Package 'cloneRate'

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Title Estimate Growth Rates from Phylogenetic Trees

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Description Quickly estimate the net growth rate of a
population or clone whose growth can be approximated by a birth-death
branching process. Input should be phylogenetic tree(s) of clone(s) with
edge lengths corresponding to either time or mutations. Based on
coalescent results in Johnson et al. (2023) <doi:10.1093/bioinformatics/btad561>. Simulation
techniques as well as growth rate methods build on prior work from
Lambert A. (2018) <doi:10.1016/j.tpb.2018.04.005> and Stadler T. (2009)
<doi:10.1016/j.jtbi.2009.07.018>.

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cloneRate-package   *The 'cloneRate' package.*

Description

Quickly estimate the net growth rate of a population or clone whose growth can be approximated by a birth-death branching process.

References

Johnson et al. 2023 Bioinformatics. [doi:10.1093/bioinformatics/btad561](https://doi.org/10.1093/bioinformatics/btad561)

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birthDeathMCMC *Growth rate estimate using MCMC*

Description

Uses Rstan and the No U-turn sampler to approximate the growth rate using the likelihood from Stadler 2009 "On incomplete sampling under birth–death models and connections to the sampling-based coalescent"

Usage

```
birthDeathMCMC(
  tree,
  maxGrowthRate = 4,
  alpha = 0.05,
  verbose = TRUE,
  nChains = 4,
  nCores = 1,
  chainLength = 2000
)
```

Arguments

tree	An ultrametric tree subset to include only the clone of interest. Alternatively, a list with several such trees.
maxGrowthRate	Sets upper bound on birth rate. Default is 4 but this will depend on the nature of the data
alpha	Used for calculation of confidence intervals. 1-alpha confidence intervals used with default of alpha = 0.05 (95 percent confidence intervals)
verbose	TRUE or FALSE, should the Rstan MCMC intermediate output and progress be printed?
nChains	Number of chains to run in MCMC. Default is 4
nCores	Number of cores to perform MCMC. Default is 1, but chains can be run in parallel
chainLength	Number of iterations for each chain in MCMC. Default is 2000 (1000 warm-up + 1000 sampling), increase if stan tells you to

Value

A dataframe including the net growth rate estimate, confidence intervals, and other important details (clone age estimate, runtime, n, etc.)

See Also

internalLengths maxLikelihood which use alternative methods for growth rate estimation from an ultrametric tree.

Examples

```
df <- birthDeathMCMC(cloneRate::exampleUltraTrees[[1]])
```

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coal_to_tree   *Generate tree from coalescence times*

Description

generates a tree from a vector of coalescence times by randomly merging lineages.

Usage

```
coal_to_tree(coal_times)
```

Arguments

coal_times   A numeric vector of coalescence times

Value

An ape object of class "phylo" representing the ultrametric phylogenetic tree with edge lengths in units of time.

Examples

```
# Generate an ape phylo tree with n tips from a vector of n-1 coalescence times
randomCoalTimes <- c(9.3, 7.8, 10.15, 11.23, 9.4, 8.8, 10.01, 13)
tree <- coal_to_tree(randomCoalTimes)
```

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exampleMutTrees   *Example mutation tree data*

Description

Set of 100 mutation based trees reconstructed from the distribution of a sample of n=100 tips. All trees have a net growth rate of 1 with birth rates between 1 and 2 (sampled from a uniform distribution). Death rates are equal to the chosen birth rate minus 1. Tree reconstruction uses the exact distribution of coalescence times described in "The coalescent of a sample from a binary branching process", Lambert A., Theor. Pop. Bio. 2018. Tree construction and formatting uses ape R package ape::rcoal(). We then change the edge lengths from time-based to mutation-based by drawing from a poisson distribution with mean equal to edge length (in units of time) multiplied by the mutation rate, nu, which is drawn from a uniform distribution between 10 and 20 mutations per year.

Usage

```
data(exampleMutTrees)
```

Format

A `list` of objects of class `phylo`

edge A matrix of edge connections which reconstruct the tree.

edge.length A numeric vector of the branch lengths of the connections in edge matrix. Units are mutations.

tip.label A character vector containing the (arbitrary in this case) labels for the 100 tips/samples of the tree.

