30,30), org.carbon=c(1.3,1.5,2))

# EXEMPLE 3 (combining it with soil stress)
stress <- stressTraffic(inflation.pressure=200,
        recommended.pressure=200,
        tyre.diameter=1.8,
        tyre.width=0.4,
        wheel.load=4000,
        conc.factor=c(4,5,5,5,5,5),
                layers=c(0.05,0.1,0.3,0.5,0.7,1),
        plot.contact.area = FALSE)

stress.p <- stress$Stress$sigma_mean
layers <- stress$Stress$Layers
n <- length(layers)
def <- soilDeformation(stress = stress.p,
                p.density = rep(2.67,n),
            iBD = rep(1.55,n),
                N = rep(1.9392,n),
                CI = rep(0.06037,n),
                k = rep(0.00608,n),
                k2 = rep(0.01916,n),
                m = rep(1.3,n),graph=TRUE,ylim=c(1.4,1.8))
```

```
# Grapth LLWR, considering Brazilian soils
plot(x = 1, y = 1,
     xlim=c(0,0.2),ylim=c(1,0),xaxt = "n",
     ylab = "Soil Depth",xlab ="", type="l", main="")
axis(3)
mtext("LLWR",side=3,line=2.5)

i.LLWR <- llwrPTF(air=0.1,critical.PR=2, h.FC=100,
                         h.WP=15000,p.density=2.65,
                         Bd=def$iBD,clay.content=rep(20,n))
f.LLWR <- llwrPTF(air=0.1,critical.PR=2, h.FC=100,
                         h.WP=15000,p.density=2.65,
                         Bd=def$fBD,clay.content=rep(20,n))

points(x=i.LLWR$LLWR.B, y=layers, type="l"); points(x=i.LLWR$LLWR.B, y=layers,pch=15)
points(x=f.LLWR$LLWR.B, y=layers, type="l", col=2); points(x=f.LLWR$LLWR.B, y=layers,pch=15, col=2)

# End (not run)
```

LLWR_App   *A shiny for calculation of the usual least limiting water range*

Description

A shiny for calculation of the usual least limiting water range

Usage

```
LLWR_App()
```

Value

A shiny app

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See Also

[stressTraffic](#)

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llwr_llmpr	*Least Limiting Water (LLWR) and Matric Potential Ranges (LLMPR)*

Description

A graphical solution and calculation of the least limiting water range and least limiting water matric potential range, including the corresponding the water content and water tensions limits.

Usage

```
llwr_llmpr(thetaR, thetaS, alpha, n, d, e, f = NULL, critical.PR, PD, Bd = NULL,
        h.FC, h.PWP, air.porosity,
        labels = c("AIR", "FC", "PWP", "PR"), ylab = "",
        graph1 = TRUE, graph2 = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

thetaR	the residual water content, $m^3 m^{-3}$
thetaS	the water content at saturation , $m^3 m^{-3}$
alpha	the scale parameter of the van Genuchten's model, hPa^{-1}
n	the shape parameter of the van Genuchten's model
d	a parameter of Busscher soil penetration resistance model. See details.
e	a parameter of Busscher soil penetration resistance model. See details.
f	a parameter of Busscher soil penetration resistance model. See details.
critical.PR	the limiting value of soil penetration resistance, MPa
PD	particle density, $Mg m^{-3}$
Bd	the bulk density to be displayed at bottom of the graph (optional), $Mg m^{-3}$
h.FC	the value of water tension at field capacity, hPa
h.PWP	the value of water tension at wilting point, hPa
air.porosity	the volumetric air-filled porosity
labels	the labels to h.FC, h.PWP, air.porosity and critical.PR
ylab	a title for the y-axis
graph1	logical; if TRUE (default) a graphical solution for the Least Limiting Water Range is displayed
graph2	logical; if TRUE (default) a graphical solution for the Least Limiting Matric Potential Range is displayed
...	Further graphical arguments

Details

The penetration resistance model, as presented by Busscher (1990), is given by PR = d * $\theta^e * BD^f$. In this model, BD (bulk density) is calculated from thetaS (soil total porosity) and PD (particles density), i.e., $BD = PD * thetaS^{-1}$. If the argument f is not passed, the model becomes $PR = d * \theta^e$.

Value

A list of the LLWR and LLMPR, including the corresponding the water content and water tensions limits.

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Examples

```
# Parameters from Leon et al. (2018), for usual physical restrictions threshold

  llwr_llmpr(thetaR=0.1180, thetaS=0.36, alpha=0.133, n=1.30,
       d=0.005, e=-2.93, f=3.54, PD=2.65,
       critical.PR=4, h.FC=100, h.PWP=15000, air.porosity=0.1,
       labels=c("AFP", "FC","PWP", "PR"),
       graph1=TRUE,graph2=FALSE, ylab=expression(psi~(hPa)), ylim=c(15000,1))
  mtext(expression("Bulk density"~(Mg~m^-3)),1,line=2.2, cex=0.8)
```

```
llwr_llmpr(thetaR=0.1180, thetaS=0.36, alpha=0.133, n=1.30,
      d=0.005, e=-2.93, f=3.54, PD=2.65,
      critical.PR=4, h.FC=100, h.PWP=15000, air.porosity=0.1,
      graph1=FALSE,graph2=TRUE,
      labels=c("Air-filled porosity", "Field capacity",
               "Permanent wilting point", "Penetration resistance"),
      ylim=c(0.1,0.30), ylab=expression(theta~(m^3~m^-3)))
mtext(expression("Bulk density"~(Mg~m^-3)),1,line=2.2, cex=0.8)


# Without bulk density effects in Busscher's model (i.e. f=NULL)

llwr_llmpr(thetaR=0.1180, thetaS=0.36, alpha=0.133, n=1.30,
      d=0.0165, e=-2.93, PD=2.65,
      critical.PR=3, h.FC=100, h.PWP=15000, air.porosity=0.1,
      graph1=TRUE,graph2=FALSE,ylim=c(15000,1),
      ylab=expression(psi~(hPa)))
mtext(expression("Bulk density"~(Mg~m^-3)),1,line=2.2, cex=0.8)

llwr_llmpr(thetaR=0.1180, thetaS=0.36, alpha=0.133, n=1.30,
      d=0.0165, e=-2.93, PD=2.65,
      critical.PR=3, h.FC=100, h.PWP=15000,air.porosity=0.1,
      graph1=FALSE,graph2=TRUE,
      ylim=c(0.1,0.30), ylab=expression(theta~(m^3~m^-3)))
mtext(expression("Bulk density"~(Mg~m^-3)),1,line=2.2, cex=0.8)


# Parameters from Leon et al. (2018), calculated physical restrictions threshold

thetaR <- 0.1180
thetaS <- 0.36
alpha <- 0.133
n <- 1.30
clay.content <- 15 # clay content 15 %
mim.gas.difusion <- 0.005
root.elongation.rate <- 0.3 # root elogation rate 30%

FC <- (1/alpha)*((n-1)/n)^((1-2*n)/n) # Assouline and Or (2014)
PWP <- 10^(3.514 + 0.0250*clay.content) # Dexter et al. (2012)
AIR.critical <-  (mim.gas.difusion*(thetaS)^2)^(1/(10/3)) # Millington and Quirk (1961)
PR.critical <- log(root.elongation.rate)/-0.4325 # Moraes et al. (2018)

llwr_llmpr(thetaR=thetaR, thetaS=thetaS, alpha=alpha, n=n,
      d=0.005, e=-2.93, f=3.54, PD=2.65,ylim=c(15000,1),
      critical.PR=PR.critical, h.FC=FC, h.PWP=PWP, air.porosity=AIR.critical,
      graph1=TRUE,graph2=FALSE, ylab=expression(psi~(hPa)))
mtext(expression("Bulk density"~(Mg~m^-3)),1,line=2.2, cex=0.8)

llwr_llmpr(thetaR=thetaR, thetaS=thetaS, alpha=alpha, n=n,
      d=0.005, e=-2.93, f=3.54, PD=2.65,
      critical.PR=PR.critical, h.FC=FC, h.PWP=PWP, air.porosity=AIR.critical,
      graph1=FALSE,graph2=TRUE,
```

```
        ylim=c(0.1,0.30), ylab=expression(theta~(m^3~m^-3)))
  mtext(expression("Bulk density"~(Mg~m^-3)),1,line=2.2, cex=0.8)

 # End (not run)
```

