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Description

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Details

The package `wildlifeDI` allows users to compute a number of currently available indices of dynamic interaction useful for wildlife telemetry studies. The currently available methods include:

- Prox - Proximity analysis (Bertrand et al. 1996)
- Ca - Coefficient of Association (Bauman 1998)
- Don - Doncaster's measure of dynamic interaction (Doncaster 1990)
- Lixn - Minta's measures of spatial-temporal interaction (Minta 1992)
- Cs - Coefficient of Sociality (Kenward et al. 1993)
- HAI - Half-weight Association Index (Atwood and Weeks Jr. 2003)
- Cr - Correlation coefficient (Shirabe 2006)
- DI - Dynamic interaction index (Long and Nelson 2013)
- IAB - Interaction statistic (Benhamou et al. 2014)

The package `wildlifeDI` also provides useful functionality for identifying which fixes are temporally simultaneous, required for many of the above methods, using the function `GetSimultaneous`, along with other functions for exploring spatial-temporal interactions patterns in wildlife telemetry data.

When citing this package please use see citation (`'wildlifeDI'`), also please cite the appropriate papers associated with individual methods being used.

As of version 0.4.1 the package also includes a number of new functions for performing contact analysis with larger tracking datasets. These functions use a prefix `'con'` to distinguish them from other functions in the package.

The functions in `wildlifeDI` utilize the `ltraj` objects from the package `adehabitat`. For more information on objects of this type see `help(ltraj)`.

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Ca	<i>Coefficient of Association</i>
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Description

This function measures the dynamic interaction between two moving objects following the methods first described by Cole (1949), and more recently employed by Bauman (1998).

Usage

```
Ca(traj1, traj2, tc = 0, dc = 0)
```

Arguments

traj1	an object of the class <code>ltraj</code> which contains the time-stamped movement fixes of the first object. Note this object must be a type II <code>ltraj</code> object. For more information on objects of this type see <code>help(ltraj)</code> .
traj2	same as <code>traj1</code> .
tc	temporal tolerance limit (in seconds) for defining when two fixes are simultaneous or together. Parameter passed to function <code>GetSimultaneous</code> .
dc	distance tolerance limit (in appropriate units) for defining when two fixes are spatially together.

Details

This function can be used to calculate the Cole (1949) measure of dynamic interaction between two animals. Termed a coefficient of association, the Ca statistic tests the number of fixes the animals are observed together against the total number of fixes following:

$$Ca = \frac{2AB}{A + B}$$

where A (respectively B) is the number of times animal 1 (resp. 2) are observed, and AB is the number of times the two animals are observed together. Several works, including Bauman (1998) have suggested that $Ca > 0.5$ indicates affiliation or fidelity, while $Ca < 0.5$ indicates no association between the two animals. Note that this function calls `GetSimultaneous` to identify the temporal component of identifying when fixes together.

Value

This function returns a numeric result of the Ca statistic.

References

Bauman, P.J. (1998) The Wind Cave National Park elk herd: home ranges, seasonal movements, and alternative control methods. M.S. Thesis. South Dakota State University, Brookings, South Dakota, USA.

Cole, L.C. (1949) The measurement of interspecific association. *Ecology*. **30**, 411–424.

See Also

`GetSimultaneous`, `Prox`, `HAI`

Examples

```
data(deer)
deer37 <- deer[1]
deer38 <- deer[2]
#tc = 7.5 minutes, dc = 50 meters
Ca(deer37, deer38, tc = 7.5*60, dc = 50)
```

`checkTO`*Check for temporal overlap*

Description

The function `checkTO` is a simple function for identifying if, and for how long, two telemetry datasets overlap (temporally) with each other. The function returns a list with three pieces of information: a logical variable indicating if the two trajectories overlap temporally, and timings of the beginning and end of the overlap period.

Usage

```
checkTO(traj1, traj2)
```

Arguments

<code>traj1</code>	an object of the class <code>ltraj</code> which contains the time-stamped movement fixes of the first object. Note this object must be a type II <code>ltraj</code> object. For more information on objects of this type see <code>help(ltraj)</code> .
<code>traj2</code>	same as <code>traj1</code> .

Details

The function `checkTO` can be used to identify if, when, and for how long two telemetry datasets overlap temporally.

Value

A list of with three pieces of information, whether the two trajectories overlap (`$TO`) a logical vector, the beginning (`$TOstart`), and end (`$TOend`) of the overlap period, stored as POSIX objects.

See Also

`GetSimultaneous`, `GetTO`

Examples

```
data(deer)
deer37 <- deer[1]
deer38 <- deer[2]
spts <- checkTO(deer37, deer38)
```

conContext

*Examine context associated with contact phases***Description**

Extracts the variables associated with var before, during, and after contact phases, based on some specified time-lag.

Usage

```
conContext(
  ltraj,
  var = "dist",
  def = "all",
  idcol = "burst",
  nrand = 0,
  nlag = 0,
  lag = 0,
  gap = 0,
  phaid
)
```

Arguments

ltraj	an object of the class ltraj which should be output from the function conPhase.
var	name(s) (as character) of columns (possibly from infoLocs) to keep for contextual analysis.
def	how to define the point-of-contact. The default is to define it as all fixes in a phase def = 'all', alternatively contacts can be defined as a single point along the phase defined as one of: 'first', 'last', 'minDist', 'minTime', which corresponds to the first fix in the contact phase, the last fix in the contact phase, the fix with the minimum time difference and the fix with the closest contact distance.
idcol	column id associated with IDs of individuals, default is the 'burst'.
nrand	number of random fixes to be selected (default = 0).
nlag	number of lags to compute in the before and after phases of a contact. If lag = 0 then only contacts are used.
lag	time (in seconds) for defining the lags in before and after periods of a contact.
gap	time (in seconds) for excluding the lags in before and after periods of a contact.
phaid	(optional) id(s) of the contact phase upon which to examine (default is all).

Details

This function is used following the conphase function. One should choose how to define the contact point (i.e., the parameter contact) depending on the research question. In most typical cases (with regular interval tracking data) the lag time should be set to the tracking interval and the gap should be set to 1/2 the tracking interval.

Value

A dataframe that can be used to examine behaviour/context before, during, and after contact phases.

