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ElapsedTimeProgressBarFn

A general purpose progress bar that reports elapsed time rather than number of items

Description

A general purpose progress bar that reports elapsed time rather than number of items

Usage

ElapsedTimeProgressBarFn(numItems, reportFn)

Arguments

numItems Number of items to be processed

reportFn A function used to report changing progress

Value

A function which should be called for each item as it is processed.

lines. Trajectory Add Trajectory lines to a plot

Description

The lines method for Trajectory objects.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'Trajectory'
lines(
    x,
    draw.start.pt = TRUE,
    start.pt.cex = 0.8,
    start.pt.pch = 16,
    start.pt.col = "black",
    turning.angles = NULL,
    ...
)
```

Arguments

```
An object of class "Trajectory", the trajectory to be plotted.

draw.start.pt If TRUE, draws a dot at the start point of the trajectory.

start.pt.cex Scale to apply when drawing the start point dot.

start.pt.pch Pch (i.e. plot character, symbol or shape) to apply when drawing the start point dot.

start.pt.col Colour to apply when drawing the start point dot.

turning.angles If random or directed, draws step turning angles. directed assumes errors are relative to the first recorded step angle. random assumes errors are relative to the previous step.

Additional arguments are passed to lines.
```

```
plot.TrajDirectionAutocorrelations
```

Plot method for direction autocorrelation

Description

The plot method for TrajDirectionAutocorrelations objects. Plots the direction autocorrelation function as returned by a call to link{TrajDirectionAutocorrelations}, with a optional dot at the first local minimum.

Usage

```
## $3 method for class 'TrajDirectionAutocorrelations'
plot(
    x,
    firstMinWindowSize = 10,
    type = "1",
    ylab = expression("C(" * Delta * s * ")"),
    xlab = expression(Delta * s),
    ...
)
```

Arguments

```
x Trajectory to be plotted.
```

firstMinWindowSize

If not NULL, specifies a window size used to calculate the first local minimum, which is then plotted as a point.

type, xlab, ylab

Defaults for plotting.

... Additional arguments passed to plot.

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plot.Trajectory

Plot method for trajectories

Description

The plot method for Trajectory objects.

Usage

Arguments

```
An object of class "Trajectory", the trajectory to be plotted.
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add
                  If TRUE, the trajectory is added to the current plot.
draw.start.pt
                  If TRUE, draws a dot at the start point of the trajectory.
start.pt.cex
                  Scale to apply when drawing the start point dot.
start.pt.pch
                  Pch (i.e. plot character, symbol or shape) to apply when drawing the start point
                  dot.
start.pt.col
                  Colour to apply when drawing the start point dot.
turning.angles If random or directed, draws step turning angles. directed assumes errors
                  are relative to the first recorded step angle. random assumes errors are relative
                  to the previous step.
xlim, ylim, xlab, ylab, asp
                  plotting parameters with useful defaults.
                  Additional arguments are passed to plot.
```

See Also

TrajFromCoords

Examples

```
set.seed(42)
trj <- TrajGenerate(angularErrorSd = 1.3)
plot(trj)</pre>
```

```
plot.TrajSpeedIntervals
```

Plot method for trajectory speed intervals

Description

Plots speed over time, with intervals of fast and/or slow speed highlighted.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'TrajSpeedIntervals'
plot(
    X,
    slowerThanColour = "red",
    fasterThanColour = "green",
    highlightColor = "#0000FF1E",
    xlab = sprintf("Time (%s)", TrajGetTimeUnits(attr(x, "trajectory"))),
    ylab = sprintf("Speed (%s/%s)", TrajGetUnits(attr(x, "trajectory")),
        TrajGetTimeUnits(attr(x, "trajectory"))),
    type = "l",
    ...
)
```

Arguments

```
    x An object of class "SpeedIntervals", as created by TrajSpeedIntervals.
    slowerThanColour, fasterThanColour
        The colour of the horizontal line plotted at the "slower than" or "faster than" speed. Specify NULL to prevent the line from being plotted.

    highlightColor Colour of the highlight rectangles.
    xlab, ylab, type
        Plotting parameters with useful defaults.

    Additional arguments are passed to plot.
```

See Also

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Add Trajectory points to a plot

Description

The points method for Trajectory objects.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'Trajectory'
points(x, draw.start.pt = TRUE, turning.angles = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

x An object of class "Trajectory", the trajectory to be plotted. draw.start.pt If TRUE, draws a dot at the start point of the trajectory.

turning.angles If random or directed, draws step turning angles. directed assumes errors

are relative to the first recorded step angle. random assumes errors are relative

to the previous step.

... Additional arguments are passed to points.

TrajAcceleration

Approximates the acceleration of a trajectory

Description

Returns an approximation of the acceleration of a trajectory at each point using the second-order central finite differences.

Usage

```
TrajAcceleration(trj)
```

Arguments

trj

Trajectory whose acceleration is to be calculated.

Details

'trajr' trajectories, which consist of straight line displacements between sampled locations, do not contain enough information to correctly derive velocity or acceleration. Since we have to assume a constant velocity at each step, the first derivative is discontinuous. Acceleration, therefore, is zero during each step and infinite at each change of velocity. The approximation implemented by this function assumes that acceleration occurs over a period of time: half the duration of the previous step plus half the duration of the next step.

