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References

Zhang Jin-tun,(2004) Quantitative Ecology, Science Press, Beijing

Examples

```
library(vegan)
data(BCI)
## select the top 30 species according to relative frequency.
sub <- sub.sp.matrix(BCI, common = 30)
## Set the digits to 1
plotlowertri(cor(sub), size = TRUE, cex = 3, digits = 1)

## Niche width and niche overlap
data(datasample)
niche.overlap.boot(datasample[,1:3], method = "levins")
niche.overlap(datasample, method = "levins")
niche.width(datasample[,1:3], method = "shannon")
```

data2mat	<i>Convert field records to community matrix</i>
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Description

Convert field records to community matrix

Usage

```
data2mat(data = data)
```

Arguments

data A dataframe with the the following columns: species, plots or sites, abundance.

Value

Return a community matrix ready for computing diversity indices.

Author(s)

Jinlong Zhang <jinlongzhang01@gmail.com>

References

None

Examples

```
data(testdata)
spmatrix <- data2mat(testdata)
```

datasample	<i>A sample dataset for a community</i>
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Description

A sample community matrix containing 8 plots and 14 species, from Gutianshan, Zhejiang, China.

Usage

```
data(datasample)
```

Details

Values are the importance value for each species.

Source

Hu Zheng-hua, Qian Hai-Yuan, Yu Ming-jian. 2009. The niche of dominant species populations in *Castanopsis eyrei* forest in Gutian Mountain National Natural Reserve. *Acta Ecologica Sinica*. Vol.29, 3670-3677

Examples

```
data(datasample)
datasample
```

freq.calc	<i>Compute species' relative frequency</i>
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Description

Computing species' relative frequency as defined by the numbers of plots having a species divided by the total number of plots.

Usage

```
freq.calc(matr)
```

Arguments

matr A community matrix

Details

The input should be a standard community matrix with rows representing sites and columns representing species.

Value

A vector containing relative frequency for each species

Author(s)

Jinlong Zhang <jinlongzhang01@gmail.com>

References

None

Examples

```
data(testdata)
spmatrix <- data2mat(testdata)
freq.calc(spmatrix)
```

niche.overlap	<i>Niche overlap between each pair of species</i>
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Description

Compute niche overlap between each pair of species.

Usage

```
niche.overlap(mat, method = c("levins", "schoener",  
                             "petraitis", "pianka", "czech", "morisita"))
```

Arguments

mat	A community matrix with columns representing species, and rows representing plots.
method	A string specifying the name of the index.

Details

To add.

Value

A distance matrix contains niche overlap index between each pair of species.

Author(s)

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References

Zhang Jin-tun,(2004) Quantitative Ecology, Science Press, Beijing

Nicholas J. Gotelli. 2000. Null model analysis of species co-occurrence patterns. Ecology 81:2606-2621. <http://esapubs.org/archive/ecol/E081/022/EcoSim>

See Also

[niche.overlap.pair](#)

Examples

```
data(datasample)  
niche.overlap(datasample, method = "levins")
```

niche.overlap.boot *Bootstrap niche overlap indices*

Description

Bootstrap niche overlap indices

Usage

```
niche.overlap.boot(mat, method = c("pianka", "schoener", "petraitis",  
  "czech", "morisita", "levins"), times = 1000, quant = c(0.025, 0.975))
```

Arguments

mat	standard community matrix.
method	character string specifying the index.
times	Integer, representing the number of bootstrap samples to generate.
quant	Quantile of the bootstrap values.