Nnode Integer number of internal nodes of the tree

params `data.frame` containing info on the params used to generate the tree See ape package for details on class `phylo` objects.

References

This data set was created for the cloneRate package using coalescent theory approaches described in "The coalescent of a sample from a binary branching process", Lambert A., Theor. Pop. Bio. 2018.

Examples

```
# Plot first of 100 trees
ape::plot.phylo(cloneRate::exampleMutTrees[[1]],
  direction = "downwards", show.tip.label = FALSE
)
```

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exampleUltraTrees   *Example ultrametric tree data*

Description

Set of 100 time-based ultrametric trees reconstructed from the distribution of a sample of n=100 tips. All trees have a net growth rate of 1 with birth rates between 1 and 2 (sampled from a uniform distribution). Death rates are equal to the chosen birth rate minus 1. Tree reconstruction uses the exact distribution of coalescence times described in "The coalescent of a sample from a binary branching process", Lambert A., Theor. Pop. Bio. 2018. Tree construction and formatting uses ape R package `ape::rcoal()`.

Usage

```
data(exampleUltraTrees)
```

Format

A `list` of objects of class phylo

edge A matrix of edge connections which reconstruct the tree.

edge.length A numeric vector of the branch lengths of the connections in edge matrix. Units are years.

tip.label A character vector containing the (arbitrary in this case) labels for the 100 tips/samples of the tree.

Nnode Integer number of internal nodes of the tree

params `data.frame` containing info on the params used to generate the tree See ape package for details on class phylo objects.

References

This data set was created for the cloneRate package using coalescent theory approaches described in "The coalescent of a sample from a binary branching process", Lambert A., Theor. Pop. Bio. 2018.

Examples

```
# Plot first of 100 trees
ape::plot.phylo(cloneRate::exampleUltraTrees[[1]],
  direction = "downwards", show.tip.label = FALSE
)
```

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internalLengths   *Growth rate estimate using the sum of internal lengths*

Description

`internalLengths()` provides an estimate for the net growth rate of the clone with confidence bounds, using the internal lengths method.

Usage

```
internalLengths(tree, alpha = 0.05)
```

Arguments

tree	An ultrametric tree subset to include only the clone of interest. Alternatively, a list with several such trees.
alpha	Used for calculation of confidence intervals. 1-alpha confidence intervals used with default of alpha = 0.05 (95 percent confidence intervals)

Value

A dataframe including the net growth rate estimate, the sum of internal lengths and other important details (clone age estimate, runtime, n, etc.)

See Also

maxLikelihood(), sharedMuts() for other growth rate methods.

Examples

```
internalLengths(cloneRate::exampleUltraTrees[[1]])
```

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longitudinalData   *Longitudinal validation data*

Description

For three individuals with clonal expansions that can be estimated using our methods, we have longitudinal data to orthogonally validate these estimates, which is included here. Additionally, for 13 clones with a driver gene matching a driver gene in the single cell data, but without a match to a specific clone, we include this longitudinal data as well.

Usage

```
longitudinalData
```

Format

A data.frame containing all the information needed

Sample.ID The individual's ID

Age Individual's age at the various sampling times

VAF The variant allele frequency at the various sampling times for the clone of interest

Gene Gene or genes with mutation that identifies the clone

Protein Protein affected by the mutation

cellType The type of cells used for sequencing

cloneName The name we use for the clone to match to single cell data, if applicable.

References

These datasets were generated and annotated in: Williams et al. 2022 Fabre et al. 2022

Examples

```
# Plot longitudinal data from PD9478
library(ggplot2)
ggplot(longitudinalData[longitudinalData$Sample.ID == "PD9478", ]) +
  geom_point(aes(x = Age, y = VAF))
```

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maxLikelihood   *Growth rate estimate using Maximum Likelihood*

Description

Uses the approximation that coalescence times H_i are equal to a+b*U_i to find a and b. b is equal to 1/r, where r is the net growth rate.

Usage

```
maxLikelihood(tree, alpha = 0.05)
```

Arguments

tree	An ultrametric tree subset to include only the clone of interest. Alternatively, a list with several such trees.
alpha	Used for calculation of confidence intervals. 1-alpha confidence intervals used with default of alpha = 0.05 (95 percent confidence intervals)

Value

A dataframe including the net growth rate estimate, confidence intervals, and other important details (clone age estimate, runtime, n, etc.)