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Value

Vector of complex numbers. The modulus (Mod(a)) is the magnitude of the acceleration at each point, and the argument (Arg(a)) is the direction of the acceleration. The vector has an attribute, trj, with the trajectory as its value. The first and last values will always be NA, since acceleration cannot be estimated for those points.

See Also

TrajVelocity for calculating velocity, TrajResampleTime and TrajRediscretize to resample a trajectory to fixed time or length steps.

Examples

```
# A function to plot acceleration as arrows (scaled in length)
AccArrows <- function(acc, scale = .001, trj = attr(acc, "trj"), ...) {
    graphics::arrows(trj$x, trj$y, trj$x + Re(acc) * scale, trj$y + Im(acc) * scale, ...)
}
# Generate and plot a random trajectory
set.seed(101)
trj <- TrajGenerate(30)
plot(trj)
# Calculate acceleration
acc <- TrajAcceleration(trj)
# Plot acceleration as red arrows at each point. They need to be scaled down to
# fit in the plot, and the arrowhead lengths need to be shortened to look good
AccArrows(acc, scale = .001, col = "red", length = .1)</pre>
```

TrajAngles

Turning angles of a Trajectory

Description

Calculates the step angles (in radians) of each segment, either relative to the previous segment or relative to the specified compass direction.

Usage

```
TrajAngles(trj, lag = 1, compass.direction = NULL)
```

Arguments

trj the trajectory whose whose angles are to be calculated.

1ag Angles between every lag'th segment are calculated. Only applies to non-directed walks, i.e. compass.direction is NULL.

compass.direction

If not NULL, step angles are calculated relative to this angle (in radians), otherwise they are calculated relative to the previous step angle.

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Details

Note that since turning angles are circular quantities, i.e. $360^{\circ} == 0^{\circ}$, it is incorrect to treat them as linear quantities. In particular, do not calculate arithmetic means or standard deviations of turning angles. See Batschelet, (1981) for a detailed explanation and techniques for dealing with circular quantities.

Value

Step angles in radians, normalised so that -pi < angle <= pi.

References

Batschelet, E. (1981). Circular statistics in biology. ACADEMIC PRESS, 111 FIFTH AVE., NEW YORK, NY 10003, 1981, 388.

See Also

TrajStepLengths, TrajMeanVectorOfTurningAngles

TrajConvertTime Converts a delimited time string to a numeric value

Description

Time values may be imported in a format which is not immediately usable by 'trajr'. This function converts times that are specified as a number of delimited fields to a single numeric value. The default parameter values handle a value with 4 colon-separated values, which are hours, minutes, seconds and milliseconds, eg: "0:01:04:108" represents 1 minute, 4 seconds and 108 milliseconds, or 64.108 seconds.

Usage

```
TrajConvertTime(time, sep = ":", factors = c(60 * 60, 60, 1, 0.001))
```

Arguments

time A character string containing the time value to be converted.

sep Field separator.

factors Vector of numeric factors to be applied to each field, in the order they occur

within 'time'. The default assumes 4 fields containing numeric hours, minutes,

seconds and milliseconds.

Details

Note that the base R strptime can be used to convert time values in more complex date/time formats, but it does not handle millisecond fields.

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Value

'time' converted to a numeric value.

See Also

strptime

Examples

```
time <- c("0:00:00:029", "0:01:00:216", "0:02:01:062", "1:00:02:195", "1:06:03:949", "1:42:04:087") seconds <- TrajConvertTime(time)
```

TrajDAMinMax

First direction autocorrelation minimum/maximum

Description

Determines the coordinates of the first local minimum/maximum of C in the direction autocorrelation function of a trajectory as returned by TrajDirectionAutocorrelations. The end point is excluded from consideration as a minimum, similarly the start point will not be returned as a maximum. If the trajectory does not oscillate in direction, there will not be a local minimum/maximum, and NULL is returned.

Usage

```
TrajDAFindFirstMinimum(corr, windowSize = 10)
TrajDAFindFirstMaximum(corr, windowSize = 10)
```

Arguments

corr A TrajDirectionAutocorrelations object, i.e. the direction autocorrelation

of a trajectory.

windowSize Size of window used to define what constitutes a local mimimum/maximum.

Value

Numeric vector with 2 values, deltaS and C, or NULL if there is no local minimum/maximum.

See Also

TrajDirectionAutocorrelations

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Examples

```
set.seed(42)
trj <- TrajGenerate(600, angularErrorSd = 1)
smoothed <- TrajSmoothSG(trj, 3, 11)

# Resample to fixed path length
resampled <- TrajRediscretize(smoothed, 1)
# Calculate direction autocorrelation for resampled trajectory
corr <- TrajDirectionAutocorrelations(resampled, 100)
# Extract first local minimum from autocorrelation
minPt <- TrajDAFindFirstMinimum(corr, 20)

# Plot the autocorrelation function
plot(corr, type ='1')
# Plot a red dot with a black outline at the first minimum
points(minPt["deltaS"], minPt["C"], pch = 16, col = "red", lwd = 2)
points(minPt["deltaS"], minPt["C"], col = "black", lwd = 2)</pre>
```

TrajDerivatives

Calculates trajectory speed and change of speed

Description

Calculates speed and change of speed along a trajectory over time. These are the first and second order derivatives of distance travelled over time. Noisy trajectories should be smoothed before being passed to this function, as noise is effectively amplified when taking derivatives.

Usage

```
TrajDerivatives(trj)
```

Arguments

trj

Trajectory whose speed and change in speed is to be calculated.

