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marcher-package

Migration and Range Change Analysis in R

Description

A collection of functions for performing a migration and range change analysis (MRSA) as described in by Gurarie et al. (2017). The key features are estimation of precise times, distances, and locations of a one or two step range shift in movement data.

Details

Some key functions for using marcher are:

- 1. estimate_shift Estimate a range shift process.
- 2. simulate_shift Simulate a range shift process.
- 3. plot. shiftfit Visualize a range shift process.
- 4. test_rangeshift Test whether a range shift occurred.
- 5. test_return Test whether a migration was a return migration.
- 6. test_stopover Test whether a stopover occurred during a migration.

Several simulated datasets are in the SimulatedTracks data object.

One roe deer (Capreolus capreolus) track is in the Michela object.

See the respective help files and vignette("marcher") for more details and examples.

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estimate_shift

References

Gurarie, E., F. Cagnacci, W. Peters, C. Fleming, J. Calabrese, T. Mueller and W. Fagan (2017) A framework for modeling range shifts and migrations: asking whether, whither, when, and will it return. *Journal of Animal Ecology*. DOI: 10.1111/1365-2656.12674

See Also

Useful links:

• Report bugs at https://github.com/EliGurarie/marcher/issues

estimate_shift Estimating range shifts

Description

Estimation and helper functions for nls fit of migration model

Usage

```
estimate_shift(T, X, Y, n.clust = 2, p.m0 = NULL, dt0 = min(5,
    diff(range(T))/20), method = c("ar", "like")[1], CI = TRUE, nboot = 100,
    model = NULL, area.direct = NULL)
```

Arguments

Т	time
Х	x coordinate
Y	y coordinate
n.clust	the number of ranges to estimate. Two is relatively easy and robust, and three works fairly will (with good initial guesses). More can be prohibitively slow.
p.m0	initial parameter guesses - a named vector with (e.g.) elements x1, x2, y1, y2, t1, dt. It helps if this is close - the output of quickfit can be helpful, as can plotting the curve and using locator. If left as NULL, the function will make some guesses for you - starting with quickfit.
dt0	initial guess for duration of migration
method	one of 'ar' or 'like' (case insensitve), whether or not to use the AR equivalence method (faster, needs regular data - with some tolerance for gaps) or Likelihood method, which is slower but robust for irregular data.
CI	whether or not to estimate confidence intervals
nboot	number of bootstraps
model	one of "MWN", "MOU" or "MOUF" (case insensitive). By default, the algorithm selects the best one according to AIC using the selectModel function.
area.direct	passed as direct argument to getArea

Details

This algorithm minimizes the square of the distance of the locations from a double-headed hockeystick curve, then estimates the times scale using the ARMA/AR models. Confidence intervals are obtained by bootstrapping the data and reestimating. See example and vignette for implementation.

Value

a list with the following elements

Τ,Χ,Υ	Longitude coordinate with NA at prediction times
p.hat	Point estimates of parameters
p.CI	Data frame of parameter estimates with (approximate) confidence intervals.
model	One of "wn", "ou" or "ouf" - the selected model for the residuals.
hessian	The hessian of the mean parameters.

Examples

```
# load simulated tracks
data(SimulatedTracks)
# white noise fit
MWN.fit <- with(MWN.sim, estimate_shift(T=T, X=X, Y=Y))</pre>
summary(MWN.fit)
plot(MWN.fit)
if(interactive()){
# OUF fit
MOUF.fit <- with(MOUF.sim.random,</pre>
                estimate_shift(T=T, X=X, Y=Y,
                                model = "ouf",
                                method = "like"))
summary(MOUF.fit)
plot(MOUF.fit)
# Three range fit:
# it is helpful to have some initital values for these parameters
# because the automated quickfit() method is unreliable for three ranges
# in the example, we set a seed that seems to work
# set.seed(1976)
 MOU.3range.fit <- with(MOU.3range,</pre>
                        estimate_shift(T=T, X=X, Y=Y,
                                       model = "ou",
                                       method = "ar",
                                       n.clust = 3))
 summary(MOU.3range.fit)
 plot(MOU.3range.fit)
}
```

fitNSD

Description

Test range shift using net-squared displacement

Usage

fitNSD(T, X, Y, plotme = FALSE, setpar = TRUE, ...)