References

Long, JA, Webb, SL, Harju, SM, Gee, KL (2022) Analyzing Contacts and Behavior from High Frequency Tracking Data Using the wildlifeDI R Package. *Geographical Analysis*. **54**, 648–663.

See Also

conPhase

Examples

```
## Not run:
data(does)
doecons <- conProcess(does, tc=15*60, dc=50)
doephas <- conPhase(doecons, pc=60*60)
cc <- conContext(var='dist', def='first', nlag=3, lag=30*60, gap=15*60)
head(cc)

## End(Not run)
```

conDisplacement

Calculate net displacement from contacts

Description

Calculate the net-displacement (distance) of fixes before and after a contact from that contact point.

Usage

```
conDisplacement(ltraj, def = "all", idcol = "burst")
```

Arguments

ltraj	an object of the class ltraj which should be output from the function conPhase.
def	how to define the point-of-contact. The default is to define it as all fixes in a phase type = 'all', alternatively contacts can be defined as a single point along the phase defined as one of: 'first', 'last', 'minDist', 'minTime', which corresponds to the first fix in the contact phase, the last fix in the contact phase, the fix with the minimum time difference and the fix with the closest contact distance.
idcol	column id associated with IDs of individuals, default is the 'burst'

Details

This function is used to compute the net displacement away from contacts by an animal before and after a contact phase. Net displacement represents an important contextual variable, related to the mobility of the individual.

Value

An ltraj object with a new 'displacement' column in infolocs.

References

Long, JA, Webb, SL, Harju, SM, Gee, KL (2022) Analyzing Contacts and Behavior from High Frequency Tracking Data Using the wildlifeDI R Package. *Geographical Analysis*. **54**, 648–663.

See Also

conPhase, conContext

Examples

```
## Not run:
data(does)
doecons <- conProcess(does, tc=15*60, dc=50)
doephas <- conPhase(doecons, pc=60*60)
disp_f <- conDisplacement(doephas, def='first')
disp_l <- conDisplacement(doephas, def='last')

## End(Not run)
```

`conMatrix`*conMatrix*

Description

Create a matrix that can be used for social network analysis.

Usage

```
conMatrix(mtraj, idcol = "burst", output = "count")
```

Arguments

<code>mtraj</code>	an object of the class <code>ltraj</code> which is output from the function <code>conProcess</code> .
<code>idcol</code>	column id associated with IDs of the individuals, default is the 'burst'
<code>output</code>	('count' or 'rate') whether to compute the counts of contacts in the contact matrix (default) or the contact-rate.

Details

This function is used to calculate the contact rates between individuals and output them in the form of a matrix. NOTE: This function is designed to be used only when a single `ltraj` object is input into the `conProcess` function. I.e., single-species contact networks.

Value

A matrix, with the contact rates between individuals.

References

Long, JA, Webb, SL, Harju, SM, Gee, KL (2022) Analyzing Contacts and Behavior from High Frequency Tracking Data Using the wildlifeDI R Package. *Geographical Analysis*. **54**, 648–663.

See Also

`conProcess`, `conPairs`

Examples

```
## Not run:
data(does)
doecons <- conProcess(does,tc=15*60,dc=50)
doemat <- conMatrix(doecons)
doemat_rate <- conMatrix(doecons,output='rate')

## End(Not run)
```

conPairs	<i>Identify contact pairs</i>
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Description

Create a dataframe where each row represents a single contact pair.

Usage

```
conPairs(ltraj)
```

Arguments

`ltraj` an object of the class `ltraj` which is output from the function `conProcess` or `conPhase`.

Details

This function is used to extract contact pairs following use of the `conProcess` or `conPhase` function. The returned data frame has two new columns: `contact_orig_rowid` - the original row id of that particular fix, and `contact_pair_id` - a unique identifier to show which two fixes are represented by a pair of contacts. The number of unique pairs of contacts is then the highest number in this column, and will be equal to half the number of rows in the data frame.

Value

A data frame, where each row represents one of the two fixes in each unique contact pair.

References

Long, JA, Webb, SL, Harju, SM, Gee, KL (2022) Analyzing Contacts and Behavior from High Frequency Tracking Data Using the wildlifeDI R Package. *Geographical Analysis*. **54**, 648–663.

See Also

`conProcess`, `conPhase`

Examples

```
## Not run:
data(does)
doecons <- conProcess(does, tc=15*60, dc=50)
doephas <- conPhase(doecons, pc=60*60)
prs <- conPairs(doephas)
head(prs)

## End(Not run)
```

conPhase	<i>Process contact phases</i>
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Description

Computes phases where contacts occur based on a temporal tolerance.

Usage

```
conPhase(ltraj, pc = 0, idcol = "burst")
```

Arguments

ltraj	an object of the class ltraj which is output from the function conProcess.
pc	time (in seconds) to allow for which to combine contact events (see details).
idcol	column used to identify individuals (default is the burst)

Details

This function is used following the conProcess function to arrange contacts into phases where continuous contact occurs (based on the user-defined time threshold pc. The idea is that we can consider a phase to be a continuous contact event (based on dc see conProcess) as long as the contact is only interrupted for no more than pc time units.

Value

An ltraj object with new column contact_pha.

References

Long, JA, Webb, SL, Harju, SM, Gee, KL (2022) Analyzing Contacts and Behavior from High Frequency Tracking Data Using the wildlifeDI R Package. *Geographical Analysis*. **54**, 648–663.

See Also

conProcess, conSpatial, conTemporal, conSummary

Examples

```
## Not run:
data(does)
doecons <- conProcess(does, tc=15*60, dc=50)
doephas <- conPhase(doecons, pc=60*60)

## End(Not run)
```

 conProcess

Process contacts

Description

This function performs basic contact analysis between individuals in a group of tracked animals, or between two different groups of tracked animals.

Usage

```
conProcess(mtraj1, mtraj2, dc = 0, tc = 0, idcol1 = "burst", idcol2)
```

Arguments

mtraj1	an object of the class <code>ltraj</code> which contains the time-stamped movement fixes of the first group of individuals. Each individual should be stored with a unique 'id'. (see <code>?as.ltraj</code>)
mtraj2	(optional) same as mtraj1, but for the second group of individuals.
dc	distance tolerance limit (in appropriate units) for defining when two fixes are spatially together.
tc	time threshold for determining simultaneous fixes – see function: <code>GetSimultaneous</code> .
idcol1	column id associated with IDs of the first group of individuals, default is the 'burst'.
idcol2	(optional) column id associated with IDs of the second group of individuals.