Details

The value returned as acceleration is *not* technically acceleration. In mechanics, acceleration is a vector. This value is a scalar quantity: change of speed, which is sometimes known informally as acceleration. This value corresponds to the acceleration in a 1-dimensional trajectory, with the sign indicating the direction of acceleration relative to the current direction of velocity. See TrajAcceleration for an approximation of (vector) acceleration, and TrajVelocity for an approximation of velocity.

Value

A list with components:

speed numeric vector, speed between each pair of trajectory points, i.e. the speed of

each step.

speedTimes numeric vector, times corresponding to values in speed, i.e. the time from the

start of the trajectory to the end of each step.

acceleration numeric vector, change in speed between steps. Despite the name, this is not

acceleration as defined by mechanics.

accelerationTimes

numeric vector, time from the start of the trajectory to the end of the second step

in each pair.

See Also

TrajSpeedIntervals for analysing intervals of low or high speed within the trajectory. TrajSmoothSG for smoothing a trajectory. TrajAcceleration for calculating acceleration, and TrajVelocity for calculating velocity.

TrajDirectionalChange *Directional change (DC)*

Description

Calculates the time variation of directional change (DC) of a trajectory *sensu* Kitamura & Imafuku (2015). Directional change is defined as the angular change (in degrees) between any two points in the trajectory, divided by the time difference between the two points.

Usage

```
TrajDirectionalChange(trj, nFrames = 1)
```

Arguments

trj Track to calculate DC for.

nFrames Frame delta to process: if 1, every frame is processed, if 2, every 2nd frame is

processed, and so on. Default is 1.

Details

This function returns the DC for each pair of consecutive points. Kitamura & Imafuku (2015) used the mean and the standard deviation of DC for portions of trajectories as index values of nonlinearity and irregularity respectively.

Value

The directional change (DC) in degrees between every pair of consecutive points in the trajectory, i.e. the returned vector will have length (nrow(trj) - 1).

References

Kitamura, T., & Imafuku, M. (2015). Behavioural mimicry in flight path of Batesian intraspecific polymorphic butterfly Papilio polytes. Proceedings of the Royal Society B: Biological Sciences, 282(1809). doi:10.1098/rspb.2015.0483

Examples

```
set.seed(42)
trj <- TrajGenerate()
SD = mean(TrajDirectionalChange(trj))
SDDC = sd(TrajDirectionalChange(trj))</pre>
```

TrajDirectionAutocorrelations

Direction autocorrelation

Description

Calculates the autocorrelation of the track for Δs ranging from 1 to deltaSMax, based on Shamble et al. (2017). trj must have a constant step length (see TrajRediscretize) i.e. all segments in the trajectory must be the same length. deltaS is specified in number of segments. Call TrajDAFindFirstMinimum to locate the first local minimum which may be used to characterise directional periodicity in a trajectory (note that the first local minimum may not exist).

Usage

```
TrajDirectionAutocorrelations(trj, deltaSMax = round(nrow(trj)/4))
```

Arguments

trj The trajectory to calculate the directional autocorrelations for.

deltaSMax Maximum delta s to calculate, default is 1/4 the number of segments in the

trajectory.

Value

A data frame with class TrajDirectionAutocorrelations and 2 columns, deltaS and C. Plotting this object displays a graph of the direction autocorrelation function, optionally with the location of the first local minimum marked

References

Shamble, P. S., Hoy, R. R., Cohen, I., & Beatus, T. (2017). Walking like an ant: a quantitative and experimental approach to understanding locomotor mimicry in the jumping spider Myrmarachne formicaria. Proceedings of the Royal Society B: Biological Sciences, 284(1858). doi:10.1098/rspb.2017.0308

TrajDuration TrajDuration

See Also

 ${\it TrajDAF} in dFirst {\it Minimum}, plot. {\it TrajDirectionAutocorrelations}$

TrajDistance Trajectory distance

Description

Calculates the distance between the start and end of a trajectory (or a portion of a trajectory). Also called the diffusion distance, net distance, displacement, or bee-line from start to finish.

Usage

```
TrajDistance(trj, startIndex = 1, endIndex = nrow(trj))
```

Arguments

trj Trajectory whose distance is to be calculated.

startIndex Index of the starting point.
endIndex Index of the ending point.

Value

Numeric distance from the start to the end of the trajectory.

TrajDuration Trajectory duration

Description

Calculates the temporal duration of a trajectory (or a portion of a trajectory).

Usage

```
TrajDuration(trj, startIndex = 1, endIndex = nrow(trj))
```

Arguments

trj Trajectory whose duration is to be calculated.

startIndex Index of the starting point.
endIndex Index of the ending point.

Value

Numeric duration of the trajectory, in time units.

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See Also

TrajGetTimeUnits

TrajEmax

Trajectory straightness index, E-max

Description

Emax, the maximum expected displacement, is a single-valued measure of straightness defined by (Cheung, Zhang, Stricker, & Srinivasan, 2007). Emax-a is a dimensionless, scale-independent measure of the maximum possible expected displacement. Emax-b is Emax-a * mean step length, and gives the maximum possible expected displacement in spatial units. Values closer to 0 are more sinuous, while larger values (approaching infinity) are straighter.

