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aba_build_model

Calibrates and validates area-based models

Description

The function can first apply a Box-Cox transformation to the dependent variable, in order to normalize its distribution, or a log transformation to the whole dataset. Then it uses regsubsets to find the 20 linear regressions with the best adjusted-R2 among combinations of at most nmax independent variables. Each model can then be tested regarding the following linear model assumptions are checked:

- tests performed by gvlma
- the variance inflation factor is below 5 (models with two or more independent variables)
- no partial p.value of variables in the model is below 0.05

The model with the highest adjusted-R2 among those fulfilling the required conditions is selected. A leave-one-out cross validation (LOO CV) is performed by fitting the model coefficients using all observations except one and applying the resulting model to predict the value for the remaining observation. In case a transformation was performed beforehand, a bias correction is applied. LOO CV statistics are then computed.

Usage

```
aba_build_model(
  variable,
  predictors,
  transform = "none",
  nmax = 3,
  test = c("partial_p", "vif", "gvlma"),
  xy = NULL,
  threshold = NULL
)
```

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Arguments

variable vector. dependent variable values predictors data.frame. independent variables (columns: metrics, lines: observations). Row names are used for the output predicted values string. transformation to be applied to data ("none", "boxcox": Box-Cox transtransform formation applied only to the dependent variable, "log": log transformation applied to both dependent and independent variables) numeric. maximum number of independent variables in the model nmax test vector. which tests should be satisfied by the models, one to three in "partial_p", "vif", "gvlma" data.frame or matrix of easting and northing coordinates of observations: not ху used in the function but exported in the result for use in further inference functhreshold vector of length two. minimum and maximum values of threshold to apply to

Value

a list with three elements

• model: list with one regression model (output from lm),

predicted values

- stats: model statistics (root mean square error estimated in leave-one-out cross validation, coefficient of variation of rmse, p-value of wilcoxon test of observed and predicted values, p-value of t-test of observed and predicted values, p-value of anova of observed and predicted values, correlation of observed and predicted values, R2 of observed and predicted values, variance of regression residuals)
- values: data.frame with observed and values predicted in cross-validation.

See Also

aba_combine_strata for combining models calibrated on different strata, aba_plot for plotting model cross-validation results, regsubsets for variable selection, lma_check for linear model assumptions check, boxcox_itr_bias_cor for reverse Box-Cox transformation with bias correction.

```
data(quatre_montagnes)
# build ABA model for basal area, with all metrics as predictors
model_aba <- aba_build_model(quatre_montagnes$G_m2_ha, quatre_montagnes[, 9:76],
    transform = "boxcox", nmax = 3
)
# summary of regression model
summary(model_aba$model)
# validation statistics
model_aba$stats
# observed and predicted values
summary(model_aba$values)</pre>
```

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```
# plot field values VS predictions in cross-validation
aba_plot(model_aba, main = "Basal area")
```

aba_combine_strata

Combines a list of ABA models into a single ABA model object

Description

Combines a list of models (obtained with aba_build_model) into a single object. Typically used to merge stratum-specific models into one object. Validation statistics are computed for the combined strata, making it easier to compare prediction performance with an unstratified model.

Usage

```
aba_combine_strata(model.list, plotsId = NULL)
```

Arguments

```
model.list list. stratum-specific models returned by aba_build_model

plotsId vector. "plotsId" for ordering row names in the "values" element of the output list
```

Value

a list with three elements

- model: a list of regression models corresponding to each stratum (output from 1m),
- stats: model statistics of each stratum-specific model (as in aba_build_model) plus one line corresponding to statistics for all strata (COMBINED)
- values: data.frame with observed and values predicted in cross-validation, and information on which stratum it belongs to.

See Also

aba_build_model for calibrated ABA model, aba_plot for plotting model cross-validation results.

```
# load Quatre Montagnes dataset
data(quatre_montagnes)
# initialize list of models
model_aba_stratified <- list()
# calibrate basal area prediction model for each stratum
for (i in levels(quatre_montagnes$stratum))
{
   subsample <- which(quatre_montagnes$stratum == i)
   model_aba_stratified[[i]] <-</pre>
```

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```
aba_build_model(quatre_montagnes[subsample, "G_m2_ha"],
    quatre_montagnes[subsample, 9:76],
    transform = "boxcox", nmax = 4,
    xy = quatre_montagnes[subsample, c("X", "Y")]
)

# combine models in single object
model_aba_stratified <- aba_combine_strata(
    model_aba_stratified,
    quatre_montagnes$plotId
)
# display content of output list
model_aba_stratified$model
model_aba_stratified$model
model_aba_stratified$stats
summary(model_aba_stratified$values)

# plot field values VS predictions in cross-validation
aba_plot(model_aba_stratified)</pre>
```

aba_inference

computes inference from area-based model and predicted values

Description

computes inference from area-based model and predicted values

Usage

```
aba_inference(
  aba_model,
  r_predictions,
  type = c("SRS", "ED", "D", "STR", "SYNT"),
  r_mask = NULL
)
```

Arguments

aba_model a model returned by aba_build_model or aba_combine_strata

r_predictions raster of predicted values

type string vector specifying which estimators should be computed (one or several in

"SRS", "ED", "D", "STR", "SYNT")

r_mask raster to mask region of interest (NA values), may contain post-stratification

categories (should be integer, positive values)

Value

a data frame with estimation of parameter value and standard deviation of estimation for all required estimators.

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aba_metrics	Function for area-based metrics computation

Description

Predefined function usable in cloud_metrics or clouds_metrics. Applies a minimum height threshold to the point cloud and computes the following metrics:

- 1. for all points: total number ntot, percentage of points above minimum height p_hmin, percentage of points in height bins H.propZ1_Z2,
- 2. for first return points: percentage above minimum height p_1st_hmin,
- 3. for all points above minimum height: height metrics returned by stdmetrics_z and intensity metrics returned by stdmetrics_i
- 4. for first returns above minimum height: mCH and sdCH as proposed by Bouvier et al.

Usage

```
aba_metrics(z, i, rn, c, hmin = 2, breaksH = NULL)
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```

Arguments

z,i,rn,c	Height, Intensity, ReturnNumber and Classification
hmin	numeric. height threshold for low points removal before metrics computation
breaksH	vector. breaks for height histogram proportion computation

Format

An object of class formula of length 2.

References

Bouvier et al. 2015. Generalizing predictive models of forest inventory attributes using an area-based approach with airborne LiDAR data. Remote Sensing of Environment 156, pp. 322-334. doi:10.1016/j.rse.2014.10.004

See Also

```
cloud_metrics, stdmetrics, clouds_metrics
```

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Examples

aba_plot

Plots observed VS values predicted in leave one out cross validation of an aba_build_model

Description

Plots observed VS values predicted in leave one out cross validation of an aba_build_model

Usage

```
aba_plot(aba_model, disp_text = F, col = NULL, add_legend = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

aba_model	list. as returned by aba_build_model
disp_text	boolean. indicates if points should be labeled with id
col	color to be passed to plot, default is black for single models, depends on stratum in stratified models
add_legend	list. parameters to be passed to legend. In case of a stratified model, legend is automatically set up.
• • •	other parameters to be passed to plot, xlab and ylab are automatically added

Value

nothing

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Examples

```
# load Quatre Montagnes dataset
data(quatre_montagnes)
# build ABA model for basal area, with all metrics as predictors
model_aba <- aba_build_model(quatre_montagnes$G_m2_ha, quatre_montagnes[, 9:76],
    transform = "boxcox", nmax = 3
)
# plot field values VS predictions in cross-validation
aba_plot(model_aba, main = "Basal area")</pre>
```

aba_predict

Mapping of ABA prediction models

Description

Applies calibrated area-based prediction models output of aba_build_model to a raster of metrics to obtain a raster of predictions

Usage

```
aba_predict(
  model_aba,
  metrics_map,
  stratum = NULL,
  add_error = FALSE,
  pkg = "terra"
)
```

Arguments

model_aba	model returned by aba_build_model or aba_combine_strata
metrics_map	raster. metrics returned e.g by pixel_metrics
stratum	string. indicates which layer of metrics.map contains the stratum in case of a stratified aba.model. The layer should have a RAT including a column with the same name (see is.factor).
add_error	boolean. indicates whether errors sampled from a normal distribution $N(0, sigma(residuals))$ should be added to fitted values; implemented only for log transformation case
pkg	raster output format. Use pkg = "terralrasterlstars" to get an output in SpatRaster, RasterLayer or stars format.

Value

a raster of predictions obtained by applying the model aba_build_model to the observations in metrics_map

See Also

aba_build_model for model fitting and aba_combine_strata for combining stratified models, clean_raster for applying spatial mask and value thresholds to a raster.

Examples

```
# load data
data(quatre_montagnes)
# build model
model_aba <- aba_build_model(quatre_montagnes$G_m2_ha, quatre_montagnes[, 9:76],
    transform = "boxcox"
)
# build example raster to apply model
quatre_montagnes$X <- rep(1:8, 12)
quatre_montagnes$Y <- rep(1:12, each = 8)
metrics_map <- terra::rast(quatre_montagnes[, c(2, 3, 9:76)], type = "xyz")
predict_map <- aba_predict(model_aba, metrics_map)
# plot map
terra::plot(predict_map, main = "predictions")</pre>
```

add_vegetation_indices

Add vegetation indices on a IRC image

Description

Computes vegetation indices from the Red, Green and Infra-Red bands of an IRC image and adds them as additional bands or columns. Acronyms are listed on https://www.l3harrisgeospatial.com/docs/broadbandgreenness.html. If the Blue band is also present, additional indices are computed.