Arguments

Т	time
Х	x coordinate
Υ	y coordinate
plotme	whether or not to plot the result
setpar	whether or not to run par(mfrow = $c(1,2)$) before plotting
	additional parameters to pass to plot

Details

The test below assumes that the net squared displacement (NSD) for a migrating organism is well characterized by the logistic formula: E(NSD(t)) = a / (1 + exp [(b-t)/c] as described in border=ger and Fryxell (2012). In practice, the square root of the NSD, i.e., the linear displacement, is fitted to the square root of the formula assuming Gaussian residuals with constant variance 's'. A likelihood ratio test against a null model of no-dispersal is provided at a 95% significance level.

Value

a list with a vector of four parameter estimates, and a vector with test statistics (likelihood, AIC and p.values)

Examples

```
# simulate and compare two range shifts
A <- 20
T <- 1:100
tau <- c(tau.z = 2, tau.v = 0)
# large disperal
Mu <- getMu(T, c(x1 = 0, y1 = 0, x2 = 4, y2 = 4, t1 = 40, dt = 20))
XY.sim <- simulate_shift(T, tau = tau, Mu, A=A)
with(XY.sim, scan_track(time = T, x = X, y = Y))
with(XY.sim, fitNSD(T, X, Y, plotme=TRUE))</pre>
```

```
# no disperal
Mu <- getMu(T, c(x1 = 0, y1 = 0, x2 = 0, y2 = 0, t1 = 40, dt = 20))
XY.sim <- simulate_shift(T, tau = tau, Mu, A=A)
with(XY.sim, scan_track(time = T, x = X, y = Y))
with(XY.sim, fitNSD(T,X,Y, plotme=TRUE))
```

getArea

Compute area

Description

Compute predicted area at given alpha level (e.g. 50% or 90%) of a migration model fit

Usage

```
getArea(p, T, X, Y, alpha = 0.95, model = c("wn", "ou", "ouf")[1],
direct = NULL)
```

Arguments

р	estimated mouf parameter vector (tau.z, tau.v, t1, dt, x1, y1, x2, y2)
Т	time
Х	x coordinate
Υ	y coordinate
alpha	proportion of area used to be computed
model	one of "wn", "ou", "ouf" - whether or not the velocity autocorrelation needs to be taken into account.
direct	whether or not to compute the area directly (i.e. fitting a symmetric bivariate normal to the residuals) or to account for the autocorrelation. The default behavior (NULL) computes directly for the "wn" model, and uses the autocorrelation (which is slower) only if the estimated spatial time scale is greater that 1/30 of the total time range.

Details

For sufficient data (i.e. where the range in the times is much greater than the) This function estimates the (symmetric) 95% area of use from a bivariate Gaussian

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getCov

Description

functions which provide the theoretical covariance [getCov()] and area [getArea()] for specific models and parameter values

Usage

getCov(t1, t2, model, p)

Arguments

t1	time 1
t2	time 2
model	the model
р	vector of the auto-correlation parameters i.e. $p = c(tau.z, tau.v)$

Details

getCov(t1, t2, model, p) calculates the covariance matrix for different models. mvrnorm2 is a slightly more efficient multivariate normal function.

getLikelihood	Estimate likelihoods and AICs
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Description

Estimate likelihoods and AIC for several possible migration models.

Usage

Arguments

р	initial parameters: [tau.z, tau.v, t1, t2, x1, x2, y1, y2]
Т, Х, Ү	time, x and y coordinates
model	"wn", "ou", "ouf", "mou" or "mouf", - whether or not to estimate tau.v

getMu

Description

Obtain a mean vector for a movement with one (getMu) or more (getMu_multi) range shifts. This function is mainly used within the likelihood of range shift processes, but is also useful for simulating processes.