Usage

```
TrajEmax(trj, eMaxB = FALSE, compass.direction = NULL)
```

Arguments

trj Trajectory to be analysed.

eMaxB If TRUE, calculates and returns Emax-b, otherwise returns Emax-a.

compass.direction

if not NULL, turning angles are calculated for a directed walk, assuming the specified compass direction (in radians). Otherwise, a random walk is assumed.

Value

```
Emax (-a or -b) for trj.
```

References

Cheung, A., Zhang, S., Stricker, C., & Srinivasan, M. V. (2007). Animal navigation: the difficulty of moving in a straight line. Biological Cybernetics, 97(1), 47-61. doi:10.1007/s00422-007-0158-0

TrajExpectedSquareDisplacement

Trajectory expected square displacement

Description

Calculates the expected square displacement for a trajectory assuming it is a correlated random walk, using the formula in Kareiva & Shigesada, (1983).

Usage

```
TrajExpectedSquareDisplacement(
  trj,
  n = nrow(trj),
  eqn1 = TRUE,
  compass.direction = NULL
)
```

Arguments

trj A Trajectory.

n Number of steps to calculate.

eqn1 If TRUE, calculate using equation 1, otherwise using equation 2. Equation 2

applies when the mean of turning angles is 0, i.e.turns are unbiased.

compass.direction

If not NULL, step angles are calculated relative to this angle (in radians), otherwise they are calculated relative to the previous step angle.

Details

Note that Cheung, Zhang, Stricker, and Srinivasan (2007) define an alternative formulation for expected maximum displacement, Emax (see TrajEmax).

References

Cheung, A., Zhang, S., Stricker, C., & Srinivasan, M. V. (2007). Animal navigation: the difficulty of moving in a straight line. Biological Cybernetics, 97(1), 47-61. doi:10.1007/s00422-007-0158-0

Kareiva, P. M., & Shigesada, N. (1983). Analyzing insect movement as a correlated random walk. Oecologia, 56(2), 234-238. doi:10.1007/bf00379695

See Also

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Examples

```
set.seed(1)
# A random walk
tri <- TrajGenerate(200)</pre>
smoothed <- TrajSmoothSG(trj)</pre>
# Calculate actual squared displacement at all points along the trajectory
sd2 <- sapply(2:nrow(smoothed), function(n) TrajDistance(smoothed, 1, n) ^ 2)</pre>
# Calculate expected squared displacement
ed2_1 <- sapply(2:nrow(smoothed), function(n) TrajExpectedSquareDisplacement(smoothed, n, TRUE))
ed2_2 <- sapply(2:nrow(smoothed), function(n) TrajExpectedSquareDisplacement(smoothed, n, FALSE))
# Plot expected against actual. According to Kareiva & Shigesada, (1983), if actual
# (approximately) matches expected, the trajectory is probably a correlated random walk
par(mar = c(5, 5, 0.1, 0.1) + .1)
plot(2:nrow(smoothed), sd2, type = 'l', pch = 16, cex = .2, lwd = 2,
     xlab = 'Number of consecutive moves',
     ylab = expression('Squared displacement, ' * R[n]^2))
lines(2:nrow(smoothed), ed2_1, col = "grey", lwd = 2)
lines(2:nrow(smoothed), ed2_2, col = "pink", lwd = 2)
legend("bottomright",
       c(expression("Actual displacement"^2),
         expression("Expected displacement"^2 * " (eqn 1)"),
         expression("Expected displacement"^2 * " (eqn 2)")),
       col = c('black', 'grey', 'pink'), lwd = 2,
       inset = c(0.01, 0.02)
```

TrajFractalDimension Fractal dimension of a trajectory

Description

Calculates the fractal dimension (D) of a trajectory using the 'dividers' method (Sugihara & May, 1990). By default, overestimation of D is compensated for as recommended by Nams (2006), by walking the dividers backwards and forwards, and by estimating the remaining path length at the end of the last step.

Usage

```
TrajFractalDimension(trj, stepSizes, adjustD = TRUE, dMean = TRUE)
```

Arguments

trj Trajectory to calculate fractal dimension for.

stepSizes Vector of step sizes (aka divider sizes) used to calculate path lengths.

adjustD If TRUE, path length is adjusted for truncation error (Nams, 2006).

dMean

If TRUE, the fractal dimension is calculated starting from the beginning of the trajectory, then re-calculated starting from the end and moving backwards. The value returned is the mean of the two fractal dimensions (Nams, 2006).

Details

Fractal dimension may be meaningless for animal trajectories as they may not be true fractal curves - see Benhamou (2004) and Turchin (1996), although it may be useful for studies involving differences in behaviour at different spatial scales (Nams, 2006).

You can test whether a trajectory is a fractal curve for a range of step sizes using the TrajFractalDimensionValues function. The example code in its documentation demonstrates how to plot path length for a range of step sizes. If the plotted points lie along straight line, then the trajectory is a fractal curve for that range of step sizes. However, typical trajectories result in a curve rather than a straight line.

If you decide to use fractal dimension despite the warnings of Benhamou (2004) and Turchin (1996), try to select a biologically meaningful range of step sizes (and be prepared to justify your choice). If comparing fractal dimensions across trajectories, be consistent in your choice of step sizes.

Value

The fractal dimension of the trajectory for the given step sizes.