Details

This function can be used to identify the nature of contacts in space and time between individuals in one or two groups.

Value

This function returns the object `mtraj1` with three additional fields: `contact` - the number of contacts associated with each given fix. `contact_id` - the id(s) of the individual(s) associated with those contacts. `contact_d` - the distance (in the same units as `mtraj1`) at which the contacts occur. Note that if more than one contact occurs at a given time, the `contact_id` and `contact_d` fields will be a concatenated list of the contact IDs and distances.

References

Long, JA, Webb, SL, Harju, SM, Gee, KL (2022) Analyzing Contacts and Behavior from High Frequency Tracking Data Using the `wildlifeDI R` Package. *Geographical Analysis*. **54**, 648–663.

See Also

`GetSimultaneous`, `dcPlot`, `conPhase`, `conSummary`

Examples

```
## Not run:
data(does)
doecons <- conProcess(does,tc=15*60,dc=50)

## End(Not run)
```

conSpatial

Mapping wildlife contacts

Description

The function `conSpatial` is a simple function for mapping where wildlife contacts occur on the landscape with wildlife telemetry data.

Usage

```
conSpatial(ltraj, type = "point", def = "all")
```

Arguments

<code>ltraj</code>	an object of the class <code>ltraj</code> which should be output from the function <code>conPhase</code> .
<code>type</code>	one of ('point' - the default or 'line'). Whether to generate contacts as points or phases as lines, points are the default, but lines can be useful for plotting and exploratory analysis. NOTE: if <code>type = 'line'</code> only those contact phases with at least two contact points are returned. So it is useful to use this in combination with contact points.
<code>def</code>	if <code>type = 'point'</code> one of ('all', 'phase', 'first', 'last', 'minDist', 'minTime') which defines how contacts are to be mapped using all or part of a contact phase. (see Details)

Details

The function `conSpatial` can be used to map where contacts occur on the landscape, contacts being defined spatially based on a distance threshold `dc` and temporally based on the time threshold `tc` – see the function `GetSimultaneous`. The location of the contact can be calculated in a number of ways, and represented as points for each contact, or as line grouped by the contact phases. Which contacts to map can be defined in a number of ways using the `def` parameter:

- i) `def = 'all'` (the default) all fixes where `column contacts = 1` are returned in the `sf` object;
- ii) `def = 'phase'` all fixes which are part of a phase are returned, note the number of points when `def = 'phase'` should be greater than or equal to that when `def = 'all'` because of how phases are defined;
- iii) `def = 'first'` the first location fix of each phase is returned;
- iv) `def = 'last'` the last location fix of each phase is returned;

v) def = 'minDist' the location fix of each phase which has the minimal contact distance is returned;
 vi) def = 'minTime' the location fix of each phase with the minimal time difference with contact fixes is returned;

Value

An sf object containing the locations/paths of the contacts. The time of the contact is stored in the attributes of the output object, along with the actual distance between fixes. The lines object contains attributes of the time of contact, and the min, max, and mean distance apart along a line segment.

References

Long, JA, Webb, SL, Harju, SM, Gee, KL (2022) Analyzing Contacts and Behavior from High Frequency Tracking Data Using the wildlifeDI R Package. *Geographical Analysis*. **54**, 648–663.

See Also

conProcess, conPhase

Examples

```
## Not run:
data(does)
doecons <- conProcess(does,tc=15*60,dc=50)
doephas <- conPhase(doecons,pc=60*60)
pts <- conSpatial(doephas)
plot(pts['contact_ph'])
lns <- conSpatial(doephas,type='line')
plot(lns['contact_ph'])

## End(Not run)
```

conSummary

Summarize contacts and phases

Description

Computes some basic summary statistics from a contact analysis.

Usage

```
conSummary(ltraj)
```

Arguments

ltraj an object of the class ltraj which should be output from the function conPhase.

Details

This function is used following the conPhase function. It computes the following summary statistics from the contact analysis: - total number of fixes in the dataset - total number of fixes deemed a contact - number of contact phases - longest phase duration - mean phase duration - median phase duration - no. of phase where the duration is only one fix (i.e., instantaneous contacts)

Value

A dataframe that can be used to summarize contact phases.

References

Long, JA, Webb, SL, Harju, SM, Gee, KL (2022) Analyzing Contacts and Behavior from High Frequency Tracking Data Using the wildlifeDI R Package. *Geographical Analysis*. **54**, 648–663.

See Also

conPhase

Examples

```
## Not run:
data(does)
doecons <- conProcess(does, tc=15*60, dc=50)
doephas <- conPhase(doecons, pc=60*60)
conSummary(doephas)

## End(Not run)
```

conTemporal

conTemporal

Description

Create a summary dataframe of the timing and duration of contact phases.

Usage

```
conTemporal(traj, units = "auto")
```

Arguments

traj an object of the class ltraj which is output from the function conPhase.
units units of duration e.g., 'mins' (see difftime).

Details

This function is used to calculate the start and end times of contact phases, and their duration following use of the conPhase function.

Value

A data frame, with the time and duration attributes associated with contact phases.

References

Long, JA, Webb, SL, Harju, SM, Gee, KL (2022) Analyzing Contacts and Behavior from High Frequency Tracking Data Using the wildlifeDI R Package. *Geographical Analysis*. **54**, 648–663.

See Also

conPhase

Examples

```
## Not run:
data(does)
doecons <- conProcess(does, tc=15*60, dc=50)
doephas <- conPhase(doecons, pc=60*60)
conTemporal(doephas)

## End(Not run)
```

Cr

Movement Correlation Coefficient

Description

The function Cr computes the correlation statistic for movement data as presented in the paper by Shirabe (2006). The statistic is essentially a Pearson product-moment correlation statistic formulated for use with movement data.

Usage

```
Cr(traj1, traj2, tc = 0)
```

Arguments

traj1	an object of the class ltraj which contains the time-stamped movement fixes of the first object. Note this object must be a type II ltraj object. For more information on objects of this type see help(ltraj).
traj2	same as traj1.
tc	time threshold for determining simultaneous fixes – see function: GetSimultaneous.