Details

This function bootstraps the following niche overlap indices between each pair of species: \schoener: Schoener's niche overlap index\petraitis: Petraitis' niche overlap index\czech: Czechanowski index\morisita: Morisita's overlap index\levins: Levin's overlap index\ see more information from Gotelli, N(2009).\

Value

a data frame with each row for each pair of species the columns are "Observed", "Boot mean", "Boot std", "Boot CI1", "Boot CI2", "times"

Author(s)

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References

Zhang Jin-tun,(2004) Quantitative Ecology, Science Press, Beijing\
Nicholas J. Gotelli. 2000. Null model analysis of species co-occurrence patterns. Ecology 81:2606-2621. <http://esapubs.org/archive/ecol/E081/022/EcoSim>

See Also

[niche.overlap.boot.pair](#)

Examples

```

data(datasample)
niche.overlap.boot(datasample[,1:4], method = "pianka")
niche.overlap.boot(datasample[,1:4], method = "schoener")
niche.overlap.boot(datasample[,1:4], method = "czech")
niche.overlap.boot(datasample[,1:4], method = "levins")

```

```
niche.overlap.boot.pair
```

Bootstrap the niche overlap indices

Description

bootstrap the niche overlap indices between a pair of species. This is an internal function used by niche.overlap.boot, use niche.overlap.boot instead.

Usage

```

niche.overlap.boot.pair(vectorA, vectorB, method = c("levins",
  "schoener", "petraitis", "pianka", "czech", "morisita"),
  times = 1000, quant = c(0.025, 0.975))

```

Arguments

vectorA	A numeric vector containing species A's abundance or importance value.
vectorB	A numeric vector containing species B's abundance or importance value.
method	Name of the index to use.
times	Number of bootstraps
quant	Confidence intervals of the bootstrap results.

Value

This function will return a vector containing: \ "Observed", \ "Boot mean", \ "Boot std", \ "Boot CI1", \ "Boot CI2", \ "times" \

Note

This is an internal function, please use niche.overlap.boot.

Author(s)

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References

Zhang Jin-tun.(2004) Quantitative Ecology, Science Press, Beijing

See Also

[niche.overlap.boot](#)

Examples

```
data(datasample)
niche.overlap.boot.pair(datasample[,1], datasample[,2], method = "levins")
```

niche.overlap.pair *Compute niche overlap index between two species*

Description

Compute niche overlap index between two species. This is an internal function, used [niche.overlap](#) instead.

Usage

```
niche.overlap.pair(vectA, vectB, method = c("pianka",
      "schoener", "petraitis", "czech", "morisita", "levins"))
```

Arguments

vectA	A numeric vector containing species A's abundance or importance value
vectB	A numeric vector containing species B's abundance or importance value
method	Niche overlap index

Details

None

Value

The niche overlap index

Author(s)

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References

Zhang Jin-tun,(2004) Quantitative Ecology, Science Press, Beijing

Nicholas J. Gotelli. 2000. Null model analysis of species co-occurrence patterns. Ecology 81:2606-2621. <http://esapubs.org/archive/ecol/E081/022/EcoSim>

See Also[niche.overlap](#)**Examples**

```
data(datasample)
niche.overlap.pair(datasample[,1],datasample[,2], method = "levins")
```

niche.width	<i>Niche width</i>
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Description

Compute niche width for all the species in a community.

Usage

```
niche.width(mat, method = c("shannon", "levins"))
```

Arguments

mat	A community matrix with columns representing species, and rows representing plots.
method	Character string showing the name of the index.

Value

A vector containing niche width for all the species in the community.

Author(s)

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References

Zhang Jin-tun,(2004) Quantitative Ecology, Science Press, Beijing

See Also

[niche.overlap](#) for niche overlap

Examples

```
data(datasample)
niche.width(datasample, method = "levins")
niche.width(datasample, method = "shannon")
```

plotlowertri	<i>Generate a graphs showing correlation matrix (lower semi matrix) (Deprecated)</i>
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Description

Generate graphs (lower semi matrix) showing lower semi matrix. These graphs are often used to show the structure of a correlation, similarity or dissimilarity matrix.