LLWR_LLMPR_App	*A shiny for calculation of least limiting water and matric potential ranges of agricultural soils with calculated physical restriction thresholds*

Description

A shiny for calculation of least limiting water and matric potential ranges of agricultural soils with calculated physical restriction thresholds

Usage

```
LLWR_LLMPR_App()
```

Value

A shiny app

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See Also

stressTraffic

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maxcurv	*Maximum Curvature Point*

Description

Function to determine the maximum curvature point of an univariate nonlinear function of x.

Usage

```
 maxcurv(x.range, fun,
method = c("general", "pd", "LRP", "spline"),
x0ini = NULL,
graph = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

`x.range`	a numeric vector of length two, the range of x.
`fun`	a function of x; it must be a one-line-written function, with no curly braces '{}'.
`method`	a character indicating one of the following: "general" - for evaluating the general curvature function (k), "pd" - for evaluating perpendicular distances from a secant line, "LRP" - a NLS estimate of the maximum curvature point as the breaking point of Linear Response Plateau model, "spline" - a NLS estimate of the maximum curvature point as the breaking point of a piecewise linear spline. See details.
`x0ini`	an initial *x*-value for the maximum curvature point. Required only when "LRP" or "spline" are used.
`graph`	logical; if TRUE (default) a curve of `fun` is plotted.
`...`	further graphical arguments.

Details

The method "LRP" can be understood as an especial case of "spline". And both models are fitted via [nls](#). The method "pd" is an adaptation of the method proposed by Lorentz et al. (2012). The "general" method should be preferred for finding *global* points. On the other hand, "pd", "LRP" and "spline" are suitable for finding *local* points of maximum curvature.

Value

A list of

`fun`	the function of x.
`x0`	the x critical value.
`y0`	the y critical value.
`method`	the method of determination (input).

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See Also

[function](#), [curve](#)

Examples

```
# Example 1: an exponential model
f <- function(x) exp(-x)
maxcurv(x.range = c(-2, 5), fun = f)

# Example 2: Gompertz Growth Model
Asym <- 8.5
b2 <- 2.3
b3 <- 0.6
g <- function(x) Asym * exp(-b2 * b3 ^ x)
maxcurv(x.range = c(-5, 20), fun = g)

# using "pd" method
maxcurv(x.range = c(-5, 20), fun = g, method = "pd")

# using "LRP" method
maxcurv(x.range = c(-5, 20), fun = g, method = "LRP", x0ini = 6.5)

# Example 3: Lessman & Atkins (1963) model for optimum plot size
a = 40.1
b = 0.72
cv <- function(x) a * x^-b
maxcurv(x.range = c(1, 50), fun = cv)

# using "spline" method
maxcurv(x.range = c(1, 50), fun = cv, method = "spline", x0ini = 6)

# End (not run)
```

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particle.sedimentation

Sedimentation time of soil particles in aqueous media

Description

It calculates the sedimentation time of soil particle in aqueous media using Stokes equation, i.e., the time needed for the particles of soil larger than the size attributed as input to sediment in aqueous media, usually water.

Usage

```
particle.sedimentation(d, h=0.2, g=9.81, v=0.001, Pd=2650, Wd=1000)
```

Arguments

d	the lower limit of soil particle diameter (micrometers) to sediment withing the calculated time.
h	the vertical distance (meters) from which the particles fall. Default is 0.2 m.

g	the acceleration of gravity, in m/s^2. Default is 9.81 m/s^2.
v	the viscosity of the fluid, in N/s/m^2. Default is 0.001 N/s/m^2, for water at 20 degrees Celsius.
Pd	the particle density, in kg/m^3. Default is 2650 kg/m^3.
Wd	the density of the fluid, in kg/m^3. Default is 1000 kg/m^3.

Value

A `data.frame` containing the estimated time for the sedimentation of particles.

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References

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Examples

```
# Example 1
particle.sedimentation(d=2, h=0.2, g=9.81, v=1.002*10^-3, Pd=2650, Wd=1000)

# Example 2
d <- c(2000, 200, 50, 10, 2, 1)
time <- particle.sedimentation(d=d, h=0.2, g=9.81, v=1.002*10^-3, Pd=2650, Wd=1000)

plot(x=d, y=time$hours, log = "x", xaxt ="n",
     ylab = "time of sedimentation (hours)", xlab = "particle diameter (micrometer)")
axis(1,at=d, labels=d)

# End (not run)
```

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particle.sedimentation_App

A shiny for time of particle sedimentation

Description

A shiny for time of particle sedimentation

Usage

```
particle.sedimentation_App()
```

Value

A shiny app

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See Also

[stressTraffic](#)

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plotCIsigmaP	*Percentile Confidence Intervals for Simulated Preconsolidation Stress*

Description

Build and plot percentile confidence intervals for preconsolidation stress simulated from [simSigmaP](#).

Usage

```
plotCIsigmaP(msim, conf.level = 0.95, shade.col = "orange",
ordered = TRUE, xlim = NULL, xlab = expression(sigma[P]),
las = 1, mar = c(4.5, 6.5, 2, 1), ...)
```

Arguments

msim	an object of class "simSigmaP".
conf.level	the confidence level for the intervals.
shade.col	a character or number indicating the color of the shaded area delimiting each CI. See [colors](#).
ordered	logical; should the intervals be displayed according to the value of the simulated mean?
xlim	optional; a numeric vector of length two containing the limits of the *x*-axis.
xlab	optional; a character indicating the *x*-axis label.
las	optional; see [par](#).
mar	optional; see [par](#).
...	further graphical parameters; see [par](#).

Value

A numeric matrix containing the simulated mean, coefficient of variation, lower and upper CI limits and the name of the method used to calculate the preconsolidation stress.

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See Also

[simSigmaP](#), [sigmaP](#)

Examples

```
# input data: stress and void ratio
pres <- c(1, 12.5, 25, 50, 100, 200, 400, 800, 1600)
VR <- c(1.43, 1.41, 1.40, 1.39, 1.35, 1.31, 1.25, 1.18, 1.12)

# simulation (may take a few seconds)
simres <- simSigmaP(VR, pres, nsim = 30)
head(simres)

# percentile confidence intervals
ci <- plotCIsigmaP(simres, conf.level = 0.95,
shade.col = "blue", ordered = TRUE)
print(ci)