References

Benhamou, S. (2004). How to reliably estimate the tortuosity of an animal's path. Journal of Theoretical Biology, 229(2), 209-220. doi:10.1016/j.jtbi.2004.03.016

Nams, V. O. (2006). Improving Accuracy and Precision in Estimating Fractal Dimension of Animal movement paths. Acta Biotheoretica, 54(1), 1-11. doi:10.1007/s10441-006-5954-8

Sugihara, G., & M. May, R. (1990). Applications of fractals in ecology. Trends in Ecology & Evolution, 5(3), 79-86. doi:10.1016/0169-5347(90)90235-6

Turchin, P. (1996). Fractal Analyses of Animal Movement: A Critique. Ecology, 77(7), 2086-2090. doi:10.2307/2265702

See Also

TrajLogSequence to create a logarithmically spaced sequence, TrajFractalDimensionValues for the function used internally to calculate a range of path lengths for different step sizes, TrajEmax and TrajSinuosity2 for some alternate measures of trajectory tortuosity.

TrajFractalDimensionValues

Fractal dimension calculation

Description

Calculates path length $(L(\delta))$ for a range of step sizes (δ) . For a fractal (i.e. scale independent) curve, $log(L(\delta))$ grows linearly as $log(\delta)$ grows smaller. In other words, if the points returned by this function lie on a straight line in a log-log plot, trj is a fractal curve.

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Usage

```
TrajFractalDimensionValues(trj, stepSizes, adjustD = TRUE)
```

Arguments

trj	Trajectory to calculate fractal dimension for.
stepSizes	Vector of step sizes used to calculate path lengths.
adiustD	If TRUE, path length is adjusted to reduce truncation error (Nams, 2006).

Value

Data frame with columns stepsize (δ) and pathlength $((L(\delta)))$.

References

Nams, V. O. (2006). Improving Accuracy and Precision in Estimating Fractal Dimension of Animal movement paths. Acta Biotheoretica, 54(1), 1-11. doi:10.1007/s10441-006-5954-8

See Also

TrajFractalDimension for fractal dimension calculation.

Examples

```
set.seed(42)
trj <- TrajGenerate()
muL <- mean(TrajStepLengths(trj))
# Use 20 step sizes from 1/2 mean step length to 5 * mean step length.
# For real use, biologically meaningful step sizes should be used.
stepSizes <- TrajLogSequence(0.5 * muL, 5 * muL, 20)
plot(TrajFractalDimensionValues(trj, stepSizes), log = "xy", pch = 16, cex = .5)</pre>
```

TrajFromCoords Create a Trajectory Object

Description

TrajFromCoords creates a new trajectory object from a set of 2-dimensional cartesian coordinates, times and some metadata. The coordinates are sometimes referred to as "relocations".

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Usage

```
TrajFromCoords(
   track,
   xCol = 1,
   yCol = 2,
   timeCol = NULL,
   fps = 50,
   spatialUnits = "m",
   timeUnits = "s"
)
```

Arguments

track data frame containing cartesian coordinates and optionally times for the points

in the trajectory.

xCol Name or index of the x column in track (default 1). yCol Name or index of the y column in track (default 2).

timeCol optional name or index of the column which contains coordinate times.

fps Frames per second - used to calculate relative coordinate times if track does

not contain a time column. Time intervals between coordinate are assumed to

be constant throught the entire track.

spatialUnits Abbreviation for the x and y units.

timeUnits Abbreviation for the units that time is recorded in.

Details

If timeCol is specified, track[,timeCol] is expected to contain the time (in some numeric units) of each coordinate. Otherwise, times are calculated for each point as (coord - 1) / fps where coord is the index of the point; in other words, sampling at constant time intervals is assumed. Time values require conversion if they are not numeric. It may be possible to use 'strptime' for this purpose, or TrajConvertTime can be used to convert mutliple field time values.

x and y must be square units. Longitude and latitude are not suitable for use as x and y values, since in general, 1° lat != 1° lon. To create a trajectory from positions in latitude and longitude, it is first necessary to transform the positions to a suitable spatial projection such as UTM (possibly by using spTransform from the rgdal package).

Value

An object with class "Trajectory", which is a data frame with the following components:

X X coordinates of trajectory points.Y Coordinates of trajectory points.

time (in timeUnits) for each point. if timeCol is specified, values are track[,timeCol],

otherwise values are calculated from fps.

displacementTime

Relative frame/observation times, with frame/observation 1 at time 0.

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polar Coordinates represented as complex numbers, to simplify working with segment

angles.

displacement Displacement vectors (represented as complex numbers) between each pair of

consecutive points.

Examples

TrajGenerate

Generate a random trajectory

Description

Generates a trajectory. If random is TRUE, the trajectory will be a correllated random walk/idiothetic directed walk (Kareiva & Shigesada, 1983), corresponding to an animal navigating without a compass (Cheung, Zhang, Stricker, & Srinivasan, 2008). If random is FALSE, it will be a directed walk/allothetic directed walk/oriented path, corresponding to an animal navigating with a compass (Cheung, Zhang, Stricker, & Srinivasan, 2007, 2008).

Usage

```
TrajGenerate(
    n = 1000,
    random = TRUE,
    stepLength = 2,
    angularErrorSd = 0.5,
    angularErrorDist = function(n) stats::rnorm(n, sd = angularErrorSd),
    linearErrorSd = 0.2,
    linearErrorDist = function(n) stats::rnorm(n, sd = linearErrorSd),
    fps = 50,
    ...
)
```

Arguments

n Number of steps in the trajectory.

random If TRUE, a random search trajectory is returned, otherwise a directed trajectory (with direction = 0 radians) is returned.