Usage

```
add_vegetation_indices(r, all = FALSE, scale = 255)
```

Arguments

r	raster or data.frame. Should contain bands or columns with names nir, r, g (and b)
all	boolean. indicates whether all indices should be computed; default:FALSE, only grvi, sr and ndvi are calculated
scale	numeric. values in bands are scaled from range [0, scale] to [0, 1]

Value

a raster or data.frame with added bands or columns

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Examples

```
df <- data.frame(nir = c(110, 150, 20),
r = c(25, 50, 30),
g = c(10, 60, 10),
b = c(20, 60, 0))
add_vegetation_indices(df, all = TRUE)</pre>
```

boxcox_itr

Inverse Box-Cox transformation

Description

Inverse Box-Cox transformation

Usage

```
boxcox_itr(x, lambda)
```

Arguments

x vector or raster values to be transformedlambda numeric. parameter of Box-Cox transformation

Value

a vector or raster of transformed values

See Also

boxcox_tr Box-Cox transformation, boxcox_itr_bias_cor inverse Box-Cox transformation with bias correction.

```
x <- 1:10
boxcox_itr(x, 0)
boxcox_itr(x, 0.5)
boxcox_itr(boxcox_tr(x, 2), 2)

# plot functions
curve(boxcox_itr(x, 0), 0, 3,
    col = "blue", main = "inverse Box Cox transf.",
    xlab = "x", ylab = "inverse Boxcox(x, lambda)"
)
curve(boxcox_itr(x, 1.5), 0, 3, col = "red", add = TRUE)
curve(boxcox_itr(x, 0.5), 0, 3, col = "black", add = TRUE)
curve(boxcox_itr(x, 1), 0, 3, col = "pink", add = TRUE)
legend("topleft",</pre>
```

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```
legend = c("lambda", 0, 0.5, 1, 1.5),
col = c(NA, "blue", "black", "pink", "red"), lty = 1
)
```

Description

Inverse Box-Cox transform with bias correction as suggested by Pu & Tiefelsdorf (2015). Here 'varmod' is not the local prediction variance as suggested in the paper but the model residuals variance. For variance computation, uses 'n-p' instead of 'n-1', with 'p' the number of variables in the model.

Usage

```
boxcox_itr_bias_cor(x, lambda, varmod)
```

Arguments

x vector or raster values to be transformed

lambda numeric. parameter of Box-Cox transformation

varmod numeric. model residuals variance

Value

a vector or raster

References

Xiaojun Pu and Michael Tiefelsdorf, 2015. A variance-stabilizing transformation to mitigate biased variogram estimation in heterogeneous surfaces with clustered samples. doi:10.1007/9783-319227863_24

See Also

boxcox_tr Box-Cox transformation, boxcox_itr inverse Box-Cox transformation.

```
x <- 1:10
boxcox_itr(x, 0.3)
boxcox_itr_bias_cor(x, 0.3, 0)
boxcox_itr_bias_cor(x, 0.3, 2)

# plot functions
curve(boxcox_itr(x, 0.3), 0, 3,
    col = "blue",</pre>
```

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```
main = "inverse Box Cox transf., lambda = 0.3",
    xlab = "x", ylab = "inverse Boxcox(x, lambda = 0.3)"
)
curve(boxcox_itr_bias_cor(x, 0.3, 1), 0, 3, col = "red", add = TRUE)
curve(boxcox_itr_bias_cor(x, 0.3, 2), 0, 3, col = "black", add = TRUE)
legend("topleft",
    legend = c(
        "residuals variance = 2",
        "residuals variance = 1", "residuals variance not accounted for"
    ),
    col = c("black", "red", "blue"), lty = 1
)
```

boxcox_tr

Box-Cox Transformation

Description

Box-Cox Transformation

Usage

```
boxcox_tr(x, lambda)
```

Arguments

x vector or raster. values to be transformedlambda numeric. parameter of Box-Cox transformation

Value

a vector or raster of transformed values

See Also

boxcox_itr inverse Box-Cox transformation, boxcox_itr_bias_cor inverse Box-Cox transformation with bias correction.

```
x <- 1:10
boxcox_tr(x, -2)
boxcox_tr(x, 0)
boxcox_tr(x, 0.5)
boxcox_tr(x, 2)

# plot functions
curve(boxcox_tr(x, 1.5), 1, 5,
    main = "Box Cox transform", xlab = "x",</pre>
```

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```
ylab = "Boxcox(x, lambda)", col = "red"
)
curve(boxcox_tr(x, -2), 1, 5, col = "green", add = TRUE)
curve(boxcox_tr(x, 0), 1, 5, col = "blue", add = TRUE)
curve(boxcox_tr(x, 0.5), 1, 5, col = "black", add = TRUE)
curve(boxcox_tr(x, 1), 1, 5, col = "pink", add = TRUE)
legend("topleft",
  legend = rev(c(-2, 0, 0.5, 1, 1.5, "lambda")),
  col = rev(c("green", "blue", "black", "pink", "red", NA)), lty = 1
)
```

chm_chablais3

Canopy height model (Chablais 3 plot)

Description

Canopy height model computed from airborne laser scanning data acquired in July 2010.

Usage

```
data(chm_chablais3)
```

Format

A PackedSpatRaster object

References

Monnet, J.-M. 2011. Using airborne laser scanning for mountain forests mapping: Support vector regression for stand parameters estimation and unsupervised training for treetop detection. Ph.D. thesis. University of Grenoble, France. pp. 21-22 & 34 https://theses.hal.science/tel-00652698/document

```
data(chm_chablais3)
chm_chablais3 <- terra::rast(chm_chablais3)
terra::plot(chm_chablais3)</pre>
```

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cimg2Raster

Cimg to SpatRaster conversion

Description

converts a cimg object to a SpatRaster object

Usage

```
cimg2Raster(cimg, r = NULL)
```

Arguments

cimg raster object. raster of canopy height model, preferably filtered to avoid effect

of holes on volume and surface computation

r SpatRaster object. defines the extent and projection of conversion result

Value

A SpatRaster object

See Also

```
raster2Cimg
```

```
data(chm_chablais3)
chm_chablais3 <- terra::rast(chm_chablais3)</pre>
# convert raster to cimg object
chm_cim <- raster2Cimg(chm_chablais3)</pre>
# apply filtering
chm_cim_filt <- dem_filtering(chm_cim,</pre>
 nl_filter = "Closing",
 nl_size = 3,
 sigma = 0
)$non_linear_image
# convert to SpatRaster
chm_filt <- cimg2Raster(chm_cim_filt, chm_chablais3)</pre>
# plot SpatRaster
terra::plot(chm_chablais3)
# plot cimg object
plot(chm_cim)
```

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```
# plot filtered cimg object
plot(chm_cim_filt)

# plot filtered SpatRaster
terra::plot(chm_filt)
```

circle2Raster

Raster corresponding to circle extent

Description

Creates an empty raster which extents corresponds to the circle specified by center coordinates, radius and optional buffer size.

Usage

```
circle2Raster(X, Y, radius, resolution = 0.5, buffer = 0.5, ...)
```

Arguments

X numeric. easting coordinate of plot center in meters
Y numeric. northing coordinate of plot center in meters
radius numeric. plot radius in meters
resolution numeric. raster resolution in meters

buffer numeric. buffer to be added to plot radius in meters

... other parameters to pass to rast (e.g. crs)

Value

A SpatRaster object

```
circle2Raster(100, 100, 20, 1, 5)
```

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clean_raster

Applies thresholds and mask to a raster object

Description

Applies a lower and upper thresholds to the values of the input raster. If the mask input is provided, first all NA values in the raster are set to 0, then the raster in multiplied by the mask. Cells to be masked should therefore have a NA value in the mask raster object.

Usage

```
clean_raster(r, minmax = c(-Inf, +Inf), mask = NULL)
```

Arguments

r raster object. RasterLayer and SpatRaster are supported.

minmax vector of two numeric values. minimum and maximum thresholds to apply to

'r' values

mask raster object. mask to be applied (multiplication with input raster 'r')

Value

a raster object

```
# load data
data(quatre_montagnes)
# build model
model_aba <- aba_build_model(quatre_montagnes$G_m2_ha, quatre_montagnes[, 9:76],</pre>
  transform = "boxcox"
# build example raster to apply model
quatre_montagnes$X <- rep(1:8, 12)</pre>
quatre_montagnes$Y <- rep(1:12, each = 8)</pre>
metrics_map <- terra::rast(quatre_montagnes[, c(2, 3, 9:76)], type = "xyz")</pre>
predict_map <- aba_predict(model_aba, metrics_map)</pre>
# create raster mask
mask <- predict_map</pre>
# set values to 1 or NA
terra::values(mask) \leftarrow rep(c(1, 1, NA), each = 32)
# apply thresholds and mask
predict_map_clean <- clean_raster(predict_map, c(40, 70), mask)</pre>
# plot maps
terra::plot(predict_map, main = "Predictions")
terra::plot(mask, main = "Mask", legend = FALSE)
terra::plot(predict_map_clean, main = "Cleaned predictions")
```

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clouds_metrics

Computes metrics on list of point clouds

Description

Computes metrics for a list of LAS objects (should be normalized point clouds). Calls the function cloud_metrics on each element and then arranges the results in a data.frame.

Usage

```
clouds_metrics(
    llasn,
    func = ~lidR::stdmetrics(X, Y, Z, Intensity, ReturnNumber, Classification, dz = 1)
)
```

Arguments

llasn list of LAS objects

func function. function applied on each element to compute metrics, default function

is stdmetrics from package lidR

Value

A data frame with metrics in columns corresponding to LAS objects of the list (lines)

See Also

cloud_metrics, stdmetrics, aba_metrics, pixel_metrics

```
# load LAS file
LASfile <- system.file("extdata", "las_chablais3.laz", package="lidaRtRee")
las_chablais3 <- lidR::readLAS(LASfile)</pre>
# set projection
lidR::projection(las_chablais3) <- 2154</pre>
# extract four point clouds from LAS object
llas <- list()</pre>
llas[["A"]] <- lidR::clip_circle(las_chablais3, 974350, 6581680, 10)
llas[["B"]] <- lidR::clip_circle(las_chablais3, 974390, 6581680, 10)
llas[["C"]] <- lidR::clip_circle(las_chablais3, 974350, 6581640, 10)
# normalize point clouds
llas <- lapply(llas, function(x) {</pre>
  lidR::normalize_height(x, lidR::tin())
})
# compute metrics
clouds_metrics(llas)
```

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```
# compute metrics with user-defined function
# mean and standard deviation of first return points above 10 m
user_func <- function(z, rn, hmin = 10) {
    # first return above hmin subset
    dummy <- which(z >= hmin & rn == 1)
    return(list(
        mean.z = mean(z[dummy]),
        sd.z = stats::sd(z[z > hmin])
    ))
}
clouds_metrics(llas, func = ~ user_func(Z, ReturnNumber, 10))
```

clouds_tree_metrics

Computes metrics on trees detected in list of point clouds.

Description

Extracts summary statistics on trees for each LAS object in a list:

Usage

```
clouds_tree_metrics(llasn, XY, plot_radius, res = 0.5, func, ...)
```

Arguments

llasn	list of LAS objects
XY	a data frame or matrix with XY coordinates of plot centers
plot_radius	numeric. plot radius in meters
res	numeric. resolution of canopy height model computed with ${\tt points2DSM}$ before tree segmentation
func	a function to be applied to the attributes of extracted trees (return from internal call to tree_extraction function) to compute plot level metrics
	other parameters to be passed to tree_segmentation

Details

- calls tree_segmentation to segment trees and then tree_extraction to extract their features
- computes 'TreeCanopy_cover_in_plot' (proportion of surface of disk of interest which is covered by segmented trees), 'TreeCanopy_meanH_in_plot' (mean canopy height inside intersection of tree segments and disk of interest)
- removes detected trees located outside of the disk of interest defined by their centers and radius
- computes summary statistics of extracted tree features based on a user-defined function (default is std_tree_metrics)

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Value

a data frame with tree metrics in columns corresponding to LAS objects of the list (lines)

See Also