# End (Not run)
```

PredComp   *A shiny for simulation of soil compaction*

Description

A shiny for for simulation of soil compaction

Usage

```
PredComp()
```

Value

A shiny app

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See Also

stressTraffic

psd	*Soil Pore Size Distribution*

Description

The unimodal soil pore size distribution based on van Genuchten's model.

Usage

```
psd(thetaS, thetaR, alpha, n, h)
```

Arguments

thetaS	the water content at saturation.
thetaR	the residual water content.
alpha	the scale parameter of the van Genuchten's model (hPa-1).
n	the shape parameter in van Genuchten's formula.
h	a vector of water tension (hPa) on the range of water retention curve.

Value

A numeric vector containing the soil pore size distribution as a function of soil water tension.

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References

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Examples

```
# EXAMPLE 1
x <- seq(log10(1),log10(15000),len=100)
h <- 10^x
y <- psd(thetaR = 0.15,thetaS = 0.55, alpha = 0.048, n = 1.5, h=h)
plot(x=h,y=y, log="x", xlab="h (hPa)", ylab=expression(delta*theta/delta*h), ylim=c(0,0.005))

# EXAMPLE 2
x <- seq(log10(1),log10(15000),len=100)
h <- 10^x
y <- psd(thetaR = 0.20,thetaS = 0.61, alpha = 0.1232, n = 1.3380,h=h)
```

```
plot(x=h,y=y, log="x", xlab="h (hPa)", ylab=expression(delta*theta/delta*h), ylim=c(0,0.01))

# EXAMPLE 3
x <- seq(log10(1),log10(15000),len=100)
h <- 10^x
y <- psd(thetaR = 0.154,thetaS = 0.600, alpha = 0.103, n = 2.365,h=h)
plot(x=h,y=y, log="x", xlab="h (hPa)", ylab=expression(delta*theta/delta*h), ylim=c(0,0.03))
ax <- c(1,10,100,1000,10000)
radius <- r(h=ax)
axis(3,at=ax, labels=round(radius,2))
mtext("Equivalent pore radius"~(mu*m),3,line=2.5, cex=0.9)

# End (not run)
```

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r   *Equation of capillary*

Description

The equivalent pore radius as a function of soil water tension.

Usage

```
r(h, surface.tension.water=0.072, water.density=1000, water.pore.contact.angle=0)
```

Arguments

h	The water tension (hPa).
surface.tension.water	
	Surface tension of water (N/m).
water.density	Density of water (kg/m^3).
water.pore.contact.angle	
	Water pore contact angle (degrees).

Value

The equivalent pore radius, in micrometer..

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References

Ghiberto, P. J., Imhoff, S., Libardi, P. L., Silva, A. P. D., Tormena, C. A., Pilatti, M. A. (2015). Soil physical quality of Mollisols quantified by a global index. *Scientia Agricola*, 72(2):167-174.

Examples

```
x <- seq(log10(1), log10(15000), len=50)
h <- 10^x
y <- r(h=h)
plot(x=h, y=y, log="yx", xlab="h (hPa)", yaxt='n', ylab="", ylim=c(0.1, 1500))
ax <- c(0.1, 1, 10, 100, 1000, 1500)
axis(2,at=ax, labels=ax)
mtext("Pore radius"~ (mu*m), 2, line=2.5)

# End (not run)
```

Rsq   *Multiple R-squared*

Description

Function to calculate the *multiple R-squared* and the *adjusted R-squared* from a fitted model via lm
or aov, i.e., linear models. For a model fitted via nls, nonlinear models, the *pseudo R-squared* is
returned.

Usage

```
 Rsq(model)
```

Arguments

model   a model fitted via lm, aov or nls.

Value

A list of

R.squared   the multiple R-squared (for linear models) or the Pseudo R-squared (for nonlin-
               ear models).

adj.R.squared the adjusted R-squared.

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See Also

lm, summary.lm, aov, nls

Examples

```
# example 1 [linear model]
y <- rnorm(10)
x <- 1:10
fit <- lm(y ~ x)
summary(fit)
Rsq(fit)

# example 2 [nonlinear model for Load Bearing Capacity]
data(compaction)
attach(compaction)
out <- fitlbc(theta = Mois, sigmaP = PS)
summary(out)
Rsq(out)

# End (not run)
```

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r_App   *A shiny for equation of capillarity*

Description

A shiny for equation of capillarity

Usage

```
r_App()
```

Value

A shiny app

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See Also

[stressTraffic](#)

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sigmaP   *Preconsolidation Stress*

Description

A function to determine the preconsolidation stress (σ_P). It is a parameter obtained from the soil compression curve and has been used as an indicator of soil load-bearing capacity as well as to characterize the impacts suffered by the use of machines. The function sigmaP() contains implementations of the main methods for determining the pre-consolidation stress, such as the Casagrande method, the method of Pacheco Silva, the regression methods and the method of the virgin compression line intercept.

Usage

```
sigmaP(voidratio, stress, n4VCL = 3,
   method = c("casagrande", "VCLzero", "reg1", "reg2", "reg3", "reg4", "pacheco"),
     mcp = NULL, graph = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

voidratio	a numeric vector containing void ratio (or bulk density) values.
stress	a numeric vector containing the applied stress sequence.
n4VCL	the number of points for calculating the slope of the soil Virgin Compression Line (VCL), which is obtained by linear regression.
method	a character indicating which method is to be computed; one of the following: casagrande (default), VCLzero, reg1, reg2, reg3, reg4 or pacheco; see Details.
mcp	the maximum curvature point in log10 scale of stress; required only if the method casagrande is used.
graph	logical; if TRUE (default) the compression curve is plotted.
...	further graphical arguments.

Details

casagrande is the method proposed by Casagrande (1936). The preconsolidation stress obtained via VCLzero corresponds to the intersection of the soil *Virgin Compression Line* (VCL) with the x-axis at zero applied stress, as described by Arvidsson & Keller (2004). reg1, reg2, reg3 and reg4 are regression methods that obtain the preconsolidation stress value as the intercept of the VCL and a regression line fitted with the first two, three, four and five points of the curve, respectively, as described by Dias Junior & Pierce (1995). pacheco is the method of Pacheco Silva (ABNT, 1990).

You may follow the flowchart below to understand the determination of the preconsolidation stress through sigmaP().
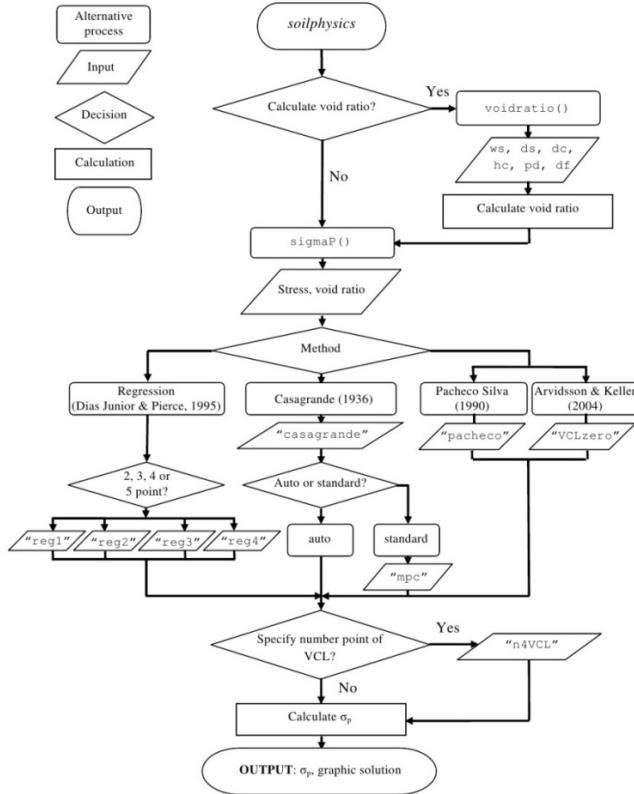
ws - the weight of wet soil; ds - the weight of dry soil; dc - the diameter of the cylinder;
hc - the heigth of the cylinder; pd - the particle density; df - a numeric vector containing
soil deformation values; σ_p - preconsolidation pressure; VCL - Virgin Compression
Line.