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stepLength Mean length of each step in the trajectory, in arbitrary length units.

angularErrorSd Standard deviation of angular errors in radians.

angularErrorDist

Function which accepts a single argument - the number of values to return, and generates random deviates according to some distribution. The returned values are added to the previous step angle (when random == TRUE), or to 0 (is random == FALSE) to generate the step angle for each step in the trajectory. If the mean of the returned values is not zero, the walk will be biased.

linearErrorSd

Standard deviation of linear step length errors.

linearErrorDist

Function which accepts a single argument - the number of values to return, and generates random deviates according to some distribution. The returned values are added to stepLength to generate the lengths of each step.

fps

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Simulated frames-per-second - used to generate times for each point in the trajectory.

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Additional arguments are passed to TrajFromCoords.

Details

By default, for both random and directed walks, errors are normally distributed, unbiased, and independent of each other, so are *simple directed walks* in the terminology of Cheung, Zhang, Stricker, & Srinivasan, (2008). This behaviour may be modified by specifying alternative values for the angularErrorDist and/or linearErrorDist parameters.

The initial angle (for a random walk) or the intended direction (for a directed walk) is 0 radians. To change the initial angle or intended direction, call TrajRotate on the new trajectory. The starting position is (0, 0). To change the starting position, call TrajTranslate on the new trajectory.

Value

A new Trajectory with n segments and n + 1 coordinate pairs.

References

Kareiva, P. M., & Shigesada, N. (1983). Analyzing insect movement as a correlated random walk. Oecologia, 56(2), 234-238. doi:10.1007/bf00379695

Cheung, A., Zhang, S., Stricker, C., & Srinivasan, M. V. (2007). Animal navigation: the difficulty of moving in a straight line. Biological Cybernetics, 97(1), 47-61. doi:10.1007/s00422-007-0158-0

Cheung, A., Zhang, S., Stricker, C., & Srinivasan, M. V. (2008). Animal navigation: general properties of directed walks. Biological Cybernetics, 99(3), 197-217. doi:10.1007/s00422-008-0251-z

Examples

```
# Generate a 1000 step correlated random walk
trj <- TrajGenerate()
plot(trj, main = "Correlated walk")</pre>
```

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```
# Generate a 1000 step levy flight - paths lengths follow a cauchy distribution
trj <- TrajGenerate(linearErrorDist = rcauchy)</pre>
plot(trj, main = "Levy flight")
# Generate a short directed trajectory
trj <- TrajGenerate(n = 20, random = FALSE)</pre>
plot(trj, main = "Directed walk")
# Generate an uncorrelated random walk
trj <- TrajGenerate(500, angularErrorDist = function(n) runif(n, -pi, pi))</pre>
plot(trj, main = "Uncorrelated walk")
# Generate a walk directed northwards, starting from (200, 300),
# with a mean step length of 200. The initially generated trajectory
# is directed to angle 0, with starting point (0, 0)
trj <- TrajGenerate(n = 20, stepLength = 200, random = FALSE)</pre>
# Rotate 90 degrees about (0, 0) (i.e. from east to north)
trj <- TrajRotate(trj, pi / 2, relative = FALSE)</pre>
# Translate to desired starting point
trj <- TrajTranslate(trj, 200, 300)</pre>
```

TrajGetFPS

Trajectory frames-per-second

Description

Returns the frames-per-second recorded for this trajectory.

Usage

```
TrajGetFPS(trj)
```

Arguments

trj

Trajectory to query

 ${\sf TrajGetNCoords}$

Trajectory number of coordinates

Description

Returns the number of coordinates recorded for this trajectory, i.e. 1 more than the number of steps.

Usage

```
TrajGetNCoords(trj)
```

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Arguments

trj Trajectory to query

 ${\tt TrajGetTimeUnits}$

Trajectory temporal units

Description

Returns the temporal units specified for a scaled trajectory.

Usage

```
TrajGetTimeUnits(trj)
```

Arguments

trj

Trajectory to query

See Also

TrajFromCoords, TrajGetUnits.

TrajGetUnits

Trajectory spatial units

Description

Returns the spatial units specified for a scaled trajectory.

Usage

```
TrajGetUnits(trj)
```

Arguments

trj

Trajectory to query

See Also

TrajScale, TrajGetTimeUnits.

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Test whether each of the points in a trajectory lie inside a polygon

Description

Simply a wrapper around point.in.polygon. The sp package must be installed for this function to be called. sp is not automatically installed as a dependency of trajr.

Usage

```
TrajInPolygon(trj, boundary)
```

Arguments

trj Trajectory to test

boundary A polygon defining the region to be tested against. Can be any structure that

xy. coords can handle, such as a data frame with x and y columns.

Value

Integer array with a value for each point in the trajectory. Values are: 0: point is strictly exterior to boundary; 1: point is strictly interior to boundary; 2: point lies on the relative interior of an edge of boundary; 3: point is a vertex of boundary

See Also

```
point.in.polygon, xy.coords
```

Examples

```
# Square arena
boundary <- data.frame(x = c(-10, 10, 10, -10), y = c(-10, -10, 10, 10))
# Generate a random trajectory
set.seed(1)
trj <- TrajGenerate(n = 10, stepLength = 2, angularErrorSd = .15)
# Test which points lie inside the boundary
print(TrajInPolygon(trj, boundary))
## [1] 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 0 0 0 0</pre>
```

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TrajLength	Trajectory length

Description

Calculates the cumulative length of a trajectory (or a portion of a trajectory), which is the total distance travelled along the trajectory.

Usage