```
tree_segmentation, tree_extraction, std_tree_metrics
```

Examples

```
# load LAS file
LASfile <- system.file("extdata", "las_chablais3.laz", package="lidaRtRee")
las_chablais3 <- lidR::readLAS(LASfile)</pre>
# extract two point clouds from LAS object
llas <- lidR::clip_circle(las_chablais3,</pre>
                           c(974350, 974390),
                           c(6581680, 6581680), 10)
# normalize point clouds
llas <- lapply(llas, function(x) {</pre>
  lidR::normalize_height(x, lidR::tin())
})
# compute metrics with user-defined function
# number of detected trees between 20 and 30 meters and their mean height
# restricted to disks of radius 8 m.
user_func <- function(x) {</pre>
  dummy <- x h[which(x + 20 & x + 30)]
  data.frame(Tree.between.20.30 = length(dummy), Tree.meanH = mean(dummy))
clouds_tree_metrics(llas,
  cbind(c(974350, 974390), c(6581680, 6581680)),
  res = 0.5, func = user_func
)
```

convert_raster

Raster format conversion

Description

Function to convert between raster formats. Use pkg = "terralraster|stars" to get an output in SpatRaster, RasterLayer or stars format. Default is getOption("lidR.raster.default").

Usage

```
convert_raster(r, pkg = NULL)
```

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Arguments

r raster object or file name.

pkg package name. Use pkg = "terral rasterlstars" to get an output in SpatRaster,

RasterLayer or stars format

Value

A raster object in the specified format

Examples

```
# load SpatRaster
data(chm_chablais3)
chm_chablais3 <- terra::rast(chm_chablais3)</pre>
# convert only if packages stars and raster are installed
# if (require("stars"))
# {
# to stars
# chm_stars <- convert_raster(chm_chablais3, pkg = "stars")</pre>
# chm_stars
# }
if (require("raster"))
# to raster
chm_raster <- convert_raster(chm_chablais3, pkg = "raster")</pre>
chm_raster
# back to terra
convert_raster(chm_raster, pkg = "terra")
```

coregistration

Tree inventory and canopy height model coregistration

Description

Computes the correlation between the canopy height model and a virtual canopy height model simulated from tree locations, for different translations of tree inventory positions, and outputs the translation corresponding to best estimated co-registration.

Usage

```
coregistration(chm, trees, mask, buffer = 19, step = 0.5, dm = 2, plot = TRUE)
```

Arguments

chm raster. canopy height model

trees data.frame. the first two columns contain xy coordinates, and the third is the

value to correlate to the chm (e.g. tree heights or diameters)

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mask	raster. raster mask of tree inventory area
buffer	numeric. radius of the circular buffer area of possible translations
step	numeric. increment step of translations within buffer area to compute correlation values, should be a multiple of raster resolution
dm	numeric. minimum distance between two local maxima in meters
plot	boolean. whether to display the results or not

Value

A list with two elements: first the correlation SpatRaster returned by rasters_moving_cor, second a data.frame returned by raster_local_max

References

Monnet, J.-M. and Mermin, E. 2014. Cross-Correlation of Diameter Measures for the Co-Registration of Forest Inventory Plots with Airborne Laser Scanning Data. Forests 2014, 5(9), 2307-2326, doi:10.3390/f5092307

See Also

```
rasters_moving_cor, raster_local_max
```

```
# tree inventory
trees <- data.frame(x = c(22.2, 18.3, 18.1), y = c(22.1, 22.7, 18.4),
z = c(15, 10, 15))
# mask of inventory area
# empty raster with extent
tree_mask <- circle2Raster(20, 20, 9, resolution = 1)</pre>
# fill binary mask
tree_mask \leftarrow raster_xy_mask(rbind(c(20, 20), c(20, 20)), c(9, 9), tree_mask,
binary = TRUE)
# simulate chm raster
chm <- terra::rast(extent = c(0, 40, 0, 40), resolution = 1, crs = NA)
xy <- terra::xyFromCell(chm, 1:(ncol(chm) * nrow(chm)))</pre>
# add Gaussian surfaces to simulate tree crowns
z1 \leftarrow trees z[1] * exp(-((xy[, 1] - trees x[1])^2 + (xy[, 2] - trees y[1])^2 / 2) * trees z[1] / 50)
z2 \leftarrow trees \\ \\ z[2] * exp(-((xy[, 1] - trees \\ \\ \\ x[2])^2 + (xy[, 2] - trees \\ \\ \\ y[2])^2 / 2) * trees \\ \\ z[2] / 50)
z3 \leftarrow trees z[3] * exp(-((xy[, 1] - trees x[3])^2 + (xy[, 2] - trees y[3])^2 / 2) * trees z[3] / 50)
chm \leftarrow terra::rast(cbind(xy, pmax(z1, z2, z3)), type = "xyz") #+rnorm(length(z1),0,1)))
# translate trees
trees$x <- trees$x + 1
trees$y <- trees$y + 2</pre>
coreg <- coregistration(chm, trees, mask = tree_mask, buffer = 5, step = 1, dm = 1, plot = FALSE)</pre>
```

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```
coreg$local_max[, c("dx1", "dy1")]

# plot raster
terra::plot(coreg$correlation_raster)
abline(h = 0, lty = 2)
abline(v = 0, lty = 2)
# add location of two local maxima
graphics::points(coreg$local_max[1, c("dx1", "dx2")],
    coreg$local_max[1, c("dy1", "dy2")],
    cex = c(1, 0.5), pch = 3, col = "red"
)
```

create_disk

Disk-shaped matrix mask

Description

Creates a matrix with TRUE values shaping a centered disk

Usage

```
create_disk(width = 5)
```

Arguments

width

numeric. disk width in pixels, should be an uneven number

Value

A matrix with 1 for pixels inside the disk, 0 outside

Examples

```
create_disk(7)
```

dem_filtering

Image pre-processing (non-linear filtering and Gaussian smoothing)

Description

applies two filters to an image:

- 1. A non-linear filter: closing (mclosing) with disk kernel, or median (medianblur) with square kernel
- 2. A 2D Gaussian smoother (The deriche filter is applied on both dimensions). Value-dependent smoothing is possible

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Usage

```
dem_filtering(
  dem,
  nl_filter = "Closing",
  nl_size = 5,
  sigma = 0.3,
  padding = TRUE,
  sigmap = NULL
)
```

Arguments

dem	cimg object (e.g. obtained with $as.cimg$) or SpatRaster object (e.g. obtained with $rast$)
nl_filter	string. type of non-linear filter to apply: "None", "Closing" or "Median"
nl_size	numeric. kernel width in pixels for non-linear filtering
sigma	numeric or matrix. If a single number is provided, sigma is the standard deviation of the Gaussian filter, 0 corresponds to no smoothing. Unit is pixel in case dem is a cimg object, SpatRaster units otherwise. In case of a matrix, the first column corresponds to the standard deviation of the filter, and the second to thresholds for image values (e.g. a filter of standard deviation specified in line i is applied to pixels in image which values are between thresholds indicated in lines i and i+1). Threshold values should be ordered in increasing order.
padding	boolean. Whether image should be padded by duplicating edge values before filtering to avoid border effects
sigmap	deprecated (numeric or matrix). (old name for sigma parameter, retained for backward compatibility, overwrites sigma if provided, unit is pixel whatever the class of dem)

Value

A list of two cimg objects or a SpatRaster object with image after non-linear filter and image after both filters

See Also

```
maxima_detection, filters of imager package: mclosing, medianblur, deriche
```

```
data(chm_chablais3)
chm_chablais3 <- terra::rast(chm_chablais3)

# filtering with median and Gaussian smoothing
im <- dem_filtering(chm_chablais3, nl_filter = "Median", nl_size = 3, sigma = 0.8)

# filtering with median filter and value-dependent Gaussian smoothing
# (less smoothing for values between 0 and 15)</pre>
```

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```
im2 <- dem_filtering(chm_chablais3,
    nl_filter = "Median", nl_size = 3,
    sigma = cbind(c(0.2, 0.8), c(0, 15))
)

# plot original image
terra::plot(chm_chablais3, main = "Initial image")

# plot image after median filter
terra::plot(im$non_linear_image, main = "Median filter")

# plot image after median and Gaussian filters
terra::plot(im$smoothed_image, main = "Smoothed image")

# plot image after median and value-dependent Gaussian filters
terra::plot(im2$smoothed_image, main = "Value-dependent smoothing")</pre>
```

edge_detection

Edge detection in gap image

Description

Performs edge detection on a gap image (e.g. output from function gap_detection). The gap image is compared to a gap image which has undergone a dilation or erosion to identify edges of gaps.

Usage

```
edge_detection(gaps, inside = TRUE)
```

Arguments

inside

gaps SpatRaster object. gaps image where 1 represents gaps and 0 non-gaps areas

boolean. defines where the edge is extracted: either inside the gaps (an erosion

is applied to the gaps image) or outside (a dilation is applied)

Value

A SpatRaster object where edges are labelled as 1.

See Also

```
gap_detection
```

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Examples

```
data(chm_chablais3)
chm_chablais3 <- terra::rast(chm_chablais3)</pre>
# fill NA values in canopy height model
chm_chablais3[is.na(chm_chablais3)] <- 0</pre>
# gap detection with distance larger than canopy height / 2
gaps <- gap_detection(chm_chablais3,</pre>
 ratio = 2, gap_max_height = 1, min_gap_surface = 10,
 gap\_reconstruct = TRUE
)
# edge detection
edges_inside <- edge_detection(!is.na(gaps$gap_id))</pre>
edges_outside <- edge_detection(!is.na(gaps$gap_id), inside = FALSE)</pre>
# edge proportion
sum(terra::values(edges_inside)) / (nrow(edges_inside) * ncol(edges_inside))
sum(terra::values(edges_outside)) / (nrow(edges_outside) * ncol(edges_outside))
# plot original image
terra::plot(chm_chablais3, main = "Initial image")
# plot binary image of gaps
terra::plot(gaps$gap_id > 0, main = "Gaps", col = "green", legend = FALSE)
# plot edges
terra::plot(edges_inside, main = "Edges (inside)", legend = FALSE)
terra::plot(edges_outside, main = "Edges (outside)", legend = FALSE)
```

ellipses4Crown

Create elliptical polygons from centres and extensions in four directions

Description

creates polygons from the union of four quarters of ellipses, specified by the ellipse center, and maximum extension in two directions

Usage

```
ellipses4Crown(x, y, n, s, e, w, id = NULL, step = pi/12, angle.offset = 0)
```

Arguments

x, y vectors of numerics. Coordinates of ellipses centers

n, s, e, w vectors of numerics. Coordinates of ellipses extention in the north, south, east and west directions

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```
    id vector of strings. id of each polygon
    step numeric. Angular step for the modelling of ellipses
    angle.offset numeric. Angle offset to tilt ellipses, positive values rotates clockwise
```