Usage

getMu(T, p.m)

Arguments

Т	vector of times
p.m	mean parameters. A named vector with elements t1, dt, x1, y1, x2, y2, for a single-shift process. For multiple (n) shifts, the parameters are numbered: (x1, x2 xn), (y1, y2 yn), (t1 t[n-1]), (dt1 dt[n-1])

See Also

simulate_shift

Examples

```
T <- 1:100
p.m <- c(x1 = 0, y1 = 0, x2 = 10, y2 = 20, t1 = 45, dt = 55)
scan_track(time = T, x=getMu(T, p.m))</pre>
```

getRSI

Compute Range Shift Index

Description

The range shift index is a dimensionless measure of the distance of the centroids of two ranges divided by the diameter of the 95% area. This function uses the 95% confidence intervals from a range shift fit to calculate a point estimate and 95% confidence intervals of the RSI.

Usage

getRSI(FIT, n1 = 1, n2 = 2, nboot = 1000)

getTau

Arguments

FIT	a rnage shift object, outputted by estimate_shift
n1	the indices of the ranges to estimate from and to, i.e., for single shift, 1 and 2. For three ranges (two shifts) it can be 1 and 2, 2 and 3, or 1 and 3 - if the ultimate shift is the one of interest.
n2	see n1
nboot	number of bootstrap simulation

Value

returns a data frame reporting the distance traveled, the RSI and respective bootstrapped confidence intervals.

getTau

Compute time scale parameters

Description

A mostly internal function that takes the "residuals" of a range-shift process and estimates

and, if necessary, au_v

Usage

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```
getTau(Z.res, T = T, model = c("wn", "ou", "ouf")[1], tau0 = NULL,
CI = FALSE, method = c("like", "ar")[1])
```

Arguments

Z.res	complex vector of isotropic Gaussian, possibly autocorrelated time series of points
Т	time vector
model	one of "wn" (white noise), "ou" or "ouf" (case insensitive), denoting, respec- tively, no autocorrelation, position autocorrelation, or velocity and position au- tocorrelation. If model = NULL and method = "ar", the algorithm will select a model using AIC comparisons of the three. If the selected model iswhite noise, the function will return 0's for both parameters.
tau0	<pre>initial values of parameter estimates - a named vector: c(tau.z = tau0[1], tau.v = tau0[2])</pre>
CI	whether or not to compute the confidence intervals (temporarily only available for like method).

method either "like" or "ar". The former refers to the likelihood method - it is most general (i.e. works with irregular sampling). The latter refers to the auto-rgressive model equivalence, which is faster but only works with regular sampling.

locate_shift

Interactive locating of range shifting

Description

Plots an x-y, time-x, time-y track of a potential migration process and prompts the user to click on the figure to obtain initial estimates of range centroids and timing of start and end of migrations.

Usage

locate_shift(time, x, y, n.clust = 2, ...)

Arguments

time	time (can be a POSIXt)
x	x and y coordinates. Can be two separate vectors OR a complex "x" OR a two- column matrix/date-frame.
У	see x
n.clust	number of ranges (either 2 or 3)
	additional parameters to pass to plot functions

Value

a named vector of initial estimates: if n.clust = 2, c(x1, x2, y1, y2, t1, dt) if n.clust = 3, c(x1, x2, x3, y1, y2, y3, t1, t2, dt1, dt2)

See Also

quickfit, codelocator

Michela

Description

GPS tracks of one roe deer (*Capreolus capreolus*) in the Italian alps. This deer performs two seasonal migrations, from a wintering ground to a summering ground, back its wintering ground. For several ways to analyze these data, see examples in the marcher vignette.

Usage

data(Michela)

Format

Data frame containing movements of roe deer with the following columns:

id ID of animal

name Names - for mnemonic convenience - of Italian authors.

x,y In Easting Westing

latitude, longitude

time POSIXct object

day Day of year, counting from January 1 of the first year of observations (thus day 367 is January 2 or the following year).

References

For more details, see: Eurodeer.org

Examples