See Also

internalLengths which uses an alternatvie method for growth rate estimation from an ultrametric tree.

Examples

```
df <- maxLikelihood(cloneRate::exampleUltraTrees[[1]])
```

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realCloneData   *Real clone data from human blood*

Description

42 clones (39 distinct) from 32 individual donors, 13 of whom have a diagnosis of Myeloproliferative Neoplasm

Usage

```
data(realCloneData)
```

Format

A `list` of containing one `list` with the full ultrametric trees from 30 of the 32 individual donors (the two from Van Egeren are not included), and one `list` containing the 42 clone trees.In three cases, there are two timepoints from the same clone, and these are separate phylo objects. Each `list` contains a tree as a class `phylo` object. See ape package documentation for details on class `phylo` objects. Names of each `phylo` object (tree) in the list matches the naming used in the sources and also includes driver, age, and clone number.

References

These datasets were generated and annotated in: Williams et al. 2022 Mitchell et al. 2022 Fabre et al. 2022 Van Egeren et al. 2021

Examples

```
# Plot full reconstructed tree from donor PD34493
ape::plot.phylo(cloneRate::realCloneData[["fullTrees"]][["PD34493"]],
  direction = "downwards", show.tip.label = FALSE
)
```

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sharedMuts	*Growth rate estimate using the sum of shared mutations assuming a mutation tree*

Description

`sharedMuts()` provides an estimate for the net growth rate of the clone with confidence bounds, using the shared mutations method.

Usage

```
sharedMuts(tree, nu = NULL, alpha = 0.05)
```

Arguments

`tree`	A non-ultrametric ape tree subset to include only the clone of interest
`nu`	The mutation rate. If none given, sharedMuts() will first look for a nu column in a `metadata` data.frame of the tree, and then look for a nu in the tree itself. Will throw error if no nu given or found.
`alpha`	Used for calculation of confidence intervals. 1-alpha confidence intervals used with default of alpha = 0.05 (95 percent confidence intervals)

Value

A dataframe including the net growth rate estimate, the sum of internal lengths and other important details (clone age estimate, runtime, n, etc.)

See Also

internalLengths() which is the ultrametric/time-based analogue

Examples

```
sharedMuts(cloneRate::exampleMutTrees[[1]])
```

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simMut   *Simulate mutation-based birth and death branching trees*

Description

Generates a sampled tree (or a list of many sampled trees) from a supercritial (birth rate > death rate) birth and death branching process according to the coalescent point process described in "Lambert, A. The coalescent of a sample from a binary branching process. (2018)." Edge lengths will be in units of mutations, assuming poissonian mutation accumulation. Essentially a wrapper combining simUltra() and ultra2mut() functions into one step.

Usage

```
simMut(
  a,
  b,
  cloneAge,
  n,
  nu,
  nTrees = 1,
  precBits = 1000,
  addStem = FALSE,
  nCores = 1
)
```

Arguments

a	Birth rate
b	Death rate
cloneAge	Clone age. Make sure it's same time units as birth and death rates
n	Number of samples/tips of the tree to be returned
nu	Mutation rate in units of mutations per unit time. Make sure time units are consistent with birth and death rates and cloneAge
nTrees	Integer indicating the number of trees to generate. Default is 1.
precBits	Rmpfr param for handling high precision numbers. Needed to draw coalescence times.
addStem	Boolean indicating whether to add stem to tree preceding first split/coalescence
nCores	Integer indicating the number of cores to use if parallel pkg is installed. Default is 1.

Value

An ape object of class "phylo" representing the ultrametric phylogenetic tree with edge lengths in units of time. Tree metadata is located in the 'metadata' data.frame included in each "phylo" object. If 'nTrees' param is greater than 1, simUltra returns a list of objects of such objects of class "phylo".