Usage

```
plotlowertri(input, valuename = "r",
pchlist = c(19, 17, 15, 1, 5, 2, 7), interval = 6,
cex = 1, ncex = 1, int =1.2, add.number = TRUE,
size = FALSE, add.text = FALSE, show.legend = TRUE,
digits = 2)
```

Arguments

input	The input, often a correlation or a distance matrix.
valuename	Name of the value that to show in the legend.
pchlist	A numeric vector specifying the shapes of points, see pch par().
interval	Types of point shapes to show
cex	A number specifying the text size in the legend
ncex	Size of the text shown above each column.
int	Space between lines within the legend
add.number	If the column number should be shown
size	Whether the size of points should change with the value
add.text	Logical, If the number should be shown in the grid.
show.legend	Logical, If the legend should be appear.
digits	Number of digits for the label of each interval.

Details

In the legend, space between lines could be adjusted by specifying int.

Value

lower matrix plot

Author(s)

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References

Zhang Qiaoying, Peng Shaolin, Zhang Sumei, Zhang Yunchun, Hou Yuping.(2008). Association of dormant species in Guia hill Municipal Park of Macao. Ecology and Environment. 17:1541-1547

See Also

See Also [plotnetwork](#)

Examples

```
data(testdata)
spmatrix <- data2mat(testdata)
result <- sp.pair(spmatrix)

## Check the legend for 0.00 to 0.33 (Unwanted label)
plotlowertri(result$Pearson, int = 0.5, cex=1.5)
title("Pearson Correlation Lower Matrix Plot")

## Change the size of points and reset the intervals.
## Warning: The lower matrix plot illustrating Pearson
## Correlation between each pair of species. Note the
## triangle didn't appeared in the plots, but have been
## added to the legend. This is due to the distribution
## of data. Be careful in selection of intervals.

plotlowertri(result$Pearson, int = 0.5, cex=1.5,
interval = 4, pchlist = c(19, 17, 15, 1, 5), size = TRUE)

title("Pearson Correlation Lower Matrix Plot")

## "Pure" dots, may have to add legend manually...
plotlowertri(result$Pearson, int = 0.5, cex=2.5,
interval = 4, pchlist = rep(19, 5), size = TRUE,
show.legend = FALSE)

title("Pearson Correlation Lower Matrix Plot")

## Using BCI data
library(vegan)
data(BCI)
## select the top 30 species according to relative frequency.
sub <- sub.sp.matrix(BCI, common = 30)
## Original
plotlowertri(cor(sub))

## Change size
plotlowertri(cor(sub), size = TRUE, cex = 3)

## Set the digits to 1
plotlowertri(cor(sub), size = TRUE, cex = 3, digits = 1,
```

```
ncex = 0.7)
```

```
plotnetwork
```

```
Plot correlation network (Deprecated)
```

Description

Plotting correlation network showing the relationship between each pair of sites connected by segments. The points are arranged in a circle.

Usage

```
plotnetwork(datainput, n_levels = 6, xlim = c(-2.5, 5),
  ylim = c(-2.5, 2.5), node_size = 3, lwd.var = TRUE,
  lwd = 4, label_dist = 1.2,
  show.node = TRUE, show.text.label = TRUE,
  linecol = c("orange", "blue"), show.legend = TRUE,
  valuname = "r", legendx = 3,
  legendy = -2, legend_line_space = 1,
  legend_linelength = 0.3, adjust_legend_x = 0,
  adjust_legend_y = 0, digits = 2, ... )
```