```
TrajLength(trj, startIndex = 1, endIndex = nrow(trj))
```

Arguments

trj Trajectory whose length is to be calculated.

startIndex Index of the starting point.
endIndex Index of the ending point.

Value

Numeric length of the trajectory.

See Also

TrajStepLengths

TrajLogSequence	Logarithmically spaced sequence	

Description

Convenience function to return a sequence of points which are regularly spaced when plotted on a logarithmic axis.

Usage

```
TrajLogSequence(from, to, length.out)
```

Arguments

from Starting value of the sequence.
to End (maximal) value of the sequence.

length.out Desired length of the sequence (non-negative). Rounded up if fractional.

See Also

seq

TrajMeanVectorOfTurningAngles

Mean vector of turning angles

Description

Returns the mean vector of the turning angles, as defined by Batschelet, (1981). A unit vector is created for each turning angle in the trajectory, and the centre-of-mass/mean vector is returned.

Usage

TrajMeanVectorOfTurningAngles(trj, compass.direction = NULL)

Arguments

trj Trajectory object.

compass.direction

If not NULL, step angles are calculated relative to this angle (in radians), otherwise they are calculated relative to the previous step angle.

Details

According to Batschelet (1981), r may serve as a straightness index ranging from 0 to 1, where r is the length of the mean vector of turning angles of a trajectory with constant step length. Values of r near 1 indicating straighter paths. Hence, r = Mod(TrajMeanVectorOfTurningAngles(trj)), assuming that trj has a constant step length (e.g. has been rediscretized).

Value

A complex number r which represents the mean vector, Mod(r) is the length of the mean vector which varies between 0 and 1, Arg(r) is the angle.

References

Batschelet, E. (1981). Circular statistics in biology. ACADEMIC PRESS, 111 FIFTH AVE., NEW YORK, NY 10003, 1981, 388.

See Also

TrajStraightness, TrajAngles, TrajRediscretize for resampling a trajectory to a constant step length, TrajResampleTime for resampling a trajectory to a constant step time.

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TrajMeanVelocity Trajectory mean velocity

Description

Calculates the mean or net velocity of a trajectory (or a portion of a trajectory). Theisis the velocity from the start point to the end point, ignoring the path that was taken.

Usage

```
TrajMeanVelocity(trj, startIndex = 1, endIndex = nrow(trj))
```

Arguments

trj Trajectory whose duration is to be calculated.

startIndex Index of the starting point.
endIndex Index of the ending point.

Value

Numeric duration of the trajectory, in time units.

See Also

TrajGetTimeUnits

TrajMerge

Combine multiple trajectories into a single whole trajectory

Description

This is the inverse of TrajSplit.

Usage

TrajMerge(parts)

Arguments

parts A

A list containing one or more trajectories. The trajectories are concatenated together in order.

Value

A single trajectory.

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See Also

```
TrajSplit
```

Examples

```
trj <- TrajGenerate(n = 20)
ntrj <- TrajMerge(TrajSplit(trj, c(3, 9, 20)))
print(all(trj == ntrj))
## [1] TRUE</pre>
```

trajr

trajr: trajectory analysis in R

Description

A toolkit for the statistical analysis of 2-dimensional animal trajectories.

Details

Trajr operates on trajectories which are arrays of x and y coordinates. It can be used to calculate characteristics such as velocity and acceleration, as well as various measures of straightness or tortuosity. it also provides various convenience functions to assist with operating on multiple trajectories.

Trajr does not perform object tracking from videos, it operates on existing arrays of coordinates.

Trajectory creation

Most trajr functions operate on a Trajectory object. Trajectorys are created by calling TrajFromCoords. The function TrajsBuild allows you to create multiple Trajectorys by reading their coordinates from files.

Typically, trajectories require smoothing to remove high frequency noise; see TrajSmoothSG. Some methods require trajectories which have been resampled to a constant step length (*rediscretized*); see TrajRediscretize.

You can create a random trajectory by calling TrajGenerate.

Trajectory analysis

TrajDerivatives calculates the speed and acceleration of a trajectory (see also TrajSpeedIntervals).

Multiple algorithms for assessing straightness or tortuosity are available, see TrajDirectionalChange, TrajDirectionAutocorrelations, TrajEmax, TrajFractalDimension, TrajSinuosity, and TrajStraightness.

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Other functions

Other functions provide information about trajectories, such as TrajStepLengths, TrajGetNCoords, TrajGetUnits, TrajGetTimeUnits, TrajReverse, TrajDuration, TrajMeanVelocity, or allow some manipulations of trajectories, such as TrajScale, TrajReverse, TrajTranslate, and TrajRotate.

Trajr also provides the capability to plot a Trajectory and the results of some analyses.

TrajRediscretize

Resample a trajectory to a constant step length

Description

Constructs a new trajectory by resampling the input trajectory to a fixed step (or segment) length. Timing of frames is lost, so speed and acceleration cannot be calculated on a rediscretized trajectory.

Usage