Details

The function `Cr` can be used to measure the level of dynamic interaction (termed correlation) between a pair of simultaneously moving objects. The statistic is sensitive to interaction in both movement direction (azimuth) and displacement, but is unable to disentangle the effects of these components. NOTE: This function is only appropriate with projected coordinates.

Value

This function returns the Shirabe (2006) correlation statistic for two moving objects.

References

Shirabe, T. 2006. Correlation analysis of discrete motions. In: Raubal, M., Miller, HJ, Frank, AU, and Goodchild, M. eds. GIScience 2006, LNCS 4197. Berlin: Springer-Verlag; 370-382.

See Also

`GetSimultaneous`, `DI`

Examples

```
data(deer)
deer37 <- deer[1]
deer38 <- deer[2]
#tc = 7.5 minutes
Cr(deer37, deer38, tc = 7.5*60)
```

 Cs

Coefficient of Sociality

Description

The function `Cs` computes the coefficient of sociality between two moving objects following the methods outlined by Kenward et al. (1993). It also uses a signed Wilcoxon-rank test to test for significance.

Usage

```
Cs(traj1, traj2, tc = 0)
```

Arguments

<code>traj1</code>	an object of the class <code>ltraj</code> which contains the time-stamped movement fixes of the first object. Note this object must be a type II <code>ltraj</code> object. For more information on objects of this type see <code>help(ltraj)</code> .
<code>traj2</code>	same as <code>traj1</code> .
<code>tc</code>	time threshold for determining simultaneous fixes – see function: <code>GetSimultaneous</code> .

Details

This function can be used to calculate the Kenward et al. (1993) coefficient of sociality (Cs) between two animals. The Cs statistic tests the observed mean distance between simultaneous fixes against that expected by the overall distribution of distances between all fixes.

$$Cs = \frac{D_E - D_O}{D_O + D_E}$$

Where D_O is the mean observed distance between simultaneous fixes, and D_E is the mean expected distance between all fixes. Kenward et al. (1993) propose Cs as a useful metric for exploring attraction or avoidance behaviour. Values for Cs closer to 1 indicate attraction, while values for Cs closer to -1 indicate avoidance. Values of Cs near 0 indicate that the two animals' movements have no influence on one another.

Further, the difference between the observed and expected distances are compared using a paired signed-rank test (both one-sided tests, indicative of attraction or avoidance). See the function `GetSimultaneous` for details on how simultaneous fixes are determined from two trajectories.

Value

This function returns a list of objects representing the calculated values from the Cs statistic and associated p -values from the signed rank test.

- Do – The mean distance of simultaneous fixes.
- De – The mean expected distance, from all fixes.
- Cs – The coefficient of sociality, see **Details**.
- p.Attract – One sided p -value from signed rank test, testing for attraction.
- p.Avoid – One sided p -value from signed rank test, testing for avoidance.

References

Kenward, R.E., Marcstrom, V. and Karlbom, M. (1993) Post-nestling behaviour in goshawks, *Accipiter gentilis*: II. Sex differences in sociality and nest-switching. *Animal Behaviour*. **46**, 371–378.

See Also

`GetSimultaneous`

Examples

```
data(deer)
deer37 <- deer[1]
deer38 <- deer[2]
#tc = 7.5 minutes
Cs(deer37, deer38, tc = 7.5*60)
```

dcPlot *Contact distance plot*

Description

This function is an exploratory tool to examine the pairwise distances between individuals within a large telemetry dataset.

Usage

```
dcPlot(mtraj1, mtraj2, tc = 0, idcol1 = "burst", idcol2, histplot = TRUE, dmax)
```

Arguments

mtraj1	an object of the class <code>ltraj</code> which contains the time-stamped movement fixes of the first group of individuals. Each individual should be stored with a unique 'id'. (see <code>?as.ltraj</code>)
mtraj2	(optional) same as <code>mtraj1</code> , but for the second group of individuals.
tc	time threshold for determining simultaneous fixes – see function: <code>GetSimultaneous</code> .
idcol1	column id associated with IDs of the first group of individuals, default is the 'burst'.
idcol2	(optional) column id associated with IDs of the second group of individuals.
histplot	(logical) whether to output a histogram, along with a list of the natural breaks in the histogram (<code>histplot = TRUE</code>) or the dataframe of all paired distances used to construct the histogram (<code>histplot=FALSE</code>) to be used for further analysis.
dmax	(optional) distance value to 'cut-off' the distance histogram.

Details

The `dcPlot` function can be used to study the frequency distribution of pairwise distances between individual in a large telemetry dataset. It can be applied to a single group (if `mtraj2` is ignored) or two-groups of individuals. The code attempts to find natural breaks (local minima) in the frequency histogram using an approach based on the peaks function attributed to B. Ripley (see <https://stackoverflow.com/questions/6324354/add-a-curve-that-fits-the-peaks-from-a-plot-in-r>). This tool is meant to be used for exploratory data analysis.

Value

If `histplot = TRUE` a list of the natural breaks (local minima) identified from the frequency histogram and a plot of the frequency histogram. If `histplot = FALSE` a dataframe containing all the pairwise and simultaneous distances between all individuals in the trajectory dataset.