Value

A list of

sigmaP	the preconsolidation stress.
method	the method used as argument.
mcp	the maximum curvature point in log10 scale of stress; stored only if the method casagrande is used.
CI	the compression index.
SI	the swelling index.

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Casagrande, A. (1936). *The determination of the pre-consolidation load and its practical significance*. In: Proceedings of the International Conference on Soil Mech. and Found. Eng. (ICSMFE), Cambridge, MA, 22-26 June 1936, vol. 3. Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA, pp. 60-64.

Dias Junior, M. S.; Pierce, F. J. (1995). A simple procedure for estimating preconsolidation pressure from soil compression curves. *Soil Technology*, 8:139-151.

See Also

voidratio, maxcurv, fitlbc

Examples

```
pres <- c(1, 12.5, 25, 50, 100, 200, 400, 800, 1600)
VR <- c(0.846, 0.829, 0.820, 0.802, 0.767, 0.717, 0.660, 0.595, 0.532)

plot(VR ~ log10(pres), type = "b") # find the 'mcp'
sigmaP(VR, pres, method = "casagrande", mcp = 1.6, n4VCL = 2)

# fitting the VCL
sigmaP(VR, pres, method = "casagrande", mcp = 1.6, n4VCL = 3)

# self-calculation of "mcp" argument for Casagrande method
sigmaP(VR, pres, method = "casagrande", n4VCL = 3)

# Pacheco method
sigmaP(VR, pres, method = "pacheco")

# Regression method
sigmaP(VR, pres, method = "reg3")

# End (not run)
```

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simSigmaP   *Simulating Preconsolidation Stress*

Description

Simulating preconsolidation pressure, compression and swelling indices, based on a multivariate Gaussian distribution for the parameters of the compression curve.

Usage

```
simSigmaP(voidratio, stress,
what.out = c("sigmaP", "CI", "SI"),
method = c("casagrande", "VCLzero", "reg1", "reg2", "reg3", "reg4", "pacheco"),
n4VCL = 3, nsim = 100)
```

Arguments

voidratio	a numeric vector containing void ratio (or bulk density) values.
stress	a numeric vector containing the applied stress sequence.
what.out	a character indicating which sigmaP() output should be simulated. It must be on of "sigmaP" (default), "CI" of "SI".
method	a character vector indicating which methods should be used.
n4VCL	the number of points for calculating the slope of the soil Virgin Compression Line (VCL), which is obtained by linear regression. Default is 3.
nsim	the number of simulations. Default is 100. Warning: it may cause time demanding.

Value

A numeric matrix containing the simulated values for each method selected as input.

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See Also

[sigmaP](#), [plotCIsigmaP](#)

Examples

```
# input data: stress and void ratio
pres <- c(1, 12.5, 25, 50, 100, 200, 400, 800, 1600)
VR <- c(1.43, 1.41, 1.40, 1.39, 1.35, 1.31, 1.25, 1.18, 1.12)

# simulation (may take a few seconds)
simres <- simSigmaP(VR, pres, nsim = 30)
```

```
head(simres)

# plot percentile confidence intervals
ci <- plotCIsigmaP(simres, conf.level = 0.95,
shade.col = "blue", ordered = TRUE)
print(ci)

# End (Not run)
```

Sindex *The S Index*

Description

Function to calculate the S index (Dexter, 2004) for evaluating the soil physical quality based on the *Water Retention Curve* (van Genuchten, 1980).

$$S = -n * (\theta_S - \theta_R) * (1 + 1/m)^{-(1+m)}$$

Usage

```
Sindex(theta_R, theta_S, alpha, n, m = 1 - 1/n, vcov = NULL,
nsim = 999, conf.level = 0.95, graph = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

theta_R	the residual water content.
theta_S	the water content at saturation.
alpha	a scale parameter of the van Genuchten's formula.
n	a shape parameter in van Genuchten's formula.
m	a shape parameter in van Genuchten's Formula. Default is $1 - 1/n$ (Mualem, 1976).
vcov	optional (default is NULL); a variance-covariance matrix of the estimates which is used to perform Monte Carlo simulations of the parameters theta_R, theta_S, alpha and n for building a simulated confidence interval of the S index (in modulus).
nsim	the number of Monte Carlo simulations; default is 999. It is used only if vcov is specified.
conf.level	the confidence level; default is 0.95. It is used only if vcov is specified.
graph	logical; if TRUE (defaul), the soil water retention curve is plotted.
...	further graphical arguments.

Value

A list of

h_i	the modulus of the water potential at the inflection point.
theta_i	the water content at the inflection point.
S.index	the modulus of the S index.
PhysicalQuality	
	A character indicating the soil physical quality, as proposed by Dexter (2004).
simCI	the simulated confidence interval. It is stored only if vcov is specified.
conf.level	the confidence level for the simulated confidence interval. It is stored only if vcov is specified.

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References

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Mualem, Y. (1976). A new model for predicting the hydraulic conductivity of unsaturated porous media, *Water Resource Research*, 12:513-522.

See Also

soilwater, fitsoilwater

Examples

```
# Dexter (2004, Table 1)
Sindex(0, 0.395, 0.0217, 1.103, xlim = c(0, 1000))
Sindex(0, 0.335, 0.0616, 1.139, xlim = c(0, 1000))
# ...
Sindex(0, 0.226, 0.0671, 1.581, xlim = c(0, 1000))

# End (not run)
```

skp1994   *LLWR Data Set*

Description

Data set presented by Leao et al. (2005), for determining the Least Limiting Water Range.

Usage

```
data(skp1994)
```

Format

A data frame with 64 observations on the following 4 variables:

BD a numeric vector containing soil bulk density values, in Mg/m3.

W a numeric vector containing volumetric water content values, in m3/m3.

PR a numeric vector containing penetration resistance values, in MPa.

h a numeric vector containing matric head values, in cm.

Source

Leao et al. (2005). An Algorithm for Calculating the Least Limiting Water Range of Soils. *Agronomy Journal*, 97:1210-1215.

Examples

```
data(skp1994)
summary(skp1994)
```

SoilAggregate   *Soil Aggregate Size Data Set*

Description

Data set for determining soil aggregate size distribution.

Usage

```
data(SoilAggregate)
```

Format

A data frame with 12 observations on 7 variables.

ID a factor with the names of the soil samples.

D3

D1.5

D0.75

D0.375

D0.178

D0.053

Examples

```
data(SoilAggregate)
summary(SoilAggregate)
```

---

soilDeformation   *Soil deformation by O'Sullivan and Robertson (1996)*

Description

It calculates bulk density variation as a function of the applied mean normal stress using critical state theory, by O'Sullivan and Robertson (1996).

Usage

```
soilDeformation(stress, p.density, iBD, N, CI, k, k2, m, graph = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

stress	a numeric vector containing the values of mean normal stress, kPa; Note that stress can also be a vector of length 1.
p.density	a numeric vector containing the values of particle density to each stress, Mgm^{-3}.
iBD	a numeric vector containing the values of initial bulk density to each stress, Mgm^{-3}.
N	the specific volume at p = 1 kPa, to each stress
CI	the compression index, to each stress; check details
k	the recompression index, to each stress; check details
k2	the slope of the steeper recompression line to each stress (similar to the k' in O'Sullivan and Robertson (1996) model); check details
m	the value that separates yield line and VCL to each stress; check details
graph	logical; shall soilDeformation plot the graph model (only the first parameters set is ploted)?
...	further graphical arguments. See par.