Value

a list of data.frame containing the coordinates of polygons

See Also

```
pointList2poly
```

Examples

```
# compute coordinates of ellipses
ellipses1 <- ellipses4Crown(c(0, 10), c(0, 10), c(2, 2), c(3, 4), c(2.5, 3), c(2, 3),
   id = c("A", "B")
)
ellipses1[["A"]]
# tilted ellipse
ellipses2 <- ellipses4Crown(c(0, 10), c(0, 10), c(2, 2), c(3, 4), c(2.5, 3), c(2, 3),
   angle.offset = pi / 6
)
ellipses2[[2]]
# draw ellipses in black, tilted ellipses in red
plot(ellipses1[[1]], type = "1", asp = 1, xlim = c(-5, 15), ylim = c(-5, 15))
lines(ellipses2[[2]])
lines(ellipses2[[2]], col = "red")
lines(ellipses2[[2]], col = "red")</pre>
```

gap_detection

Gap detection in a Canopy Height Model

Description

Performs gaps detection on a canopy height model provided as object of class SpatRaster-class, or computed from the point cloud of objects of class LAS-class or LAScatalog-class. Function dem_filtering is first applied to the canopy height model to remove artefacts. Gaps are then extracted based on several criteria:

- 1. Vegetation height must be smaller than a threshold
- 2. Gap width must be large enough, depending on surrounding canopy height; distance to surrounding vegetation is tested with morphological closings
- 3. Gap must have a minimum surface

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Usage

```
gap_detection(
  las,
  res = 1,
  ratio = 2,
  gap_max_height = 1,
  min_gap_surface = 25,
  max_gap_surface = +Inf,
  closing_height_bin = 1,
  nl_filter = "Median",
  nl_size = 3,
  gap_reconstruct = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

An object of class SpatRaster-class, LAS-class or LAScatalog-class las numeric. The size of a grid cell in point cloud coordinates units, used to rasterize res the point cloud. In case the las argument is a SpatRaster res is not used. numeric. maximum ratio between surrounding canopy height and gap distance ratio (a pixel belongs to the gap only if for any vegetation pixel around it, the distance to the vegetation pixel is larger than pixel height/ratio). If ratio is set to NULL, this criterion is not taken into account gap_max_height numeric. maximum canopy height to be considered as gap min_gap_surface numeric. minimum gap surface max_gap_surface numeric. maximum gap surface closing_height_bin numeric. height bin width for morphological closing of gaps to test ratio between canopy height and gap distance nl_filter string. type of non-linear filter to apply to canopy height model to remove artefacts, should be an option of dem_filtering nl_size numeric. kernel width in pixel for non-linear filtering gap_reconstruct

Value

A SpatRaster object with three layers: gap labels, gap surface and canopy height model after filter.

boolean. default behaviour is that areas that do not fulfill the ratio criterion are removed from gaps. If set to TRUE, in case some pixels of a gap fulfill the distance criterion, the connected pixels that fulfill the height criterion are also

See Also

```
dem_filtering, edge_detection
```

integrated to it.

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Examples

```
data(chm_chablais3)
chm_chablais3 <- terra::rast(chm_chablais3)</pre>
# fill NA values in canopy height model
chm_chablais3[is.na(chm_chablais3)] <- 0</pre>
# gap detection with distance larger than canopy height / 2
gaps <- gap_detection(chm_chablais3, ratio = 2, gap_max_height = 1,</pre>
min_gap_surface = 0)
# gap detection with distance larger than canopy height / 2
# and reconstruction of border areas
gaps1 <- gap_detection(chm_chablais3,</pre>
  ratio = 2, gap_max_height = 1, min_gap_surface = 0,
  gap\_reconstruct = TRUE
# gap detection without distance criterion
gaps2 <- gap_detection(chm_chablais3, ratio = NULL, gap_max_height = 1,</pre>
min_gap_surface = 0)
# gap id and corresponding surface for third detection parameters
table(terra::values(gaps2$gap_id)) * terra::res(gaps2$gap_id)[1]^2
# plot original image
terra::plot(chm_chablais3, main = "Initial image")
# plot binary image of gaps
terra::plot(gaps$gap_id > 0, main = "Gaps", col = "green", legend = FALSE)
terra::plot(gaps1$gap_id > 0, main = "Gaps, with reconstruction", col = "green", legend = FALSE)
terra::plot(gaps2$gap_id > 0, main = "Gaps, no width criterion", col = "green", legend = FALSE)
# plot filtered CHM
terra::plot(gaps2$filled_chm, main = "Filtered CHM")
```

height_regression

Regression of detected heights VS reference heights

Description

Computes a linear regression model between the reference heights and the detected heights of matched pairs.

Usage

```
height_regression(lr, ld, matched, plot = TRUE, species = NULL, ...)
```

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Arguments

lr	data.frame or matrix. 3D coordinates (X Y Height) of reference positions
ld	data.frame or matrix. 3D coordinates (X Y Height) of detected positions
matched	data.frame. contains pair indices, typically returned by tree_matching
plot	boolean. indicates whether results should be plotted
species	vector of strings. species for standardized color use by call to species_color
	arguments to be passed to methods, as in plot

Value

A list with two elements. First one is the linear regression model, second one is a list with stats (root mean square error, bias and standard deviation of detected heights compared to reference heights).

See Also

```
tree_matching
```

Examples

```
# create tree locations and heights
ref_trees <- cbind(c(1, 4, 3, 4, 2), c(1, 1, 2, 3, 4), c(15, 18, 20, 10, 11))
def_trees <- cbind(c(2, 2, 4, 4), c(1, 3, 4, 1), c(16, 19, 9, 15))

# tree matching
match1 <- tree_matching(ref_trees, def_trees)

# height regression
reg <- height_regression(ref_trees, def_trees, match1,
    species = c("ABAL", "ABAL", "FASY", "FASY", "ABAL"),
    asp = 1, xlim = c(0, 21), ylim = c(0, 21)
)
summary(reg$lm)
reg$stats</pre>
```

hist_detection

Histogram of detection

Description

Displays the histogram of tree heights of three categories: true detections, omissions, and false detections.

Usage

```
hist_detection(lr, ld, matched, plot = TRUE)
```

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Arguments

lr	data.frame or matrix. 3D coordinates (X Y Height) of reference positions
ld	data.frame or matrix. 3D coordinates (X Y Height) of detected positions
matched	data.frame. contains pair indices, typically returned by tree_matching
plot	boolean, should the histogram be displayed or not

Value

A list with three numerics: numbers of true detections, omissions and false detections

See Also

```
tree_matching
```

Examples

```
# create reference and detected trees
ref_trees <- cbind(c(1, 4, 3, 4, 2), c(1, 1, 2, 3, 4), c(15, 18, 20, 10, 11))
def_trees <- cbind(c(2, 2, 4, 4), c(1, 3, 4, 1), c(16, 19, 9, 15))
#
# tree matching with different buffer size
match1 <- tree_matching(ref_trees, def_trees)
match2 <- tree_matching(ref_trees, def_trees, delta_ground = 2, h_prec = 0)
#
# corresponding number of detections
hist_detection(ref_trees, def_trees, match1)
hist_detection(ref_trees, def_trees, match2)</pre>
```

hist_stack

Stacked histogram

Description

Stacked histogram

Usage

```
hist_stack(x, breaks, col = NULL, breaksFun = paste, ...)
```

Arguments

```
    x list of vectors. values for each category
    breaks vector. breaks for histogram bins
    col vector. colors for each category
    breaksFun function for breaks display
    ... arguments to be passed to methods, as in plot
```

las_chablais3

Value

no return

las_chablais3

las data in France (Chablais 3 plot)

Description

Airborne laser scanning data over the Chablais 3 plot, acquired in 2009 by Sintegra, copyright INRAE

Format

A compressed LAS file

Details

Additional information about the data

• Sensor: RIEGL LMS-Q560

• EPSG code of coordinates system: 2154

Source

Monnet J.-M. INRAE

References

Monnet, J.-M. 2011. Using airborne laser scanning for mountain forests mapping: Support vector regression for stand parameters estimation and unsupervised training for treetop detection. Ph.D. thesis. University of Grenoble, France. pp. 21-22. https://theses.hal.science/tel-00652698/document

See Also

```
chm_chablais3, tree_inventory_chablais3
```

```
LASfile <- system.file("extdata", "las_chablais3.laz", package="lidaRtRee")
las_chablais3 <- lidR::readLAS(LASfile)
# set projection information
lidR::projection(las_chablais3) <- 2154
las_chablais3
```

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lma_check	Checks linear model assumptions of a multiple regression model	

Description

The performed tests are:

- partial p.values calculated by 1m are all below a given value
- tests implemented by gvlma
- variance inflation factors calculated by vif are all below a given value

Usage

```
lma_check(formule, df, max.pvalue = 0.05, max.vif = 5)
```

Arguments

formule	formula. model to be evaluated
df	data.frame. data to evaluate the model
max.pvalue	numeric. maximum p-value of variables included in the model
max.vif	numeric. maximum variance inflation factor of variables included in the model

Value

a one line data.frame with 5 columns.

- a string: evaluated formula
- a numeric: the adjusted R squared of the model
- a boolean: do all variables in the model have a partial p-value < max.pvalue
- a boolean: are all tests implemented by gvlma false
- a boolean: is the variance inflation factor computed with vif of all variables < max.vif

```
# load Quatre Montagnes dataset
data(quatre_montagnes)
# fit lm model
model <- lm(G_m2_ha ~ zmax + zq95, data = quatre_montagnes)
lma_check(eval(model$call[[2]]), quatre_montagnes)
# trying with Box-Cox transformation of dependent variable
# and other independent variables
model <- lm(boxcox_tr(G_m2_ha, -0.14) ~ Tree_meanH + Tree_density + zpcum7, data = quatre_montagnes)
lma_check(eval(model$call[[2]]), quatre_montagnes)</pre>
```

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Local maxima extraction on image

Description

Variable window size maxima detection is performed on the image to extract local maxima position and calculate the window size where they are global maxima. Gaussian white noise is added to the image to avoid adjacent maxima due to neighbor pixels with identical value.

Usage

```
maxima_detection(dem, dem.res = 1, max.width = 11, jitter = TRUE)
```

Arguments

dem	cimg object (e.g. as created by $\operatorname{\text{cimg}}$) or SpatRaster object (e.g. obtained with rast)
dem.res	numeric. image resolution, in case dem is a SpatRaster object, dem.res is extracted from the object by res
max.width	numeric. maximum kernel width to check for local maximum, in pixels if dem is a cimg, in SpatRaster units otherwise
jitter	boolean. indicates if noise should be added to image values to avoid adjacent maxima due to the adjacent pixels with equal values

Value

A cimg object / SpatRaster object which values correspond to the radius (n) in pixels / meters of the square window (width 2n+1) where the center pixel is global maximum (tested up to the max.width parameter)

See Also

```
dem_filtering, maxima_selection, tree_segmentation
```

```
data(chm_chablais3)
chm_chablais3 <- terra::rast(chm_chablais3)