```
data(Michela)
with(Michela, scan_track(time = time, x = x, y = y))
```

plot.shiftfit Plot results of an range-shift fit

Description

Plotting functions for illustrating the results of a range-shift fit.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'shiftfit'
plot(x, ns = c(n.sims = 1000, n.times = 100, n.bins = 10),
plot.ts = TRUE, stretch = 0, pt.cex = 0.8, pt.col = "antiquewhite",
CI.cols = NULL, layout = NULL, par = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

х	a fitted range shift object, i.e. output of the estimate_shift
ns	a vector of 3 simulation values, useful for smoothing the bars in the dumbbell plot. For smoothing, it might be recommended to increase the first value, n.sims - the number of draws from the fitted migation process.
plot.ts	whether or not to plot the time series as well
stretch	an extra parameter to extend the bars on the dumbbells (in real distance units).
pt.cex	point character expansion.
pt.col	points color.
CI.cols	three shading colors, from lightest to darkest. The default is a sequence of blues.
layout	the default layout places the x-y plot on the left and - if plot.ts==TRUE - the respective 1-d time series on the right.
par	graphics window parameters that, by default, look nice with the default layout.
	additional parameters to pass to plot function (e.g. labels, title, etc.)

Examples

```
# load simulated tracks
data(SimulatedTracks)
# white noise fit
MWN.fit <- with(MWN.sim, estimate_shift(T=T, X=X, Y=Y))</pre>
summary(MWN.fit)
plot(MWN.fit)
if(interactive()){
# OUF fit
MOUF.fit <- with(MOUF.sim.random,</pre>
                estimate_shift(T=T, X=X, Y=Y,
                              model = "ouf",
                               method = "like"))
summary(MOUF.fit)
plot(MOUF.fit)
# Three range fit:
# it is helpful to have some initial values for these parameters
# because the automated quickfit() method is unreliable for three ranges
# in the example, we set a seed that seems to work
# set.seed(1976)
```

MOU.3range.fit <- with(MOU.3range,</pre>

quickfit

quickfit

}

Quick fit of one-step migration

Description

Using k-means clustering to get quick fits of 2 or 3 cluster centers in X-Y coordinates.

Usage

quickfit(T, X, Y, dt = 1, n.clust = 2, plotme = TRUE)

Arguments

Т	time
Х	x coordinate of movement
Υ	y coordinate of movement
dt	duration of migration (arbitrarily = 1)
n.clust	number of clusters (2 or 3)
plotme	whether or not to plot the result

Details

This function does estimates the locations and times of migration, but not the duration (dt). It is most useful for obtaining a "null" estimate for seeding the likelihood estimation.

Value

a named vector of initial estimates:

- if n.clust = 2 returns t1, dt, x1, y1, x2, y2
- if n.clust = 3 returns t1, dt1, t2, dt2, x1, y1, x2, y2, x3, y3

Examples

```
require(marcher)
## Load simulated data
data(SimulatedTracks)
# plot the MOU simulation
scan_track(MOU.sim)
# quick fit - setting dt = 10
(pm.0 <- with(MOU.sim, quickfit(T, X, Y, dt = 10)))</pre>
# interactive locator process
if(interactive()){
 (with(MOU.sim, locate_shift(T, X, Y)))
}
# fit the model
fit <- with(MOU.sim, estimate_shift(T, X, Y))</pre>
## Three cluster example
# plot the three range shift simulation
scan_track(MOU.3range)
# quick fit
## (note - this may not always work!)
with(MOU.3range, quickfit(T, X, Y, dt = 10, n.clust = 3))
if(interactive()){
  with(MOU.3range, locate_shift(T, X, Y, n.clust = 3))
}
```

scan_track scan_track

Description

Plotting x-y, time-x, time-y scan of a track. This function will take x, y, and time coordinates or a track class object

Usage

```
scan_track(track = NULL, time, x, y = NULL, layout = NULL,
auto.par = NULL, col = 1, alpha = 0.5, cex = 0.5, ...)
```

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selectModel

Arguments

track	a track class object, or any data-frame that contains (at least) three columns labeled "T", "X" and "Y" $$
time	time (can be a POSIXt)
x	x Coordinate. x,y coordiantes an be two separate vectors OR a complex "x" OR a two-column matrix/date-frame.
У	y coordinate.
layout	the default layout places the x-y plot on the left and the respective 1-d time series on the right.
auto.par	by default, uses a decent looking default layout. Otherwise can be a par list, or, e.g. FALSE to keep externally defined settings.
col	color vector t
alpha	intensity of the color
cex	character expansion of the points
	options to be passed to plot functions

Examples

Roe deer data