Details

The specific volume (v) is given as $v = PD/BD$, where PD is particle density and BD is the bulk density. Please, check each parameter from O'Sullivan and Robertson (1996) model in the figure below.

Soil Mechanical Parameters
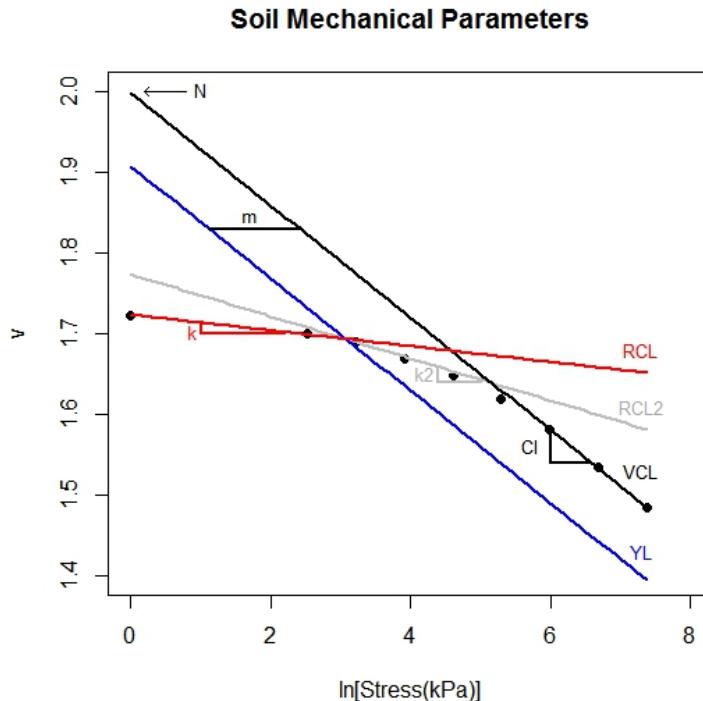
Value

A list of

iBD	initial bulk density, Mgm^{-3}
fBD	final bulk density, Mgm^{-3}
vi	initial specific volume
vf	final specific volume
I	variation of soil bulk density ($\%$) after the applied stress

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References

O'Sullivan, M.F.; Robertson, E.A.G. 1996. Critical state parameters from intact samples of two agricultural soils. *Soil and Tillage Research*, 39:161-173.

Keller, T.; Defossez, P.; Weisskopf, P.; Arvidsson, J.; Richard, G. 2007. SoilFlex: a model for prediction of soil stresses and soil compaction due to agricultural field traffic including a synthesis of analytical approaches. *Soil and Tillage Research*, 93:391-411.

Examples

```
# EXAMPLE 1
soilDeformation(stress = 300,
                p.density = 2.67,
        iBD = 1.55,
                N = 1.9392,
                CI = 0.06037,
                k = 0.00608,
                k2 = 0.01916,
                m = 1.3,graph=TRUE,ylim=c(1.4,1.8))

# EXEMPLE 2 (combining it with soil stress)
stress <- stressTraffic(inflation.pressure=200,
        recommended.pressure=200,
        tyre.diameter=1.8,
        tyre.width=0.4,
        wheel.load=4000,
        conc.factor=c(4,5,5,5,5,5),
                layers=c(0.05,0.1,0.3,0.5,0.7,1),
        plot.contact.area = FALSE)

stress.mean <- stress$Stress$sigma_mean
layers <- stress$Stress$Layers
n <- length(layers)

def <- soilDeformation(stress = stress.mean,
                p.density = rep(2.67, n),
        iBD = rep(1.55,n),
                N = rep(1.9392,n),
                CI = rep(0.06037,n),
                k = rep(0.00608,n),
                k2 = rep(0.01916,n),
                m = rep(1.3,n),graph=TRUE,ylim=c(1.4,1.8))

# Graph
plot(x = 1, y = 1,
     xlim=c(1.4,1.7),ylim=c(1,0),xaxt = "n",
     ylab = "Soil Depth",xlab ="", type="l", main="")
axis(3)
mtext("Bulk Density",side=3,line=2.5)

initial.BD <- def$iBD
final.BD <- def$fBD
```

```
points(x=initial.BD, y=layers, type="l")
points(x=initial.BD, y=layers,pch=15)
points(x=final.BD, y=layers, type="l", col=2)
points(x=final.BD, y=layers,pch=15, col=2)

# End (not run)
```

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soilStrength	*Estimation of precompression stress by Severiano et al. (2013)*

Description

It calculates the precompression stress using the pedo-transfer function from Severiano et al. (2013)

Usage

```
soilStrength(clay.content, matric.suction = NULL, water.content = NULL)
```

Arguments

clay.content a numeric vector containing the values of clay for each soil layer, %. Note that it can also be a unique value.

matric.suction a numeric vector containing the values of matric suction for each clay content, kPa.

water.content a numeric vector containing the values of water content for each clay content, $m^3 m^{-3}$. Note that water.content must be passed if matric.suction is not. See details.

Details

Intervals of soil water content/matric suction to be used as input for estimating soil strength according to Severiano et al. (2013).

Clay content (%)	Matric suction (kPa)	Water content (m³ m⁻³)
< 20	1-10,000	0.41-0.05
21-31	1-10,000	0.44-0.09
32-37	1-10,000	0.45-0.11
38-52	1-10,000	0.49-0.13
< 52	1-10,000	0.50-0.15

Value

A two-columns data frame:

Pc the precompression stress (Severiano et al. 2013)

LL.Pc the lower limit of precompression stress in acoording to the Terranimo model criteria (see Stettler et al. 2014). Note: LL.Pc = Pc*0.5

UL.Pc the upper limit of precompression stress in acoording to the Terranimo model criteria (see Stettler et al. 2014). Note: UL.Pc = Pc*1.1

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References

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Stettler, M., Keller, T., Weisskopf, P., Lamande, M., Lassen, P., Schjonning, P., 2014. Terranimo - a web-based tool for evaluating soil compaction. *Landtechnik*, 69:132-137.