# maxima detection
maxi <- maxima_detection(chm_chablais3)

# plot original image
terra::plot(chm_chablais3, main = "Initial image")

# plot maxima image
terra::plot(maxi, main = "Local maxima")</pre>
```

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maxima_selection	Image maxima selection based on values and neighborhood of local maxima
------------------	---

Description

In a maxima image (output of maxima_detection), sets values to zero for pixels which:

- 1. values in the initial image (from which maxima were detected) are below a threshold
- 2. values in the maxima image (corresponding to the radius of the neighborhood where they are global maxima) are below a threshold depending on the initial image value.

Make sure that the max.width parameter in maxima_detection is consistent with the selection parameters (e.g. do not select with dmin = 7 if values were only tested up to max.width the default value which is approx. 5.5 m).

Usage

```
maxima_selection(maxi, dem_nl, hmin = 5, dmin = 0, dprop = 0.05)
```

Arguments

maxi	cimg object or SpatRaster object. image with local maxima (typically output from maxima_detection, image values correspond to neighborhood radius on which pixels are global maxima in the initial image)
dem_nl	cimg object or SpatRaster object. initial image from which maxima were detected
hmin	numeric. minimum value in initial image for a maximum to be selected
dmin	<pre>numeric. intercept term for selection of maxima depending on neighborhood radius: maxi >= dmin + dem_nl * dprop</pre>
dprop	<pre>numeric. proportional term for selection of maxima depending on neighborhood radius: maxi >= dmin + dem_nl * dprop</pre>

Value

A cimg object or SpatRaster object which values are the radius (n) in meter of the square window (width 2n+1) where the center pixel is global maximum and which fulfill the selection criteria

See Also

maxima_detection, tree_segmentation

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Examples

```
data(chm_chablais3)
chm_chablais3 <- terra::rast(chm_chablais3)</pre>
# maxima detection
maxi <- maxima_detection(chm_chablais3)</pre>
# several maxima selection settings
selected_maxi_hmin <- maxima_selection(maxi, chm_chablais3, hmin = 15)</pre>
selected_maxi_dm <- maxima_selection(maxi, chm_chablais3, dmin = 2.5)</pre>
selected_maxi <- maxima_selection(maxi, chm_chablais3, dmin = 1, dprop = 0.1)</pre>
# corresponding count number of remaining maxima
table(terra::values(maxi))
table(terra::values(selected_maxi_hmin))
table(terra::values(selected_maxi_dm))
table(terra::values(selected_maxi))
# plot original image
terra::plot(chm_chablais3, main = "Initial image")
# plot maxima images, original and first case
terra::plot(maxi, main = "Local maxima")
terra::plot(selected_maxi, main = "Selected maxima")
```

plot_matched

Plot of matched pairs of detected and reference trees

Description

Plot of matched pairs of detected and reference trees

Usage

```
plot_matched(lr, ld, matched, chm = NULL, plot_border = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

lr data.frame or matrix. 3D coordinates (X Y Height) of reference positions data.frame or matrix. 3D coordinates (X Y Height) of detected positions matched data.frame. contains pair indices, typically returned by tree_matching chm raster object. raster for background display sf or SpatVector object. plot boundaries for display ... Additional arguments to be used by plot

Value

no return

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See Also

```
tree_matching, hist_detection
```

Examples

```
# create reference and detected trees
ref_trees <- cbind(c(1, 4, 3, 4, 2), c(1, 1.5, 2, 3, 4), c(15, 18, 20, 10, 11))
def_trees <- cbind(c(2, 2, 4, 4), c(1, 3, 4, 1), c(16, 19, 9, 15))
#
# compute matching
match1 <- tree_matching(ref_trees, def_trees)
match2 <- tree_matching(ref_trees, def_trees, delta_ground = 2, h_prec = 0)
# 2D display of matching results
plot_matched(ref_trees, def_trees, match1, xlab = "X", ylab = "Y")
plot_matched(ref_trees, def_trees, match2, xlab = "X", ylab = "Y")</pre>
```

plot_tree_inventory

Displays a map of tree inventory data

Description

displays tree inventory data

Usage

```
plot_tree_inventory(xy, height = NULL, diam = NULL, species = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments to be passed to methods, as in plot

Arguments

ху	data.frame with X, Y coordinates of tree centers in two columns
height	vector. tree heights in meters
diam	vector. tree diameters in centimeters
species	vector. species abbreviation as in species_color for display with corresponding color

Value

no return

See Also

species_color for a table of species and associated colors

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Examples

```
# load tree inventory data from plot Chablais 3
data("tree_inventory_chablais3")
# display tree inventory
plot_tree_inventory(tree_inventory_chablais3[, c("x", "y")],
  diam = tree_inventory_chablais3$d, col = "red",
  pch = tree_inventory_chablais3$e,
  xlab = "X", ylab = "Y"
)
# display tree inventory with CHM background
data("chm_chablais3")
chm_chablais3 <- terra::rast(chm_chablais3)</pre>
terra::plot(chm_chablais3, col = gray(seq(0, 1, 1 / 255)))
plot_tree_inventory(tree_inventory_chablais3[, c("x", "y")],
  height = tree_inventory_chablais3$h,
  species = tree_inventory_chablais3$s,
  add = TRUE
)
```

pointList2poly

Convert a list of points into spatial polygons object

Description

Converts a list of points specifying polygons into a spatial object

Usage

```
pointList2poly(points_list, df = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

```
points_list list of data frames of xy coordinates. In each data.frame the last row must be the same as the first row

dt data.frame. Optional data.frame to be associated to polygons

... arguments to be passed to st_sfc
```

Value

a simple feature collection with POLYGON geometry.

See Also

```
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```

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Examples

```
# Compute coordinates of polygons
ellipses <- ellipses4Crown(c(0, 10), c(0, 10), c(2, 2), c(3, 4), c(2.5, 3), c(2, 3),
  id = c("A", "B")
)
# Convert to sf object
ellipses1 <- pointList2poly(ellipses)
ellipses1
# Convert to sf object with user-defined data.frame
ellipses2 <- pointList2poly(ellipses, df = data.frame(info = 1:2))
# draw ellipses
plot(ellipses2, col = ellipses2$info)</pre>
```

points2DSM

Digital Surface Model

Description

Creates a Digital Surface Model from a LAS object. From version 4.0.0 relies on rasterize_canopy. Maintained for backward compatibility but a direct call to this function should be preferred. Raster extent is specified by the coordinates of lower left and upper right corners. Default extent covers the full range of points, and aligns on multiple values of the resolution. Cell value is the maximum height of points contained in the cell.

Usage

```
points2DSM(.las, res = 1, xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax)
```

Arguments

.las	LAS object or XYZ matrix/data.frame
res	numeric. raster resolution
xmin	numeric. lower left corner easting coordinate for output raster.
xmax	numeric. upper right corner easting coordinate for output raster.
ymin	numeric. lower left corner northing coordinate for output raster.
ymax	numeric. upper right corner northing coordinate for output raster.

Value

A SpatRaster object.

See Also

points2DTM for Digital Terrain Model computation.

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Examples

```
# load LAS file
LASfile <- system.file("extdata", "las_chablais3.laz", package="lidaRtRee")
las_chablais3 <- lidR::readLAS(LASfile)
# set projection
lidR::projection(las_chablais3) <- 2154

# create a digital surface model with first-return points, resolution 0.5 m
dsm <- points2DSM(lidR::filter_first(las_chablais3), res = 0.5)

# display raster
terra::plot(dsm)</pre>
```

points2DTM

Digital Terrain Model

Description

Creates a Digital Terrain Model from LAS object or XYZ data. Raster extent is specified by the coordinates of lower left and upper right corners. Default extent covers the full range of points, and aligns on multiple values of the resolution. Cell value is compute as the bilinear interpolation at the cell center form an Delaunay triangulation. Relies on rasterize_terrain with algorithm tin. In case a LAS object is provided, only points classified as ground or water (2 or 9) will be used.

Usage

```
points2DTM(.las, res = 1, xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax)
```

Arguments

.las	LAS object or XYZ matrix/data.frame containing only ground points
res	numeric. raster resolution
xmin	numeric. lower left corner easting coordinate for output raster.
xmax	numeric. upper right corner easting coordinate for output raster.
ymin	numeric. lower left corner northing coordinate for output raster.
ymax	numeric. upper right corner northing coordinate for output raster.

Value

A SpatRaster object

See Also

points2DSM for Digital Surface Model computation.

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Examples

```
# load LAS file
LASfile <- system.file("extdata", "las_chablais3.laz", package="lidaRtRee")
las_chablais3 <- lidR::readLAS(LASfile)
# set projection
lidR::projection(las_chablais3) <- 2154

# create digital terrain model with points classified as ground
dtm <- points2DTM(las_chablais3)

# display raster
terra::plot(dtm)</pre>
```

polar2Projected

Polar to cartesian coordinates conversion

Description

Computes projected coordinates (Easting, Northing, Altitude) from polar coordinates (Azimuth, Slope, Distance) and center position (Easting, Northing, Altitude). Magnetic declination and meridian convergence are optional parameters. In case distance is measured to the border of objects (e.g. trees), the diameter can be added to compute the coordinates of object center.

Usage

```
polar2Projected(
    X,
    y,
    z = 0,
    azimuth,
    dist,
    slope = 0,
    declination = 0,
    convergence = 0,
    diameter = 0
)
```

Arguments

```
Χ
                   vector. easting coordinates of centers in meter
                   vector. northing coordinates of centers in meter
У
                   vector. altitudes of centers in meters
azimuth
                   vector. azimuth values from centers in radian
dist
                   vector. distances between centers and objects in meter
                   vector. slope values from centers in radian
slope
declination
                   vector. magnetic declination values in radian
convergence
                   vector. meridian convergence values in radian
diameter
                   vector. diameters in meter (e.g. in case a radius should be added to the distance)
```

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Value

A data frame with easting, northing and altitude coordinates, and horizontal distance from centers to objects centers

See Also

```
plot_tree_inventory for tree inventory display
```

Examples

```
# create data.frame of trees with polar coordinates and diameters
trees <- data.frame(</pre>
  x = rep(c(0, 10), each = 2),
  y = rep(c(0, 10), each = 2),
  z = rep(c(0, 2), each = 2),
  azimuth = rep(c(0, pi / 3)),
  dist = rep(c(2, 4)),
  slope = rep(c(0, pi / 6)),
  diameter.cm = c(15, 20, 25, 30)
)
trees
# compute projected coordinates
polar2Projected(trees$x, trees$y, trees$z, trees$azimuth, trees$dist,
  trees$slope,
  declination = 0.03, convergence = 0.02, trees$diameter.cm / 100
)
```

quatre_montagnes

Field plot inventory in the Quatre Montagnes area (France)

Description

Dataset of forest parameters measured in the field on 96 circular plots of 15 m radius. Metrics derived from airborne laser scanning (ALS) point clouds have also been extracted and calculated for those plots.

Usage