See Also

`GetSimultaneous`, `conProcess`, `Prox`, `Don`, `IAB`

Examples

```
## Not run:  
data(does)  
dcPlot(does, tc=15*60, dmax=1000)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

deer

GPS tracking data of two male deer

Description

GPS telemetry data for two male deer during a one-week period in March 2005. The two deer form a male bachelor group, making them an interesting case study for studying dynamic interaction patterns. The data are a subset of the data used as a case study in Long *et al.* (2014).

Format

An `ltraj` object with two bursts, representing the two different individual deer:

- Deer no. 37 containing 551 fixes.
- Deer no. 38 containing 567 fixes.

Details

The deer data are stored as a single `'ltraj'` object; two bursts contain the fixes for two individuals (deer37 and deer 38). GPS fixes were attempted at a regular sampling frequency of 15 minutes. For more information on these data how the deer data was collected or for citation please see the papers Webb *et al.* (2009, 2010).

References

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Examples

```
data(deer)
deer37 <- deer[1]
deer38 <- deer[2]
plot(deer37)
plot(deer38)
```

 DI

Dynamic interaction index

Description

The function DI measures dynamic interaction between two moving objects. It calculates the local level di statistic for movement displacement, direction, and overall. DI can compute time- and/or distance-based weighting schemes following Long and Nelson (2013).

Usage

```
DI(traj1, traj2, tc = 0, local = FALSE, rand = 99, alpha = 1)
```

Arguments

traj1	an object of the class <code>ltraj</code> which contains the time-stamped movement fixes of the first object. Note this object must be a type II <code>ltraj</code> object. For more information on objects of this type see <code>help(ltraj)</code> .
traj2	same as <code>traj1</code> .
tc	time threshold for determining simultaneous fixes – see function: <code>GetSimultaneous</code> .
local	logical value indicating whether a dataframe (<code>local = TRUE</code>) containing the IAB index for each simultaneous fix should be returned (with a local permutation test), or (if <code>local = FALSE</code> - the default) the global index along with associated global permutation test.
rand	number of permutations to use in the local permutation test.
alpha	value for the α parameter in the formula for di_d (default = 1).

Details

This function can be used for calculating the dynamic interaction (DI) statistic as described in Long and Nelson (2013). The DI statistic can be used to measure the local level of dynamic interaction between two moving objects. Specifically, it measures dynamic interaction in movement direction and displacement.

Value

If `local=FALSE` (the default) `DI` returns the numeric value of the `DI` index (along with DI_{θ} and DI_d), and the associated p-value from a permutation test (see IAB). If `local=TRUE` `DI` returns a dataframe that contains the localized `di` values (see Long and Nelson 2013). The columns for `di`, `di.theta`, and `di.d` represent dynamic interaction overall, in direction (azimuth), and in displacement, respectively for each segment. A localized p-value for a one sided test for positive interaction (and z-score) is computed based on `rand` permutations of the segments. The `pkey` columns can be used to match the simultaneous segments to the original trajectory (see IAB).

References

Long, J.A., Nelson, T.A. 2013. Measuring dynamic interaction in movement data. *Transactions in GIS*. 17(1): 62-77.

See Also

`GetSimultaneous`, `Cr`, `IAB`

Examples

```
## Not run:
data(deer)
deer37 <- deer[1]
deer38 <- deer[2]
#tc = 7.5 minutes
DI(deer37, deer38, tc = 7.5*60)
df <- DI(deer37, deer38, tc = 7.5*60, local = TRUE)

## End(Not run)
```

does

GPS tracking data of female white-tailed deer

Description

GPS telemetry data for 8 does during month of May in 2011.

Format

An `ltraj` object with where bursts represent different individual deer.

Details

The doe data are stored as a single '`ltraj`' object; each burst represents an individual.

Examples

```
data(does)
plot(does)
```

Don *Doncaster's measure of dynamic interaction*

Description

The function Don measures the dynamic interaction between two moving objects following the methods outlined by Doncaster (1990).

Usage

```
Don(traj1, traj2, tc = 0, dc = 0, plot = TRUE)
```

Arguments

traj1	an object of the class <code>ltraj</code> which contains the time-stamped movement fixes of the first object. Note this object must be a type II <code>ltraj</code> object. For more information on objects of this type see <code>help(ltraj)</code> .
traj2	same as <code>traj1</code> .
tc	time threshold for determining simultaneous fixes – see function: <code>GetSimultaneous</code> .
dc	distance tolerance limit (in appropriate units) for defining when two fixes are spatially together.
plot	logical, whether or not to plot the Doncaster plot. Default = TRUE.

Details

This function can be used to compute the Doncaster (1990) methods for measuring dynamic interaction between two objects. The Doncaster method tests the proportion of simultaneous fixes that are below `dc` against that which would be expected based on the distribution of distances between all fixes.

Value

This function first returns a plot, for distance values ranging from 0 to the maximum distance separating two fixes, of the observed proportion of simultaneous fixes below each distance value. The expected values based on all fixes are also included. Second, a list is returned that contains the contingency table of simultaneous fixes (paired) and non-paired fixes below and above `dc`, along with the associated *p*-value from the Chi-squared test.

- `conTable` – contingency table showing frequency of paired and non-paired fixes above and below `dc`.
- `p.value` – *p*-value from the Chi-squared test of `conTable`.

References

Doncaster, C.P. (1992) Non-parametric estimates of interaction from radio-tracking data. *Journal of Theoretical Biology*, **143**: 431-443.

See Also

GetSimultaneous

Examples

```
data(deer)
deer37 <- deer[1]
deer38 <- deer[2]
#tc = 7.5 minutes, dc = 50 meters
Don(deer37, deer38, tc = 7.5*60, dc = 50)
```

 FilterTraj

Filter trajectory based on conditions

Description

The function `FilterTraj` is a function for extracting portions of a trajectory based on some filter criteria.

Usage

```
FilterTraj(traj, type = "attribute", filter = NA)
```

Arguments

<code>traj</code>	an object of the class <code>ltraj</code> which contains the time-stamped movement fixes of the object. Note this object must be a type II <code>ltraj</code> object. For more information on objects of this type see <code>help(ltraj)</code> .
<code>type</code>	The type of filter to apply (one of 'attribute', 'temporal', 'tod').
<code>filter</code>	The filter criteria (see details).

Details

The function `FilterTraj` can be used to extract a portion of a trajectory based on temporal criteria (such as time-of-day or a temporal window) or based on attributes of the trajectory. In the case of attribute filtering, the criteria can be any of the default attributes of an `ltraj` object, or based on additional attributes stored alongside the trajectory. The `filter` parameter is a flexible way to define the criteria for filtering. The `filter` object can be one of:

- POSIX class objects (list of length=2) for filtering based on some temporal window (see examples);
- character object (list of length=2) for filtering based on time-of-day (see examples);
- character object containing the attribute filter criteria as a logical expression (see examples and `?subset`).

NOTE: When using `FilterTraj` be very careful about using the output `ltraj` object in further analysis. When a new `ltraj` object is created, all the movement parameters (e.g., `dist`, `dt`) are recalculated and thus not necessarily valid. Therefore, subsequent analysis should ideally focus only on the raw fix information (i.e., `x`, `y`, `date`).

Value

A `ltraj` object with only those fixes satisfying the filter criteria.

See Also

`GetTO`

Examples