See Also

stressTraffic

Examples

```
# EXEMPLE 1 (using water content)
soilStrength(clay.content=c(25,28,30,30,30),
             water.content = c(0.26,0.27,0.29,0.32,0.32))


# EXEMPLE 2 (using matric suction)
soilStrength(clay.content=c(25,28,30,30,30),
             matric.suction = c(100,330,1000,3000,5000))


# EXAMPLE 3 (combining it with soil stress)
stress <- stressTraffic(inflation.pressure=200,
        recommended.pressure=200,
        tyre.diameter=1.8,
        tyre.width=0.4,
        wheel.load=4000,
        conc.factor=c(4,5,5,5,5,5),
               layers=c(0.05,0.1,0.3,0.5,0.7,1),
        plot.contact.area = FALSE)

strength <- soilStrength(clay.content=c(25,28,30,30,30,30),
             matric.suction = c(30,100,100,100,200,200))


# Graph
plot(x = 1, y = 1,
     xlim=c(0,300),ylim=c(1,0),xaxt = "n",
     ylab = "Soil Depth",xlab ="", type="l", main="")
axis(3)
mtext("Vertical Stress",side=3,line=2.5)
```

```
stressz <- stress$Stress$sigma_vertical
layers <- stress$Stress$Layers
points(x=stressz, y=layers, type="l")

# Green zone
x0 <- strength$LL.Pc
x1 <- rep(0,length(layers))
y0 <- layers
y1 <- rev(layers)
polygon(x=c(x0,x1), y = c(y0,y1),density = NA,
        col=rgb(red=0, green=1, blue=0, alpha=0.3))

# Yellow zone
x0 <- strength$UL.Pc
x1 <- rev(strength$LL.Pc)
y0 <- layers
y1 <- rev(layers)
polygon(x=c(x0,x1), y = c(y0,y1),density = NA,
        col=rgb(red=1, green=1, blue=0, alpha=0.3))

# Red zone
x0 <- rep(300,length(layers))
x1 <- rev(strength$UL.Pc)
y0 <- layers
y1 <- rev(layers)
polygon(x=c(x0,x1), y = c(y0,y1),density = NA,
        col=rgb(red=1, green=0, blue=0, alpha=0.3))

# End (not run)
```

---

soilStrength2   *Estimation of precompression stress by Schjonning and Lamande (2018)*

Description

It calculates the precompression stress using the pedo-transfer function from Schjonning and Lamande (2018)

Usage

```
soilStrength2(bulk.density,  matric.suction, clay.content)
```

Arguments

clay.content   a numeric vector containing the values of clay content, $\%$

matric.suction   a numeric vector containing the values of matric suction, hPa

bulk.density   a numeric vector containing the values of soil bulk density, $Mg\,m^{-3}$

Details

The function returns 0 for soil properties values beyond the range for which the function was built.

Value

PC   the precompression stress

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References

Schjonning, P.; Lamande, M., 2018. Models for prediction of soil precompression stress from readily available soil properties. *Geoderma*, 320:115-125.

See Also

stressTraffic

Examples

```
# EXAMPLE 1

soilStrength2(bulk.density=1.46, matric.suction=100, clay.content=0.3)


# EXAMPLE 2

matric.suction <- seq(from=60,to=1000,len=50) # range of matric suction from 60 to 1200 hPa
out <- soilStrength2(bulk.density=1.46, matric.suction=matric.suction, clay.content=0.3)
plot(x=matric.suction,y=out,
     ylab="Precompression stress (kPa)", xlab="Matric suction (hPa)")

# End (not run)
```

---

soilStrength3   *Estimation of precompression stress by Saffih-Hdadi et al. (2009)*

Description

It calculates the precompression stress using the pedo-transfer function from Saffih-Hdadi et al. (2009)

Usage

```
soilStrength3(bulk.density, water.content,
              texture=c("VeryFine","Fine","MediumFine","Medium","Coarse"))
```

Arguments

bulk.density   a numeric vector containing the values of soil bulk density, $Mg\,m^{-3}$

water.content   a numeric vector containing the values of gravimetric water content, $\%$

texture   the soil texture group. See exemples

Details

The function returns 0 for soil properties values beyond the range for which the function was built.

Value

PC   the precompression stress

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References

Saffih-Hdadi, K.; Defossez, P.; Richard, G.; Cui, Y. J.; Tang, A. M.; Chaplain, V, 2009. A method for predicting soil susceptibility to the compaction of surface layers as a function of water content and bulk density *Geoderma*, 115: 96-103.

See Also

stressTraffic

Examples

```
# EXAMPLE 1

soilStrength3(bulk.density=1.1, water.content=40, texture="VeryFine")
soilStrength3(bulk.density=1.2, water.content=20, texture="Fine")
soilStrength3(bulk.density=1.3, water.content=15, texture="MediumFine")
soilStrength3(bulk.density=1.4, water.content=15, texture="Medium")
soilStrength3(bulk.density=1.5, water.content=10, texture="Coarse")

# End (not run)
```

---

soilStrength4	*Estimation of precompression stress by Lebert and Horn (1991)*

Description

It calculates the soil strength through precompression stress using the pedo-transfer function from Lebert and Horn (1991)

Usage

```
soilStrength4(BD=1.55,AC=10,AWC=15,PWP=26,Ks=0.29,
              OM=1.5,C=30,phi=36,texture="Clay>35", pF=1.8)
```

Arguments

BD	a numeric vector containing the values of soil bulk density, Mgm^{-3}
AC	a numeric vector containing the values of volumetric air capacity at the specified pF, $\%$
AWC	a numeric vector containing the values of volumetric available water at the specified pF, $\%$
PWP	a numeric vector containing the values of volumetric non available water capacity (pF > 4.2), $\%$
Ks	a numeric vector containing the values of saturated hydraulic conductivity, $10^3 cms^{-1}$
OM	a numeric vector containing the values of organic matter, $\%$
C	a numeric vector containing the values of cohesion at the specified pF, kPa
phi	a numeric vector containing the values of angle of internal friction at the specified pF, degree
texture	the soil texture classification. See details
pF	the '1.8' or '2.5' value pF

Details

The function returns '0' for soil properties values beyond the range for which the function was built. The default for this function is the values given in the application example by Horn and Fleige (2003). In the 'texture' argument, the user must pass the textural classification 'Sand','SandLoam', 'Silt', 'Clay<35' or 'Clay>35'. See examples.

Value

PC	the precompression stress

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References

Lebert, M., Horn, R. (1991) A method to predict the mechanical strength of agricultural soils. *Soil and Tillage Research*, 19: 275-256.

Horn, R., Fleige, H. (2003) A method for assessing the impact of load on mechanical stability and on physical properties of soils. *Soil and Tillage Research*, 73: 89-99.

See Also

stressTraffic

Examples

```
soilStrength4(BD=1.55,AC=10,AWC=15,PWP=26,Ks=0.29,OM=1.5,
          C=30,phi=36,texture="Clay>35", pF=1.8) # Exemple from Horn and Fleige (2003), Table 7

# End (not run)
```

---

soilStrength5	*Estimation of precompression stress by Imhoff et al. (2004)*

Description

It calculates the soil strength using precompression stress using the pedo-transfer function from Imhoff et al. (2004)

Usage

```
soilStrength5(bulk.density,  water.content, clay.content)
```

Arguments

bulk.density	a numeric vector containing the values of soil bulk density, $Mg\,m^{-3}$
water.content	a numeric vector containing the values of water content, (g/g)
clay.content	a numeric vector containing the values of clay content, $\%$

Details

The function returns 0 for soil properties values beyond the range for which the function was built.

Value

PC	the precompression stress

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References

Imhoff, S., Da Silva, A. P., Fallow, D. (2004) Susceptibility to Compaction, Load Support Capacity, and Soil Compressibility of Hapludox. *Soil Science Society of America Journal*, 68: 17-24.