```
data(quatre_montagnes)
```

Format

A data. frame with 76 columns:

- 1. plotId id of field plot
- 2. X easting coordinate (epsg: 2154)
- 3. Y northing coordinate (epsg: 2154)

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- 4. clusterId id of cluster, plots were inventoried in groups of 4
- 5. G_m2_ha basal area in m2 per ha
- 6. N_ha number of trees per ha
- 7. D_mean_cm mean tree diameter at breast height (1.3 m) in cm
- 8. stratum forest ownership (public or private)
- 9. [, 9:60] point cloud metrics computed from ALS, see aba_metrics
- 10. [, 61:73] metrics derived from tree segmentation in ALS data, see std_tree_metrics
- 11. [, 74:76] terrain statistics, see terrain_points_metrics

References

Monnet, J.-M. 2021. Tutorial on modeling forest parameters with ALS data. ABA data preparation https://gitlab.irstea.fr/jean-matthieu.monnet/lidartree_tutorials/-/wikis/ABA-data-preparation

Examples

```
data(quatre_montagnes)
summary(quatre_montagnes)
```

raster2Cimg

SpatRaster to Cimg conversion

Description

converts a SpatRaster object to cimg object. NA values in raster are replaced.

Usage

```
raster2Cimg(r, NA_replace = 0, maxpixels = 1e+10)
```

Arguments

r SpatRaster object. raster of canopy height model, preferably filtered to avoid

effect of holes on volume and surface computation

NA_replace numeric. value to replace NA values with.

maxpixels numeric. maximum number of pixels to be converted to cimg (argument passed

to as.cimg).

Value

A cimg object

See Also

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Examples

```
data(chm_chablais3)
chm_chablais3 <- terra::rast(chm_chablais3)
chm_cim <- raster2Cimg(chm_chablais3)
chm_cim
summary(chm_cim)

# plot SpatRaster
terra::plot(chm_chablais3)

# plot cimg object
plot(chm_cim)</pre>
```

rasters2Cor

Correlation between two rasters

Description

computes correlation between two rasters, based on the extent of the smallest one.

Usage

```
rasters2Cor(raster_b, raster_s, mask = NULL, small.SC = TRUE)
```

Arguments

raster_b SpatRaster. raster to correlate with largest extent
raster_s SpatRaster. raster to correlate with smallest extent
mask SpatRaster. mask of area to correlate
small.SC boolean. is the small raster already standardized and centered?

Value

A numeric

See Also

rasters_moving_cor to compute correlation between rasters for different translations

```
# create raster
r_b <- terra::rast(xmin = 0, xmax = 40, ymin =0 , ymax = 40,
resolution = 1, crs = NA)
xy <- terra::xyFromCell(r_b, 1:(nrow(r_b) * ncol(r_b)))
# add Gaussian surface and noise</pre>
```

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```
z \leftarrow 3 * exp(-((xy[, 1] - 20)^2 + (xy[, 2] - 20)^2 / 2) / 6)
r_b <- terra::rast(cbind(xy, z), type = "xyz")</pre>
# create circular mask of radius 5
z_{mask} \leftarrow (xy[, 1] - 20)^2 + (xy[, 2] - 20)^2 < 5^2
r_mask <- terra::rast(cbind(xy, z_mask), type = "xyz")</pre>
# create small raster of size 20
r_s <- terra::crop(r_b, terra::ext(c(10, 30, 10, 30)))
# add noise to small raster
terra::values(r_s) \leftarrow terra::values(r_s) + rnorm(ncol(r_s) * nrow(r_s), 0, 0.5)
r_mask <- terra::crop(r_mask, terra::ext(c(10, 30, 10, 30)))
# compute correlation on masked area where signal to noise ratio is lower
rasters2Cor(r_b, r_s, r_mask, small.SC = FALSE)
# compute correlation for whole small raster
rasters2Cor(r_b, r_s, small.SC = FALSE)
# display large raster
terra::plot(r_b, main = "Large raster")
# display small raster
terra::plot(r_s, main = "Small raster")
# display mask
terra::plot(r_mask, main = "Computation mask")
```

rasters_moving_cor

Correlation between rasters for different XY translations

Description

computes correlation between two rasters for different XY translations. The correlation values are computed on the extent of the smallest raster using rasters2Cor, after applying an optional mask, and for each translation within a buffer area.

Usage

```
rasters_moving_cor(raster_b, raster_s, mask = NULL, buffer = 19, step = 0.5)
```

Arguments

raster_b	SpatRaster. raster to correlate with largest extent
raster_s	SpatRaster. raster to correlate with smallest extent
mask	SpatRaster. mask of area to correlate, applied to small raster
buffer	numeric. radius of the circular buffer area for possible translations
step	numeric. increment step of translations within buffer area to compute correlation values, should be a multiple of raster resolution

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Value

A SpatRaster. Raster value at coordinates x,y correspond to the correlation between the large raster and the small raster when small raster center has been translated of (x,y)

See Also

raster_local_max to extract local maximum of resulting correlation raster, rasters2Cor

Examples

```
# create raster
r_b \leftarrow terra::rast(xmin = 0, xmax = 40, ymin = 0, ymax = 40,
resolution = 1, crs = NA)
xy <- terra::xyFromCell(r_b, 1:(nrow(r_b) * ncol(r_b)))</pre>
# add Gaussian surfaces
z1 \leftarrow 1.5 * exp(-((xy[, 1] - 22)^2 + (xy[, 2] - 22)^2 / 2) / 5)
z2 \leftarrow exp(-((xy[, 1] - 20)^2 + (xy[, 2] - 22)^2 / 2) / 3)
z3 \leftarrow 1.5 * exp(-((xy[, 1] - 17)^2 + (xy[, 2] - 17)^2 / 2) / 5)
r_b \leftarrow terra::rast(cbind(xy, z1 + z2 + z3), type = "xyz")
# create small raster
r_s \leftarrow terra::crop(r_b, terra::ext(c(15, 25, 15, 25)))
# offset raster by (-2, -2)
terra::ext(r_s) \leftarrow c(13, 23, 13, 23)
# compute correlations for translations inside buffer
rr <- rasters_moving_cor(r_b, r_s, buffer = 6, step = 1)</pre>
rr
# display large raster
terra::plot(r_b, main = "Large raster")
# display small raster
terra::plot(r_s, main = "Small raster")
# display correlation
terra::plot(rr,
  xlab = "X translation", ylab = "Y translation",
  main = "Correlation between rasters"
)
```

raster_chull_mask

Raster mask of convex hull

Description

creates raster mask corresponding to the convex hull of xy positions

Usage

```
raster_chull_mask(xy, r)
```

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Arguments

xy 2 columns matrix or data.frame. xy positions

r raster object. target raster

Value

a SpatRaster with 0 or 1

See Also

```
raster_xy_mask
```

Examples

```
# create raster
r <- terra::rast(extent = c(0, 40, 0, 40), resolution = 1, crs = "epsg:2154")

# xy positions
xy <- data.frame(
    x = c(10, 20, 31.25, 15),
    y = c(10, 20, 31.25, 25)
)
# compute mask
mask1 <- raster_chull_mask(xy, r)

# display binary raster
terra::plot(mask1)
graphics::points(xy)</pre>
```

raster_local_max

Statistics of raster local maximum

Description

identifies global maximum and second global maximum from raster (e.g. output from rasters_moving_cor), and computes related statistics. Local maxima can be excluded based on a minimum distance dm to nearest local maximum.

Usage

```
raster_local_max(r, dm = 2, med1 = 1, med2 = 2, quanta = 0.75, quantb = 0.5)
```

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Arguments

r	SpatRaster. typically output of rasters_moving_cor
dm	numeric. minimum distance between two local maxima in meters
med1	numeric. window radius to compute median value around the maximum position (default: 1m)
med2	numeric. window radius #2 to compute median value around the maximum position (default: 2m)
quanta	numeric. quantile value to compute for raster values (default: 3rd quartile)
quantb	numeric. quantile #2 value to compute for raster values (default: median)

Value

A data frame with value of maximum, position of maximum, position of second maximum, ratio of max value to 2nd max, ratio of max value to median of neighborhood (size1 and size 2), ratio of max value to raster quantiles 1 and 2

See Also

rasters_moving_cor, coregistration for application to the coregistration of tree inventory data with canopy height models

```
# create raster
r_b \leftarrow terra::rast(xmin = 0, xmax = 40, ymin = 0, ymax = 40,
resolution = 1, crs = NA)
xy <- terra::xyFromCell(r_b, 1:(nrow(r_b) * ncol(r_b)))</pre>
# add Gaussian surfaces
z1 \leftarrow 1.5 * exp(-((xy[, 1] - 22)^2 + (xy[, 2] - 22)^2 / 2) / 5)
z2 \leftarrow exp(-((xy[, 1] - 20)^2 + (xy[, 2] - 22)^2 / 2) / 3)
z3 \leftarrow 1.5 * exp(-((xy[, 1] - 17)^2 + (xy[, 2] - 17)^2 / 2) / 5)
r_b \leftarrow terra::rast(cbind(xy, z1 + z2 + z3), type = "xyz")
# create small raster
r_s \leftarrow terra::crop(r_b, terra::ext(c(15, 25, 15, 25)))
# offset raster by (-2, -2)
terra::ext(r_s) \leftarrow c(13, 23, 13, 23)
rr <- rasters_moving_cor(r_b, r_s, buffer = 6, step = 1)</pre>
loc_max <- raster_local_max(rr)</pre>
loc_max
# plot raster
terra::plot(rr)
# add location of two local maxima
graphics::points(loc_max[1, c("dx1", "dx2")], loc_max[1, c("dy1", "dy2")],
  cex = c(1, 0.5), pch = 3
```

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raster_metrics	Computes metrics by aggregating a raster at lower resolution or sum-
	marizing attributes based on XY locations

Description

Computes statistics by aggregating a raster at lower resolution. Aggregation groups are larger cells, new values are computed by applying a user-specified function to original cells contained in the larger cells. Results are provided as a data.frame with the XY coordinates of the larger cells, or as SpatRaster.