```
data(deer)
deer37 <- deer[1]
deer38 <- deer[2]

#Temporal Filter
t1 <- as.POSIXct(strptime('2005-03-09 00:00:00', format= '%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S'))
t2 <- as.POSIXct(strptime('2005-03-11 00:00:00', format= '%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S'))
twin <- c(t1,t2)
x <- FilterTraj(deer37,type='temporal',filter=twin)

#tod Filter
tod <- c('06:00:00', '10:00:00')
x <- FilterTraj(deer37,type='tod',filter=tod)

#attribute Filter
q <- 'dist > 100'
x <- FilterTraj(deer37,type='attribute',filter=q)

q <- 'dist > 100 & rel.angle < 1'
x <- FilterTraj(deer37,type='attribute',filter=q)
```

GetSimultaneous

Identify simultaneous fixes between trajectories

Description

The function `GetSimultaneous` identifies and extracts simultaneous fixes, within a given tolerance limit, between two movement datasets.

Usage

```
GetSimultaneous(traj1, traj2, tc = 0)
```

Arguments

traj1	an object of the class <code>ltraj</code> which contains the time-stamped movement fixes of the first object. Note this object must be a type II <code>ltraj</code> object. For more information on objects of this type see <code>help(ltraj)</code> .
traj2	same as <code>traj1</code> .
tc	time threshold for determining simultaneous fixes. For simplicity, <code>tc</code> is always taken in seconds.

Details

This function is used to determine the simultaneous fixes between two movement datasets facilitating further analysis.

Value

A single `ltraj` object containing two bursts, representing the two original `ltraj` objects, each containing only those fixes that are deemed simultaneous.

See Also

`GetTO`

Examples

```
data(deer)
deer37 <- deer[1]
deer38 <- deer[2]
#tc = 7.5 minutes
trajs <- GetSimultaneous(deer37, deer38, tc = 7.5*60)
deer37 <- trajs[1]
deer38 <- trajs[2]
```

GetTO

Get period where two tracks overlap

Description

The function `GetTemporalOverlap` identifies and extracts parts of a trajectory that overlap in time with another trajectory.

Usage

```
GetTO(traj1, traj2, tc = 0)
```

Arguments

traj1	an object of the class <code>ltraj</code> which contains the time-stamped movement fixes of the first object. Note this object must be a type II <code>ltraj</code> object. For more information on objects of this type see <code>help(ltraj)</code> .
traj2	same as <code>traj1</code> .
tc	time threshold for considering if fixes are in the overlap period.

Details

This function is used to determine the fixes that overlap in time between two trajectories.

Value

A single `ltraj` object containing two bursts, representing the two original `ltraj` objects, each containing only those fixes that are overlap in time.

See Also

`checkTO`

Examples

```
data(deer)
deer37 <- deer[1]
deer38 <- deer[2]
trajs <- GetTO(deer37, deer38)
deer37 <- trajs[1]
deer38 <- trajs[2]
```

HAI

Half-weight Association Index

Description

This function computes the Half-weight Association Index for examining the presence of dynamic interaction in wildlife telemetry studies. This implementation follows that outlined in the paper Atwood and Weeks (2003).

Usage

```
HAI(traj1, traj2, OZ, tc = 0, dc = 50)
```

Arguments

traj1	an object of the class <code>ltraj</code> which contains the time-stamped movement fixes of the first object. Note this object must be a type II <code>ltraj</code> object. For more information on objects of this type see <code>help(ltraj)</code> .
traj2	same as <code>traj1</code> .
OZ	spatial polygon <code>sf</code> object associated with the home range (or some other form of) spatial overlap between <code>traj1</code> and <code>traj2</code> . Required to be an <code>sp</code> polygon object.
tc	time threshold for determining simultaneous fixes – see function: <code>GetSimultaneous</code> .
dc	distance tolerance limit (in appropriate units) for defining when two fixes are spatially together.

Details

This function can be used to test for the presence of dynamic interaction within the shared area (often termed the overlap zone) of the two animals home ranges. Specifically, HAI is calculated in identical fashion to that for `Ca`, but considers only those fixes in the shared area. Typically, the overlap zone (OZ) is easily obtained by taking the spatial intersection of two polygon home ranges.

Value

This function returns the numeric value of the HAI statistic. Values near 1 indicate attraction within the shared home range area, while values near 0 indicate avoidance within this shared area.

References

Atwood, T.C. and Weeks Jr., H.P. (2003) Spatial home-range overlap and temporal interaction in eastern coyotes: The influence of pair types and fragmentation. *Canadian Journal of Zoology*, **81**: 1589-1597.

See Also

`GetSimultaneous`, `Ca`

Examples

```
## Not run:
data(deer)
deer37 <- deer[1]
deer38 <- deer[2]
library(adehabitatHR)
library(sp)
library(rgeos)
#use minimum convex polygon for demonstration...
hr37 <- mcp(SpatialPoints(ld(deer37)[,1:2]))
hr38 <- mcp(SpatialPoints(ld(deer38)[,1:2]))
OZ <- gIntersection(hr37,hr38)
#tc = 7.5 minutes, dc = 50 meters
```

```
HAI(deer37, deer38, OZ=OZ, tc=7.5*60, dc=50)

## End(Not run)
```

IAB

Benhamou's IAB Index

Description

The function IAB computes the IAB index following the methods described in the paper by Benhamou et al. (2014). It facilitates global analysis, with the significance testing procedure described in the paper, but also a local level output, to explore the IAB statistic through time.

Usage