Arguments

<code>datainput</code>	The correlation matrix, usually a lower matrix
<code>n_levels</code>	Number of types of segments to show the correlation, note interval should <12
<code>xlim</code>	horizontal range of the canvas
<code>ylim</code>	vertical range of the canvas
<code>node_size</code>	size of the nodes
<code>lwd.var</code>	logical, if the segments width should vary with the absolute value
<code>lwd</code>	width of the segments for connecting the sites, default 1
<code>label_dist</code>	Distance of text labels from each node.
<code>show.node</code>	Whether the nodes in the figure should be labeled
<code>show.text.label</code>	Whether the text label should be drawn.
<code>linecol</code>	Colours showing positive or negative correlation. The lines representing positive correlations use the first element
<code>show.legend</code>	If the legend should be shown
<code>valuname</code>	Name of the variable shown in the legend
<code>legendx</code>	the starting position of the legend x
<code>legendy</code>	the starting position of the legend y

legend_line_space	the space between the lines in the legend
legend_linelength	length of the segment in the legend
adjust_legend_x	adjusting the position of legend (x)
adjust_legend_y	adjusting the position of legend (y)
digits	Number of digits shown in the legend, it will be used in generating the breaks as well
...	other parameters related with plot.default

Details

This function could be used to plot the pairwise connections between less than 20 sites (above 20 is not recommended since there would be too many connections).

The lines will be in orange or blue, according the sign of the value.

Value

Correlation network plots.

Author(s)

Jinlong Zhang <jinlongzhang01@gmail.com>

References

None

Examples

```
data(testdata)
spmatrix <- data2mat(testdata)
result <- sp.pair(spmatrix)
plotnetwork(result$Pearson)

plotnetwork(result$Pearson, linecol = c("red", "black"))

plotnetwork(result$Pearson, n_levels = 4, node_size = 4,
  lwd.var = FALSE, label_dist = 0.8, show.node = FALSE,
  show.text.label = FALSE, linecol = c("red", "black"),
  show.legend = TRUE, valuenam = "r", legendx = 3,
  legend_line_space = 0.5, legend_linelength = 0.5,
  adjust_legend_x = -1)

title("Pearson Correlation Network")
```

sp.assoc

*Analyzing species association***Description**

Analyzing species association

Usage

sp.assoc(matr)

Arguments

matr standard community matrix , with rows representing sites and columns representing species.

Details

Computations are based on the following formula.

If, N: Number of plots.

S: Number of species.

n: Number of plots occupied by certain species.

T_j: total number of species for each plot. \bar{t} : mean species number for all the plots.

Then: Variance of species relative frequency is: $\sigma^2_T = \sum_{i=1}^S P_i(1-P_i)$.

Variance of species number is: $S^2_T = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N (T_j - \bar{t})^2$.

Species relative frequency: $P_i = \frac{n_i}{N}$.

Variance ratio:

If $VR > 1$ Positively associated,

If $VR < 1$ Negative associated

$$VR = \frac{S^2_T}{\sigma^2_T}$$

W: used in comparison with chi square with n degrees of freedom.

$$W = VR * N$$

Value

Variance ratio, W, Chisq, etc, see details

pi	Species frequency
N	Number of plots
S	Number of species
T _j	Total number of species for each plot
Numspmean	Mean number of species

sigmaTsq	Variance of species relative frequency
STsq	Variance of species number
var.ratio	Variance ratio
W	W statistic value: used in comparison with chi square.(n)

Author(s)

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References

Zhang Qiaoying, Peng Shaolin, Zhang Sumei, Zhang Yunchun, Hou Yuping. (2008) Association of dormitant species in Guia hill Municipal Park of Macao. *Ecology and Environment*. 17:1541-1547

GUO zhongling, MA yuandan, ZHENG Jiping, LIU Wande , JIN Zefeng.(2004) Biodiversity of tree species,their populations'spatial distribution pattern and interspecific association in mixed deciduous broadleaved forest in Changbai Mountains. *Chinese Journal of Applied Ecology*. 15:2013-2018

Shi Zuomin, Liu Shirong, Cheng Ruimei, Jiang Youxu.(2001) Interspecific association of plant populations in deciduous broad leaved forest in Baotianman. *Scientia Silvae Sinicae*. 37:30-35

See Also

See also [sp.pair](#) for association between each pair of species.

Examples

```
data(testdata)
spmatrix <- data2mat(testdata)
sp.assoc(spmatrix)
```

sp.pair

Species association between each pair of species

Description

Compute species association between each pair of species.