Usage

```
raster_metrics(
    r,
    res = 20,
    fun = function(x) {
        data.frame(mean = mean(x[, 3]), sd = stats::sd(x[, 3]))
},
    output = "raster"
)
```

Arguments

r	SpatRaster object, data.frame with xy coordinates in two first columns, or POINT sf spatial object
res	numeric. Resolution of the aggregation raster, should be a multiple of r resolution if a raster is provided
fun	function. Function to compute metrics in each aggregated cell from the values contained in the initial raster (use x\$layer to access raster values) / data.frame (use x\$colum_name to access values)
output	string. indicates the class of output object "raster" for a SpatRaster or "data.frame"

Value

a data.frame with the XY center coordinates of the aggregated cells, and the values computed with the user-specified function, or a SpatRaster object

```
data(chm_chablais3)
chm_chablais3 <- terra::rast(chm_chablais3)

# raster metrics from raster
metrics1 <- raster_metrics(chm_chablais3, res = 10)
metrics1</pre>
```

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```
# raster metrics from data.frame
n <- 1000
df <- data.frame(</pre>
  x = runif(n, 0, 100), y = runif(n, 0, 100), z1 = runif(n, 0, 1),
  z2 = runif(n, 10, 20)
# compute raster metrics
metrics2 <- raster_metrics(df,</pre>
  res = 10,
  fun = function(x) {
    data.frame(max.z = max(x$z1), max.sum = max(x$z1 + x$z2))
  output = "data.frame"
summary(metrics2)
# display raster metrics
terra::plot(metrics1)
# display data.frame metrics
terra::plot(terra::rast(metrics2, type = "xyz"))
```

raster_xy_mask

Raster mask by union of buffers around xy positions

Description

creates a raster mask by union of circular buffers around xy positions

Usage

```
raster_xy_mask(xy, buff, r, binary = TRUE)
```

Arguments

xy 2 columns matrix or data.frame. xy positions buff vector. buffers to apply to the xy positions

r raster object. target raster

binary boolean. should the output mask be boolean (TRUE) or greyscale (FALSE)

Value

a raster object

See Also

```
raster_chull_mask
```

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Examples

```
# create raster
r <- terra::rast(xmin=0, xmax = 40, ymin = 0, ymax = 40, resolution = 1, crs= NA )

# xy positions
xy <- data.frame(
    x = c(10, 20, 31.25, 15),
    y = c(10, 20, 31.25, 25)
)

# compute mask
mask1 <- raster_xy_mask(xy, c(5, 8, 5, 5), r)
mask2 <- raster_xy_mask(xy, c(5, 8, 5, 5), r, binary = FALSE)

# display binary raster
terra::plot(mask1)
graphics::points(xy)

# display distance raster
terra::plot(mask2)
graphics::points(xy)</pre>
```

raster_zonal_stats

Image statistic in segment

Description

compute zonal statistic of an image

Usage

```
raster_zonal_stats(segms, dem_nl, fun = max)
```

Arguments

segms cimg or SpatRaster object. image with segments id (e.g. from segmentation)
dem_nl cimg or SpatRaster object. image to compute statistic from
fun function to compute statistics from values in each segment

Value

A cimg object or raster object with values of the statistic

See Also

```
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```

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Examples

```
data(chm_chablais3)
chm_chablais3 <- terra::rast(chm_chablais3)</pre>
# median filter
chm_chablais3 <- dem_filtering(chm_chablais3,</pre>
 nl_filter = "Median", nl_size = 3,
 sigma = 0
)$non_linear_image
# maxima detection
maxi <- maxima_detection(chm_chablais3)</pre>
# segmentation
seg_maxi <- segmentation(maxi, chm_chablais3)</pre>
# compute image of maximum value in each segment
max_in_segment <- raster_zonal_stats(seg_maxi, chm_chablais3)</pre>
# plot original image
terra::plot(chm_chablais3, main = "Median filter")
# plot segments and image of max value inside segments
seg_maxi[seg_maxi == 0] <- NA
terra::plot(seg_maxi %% 8, main = "Segments", col = rainbow(8))
terra::plot(max_in_segment, main = "Max value in segment")
```

segmentation

Image segmentation by seed-based watershed algorithm

Description

performs a seed-based watershed segmentation (wrapper for watershed)

Usage

```
segmentation(maxi, dem_nl)
```

Arguments

maxi cimg or SpatRaster object. image with seed points (e.g. from maxima_detection

or maxima_selection)

dem_nl cimg or SpatRaster object. image for seed propagation (typically initial image

used for maxima detection).

Value

A cimg object or SpatRaster object with segments id

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See Also

maxima_detection, maxima_selection, seg_adjust

Examples

```
data(chm_chablais3)
chm_chablais3 <- terra::rast(chm_chablais3)</pre>
# median filter
chm_chablais3 <- dem_filtering(chm_chablais3,</pre>
 nl_filter = "Median", nl_size = 3,
 sigma = 0
)$non_linear_image
# maxima detection
maxi <- maxima_detection(chm_chablais3)</pre>
# maxima selection
selected_maxi <- maxima_selection(maxi, chm_chablais3, dm = 1, dprop = 0.1)</pre>
# segmentation
seg_maxi <- segmentation(maxi, chm_chablais3)</pre>
seg_selected_maxi <- segmentation(selected_maxi, chm_chablais3)</pre>
# plot original image
terra::plot(chm_chablais3, main = "Median filter")
# plot segmented image
# replace segment with id 0 (not a tree) with NA
seg_maxi[seg_maxi == 0] \leftarrow NA
terra::plot(seg_maxi %% 8, main = "Segments, no maxima selection",
col = rainbow(8)
seg_selected_maxi [seg_selected_maxi == 0] <- NA</pre>
terra::plot(seg_selected_maxi %% 8, main = "Segments, maxima selection",
col = rainbow(8))
```

seg_adjust

Modification of segments based on values

Description

in a segmented image, removes from segments the pixels which values in a reference image is below a certain percentage of the highest value inside the segment. Removed pixels are attributed 0 value.

Usage

```
seg_adjust(dem_w, dem_wh, dem_nl, prop = 0.3, min.value = 2, min.maxvalue = 5)
```

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Arguments

dem_w cimg or SpatRaster object. image with segments id, without 0 values

dem_wh cimg or SpatRaster object. image with max value inside segment

dem_nl cimg or SpatRaster object. image with initial values

prop numeric. proportional threshold for removal of pixels which initial values are
lower than the max height of the segment (dem_nl < prop x dem_wh)

min.value numeric. threshold for removel of pixels which initial values are lower (dem_nl < min.value)

min.maxvalue numeric. threshold for complete removal of segments which maximum value height is smaller to the threshold (dem_wh < min.maxvalue)

Value

A cimg or SpatRaster object: image with modified segments.

See Also

```
maxima_detection, maxima_selection
```

```
data(chm_chablais3)
chm_chablais3 <- terra::rast(chm_chablais3)</pre>
# median filter
chm_chablais3 <- dem_filtering(chm_chablais3,</pre>
  nl_filter = "Median", nl_size = 3,
  sigma = 0
)$non_linear_image
# maxima detection and selection
maxi <- maxima_detection(chm_chablais3)</pre>
selected_maxi <- maxima_selection(maxi, chm_chablais3, dm = 1, dprop = 0.1)</pre>
# segmentation
seg_selected_maxi <- segmentation(selected_maxi, chm_chablais3)</pre>
# max value in segments
max_in_segment <- raster_zonal_stats(seg_selected_maxi , chm_chablais3)</pre>
# segmentation modification
seg_modif1 <- seg_adjust(seg_selected_maxi , max_in_segment,</pre>
  chm_chablais3,
  prop = 0.5
seg_modif2 <- seg_adjust(seg_selected_maxi , max_in_segment,</pre>
  chm_chablais3,
  prop = 0, min.value = 5, min.maxvalue = 10
)
```

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```
# plot initial segmented image
# seg_selected_maxi[seg_selected_maxi == 0] <- NA
terra::plot(seg_selected_maxi %% 8, main = "Initial segments", col = rainbow(8))
# seg_modif1[seg_modif1 == 0] <- NA
terra::plot(seg_modif1 %% 8, main = "Modified segments 1", col = rainbow(8))
seg_modif2[seg_modif2 == 0] <- NA
terra::plot(seg_modif2 %% 8, main = "Modified segments 2", col = rainbow(8))</pre>
```

species_color

Table of species names, abreviations and display colors

Description

table for species names, abreviations and type (coniferous/broadleaf), and display color

Usage

```
species_color()
```

Value

A data frame with species name, color, coniferous (C) / broadleaf (B) type, and name abreviation GESP of GEnus and SPecies

See Also

plot_tree_inventory for tree inventory display

Examples

```
# load table
tab.species <- species_color()
head(tab.species)
summary(tab.species)</pre>
```

std_tree_metrics

Computation of tree metrics

Description

This function computes summary statistics from a data.frame containing tree-level information as returned by tree_extraction.

Usage

```
std_tree_metrics(x, area_ha = NA)
```

Arguments

X	data.frame containing the following columns for each line (segmented tree): h (height), s (crown surface), v (crown volume), typically returned by tree_extraction. sp (crown surface inside region of interest) and vp (crown volume in region of interest) are not used in this function.
area_ha	numeric. area of region of interest in ha

Value

a data.frame with one line containing the following tree metrics:

- 1. Tree_meanH: mean height of detected tree apices (m)
- 2. Tree_sdH: standard deviation of heights of detected tree apices (m)
- 3. Tree_giniH: Gini index of heights of detected tree apices
- 4. Tree_density: density of detected tree apices (/ha)
- 5. TreeInf10_density: density of detected trees apices with h<=10 (/ha)
- 6. TreeSup10_density: density of detected trees apices with h>10 (/ha)
- 7. TreeSup20_density: density of detected trees apices with h>20 (/ha)
- 8. TreeSup30_density: density of detected trees apices with h>30 (/ha)
- 9. Tree_meanCrownSurface: mean crown surface of detected trees
- 10. Tree_meanCrownVolume: mean volume of detected trees
- 11. TreeCanopy_meanH: mean height of union of crowns of detected trees

See Also

```
tree_extraction, clouds_tree_metrics, raster_metrics
```

Examples

```
# sample 50 height values h \leftarrow runif(50, 5, 40) # simulate tree data.frame trees \leftarrow data.frame(h = h, s = h, sp = h * 0.95, v = h * h * 0.6, vp = h * h * 0.55) std_tree_metrics(trees, area_ha = 0.1)
```

terrain_points_metrics

Computation of terrain metrics

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Description

This function computes topographic variables from a point cloud

- · exposition
- altitude
- slope.

Values are computed after fitting a plane to the points. It supposes a homogeneous sampling of the plot by points. Points can be cropped on disk if center and radius are provided. In case a centre is provided, the altitude is computed by bilinear interpolation at the center location (rasterize_terrain with tin algorithm), otherwise it is the mean of the points altitude range.

Usage

```
terrain_points_metrics(p, centre = NULL, r = NULL)
```

Arguments

p	matrix, data.frame or LAS object with ground point coordinates (X, Y, Z). In case of an object which is not LAS, the object is first converted.
centre	vector. x y coordinates of center to extract points inside a disc
r	numeric. radius of disc

Value

a data.frame with altitude, exposition (gr), slope (gr) and adjR2 of plane fitting

```
# sample points
XYZ <- data.frame(x = runif(200, -10, 10), y = runif(200, -10, 10))
XYZ$z <- 350 + 0.3 * XYZ$x + 0.1 * XYZ$y + rnorm(200, mean = 0, sd = 0.5)
# compute terrain statistics
terrain_points_metrics(XYZ)
terrain_points_metrics(XYZ, centre = c(5, 5), r = 5)
# with a LAS object
LASfile <- system.file("extdata", "las_chablais3.laz", package="lidaRtRee")
las_chablais3 <- lidR::readLAS(LASfile)
terrain_points <- lidR::filter_ground(las_chablais3)
terrain_points_metrics(terrain_points)
terrain_points_metrics(terrain_points, centre = c(974360, 6581650), r = 10)</pre>
```

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Description

Performs tree detection by applying the functions tree_segmentation and tree_extraction to objects of class SpatRaster-class, LAS-class or LAScatalog-class

Usage

```
tree_detection(las, res = 1, ROI = NULL, normalize = FALSE, crown = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

las	An object of class SpatRaster-class, LAS-class or LAScatalog-class
res	numeric. The size of a grid cell in point cloud coordinates units, used to rasterize the point cloud. In case the las argument is a SpatRaster res is not used.
ROI	spatial polygons in sf/sfc format, in the same CRS as argument las. geometric object that defines the region where tree detection has to be performed. In case the input is of class LAScatalog-class, the chunk buffer set with engine_options is applied to the point cloud to prevent border effects, but only treetops lying within the ROI are returned.
normalize	boolean. Should the point cloud be normalized before detection (not applicable if las argument is a SpatRaster) ?
crown	Parameter passed to tree_extraction
	Parameters passed to tree_segmentation

Value

A sf collection of POINTs with 7 fields: tree id, local maximum stats (height, dominance radius), segment stats (surface and volume), coordinates (x and y). In case argument crown is TRUE, a crown field containing the WKT geometry of the 2D crown is also present.