```
data(Michela)
par(bty="1", mar = c(0,4,0,2), oma=c(4,0,4,0), xpd=NA)
with(Michela, scan_track(time = time, x = x, y = y, main="Michela"))
## Simulated track
time <- 1:200
Mean <- getMu(T = time, p.m = c(x1 = 0, y1 = 0, x2 = 10, y2 = 10, t1 = 90, dt = 20))
SimTrack <- simulate_shift(T = time, tau = c(tau.z = 5), mu = Mean, A = 40)
with(SimTrack, scan_track(time = T, x = X, y = Y))
# OR (because SimTrack is a "track")
scan_track(SimTrack)</pre>
```

selectModel Select residual model

Description

Given a complex vector of movement residuals, will use AIC to select the order of the autocorrelation, i.e. white noise (WN), position autocorrelation (OU), or position and velocity autocorrelation (OUF)

Usage

```
selectModel(Z.res, T = NULL, method = c("ar", "like")[1],
showtable = FALSE)
```

Arguments

Z.res	complex vector of residuals
Т	time vector (only needed for method = 'like')
method	One of 'ar' or 'like' - whether to use the AR equivalence (faster, but needs to be regular) or likelihood estimation.
showtable	whether to return the AIC values of the respective models

Value

A character string - 'wn', 'ou' or 'ouf'. Optionally also the AIC table.

Examples

```
require(marcher)
# white noise example
Z1 <- rnorm(100) + 1i*rnorm(100)
# OU example
T <- 1:100
p.s2 <- c(tau.z = 5, tau.v = 0)
S2 <- outer(T, T, getCov, p=p.s2, model="ou")</pre>
Z2 \leq mvrnorm2(n = 1, mu = rep(0, length(T)), S2) +
     1i * mvrnorm2(n = 1, mu = rep(0,length(T)), S2)
# OUF example
p.s3 <- c(tau.z = 5, tau.v = 2)
S3 <- outer(T, T, getCov, p=p.s3, model="ouf")</pre>
Z3 \leq mvrnorm2(n = 1, mu = rep(0, length(T)), S3) +
  1i * mvrnorm2(n = 1, mu = rep(0, length(T)), S3)
# plot all three
par(mfrow=c(1,3), mar = c(2,2,2,2))
plot(Z1, asp=1, type="o")
plot(Z2, asp=1, type="o")
plot(Z3, asp=1, type="o")
# select models using 'ar' method (results might vary!)
selectModel(Z1, T = T, method = "ar", showtable = TRUE)
selectModel(Z2, T = T, method = "ar", showtable = TRUE)
selectModel(Z3, T = T, method = "ar", showtable = TRUE)
selectModel(Z1, T = T, method = "like", showtable = TRUE)
```

SimulatedTracks

```
selectModel(Z2, T = T, method = "like", showtable = TRUE)
selectModel(Z3, T = T, method = "like", showtable = TRUE)
# repeat using irregular times (requiring "like" method)
T <- cumsum(rexp(100))</pre>
# white noise example
p.s1 <- c(tau.z = 0, tau.v = 0)
S1 <- outer(T, T, getCov, p=p.s1, model="wn")</pre>
Z1 <- mvrnorm2(n = 1, mu = rep(0, length(T)), S1) +
  1i * mvrnorm2(n = 1, mu = rep(0,length(T)), S1)
# OU example
p.s2 <- c(tau.z = 5, tau.v = 0)
S2 <- outer(T, T, getCov, p=p.s2, model="ou")</pre>
Z2 \leftarrow mvrnorm2(n = 1, mu = rep(0, length(T)), S2) +
  1i * mvrnorm2(n = 1, mu = rep(0,length(T)), S2)
# OUF example
p.s3 <- c(tau.z = 5, tau.v = 2)
S3 <- outer(T, T, getCov, p=p.s3, model="ouf")</pre>
Z3 \leftarrow mvrnorm2(n = 1, mu = rep(0, length(T)), S3) +
  1i * mvrnorm2(n = 1, mu = rep(0,length(T)), S3)
Z.list <- list(Z1, Z2, Z3)
# plot
par(mfrow=c(1,3), mar = c(2,2,2,2))
lapply(Z.list, function(z) plot(z, asp=1, type="o"))
# select model
lapply(Z.list, function(z) selectModel(z, T = T, method = "like", showtable = TRUE))
```

SimulatedTracks Simulated range shift tracks

Description

Five simulated tracks: MWN.sim, MOU.sim, MOUF.sim are simulated two-range shifts with different levels of position and velocity autocorrelation, MOUF.sim.random which has 100 observations random times, and MOU.3range which is a MOU process with two range shifts (and 200 observations).

Usage