See Also

stressTraffic

Examples

```
# EXAMPLE 1


soilStrength5(clay.content=60, water.content=0.30, bulk.density=1.25)
soilStrength5(clay.content=35, water.content=0.23, bulk.density=1.40)
soilStrength5(clay.content=20, water.content=0.10, bulk.density=1.60)


# EXAMPLE 2
water.content <- seq(0.1,0.30,len=20) # range of water content from 0.1 to 0.30 (g g^-1)
out <- soilStrength5(clay.content=20, water.content=water.content , bulk.density=1.60)
plot(x=water.content,y=out,
     ylab="Precompression stress (kPa)", xlab="Water content")


# End (not run)
```

---

soilwater   *Soil Water Retention, based on the van Genuchten's (1980) formula*

Description

Function to calculate the soil water content based on the van Genuchten's (1980) formula:

$$\theta = \theta_R + (\theta_S - \theta_R)(1 + (\alpha x)^n)^{-m}$$

Usage

```
soilwater(x, theta_R, theta_S, alpha, n, m = 1 - 1/n,
    saturation.index = FALSE)
```

Arguments

x	the matric potential.
theta_R	the residual water content.
theta_S	the water content at saturation.
alpha	a scale parameter of the van Genuchten's formula.
n	a shape parameter in van Genuchten's formula.

m a shape parameter in van Genuchten's Formula. Default is $1 - 1/n$ (Mualem, 1976).

saturation.index

logical; if FALSE (default) the outcome is the soil water content, otherwise the saturation index is returned.

Value

The the soil water content or the saturation index (a value between 0 and 1).

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References

Genuchten, M. T. van. (1980). A closed form equation for predicting the hydraulic conductivity of unsaturated soils. *Soil Science Society of America Journal*, 44:892-898.

Mualem, Y. (1976). A new model for predicting the hydraulic conductivity of unsaturated porous media. *Water Resources Research*, 12:513-522.

See Also

[fitsoilwater](#)

Examples

```
# example 1
soilwater(x = 0.1, theta_R = 0.06, theta_S = 0.25, alpha = 21, n = 2.08)
curve(soilwater(x, theta_R = 0.06, theta_S = 0.25, alpha = 21, n = 2.08))

# example 2 (punctual predictions)
p <- seq(0, 1, length.out = 10)
m <- soilwater(x = p, theta_R = 0.06, theta_S = 0.25,
alpha = 21, n = 2.08)
points(m ~ p, type = "b", col = "red")

# End (not run)
```

---

soilwater2 *Soil Water Retention, based on the Groenevelt & Grant (2004) formula*

Description

Function to calculate the soil water content based on the Groenevelt & Grant (2004) model. It is based on thermodynamic principles. Therefore, it is appropriate for the case in which thermodynamic equilibrium has been attained by diffusion of water. In this case, the water retention curve is given by:

$$\theta = k_1 \exp(-k_0/x_0^n) - k_1 \exp(-k_0/x^n)$$

where $x = logh$ (pore water suction), and h is in units of hPa

Usage

```
soilwater2(x, x0 = 6.653, k0, k1, n)
```

Arguments

x	a numeric vector containing pF values.
x0	the value of pF (pore water suction) at which the soil water content becomes zero. The default is 6.653.
k0	a parameter value.
k1	a parameter value.
n	a parameter value.

Value

The the soil water content.

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References

Groenevelt & Grant (2004). A newmodel for the soil-water retention curve that solves the problem of residualwater contents. *European Journal of Soil Science*, 55:479-485.

See Also

[fitsoilwater2](#), [soilwater](#)

Examples

```
pF <- 0:7
soilwater2(pF, k0 = 1.867, k1 = 0.426, n = 2.358)

# End (not run)
```

---

soilwater3   *Soil Water Retention, based on the Dexter's (2008) formula*

Description

Function to calculate the soil water content based on the Dexter's (2008) formula. It is based on the segregation of pore space in two categories what are called bi-modal pore size distributions. In this model, the pore space is divided into two parts: the textural porosity which occurs between the primary mineral particles, and the structural porosity which occurs between micro aggregates and/or any other compound particles. This is called the double-exponential (DE) water retention equation, given by:

$$\theta = \theta_R + a_1 \exp(-x/p_1) + a_2 \exp(-x/p_2)$$

where θ is the gravimetric water content.

Usage

```
soilwater3(x, theta_R, a1, p1, a2, p2)
```

Arguments

x	a numeric vector containing the values of applied air pressure.
theta_R	a parameter that represents the residual water content.
a1	a parameter that represents the drainable part of the textural pore space in units of gravimetric water content at saturation.
p1	a parameter that represents the applied air pressures characteristic for displacement of water from the textural pore space.
a2	a parameter that represents the total structural pore space in units of gravimetric water content at saturation.
p2	a parameter that represents the applied air pressure that is characteristic for displacing water from the structural pores.

Value

The the soil water content.

Author(s)

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References

Dexter et al. (2008). A user-friendly water retention function that takes account of the textural and structural pore spaces in soil. *Geoderma*, 143:243-253.

See Also

fitsoilwater3, soilwater, soilwater2

Examples

```
soilwater3(x = 0, theta_R = 0.058, a1 = 0.233, p1 = 3.274, a2 = 0.070, p2 = 1.78)
soilwater3(x = 3, theta_R = 0.058, a1 = 0.233, p1 = 3.274, a2 = 0.070, p2 = 1.78)
soilwater3(x = 4, theta_R = 0.058, a1 = 0.233, p1 = 3.274, a2 = 0.070, p2 = 1.78)

# End (not run)
```

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soilwater4   *Soil Water Retention, based on Power Models*

Description

Function to calculate the soil water content based on the following formulas:

$$\theta = \exp(a + b * Bd)\psi^c$$

(Silva et al., 1994)

$$\theta = a\psi^c$$

(Ross et al., 1991)

where θ is the soil water content.

Usage

```
soilwater4(psi, Bd, a, b, c, model = c("Silva", "Ross"))
```

Arguments

psi	a numeric vector containing values of water potential (Psi).
Bd	a numeric vector containing values of dry bulk density.
a	a model-fitting parameter. See details.
b	a model-fitting parameter. See details.
c	a model-fitting parameter. See details.
model	a character; the model to be used for calculating the soil water content. It must be one of the two: "Silva" (default) or "Ross".

Details

The parameters "a" and "c" have the same meaning in both models, but be aware that the parameter "a" of the model employed by Silva et al. (1994) is parameter "a" of the Ross et al. (1991) in a log10 scale.

Value

The the soil water content.

Author(s)

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References

Ross et al. (1991). Equation for extending water-retention curves to dryness. *Soil Science Society of America Journal*, 55:923-927.

Silva et al. (1994). Characterization of the least limiting water range of soils. *Soil Science Society of America Journal*, 58:1775-1781.

See Also

[fitsoilwater4](), [soilwater](), [soilwater2](), [soilwater3]()

Examples

```
# End (not run)
```

| soilwater5 | *Soil Water Retention, based on the modified van Genuchten's formula* |

Description

Function to calculate the soil water content based on the modified van Genuchten's formula, as suggested by Pierson and Mulla (1989):

$$\theta = \theta_R + (\theta_S - \theta_R)(1 + (\alpha x)^n)^{-m} + b_0 + b_1 x + b_2 * x^2$$

Usage

```
soilwater5(x, theta_R, theta_S, alpha, n, m = 1 - 1/n, b0, b1, b2)
```

Arguments

x	the matric potential.
theta_R	the residual water content.
theta_S	the water content at saturation.
alpha	a scale parameter of the van Genuchten's formula.
n	a shape parameter in van Genuchten's formula.
m	a shape parameter in van Genuchten's Formula. Default is $1 - 1/n$ (Mualem, 1976).

b0	a parameter added to the van Ganuchten's formula.
b1	a parameter added to the van Ganuchten's formula.
b2	a parameter (of quadratic term) added to the van Ganuchten's formula.