Usage

```
sp.pair(matr)
```

Arguments

matr Standard community matrix, with rows representing sites and columns representing species.

Details

If a, b, c, d denote the co-occurrence the two species A and B, where:

a = number of plots occupied both by A and B.

b = number of plots only have A.

c = number of plots only have B.

d = number of plots without A or B.

$N = a+b+c+d$

Then, it is possible to compute:

Chi square (Yate's correction): $\chi^2 = \frac{(((a*d-b*c)-0.5*N)^2)*N}{(a+b)*(a+c)*(b+d)*(c+d)}$

V ratio: $V = \frac{(a+d)-(b+c)}{a+b+c+d}$

Jaccard index: $Jaccard = \frac{a}{a+b+c}$

Ochiai index: $Ochiai = \frac{a}{\sqrt{(a+b)*(a+c)}}$

Dice index: $Dice = \frac{2*a}{2*a+b+c}$

The Association Coefficient(AC):

if $a*d \geq b*c$:

$AC = \frac{a*d - b*c}{(a+b)*(b+d)}$

if $a*d < b*c$ and $a \leq d$:

$AC = \frac{a*d - b*c}{(a+b)*(a+c)}$

if $a*d < b*c$ and $a > d$:

$AC = \frac{a*d - b*c}{(b+d)*(c+d)}$

Point correlation coefficient

(PCC):

$PCC = \frac{a*d - b*c}{\{(a+b)*(a+c)*(c+d)*(b+d)\}}$

Value

chisq	Chi Square matrix
V	V positive or negative association
Ochiai	Ochiai's index
Dice	Dice's index
Jaccard	Jaccard's index
Pearson	Pearson's correlation coefficient
Spearman	Spearman's rank correlation coefficient
PCC	Point correlation coefficient
AC	Association coefficient

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See Also

See Also as [sp.assoc](#) for computing association for all the species.

Examples

```
data(testdata)
spmatrix <- data2mat(testdata)
result <- sp.pair(spmatrix)
```

splist	<i>A sample dataframe showing species taxonomic information (Deprecated)</i>
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Description

A sample dataframe containing the checklist of species used in `add.col()`

Usage

```
data(splist)
```

Format

A data frame with 9 observations on the following 3 variables.

species a factor with levels sp1 to sp8
 genera a factor with levels gen1 to gen6
 family a factor with levels fam1 to fam5

References

None

Examples

```
data(splist)
data(testdata)
```

sub.sp.matrix	<i>Subset species based on relative frequency</i>
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Description

Subset species based on relative frequency.

Usage

```
sub.sp.matrix(spmatrix, freq = 0.5, common = NULL)
```

Arguments

spmatrix	a standard community matrix with rows representing sites and columns representing species.
freq	The relative frequency, species with higher relative frequency will be kept in the output.
common	The number of most common species to keep.

Details

sub.sp.matrix will select the species whose relative frequency above 0.5 (default), or select certain number of species based on relative frequency.

Value

A subset matrix of species with high relative frequency.

Author(s)

Jinlong Zhang <jinlongzhang01@gmail.com>

References

None

See Also

See Also [subset](#)

Examples

```
library(vegan)
data(BCI)
## Select the species whose relative frequency
## more than 0.5, from BCI data
sub <- sub.sp.matrix(BCI, freq = 0.5)
## Select the top 30 species according to relative frequency
sub <- sub.sp.matrix(BCI, common = 30)
```

testdata	<i>A sample dataset s</i>
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Description

A sample dataset

Usage

```
data(testdata)
```

Format

A dataframe with 11 observations on the following 3 variables.

plotname a factor with levels plot1, plot2, plot3.

species a factor with levels sp1 to sp7.

abundance a numeric vector indicating number of individuals appeared in each plot.

Examples

```
data(testdata)
testdata
```

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