```
data("SimulatedTracks")
```

Format

Each of these is a data frame with 100 observations of three numeric variables (except for MOU.3range, which has 200 observations). The columns are: T, X, Y.

The data frames are also track class object frame.

MOU.3range Simulated migratory Ornstein-Uhlenbeck with 3 range

MOU.sim Simulated migratory Ornstein-Uhlenbeck

MOUF.sim Simulated migratory Ornstein-Uhlenbeck Flemming

MOUF.sim.random Simulated migratory Ornstein-Uhlenbeck Flemming at random or arbitrary times of observation

MWN.sim Simulated migratory white noise ranging model

Source

Code to simulate tracks like these are provided in the marcher vignette.

Examples

```
data(SimulatedTracks)
scan_track(MWN.sim)
scan_track(MOU.sim)
scan_track(MOUF.sim)
scan_track(MOUF.sim.random)
scan_track(MOU.3range)
```

simulate_shift Simulate MOUF process

Description

Simulate MOUF process

Usage

simulate_shift(T, tau = NULL, mu, A)

Arguments

Т	time
tau	variance parameters - named vector with 'tau.z' and 'tau.v'
mu	mean vector - typically output of getMu. Can also be any complex or a two- column matrix, or a multi-column matrix with some named columns "x" and "y" (case-insensitive)).
А	95% area parameter

Value

a data frame with Time, X, and Y columns.

test_rangeshift

See Also

getMu

Examples

require(marcher)

```
# 95% home range area
A <- 20
# distance of migration
D <- 100
# centers of attraction
x1 <- 0; y1 <- 0
x2 <- sqrt(D); y2 <- sqrt(D)</pre>
# time scales
tau.z <- 5
tau.v <- 0.5
t1 <- 90
dt <- 20
# mean parameters (t1,dt)
mus <- c(t1=t1,dt=dt,x1=x1,y1=y1,x2=x2,y2=y2)</pre>
# time-scale parameters
taus <- c(tau.z = tau.z, tau.v = tau.v)</pre>
# generate and plot mean vector
T <- 1:200
Mu <- getMu(T, mus)</pre>
# simulate and plot MOUF process
SimTrack <- simulate_shift(T, tau=taus, Mu, A=A)</pre>
with(SimTrack, scan_track(time=T,x=X,y=Y))
```

test_rangeshift Range shift hypothesis tests

Description

Three tests for three hypotheses to test on fitted range shifts: Was the range shift significant? Did an animal that performed two consecutive seasonal migrations return to the same location it began? Was there a stopover during a migration?

Usage

```
test_rangeshift(FIT, verbose = TRUE)
test_return(FIT, verbose = TRUE)
test_stopover(FIT, verbose = TRUE)
```

Arguments

FIT	a fitted range shift (output of estimate_shift)
verbose	whether to print verbose message

Value

Outputs a summary of the test results and returns a list of test results including:

- aic.table an AIC table comparing models
- 1rt a likelihood ratio test statistic
- df degrees of freedom for the l.r.t.
- p.value a p.value for the l.r.t.

Functions

- test_rangeshift: Compare a two range fitted model to a null model of no range shift.
- test_return: Compares a three range fitted model in which the first and third ranges have the same centroid against a model where the first and third centroid are different.
- test_stopover: Compare a three range model with an apparent stopover (shorter intermediate range), and see if a more parsimonious model excludes the stopover.

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