```
IAB(traj1, traj2, tc = 0, dc = 0, local = FALSE, rand = 99)
```

Arguments

traj1	an object of the class <code>ltraj</code> which contains the time-stamped movement fixes of the first object. Note this object must be a type II <code>ltraj</code> object. For more information on objects of this type see <code>help(ltraj)</code> .
traj2	same as <code>traj1</code> .
tc	time threshold for determining simultaneous fixes – see function: <code>GetSimultaneous</code> .
dc	critical distance where the IAB function will show maximum slope – see Benhamou et al. (2014) for more advice on selecting this parameter.
local	logical value indicating whether a dataframe (<code>local = TRUE</code>) containing the IAB index for each simultaneous fix should be returned (with a local permutation test), or (if <code>local = FALSE</code> - the default) the global index along with associated global permutation test.
rand	number of permutations to use in the local permutation test.

Details

The function IAB can be used to test for direct interaction in wildlife telemetry data and affords a novel significance testing procedure that takes into account the serially correlated structure of telemetry data. Specifically, it computes an index analogous to the Bhattacharyya coefficient between the potential influence domains of two animals. Like the other indices, IAB is dependent on the selection of an appropriate value for `dc` (which is termed Δ in the article). The `dc` parameter here is not a threshold distance, but rather the distance at which the function shows maximum slope (see Benhamou et al. 2014).

The significance testing procedure uses a wrapped shifting method in order to maintain the serially correlated structure of the data. At each shift, a sample value of IAB (termed MAB) is computed in order to generate a distribution of values to test against (for more information see Benhamou et al. 2014). Here a local version of this statistical testing procedure is implemented by taking `rand` samples of the $(n^2 - n)$ permutations of unpaired fixes. The p-values are computed following Benhamou et al. (2014), z-scores are calculated based on the mean and standard deviation of this hypothetical distribution.

Value

If `local=FALSE` (the default) `IAB` returns the numeric value of the IAB index and the associated p-values for one-sided tests for attraction or avoidance. If `local=TRUE` `IAB` returns a dataframe (containing the date/times of *all* simultaneous fixes (NOTE: times are associated with `traj1`), along with the distance between fixes at each time, and the IAB index value for each simultaneous fix. A localized p-value (`.pa` signifies the test for attraction and `.pb` the test for avoidance) and z-score is computed based on `rand` permutations of the fixes. The `pkey` columns can be used to match the simultaneous fixes to the original trajectory.

References

Benhamou, S., Valeix, M., Chamaille-Jammes, S., Macdonald, D., Loveridge, A.J. (2014) Movement-based analysis of interactions in African lions. *Animal Behaviour*, **90**: 171-180.

See Also

`GetSimultaneous`, `DI`, `Prox`

Examples

```
data(deer)
deer37 <- deer[1]
deer38 <- deer[2]
#tc = 7.5 minutes, dc = 50 meters
IAB(deer37, deer38, tc=7.5*60, dc=50)
df <- IAB(deer37, deer38, tc=7.5*60, dc=50, local=TRUE)
```

Lixn

Minta's Spatial-temporal interaction statistics

Description

The function `Lixn` measures dynamic interaction between two animals following the methods outlined by Minta (1992).

Usage

```
Lixn(traj1, traj2, method = "spatial", tc = 0, hr1, hr2, OZ = NULL)
```

Arguments

<code>traj1</code>	an object of the class <code>ltraj</code> which contains the time-stamped movement fixes of the first object. Note this object must be a type II <code>ltraj</code> object. For more information on objects of this type see <code>help(ltraj)</code> .
<code>traj2</code>	same as <code>traj1</code> .

method	method for computing the marginal distribution from which expected values are computed. If method = "spatial", the marginal values are calculated based on areas of the shared and unshared portions of the home ranges. If method = "frequency", the marginal values are calculated based on the number of all fixes within the shared and unshared portions of the home ranges – see Details.
tc	time threshold for determining simultaneous fixes – see function: GetSimultaneous.
hr1	(– required if method = 'spatial') home range polygon associated with traj1. Must be a sf polygon object.
hr2	(– required if method = 'spatial') same as hr1, but for traj2.
OZ	(– required if method = 'frequency') shared area polygon associated with spatial use overlap between traj1 and traj2. Must be a sf polygon object.

Details

The function Lixn can be used to calculate the Minta (1992) measures of dynamic interaction between two animals. The Minta statistic tests how the two animals simultaneously utilize an area shared between the two individuals. Three coefficients are produced L_{AA} , L_{BB} , and L_{ixn} . Each of these statistics are based on a contingency table that compares the observed frequency of those fixes that are simultaneous and within/outside the shared area to expectations based on area overlap proportions (if method="spatial") or expectations derived from all fixes (if method="frequency") – see Minta (1992) for more details. A Chi-squared statistic can then be used to examine the significance between the observed and expected use of the shared area.

Minta (1992) suggests the following interpretations of the coefficients. When L_{AA} is near 0, the first animal's use of the shared area is random (or as expected). When $L_{AA} > 0$ it signifies spatial attraction to the shared area, or greater than expected use. When $L_{AA} < 0$ it signifies spatial avoidance of the shared area, or less than expected use. Interpretation of L_{BB} is the same as for L_{AA} with respect to the second animal. L_{ixn} tells us far more about the nature of the interaction between the two individuals. As L_{ixn} nears 0, both animals use the shared area randomly, with regards to the other animal. If $L_{ixn} > 0$ the animals use the shared area more *simultaneously*, whereas if $L_{ixn} < 0$ it is an indication of *solitary* use, or avoidance. This is why L_{ixn} is termed the temporal interaction coefficient. A Chi-squared test can be used to identify the significance of the L_{AA} , L_{BB} , and L_{ixn} values.

NOTES:

1. With modern telemetry datasets, where home ranges are readily estimated, choosing method = 'spatial' is most appropriate.
2. When the home ranges do not overlap the Lixn statistic is not defined and the function returns a string of NA's.
3. When one home range completely encloses another the Lixn statistic is not defined and the function returns a string of NA's and 'ContainsB' (or 'ContainsB') under the p.IXN result.
4. Further to points 2 and 3, the Lixn statistic is not appropriate in situations where the overlap area is either very large or very small relative to either home range (i.e., a situation with almost complete enclosure or virtually no overlap). Thus, it is advised that Lixn be used only in situations where there are suitable marginal areas for areaA, areaB, and areaAB – see Minta (1992).

Value

This function returns a list of objects representing the calculated statistical values and associated p -values from the Chi-squared test.

- pTable – contingency table showing marginal probabilities of expected use based on the selection of the method parameter.
- nTable – contingency table showing observed frequency of use of the shared area based on simultaneous fixes.
- oTable – the odds for each cell in the contingency table.
- Laa – the calculated value of the L_{AA} statistic
- p.AA – the associated p -value
- Lbb – the calculated value of the L_{BB} statistic
- p.BB – the associated p -value
- Lixn – the calculated value of the L_{ixn} statistic
- p.IXN – the associated p -value

References

Minta, S.C. (1992) Tests of spatial and temporal interaction among animals. *Ecological Applications*, **2**: 178-188

See Also

GetSimultaneous

Examples