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See Also

tree_segmentation, tree_extraction

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Examples

```
# load canopy height model
data(chm_chablais3)
chm_chablais3 <- terra::rast(chm_chablais3)</pre>
# create polygon of region of interest
ROI <- sf::st_polygon(list(cbind(</pre>
 c(974360, 974360, 974380, 974380, 974360),
 c(6581640, 6581680, 6581680, 6581640, 6581640)
# convert to sfc and set projection
ROI = sf::st_sfc(ROI)
sf::st_crs(ROI) <- terra::crs(chm_chablais3)</pre>
# tree detection
trees <- tree_detection(chm_chablais3)</pre>
# plot results
# canopy height model background
terra::plot(chm_chablais3)
# detected trees
plot(trees["h"], add = TRUE, cex = trees$h/20, col = "black")
# tree detection in ROI and minimum tree height set to 10
trees_ROI <- tree_detection(chm_chablais3, ROI = ROI, hmin = 10, crown = TRUE)</pre>
# create polygons from WKT field
trees_ROI_crowns <- sf::st_as_sf(sf::st_drop_geometry(trees_ROI), wkt = "crown")</pre>
# plot results
# canopy height model background
terra::plot(chm_chablais3)
# detected trees
plot(trees_ROI["h"], add = TRUE, cex = trees_ROI$h/20, col = "black")
# corresponding crowns
plot(sf::st_geometry(trees_ROI_crowns), add = TRUE, border = "black", col = NA)
# add ROI
plot(ROI, add = TRUE, border = "red", col = NA)
```

tree_extraction

Tree extraction

Description

creates a data.frame with segment id, height and coordinates of maxima, surface and volume, computed from three images: initial, local maxima and segmented, obtained with tree_segmentation. The 2D polygon associated to each crown can be added as a WKT field

Usage

```
tree_extraction(
  r_dem_nl,
  r_maxi = NULL,
```

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```
r_dem_w = NULL,
r_mask = NULL,
crown = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

r_dem_nl	SpatRaster object. Output raster of tree_segmentation. Otherwise a raster of canopy height model, preferably filtered to avoid effect of holes on volume and surface computation can be provided. In this case arguments 'r_maxi', 'r_dem_w' have to be provided
r_maxi	SpatRaster object. raster with positive values at local maxima (in case 'r_dem_nl' does not contain it)
r_dem_w	SpatRaster object. segmented raster (in case 'r_dem_nl' does not contain it)
r_mask	SpatRaster object. only segments which maxima are inside the mask are extracted. Values should be NA outside the mask, 1 inside.
crown	boolean. Should the 2D crown geometry be added in wkt format to the output data.frame?

Value

A sf collection of POINTs with 7 fields: tree id, local maximum stats (height, dominance radius), segment stats (surface and volume), coordinates (x and y). In case argument 'crown' is 'TRUE', a 'crown' field containing the WKT geometry of the 2D crown is also present. Coordinates are written with one decimal to the right of the order of magnitude of the SpatRaster resolution (e.g. if resolution is 1/3 then 2 decimals are written).

See Also

```
tree_segmentation, tree_detection
```

```
data(chm_chablais3)
chm_chablais3 <- terra::rast(chm_chablais3)

# tree segmentation
segments <- tree_segmentation(chm_chablais3)

# tree extraction
trees <- tree_extraction(segments, crown = TRUE)
# create crown polygons from WKT field
trees_crowns <- sf::st_as_sf(sf::st_drop_geometry(trees), wkt = "crown")

# summary of trees without wkt field
summary(trees[, -which(names(trees) == "crown")])

# plot initial image
terra::plot(chm_chablais3, main = "CHM and extracted trees")</pre>
```

```
# add treetop positions
plot(trees["h"], add = TRUE, cex = trees$h/20, col = "black")
# add crowns
plot(sf::st_geometry(trees_crowns), add = TRUE, border = "black", col = NA)
# plot segments
terra::plot(segments$segments_id, main = "Segments")
# add crowns
plot(sf::st_geometry(trees_crowns), add = TRUE, border = "black", col = NA)
```

tree_inventory_chablais3

Tree inventory data in France (Chablais 3 plot, July 2010)

Description

All trees with diameter at breast height \geq = 7.5 cm are inventoried on a 50m x 50m plot.

Usage

```
data(tree_inventory_chablais3)
```

Format

A data.frame with columns:

- 1. x easting coordinate (epsg: 2154)
- 2. y northing coordinate (epsg: 2154)
- 3. d dbh (cm)
- 4. h tree height (m)
- 5. n tree number
- 6. s species abreviated as GESP (GEnus SPecies)
- 7. e appearance (0: missing or lying, 1: normal, 2: broken treetop, 3: dead with branches, 4: snag)
- 8. t tilted (0: no, 1: yes)

References

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Examples

```
data(tree_inventory_chablais3)
summary(tree_inventory_chablais3)
# display tree inventory
plot_tree_inventory(tree_inventory_chablais3[, c("x", "y")],
    diam = tree_inventory_chablais3$d, col = "red",
    pch = tree_inventory_chablais3$e,
    xlab = "X", ylab = "Y"
)
```

tree_matching

3D matching of detected tree top positions with reference positions

Description

First computes a matching index for each potential pair associating a detected with a reference tree. This index is the 3D distance between detected and reference points, divided by a maximum matching distance set by user-defined parameters. Pairs with the lowest index are then iteratively associated.

Usage

```
tree_matching(lr, ld, delta_ground = 2.1, h_prec = 0.14, stat = TRUE)
```

Arguments

lr	data.frame or matrix. 3D coordinates (X Y Height) of reference positions	
ld	data.frame or matrix. 3D coordinates (X Y Height) of detected positions	
delta_ground	numeric. buffer around trunk position: absolute value	
h_prec	numeric. buffer around apex position : proportion of reference tree height	
stat	boolean. should matching stats be computed	

Value

A data.frame with matched pairs (row of reference positions in first column, and row of detected positions in second column) and corresponding 3D distances

References

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See Also

```
plot_matched, hist_detection
```

Examples

```
# create reference and detected trees
ref_trees <- cbind(c(1, 4, 3, 4, 2), c(1, 1, 2, 3, 4), c(15, 18, 20, 10, 11))
def_trees <- cbind(c(2, 2, 4, 4), c(1, 3, 4, 1), c(16, 19, 9, 15))
#
# match trees
match1 <- tree_matching(ref_trees, def_trees)
match2 <- tree_matching(ref_trees, def_trees, delta_ground = 2, h_prec = 0)
match1
match2
# 2D display of matching result
plot_matched(ref_trees, def_trees, match1, xlab = "X", ylab = "Y")
plot_matched(ref_trees, def_trees, match2, xlab = "X", ylab = "Y")</pre>
```

tree_segmentation

Preprocessing and segmentation of raster image for tree identification

Description

global function for preprocessing (filtering), maxima detection and selection, segmentation and segmentation adjustment of a raster image.

Usage

```
tree_segmentation(dem, dtm = NULL, crown_prop = NULL, crown_hmin = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

dem	raster object or string indicating location of raster file (typically a canopy height model or a digital surface model; in the latter case the dtm parameter should be provided)
dtm	raster object or string indicating location of raster file with the terrain model. If provided, the maxima extraction and watershed segmentation are performed on the dem (this avoids the deformation of crown because of the normalisation with terrain), but maxima selection and segment adjustment are performed on 'dem-dtm' because the selection criteria are based on the height to terrain.
crown_prop	(deprecated) numeric. (overrides prop parameter passed to seg_adjust, for backward compatibility)
crown_hmin	(deprecated) numeric. (overrides min.value parameter passed to seg_adjust, for backward compatibility)

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arguments passed to functions dem_filtering (e.g. nl_filter, nl_size, sigma), maxima_detection, maxima_selection, maxima_selection (dmin: treetop minimum distance to next higher pixel in meters, dprop: number defining the treetop minimum distance as proportion of its height to next higher pixel, hmin: minimum treetop height), seg_adjust (prop: minimum height of tree crown base as proportion of treetop height, min.value: minimum crown base height)

Value

A SpatRaster with 4 layers: selected local maxima (values = distance to higher pixel), segments, non-linear preprocessed dem, smoothed preprocessed dem

References

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See Also

 ${\tt dem_filtering, maxima_detection, maxima_selection, segmentation, seg_adjust, tree_extraction, tree_detection}$

```
data(chm_chablais3)
chm_chablais3 <- terra::rast(chm_chablais3)</pre>
# tree segmentation
segments <- tree_segmentation(chm_chablais3)</pre>
segments2 <- tree_segmentation(chm_chablais3,</pre>
 nl_filter = "Median", nl_size = 3,
 sigma = cbind(c(0.2, 0.8), c(0, 15)), dmin = 0, dprop = 0, hmin = 10,
 crown_prop = 0.5, crown_hmin = 5
)
# plot initial image segments
terra::plot(chm_chablais3, main = "Initial image")
terra::plot(segments$smoothed_dem, main = "Filtered image")
terra::plot(segments$local_maxima, main = "Local maxima")
# replace segment with id 0 (not a tree) with NA
segments$segments_id[segments$segments_id == 0] <- NA</pre>
terra::plot(segments$segments_id %% 8, main = "Segments", col = rainbow(8))
# plot segmentation with other parameters
```

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```
segments2\$segments\_id[segments2\$segments\_id == 0] <- NA \\ terra::plot(segments2\$segments\_id \% 8, main = "Segments2", col = rainbow(8))
```

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