

Package ‘SpeciesPool’

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beals.all	<i>Beals' smoothing</i>
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Description

Calculates Beals' smoothing for all species in a target plot, based on Mij matrix

Usage

```
beals.all(x.names, x.cover, Mij)
```

Arguments

x.names	vector of species names or labels
x.cover	vector of species presence-absences
Mij	matrix of pairwise likelihood of species co-occurrence (sparse matrices accepted)

Value

A vector of Bray-Curtis dissimilarity between the target plot and all the other relevés in input.data

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References

Ewald, J. (2002) Multiple controls of understorey plant richness in mountain forests of the Bavarian Alps. Phytocoenologia, 32, 85-100.

bray.curtis	<i>Bray-Curtis dissimilarity</i>
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Description

Calculates Bray-Curtis dissimilarity between a target plot, and all the other relevés in the dataset

Usage

```
bray.curtis(input.data, target.plot.ID)
```

Arguments

input.data	A species x relevés matrix with abundance values
target.plot.ID	ID or label of target plot

Value

A vector of Bray-Curtis dissimilarities between the target and all the other relevés in input.data

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Mij.calc

Pairwise likelihood of species co-occurrence

Description

Intermediate step to calculate Beals' smoothing

Usage

```
Mij.calc(dt, verbose = F)
```

Arguments

dt A data.frame with three columns: releve ID, species ID, and abundance

Value

Returns a square matrix of the likelihood of pairwise species co-occurrence

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SAR.IIIb

Rarefaction curves

Description

Builds an empirical rarefaction curve

Usage

```
SAR.IIIb(x, areas, n = 10)
```

Arguments

x	A vector of species richness
areas	A vector of plot sizes
n	numeric - number of intervals of rarefaction curve

Value

Returns a dataframe of cumulative richness and pooled plot areas

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SpeciesPool	<i>Species pool based on Beal's smoothing</i>
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Description

For each relevé, this function selects all neighbouring relevés having a similar potential species composition, and fits empirical non-linear functions to rarefaction curves.

Usage

```
SpeciesPool(input.data, coords, Mij = NULL, ncores = 1, rows = NULL,
  t.radius = 20000, t.bray = 0.2, t.plot.number = 10L,
  cutoff = c("iChao2", "Gompertz", "Michaelis"), verbose = T,
  species.list = F, mycrs = NULL)
```

Arguments

input.data	data.frame of species abundances across relevés. It should have three columns: one with Relevé IDs, one with Species ID, and one with species abundance/cover values
coords	Either a SpatialPointsDataFrame or a DataFrame with the geographic coordinates of all plots. If SpatialPointsDataFrame, it should have Relevé IDs and areas defined in the data. If DataFrame, columns 1:2 should be coordinates (Long, Lat), columns 3:4 should be RelevéIDs and plot area, respectively.
Mij	matrix of pairwise likelihood of species co-occurrence (sparse matrices accepted). If not provided, it will be calculated from the data
ncores	integer indicating the number of cores to use. If ncores>1 the calculation will be done in parallel
rows	a vector of integers indicating on which plots of the input.data the function should run
t.radius	threshold of geographic buffer around target relevé

<code>t.bray</code>	threshold of Bray-Curtis dissimilarity for selecting relevés compositionally similar to target relevé
<code>t.plot.number</code>	minimum number of neighbouring relevés for calculating rarefaction curves
<code>cutoff</code>	method used to estimate the size of the species pool. Default is 'iChao2', other possible are 'Gompertz' or 'Michaelis'
<code>verbose</code>	logical
<code>species.list</code>	logical: Should the list of species composing the species pool be returned?
<code>mycrs</code>	a CRS object defining the coordinate reference of coords, if coords is a data.frame

Value

Returns a dataframe containing for each relevé: - Species - the number of species observed across all relevés neighbouring the target relevé
 - Chao, iChao2, jack1, jack2 - various species richness estimates and standard errors, as derived from the function `SpadeR::ChaoSpecies`
 - nplots - number of relevés within a `t.radius` distance from the target relevé having a bray-curtis dissimilarity lower than `t.bray`
 - beals.at.chao - cut-off of Beals' occurrence likelihood, selected as the *i*th species corresponding to chao
 - n.plots.area - number of relevés within a `t.radius` distance, and `t.bray` dissimilarity from target relevés for which area data is available
 - arr, gomp, mm, Asymp - parameter estimates for different empirical non-linear functions fitted to rarefaction curves, with relative AIC
 - sp.pool.list - list of species compatible with target relevé, i.e. having a Beals' likelihood lower than `beals.at.chao`

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Examples

```
load(GVRD_test_data.RData) ## data provided separately, make sure it's in working directory
aa <- SpeciesPool(DT.fb, mycoords, ncores=3, rows=1:100, t.radius=20000,
>               t.bray=0.2, t.plot.number=10L, verbose=T, species.list = T)
```

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