```
## Not run:
data(deer)
deer37 <- deer[1]
deer38 <- deer[2]
library(sf)
#use minimum convex polygon for demonstration...
hr37 <- deer37 |>
  ltraj2sf() |>
  st_union () |>
  st_convex_hull()
hr38 <- deer38 |>
  ltraj2sf() |>
  st_union () |>
  st_convex_hull()
#tc = 7.5 minutes, dc = 50 meters
Lixn(deer37, deer38, method='spatial', tc=7.5*60, hr1=hr37, hr2=hr38)

## End(Not run)
```

ltraj2sf *Convert ltraj to sf spatial object*

Description

The function `ltraj2sf` is a simple function for converting `ltraj` to `sf` objects.

Usage

```
ltraj2sf(traj, type = "point")
```

Arguments

<code>traj</code>	an object of the class <code>ltraj</code> which contains the time-stamped movement fixes of the object. For more information on objects of this type see <code>help(ltraj)</code> .
<code>type</code>	One of "point" (the default) or "line".

Details

The function `ltraj2sf` can be used to convert an `ltraj` object into an `sf` spatial object (either as points or lines).

Value

A `sf` object either points or lines.

See Also

`conSpatial`, `sf2ltraj`

Examples

```
data(deer)
#points
deer_pt <- ltraj2sf(deer)
plot(deer_pt['id'])

#lines
deer_ln <- ltraj2sf(deer, type='line')
plot(deer_ln['id'])
```

mockhunt

Processed data on contacts between mock-hunters and white-tailed bucks

Description

Data output from the function `conContext` showing contact events between mock-hunters and male white-tailed deer during the hunting seasons of 2008 and 2009 in Oklahoma.

Format

An `ltraj` object with where bursts represent different individual deer.

Details

The `mockhunt` data are stored as a single `dataframe` object; the columns represent environmental attributes associated with contact events.

References

Long, JA, Webb, SL, Harju, S, Gee, KL. (in prep) Methods for performing contact analysis from high frequency tracking data: the `wildlifeDI R` package. Under Review.

Examples

```
data(mockhunt)
head(mockhunt)
```

Prox

Proximity Index

Description

The function `Prox` simply computes the proportion of (simultaneous) fixes that are proximal, based on some spatial threshold – `dc` (Bertrand et al. 1996). It also facilitates local-level proximity analysis

Usage

```
Prox(traj1, traj2, tc = 0, dc = 50, local = FALSE, GetSimultaneous = TRUE)
```

Arguments

traj1	an object of the class <code>ltraj</code> which contains the time-stamped movement fixes of the first object. Note this object must be a type II <code>ltraj</code> object. For more information on objects of this type see <code>help(ltraj)</code> .
traj2	same as <code>traj1</code> .
tc	time threshold for determining simultaneous fixes – see function: <code>GetSimultaneous</code> .
dc	distance tolerance limit (in appropriate units) for defining when two fixes are spatially together.
local	logical value indicating whether or not a dataframe, containing the distance between each simultaneous fix, should be returned.
<code>GetSimultaneous</code>	logical value indicating whether proximity analysis is based on simultaneous fixes (if <code>TRUE</code> the default) – see function <code>GetSimultaneous</code> or (if <code>FALSE</code>) a one-way mapping from <code>traj1</code> to <code>traj2</code> is used.

Details

The function `Prox` can be used to test for the presence of attraction (via proximity) in wildlife telemetry data. `Prox` is simply the proportion of simultaneous fixes within the threshold distance – `dc`. The `local` output (dataframe) can be useful for examining variation in proximity through time.

Value

If `local=FALSE` (the default) `Prox` returns the numeric value of the `Prox` index. If `local=TRUE` `Prox` returns a dataframe containing the date/times of *all* simultaneous fixes from `traj1`, and in the case of `GetSimultaneous = FALSE` the time of the fixes that were deemed simultaneous in `traj2`. If `GetSimultaneous = TRUE` (the default) the `Prox` considers only the simultaneous fixes, as defined in `GetSimultaneous`. If `FALSE` `Prox` considers all the fixes in `traj1` relative to `traj2`. The latter functionality is useful when the time between fixes for one trajectory (`traj1`) is much shorter than the second trajectory.

References

Bertrand, M.R., DeNicola, A.J., Beissinger, S.R., Swihart, R.K. (1996) Effects of parturition on home ranges and social affiliations of female white-tailed deer. *Journal of Wildlife Management*, **60**: 899-909.

See Also

`GetSimultaneous`, `contacts`

Examples

```
data(deer)
deer37 <- deer[1]
deer38 <- deer[2]
#tc = 7.5 minutes, dc = 50 meters
Prox(deer37, deer38, tc=7.5*60, dc=50)
```

```
df <- Prox(deer37, deer38, tc=7.5*60, dc=50, local=TRUE)
```

sf2ltraj *Convert sf spatial object to ltraj*

Description

The function `sf2ltraj` is a simple function for converting `sf` objects to `ltraj` objects.

Usage

```
sf2ltraj(sfp, date, id)
```

Arguments

<code>sfp</code>	an object of the class <code>sf</code> which contains the time-stamped movement fixes (as points) of the object(s).
<code>date</code>	the name of the column containing the date-time information of each fix. Must be converted to a <code>POSIXct</code> type.
<code>id</code>	either a character string indicating the identity of the animal or the name of the column with the ID of the individuals.

Details

The function `sf2ltraj` can be used to convert an `sf` object (stored as points) into an `ltraj` object.

Value

A `ltraj` object. For more information on objects of this type see `help(ltraj)` and `?as.ltraj`.

See Also

`conSpatial`, `ltraj2sf`

Examples

```
data(deer)
#points
deer_pt <- ltraj2sf(deer)
deer_tr <- sf2ltraj(deer_pt, date='date', id='id')
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