Examples

```
# Generate a single mutation-based tree with a specified mutation rate
tree <- simMut(a = 1, b = 0.5, cloneAge = 40, n = 50, nu = 10)

# Generate a list of mutation-based trees with a range of mutation rates
tree_list <- simMut(
  a = 1, b = 0.5, cloneAge = 40, n = 50,
  nu = stats::runif(n = 3, min = 10, max = 20), nTrees = 3
)
```

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simUltra   *Simulate ultrametric birth and death branching trees*

Description

Generates a sampled tree (or a list of many sampled trees) from a supercritial (birth rate > death rate) birth and death branching process according to the coalescent point process described in "Lambert, A. The coalescent of a sample from a binary branching process. (2018)."

Usage

```
simUltra(
  a,
  b,
  cloneAge,
  n,
  nTrees = 1,
  precBits = 1000,
  addStem = FALSE,
  nCores = 1
)
```

Arguments

a	Birth rate or vector of birth rates of length 'nTrees'
b	Death rate or vector of death rates of length 'nTrees'
cloneAge	Clone age or vector of clone ages of length 'nTrees'. Make sure it's same time units as birth and death rates
n	Number of samples/tips of the tree to be returned. Can be a vector of length 'nTrees' as well.

nTrees	Integer indicating the number of trees to generate. Default is 1
precBits	Rmpfr param for handling high precision numbers. Needed for drawing the coalescence times. Can be a vector of length 'nTrees', though it is not recommended
addStem	Boolean indicating whether to add stem to tree preceding first split/coalescence. Can also be a vector of length 'nTrees'
nCores	Integer indicating the number of cores to use if parallel pkg is installed. Default is 1.

Value

An ape object of class "phylo" representing the ultrametric phylogenetic tree with edge lengths in units of time. Tree metadata is located in the 'metadata' data.frame included in each "phylo" object. If 'nTrees' param is greater than 1, simUltra returns a list of objects of such objects of class "phylo".

Examples

```
# Generate a single tree
tree <- simUltra(a = 1, b = 0.5, cloneAge = 20, n = 50)

# Generate a list of trees
tree_list <- simUltra(a = 1, b = 0.5, cloneAge = 20, n = 50, nTrees = 3)
```

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siteFrequency	*Get site frequency spectrum of a tree*

Description

siteFrequency() calculates the site frequency in units of time or mutations, as well as a normalized frequency.

Usage

```
siteFrequency(tree, includeStem = FALSE)
```

Arguments

tree	An ultrametric or mutation-based tree subset to include only the clone of interest. Alternatively, a list with several such trees.
includeStem	Boolean indicating whether we should count the stem of the tree as contributing to the site frequency distribution. Default is FALSE.

Value

A data.frame with three columns: the number of descendant cells, site frequency in units of time or mutations, and normalized site frequency. If a list of trees is input, output will be a list of such data.frames.

See Also

internalLengths() and sharedMuts() which use the sum of edge lengths ancestral to between 2 and n-1 tips to calculate a growth rate.

Examples

```
# Get site frequency of a single tree
example.df <- siteFrequency(exampleUltraTrees[[1]])

# Get site frequency of a list of trees
example.list <- siteFrequency(exampleMutTrees)
```

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ultra2mut   *Add poissonian mutations to an ultrametric tree(s)*

Description

Takes an ultrametric tree of class "phylo" (or a list of such trees) and draws new edge lengths in units of mutations, with the mean of each new edge length equal to the old edge length multiplied by the mutation rate. Mutation rate can be set or drawn from a uniform distribution.

Usage

```
ultra2mut(tree, nu)
```

Arguments

tree	A single tree or list of trees of class "phylo", with edge lengths in units of time
nu	Mutation rate in units of mutations per unit time. Can also be a vector of mutation rates with length equal to the number of input trees. Make sure time units are consistent in nu and tree$edge.length

Value

An ape object of class "phylo" representing the phylogenetic tree with edge lengths in units of mutations. Value of mutation rate will be added to 'metadata' data.frame of output tree if such a data.frame exists in the input tree. Otherwise, mutation rate value will be added to "phylo" object directly. If input is a list of trees, ultra2mut() will return a list of such "phylo" objects.

Examples

```
# Convert the time-based, ultrametric example trees into mutation-based trees
mutTrees <- ultra2mut(exampleUltraTrees,
  nu = stats::runif(n = length(exampleUltraTrees), min = 10, max = 20)
)
```

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