Value

The the soil water content or the saturation index (a value between 0 and 1).

Author(s)

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References

Pierson, F.B.; Mulla, D.J. (1989) An Improved Method for Measuring Aggregate Stability of a Weakly Aggregated Loessial Soil. *Soil Sci. Soc. Am. J.*, 53:1825–1831.

See Also

[fitsoilwater5](#)

Examples

```
soilwater5(x = 20, theta_R = 0.2735, theta_S = 0.478, alpha = 0.1029,
n = 9.45, b0 = 0.2278, b1 = -0.0165, b2 = 0.000248)
curve(soilwater5(x, theta_R = 0.2735, theta_S = 0.478, alpha = 0.1029,
n = 9.45, b0 = 0.2278, b1 = -0.0165, b2 = 0.000248),
from = 0, to = 40,
ylab = "Water content",
xlab = "Matric potential")

# End (Not run)
```

SSlbc   *Self-Starting Nls Load Bearing Capacity Model*

Description

A [selfStart](#) model that evaluates the Load Bearing Capacity (Dias Jr., 1994) function and its gradient. It has an initial attribute that creates initial estimates of the parameters b0 and b1.

Usage

```
SSlbc(theta, b0, b1)
```

Arguments

theta	a numeric vector of soil moisture values at which to evaluate the model.
b0	a numeric parameter.
b1	a numeric parameter.

Value

a numeric vector with the same length of theta. It is the value of the expression $10^{(b0+b1*\theta)}$. Also, the gradient matrix with respect to the parameters is attached as an attribute named *gradient*.

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References

Dias Junior, M. S. (1994). *Compression of three soils under longterm tillage and wheel traffic.* 1994. 114p. Ph.D. Thesis - Michigan State University, East Lansing.

See Also

getInitiallbc, fitlbc, selfStart, nls, sigmaP

Examples

```
data(compaction)
attach(compaction)
ss <- SSlbc(Mois, 2.79, -2.33)
ss[1:50] # prediction
PS # original data of preconsolidation stress
ss # prediction and gradient

# End (not run)
```

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stressTraffic	*Predicting Soil Stress Due to Agricultural Trafficability*

Description

Contact area, stress distribuition and stress propagation based on the SoilFlex model (Keller 2005; Keller et al. 2007) are calculated.

Usage

```
stressTraffic(inflation.pressure, recommended.pressure, tyre.diameter,
    tyre.width, wheel.load, conc.factor, layers, plot.contact.area = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

inflation.pressure

               tyre inflation pressure, kPa

recommended.pressure

               recommended tyre inflation pressure at given load, kPa

tyre.diameter	overall diameter of the unloaded tyre, m
tyre.width	tyre width, m
wheel.load	wheel load, kg
conc.factor	concentration factor; a numeric vector ranging from 3 (wet soil) to 6 (dry soil), depending on water content.
layers	a numeric vector containing values of depth (in meters) for the soil layers. Note that layers can also be a unique value

plot.contact.area

               logical; shall `soilTraffic` plot the distribution of stress over the contact area?

...	further graphical arguments. See [par](#).

Value

A list of

Area	Contact area parameters.
Loads	Estimated wheel loads.
Stress	Stress propagation into soil; sigma_vertical: vertical stress; sigma_mean: mean normal stress
stress.matrix	The matrix of applied stress at a specific depth and radial distance from the tyre centre.
fZStress	The function of stress propagation in z direction (vertical stress).
fmeanStress	The function of mean normal stress propagation.
fStress	The function of stress propagation.
fXStress	The function of stress propagation in x (footprint length or driving) direction.
fYStress	The function of stress propagation in y (tire width) direction.

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References

Keller, T. 2005. A model to predict the contact area and the distribution of vertical stress below agricultural tyres from readily-available tyre parameters. *Biosyst. Eng.* 92, 85-96.

Keller, T.; Defossez, P.; Weisskopf, P.; Arvidsson, J.; Richard, G. 2007. SoilFlex: a model for prediction of soil stresses and soil compaction due to agricultural field traffic including a synthesis of analytical approaches. *Soil and Tillage Research* 93, 391-411.

Examples

```
stress <- stressTraffic(inflation.pressure=200,
   recommended.pressure=200,
   tyre.diameter=1.8,
   tyre.width=0.4,
   wheel.load=4000,
   conc.factor=c(4,5,5,5,5,5),
           layers=c(0.05,0.1,0.3,0.5,0.7,1),
   plot.contact.area = TRUE)

stress

# Building a fancier plot for the contact area
# library(fields)
# image.plot(x = as.numeric(rownames(stress$stress.matrix)),
#        y = as.numeric(colnames(stress$stress.matrix)),
#        z = stress$stress.matrix,
#        xlab="Tyre footprint length (m)", ylab="Tyre width (m)")
# End (not run)

# Stress Propagation
# Vertical Stress
stress.v <- stress$Stress$sigma_vertical
layers <- stress$Stress$Layers
plot(x = 1, y = 1, xlim=c(0,300),ylim=c(1,0),xaxt = "n",
     ylab = "Soil Depth",xlab ="", type="l", main="")
axis(3)
mtext("Stress (kPa)",side=3,line=2.5)
lines(x=stress.v, y=layers)

# Mean normal stress
stress.p <- stress$Stress$sigma_mean
lines(x=stress.p, y=layers, lty=2)
legend("bottomright", c("Vertical stress", "Normal mean stress"), lty = 1:2)

# End (not run)
```

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voidratio	*Void Ratio*

Description

A function to calculate the soil void ratio.

Usage

```
voidratio(wetsoil, drysoil, diam.cylinder, height.cylinder,
    dens.particle, deformation)
```

Arguments

`wetsoil`	the weight of wet soil.
`drysoil`	the weight of dry soil.
`diam.cylinder`	the diameter of the cylinder.
`height.cylinder`	
	the heigth of the cylinder.
`dens.particle`	the particle density.
`deformation`	a numeric vector containing soil deformation values.

Value

A numeric vector with same length of `deformation` containig void ratio values.

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See Also

sigmaP

Examples

```
def <- c(0, 0.0230, 0.0352, 0.0605, 0.1070, 0.1750, 0.2525, 0.3395, 0.4250)
pres <- c(1, 12.5, 25, 50, 100, 200, 400, 800, 1600)
VR <- voidratio(wetsoil = 170.62, drysoil = 134.08, diam.cylinder = 6.95,
                height.cylinder = 2.5, dens.particle = 2.61, def)
VR

plot(VR ~ pres, type = "b",
ylab = "Void ratio",
xlab = "Applied stress (kPa)",
main = "Compression curve",
log = "x")

# End (not run)
```

WRC_App   *A shiny to automatically fit the water retention curve*

Description

Use the maximum likelihood method to find the water retention curve that best fits the data.

Usage

```
WRC_App()
```

Value

A shiny app

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See Also

fitsoilwater_App

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