```
TrajRediscretize(trj, R)
```

Arguments

trj The trajectory to be resampled.

R rediscretization step length, in the spatial units of trj.

Details

Based on the appendix in Bovet and Benhamou, (1988).

Value

A new trajectory with a constant segment length which follows trj.

References

Bovet, P., & Benhamou, S. (1988). Spatial analysis of animals' movements using a correlated random walk model. Journal of Theoretical Biology, 131(4), 419-433. doi:10.1016/S0022-5193(88)80038-9

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TrajResampleTime Resample a trajectory to a constant time interval
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Description

Constructs a new trajectory by resampling the input trajectory to a fixed time interval. Points are linearly interpolated along the trajectory. Spatial and time units are preserved.

Usage

```
TrajResampleTime(trj, stepTime, newFps = NULL)
```

Arguments

trj	The trajectory to be resampled.
stepTime	The resampled trajectory step time. Each step in the new trajectory will have this duration.
newFps	Value to be stored as the FPS value in the new trajectory (see TrajGetFPS). It is not otherwise used by this function.

Value

A new trajectory with a constant time interval for each step. Points in the new trajectory are calculated by linearly interpolating along trj.

Examples

```
# Simulate a trajectory with steps every 5 hours
set.seed(46)
trj <- TrajGenerate(10, stepLength = 5, fps = 1/5, timeUnits = "hours", linearErrorSd = .8)
# Resample to 1 hour steps
resampled <- TrajResampleTime(trj, 1)

par(mar = c(5, 4, .5, .5))
plot(trj, lwd = 2)
points(trj, pch = 16)
points(resampled, col = "red", draw.start.pt = FALSE)</pre>
```

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TrajReverse	Reverse a trajectory	

Description

Reverses the direction of a trajectory, so that the starting point becomes the last point and vice versa.

Usage

```
TrajReverse(trj)
```

Arguments

trj The Trajectory to be reversed.

Value

A copy of trj with direction reversed.

TrajRotate Rotate a trajectory

Description

Rotates a trajectory by angle (when relative is FALSE), or so that angle(finish - start) == angle (when relative is TRUE).

Usage

```
TrajRotate(trj, angle = 0, origin = c(0, 0), relative = TRUE)
```

Arguments

trj	The trajectory to be rotated.
angle	The angle in radians between the first and last points in the rotated trajectory.
origin	Trajectory is rotated about this point.
relative	If TRUE, angle is the angle (after rotation) from the start to the end point of the trajectory. If FALSE, the trajectory is rotated about its start point by angle.

Value

A new trajectory which is a rotated version of the input trajectory.

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TrajsBuild Construct multiple trajectories	Construct multiple trajectories
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Description

Reads multiple trajectories from files, performs some basic sanity checks on them, and optionally smooths and scales them. Attempts to collect and report errors for multiple trajectories in a single call.

Usage

```
TrajsBuild(
  fileNames,
  fps = NULL,
  scale = NULL,
  spatialUnits = NULL,
  timeUnits = NULL,
  csvStruct = list(x = 1, y = 2, time = NULL),
  smoothP = 3,
  smoothN = 41,
  translateToOrigin = FALSE,
  rootDir = NULL,
  csvReadFn = function(filename, ...) utils::read.csv(filename, stringsAsFactors = FALSE, ...),
  ...
)
```

Arguments

fileNames	Vector of the names of CSV files containing trajectory coordinates. All of the files must have the same columns. All file names must be unique. If rootDir is not NULL, then the file names are treated as regular expressions.
fps	Vector of frames-per-second values corresponding to the trajectories in fileNames. If length is 1, it is repeated to length(fileNames).
scale	Vector of scale values corresponding to the trajectories in fileNames. May be specified as character expressions (e.g. "1 / 1200") rather than numeric values. If NULL, the trajectories will not be scaled. If length is 1, it is repeated to length(fileNames).
spatialUnits	Abbreviated name of spatial coordinate units after scaling, e.g. "m".
timeUnits	Abbreviated name of temporal units, e.g. "s".
csvStruct	A list which identifies the columns in each CSV file which contain x-, y-, and optionally time-values.
smoothP	Filter order to be used for Savitzky-Golay smoothing (see TrajSmoothSG). If NA, no smoothing is performed.

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smoothN Filter length to be used for Savitzky-Golay smoothing (must be odd, see TrajSmoothSG).

If NA, no smoothing is performed.

translateToOrigin

If TRUE, each trajectory is translated so that its starting point is at (0, 0).

rootDir Optional name of a top level directory which contains the CSV files. If rootDir

is not NULL, the CSV files may be located anywhere within rootDir or its

sub-directories.

csvReadFn Function used to read the CSV files. Required to accept arguments filename,

..., and return a data frame of coordinates, or a list of multiple data frames (see read.csv, read.csv2). The default function calls read.csv with argument

stringsAsFactors = FALSE.

. . . Additional arguments passed to csvReadFn.

Details

If rootDir is not null, it should be the name of a directory which is searched for the files in fileNames. The found files are then used as the list of files to be read in. This may be useful when the names of the files are known, but their exact location within a directory structure is not known.

For each file name in fileNames, reads the file by calling csvReadFn to obtain a set of coordinates and optionally times. A Trajectory is then constructed by passing the coordinates to TrajFromCoords, passing in the appropriate fps value, and x, y and time column names/indices from csvStruct. If scale is not NULL, the trajectory is scaled by calling TrajScale. If smoothP and smoothN are not NULL, the trajectory is smoothed by calling TrajSmoothSG.

Value

A list of trajectories.

See Also

read.csv, TrajFromCoords, TrajScale, TrajSmoothSG, TrajTranslate

Examples

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```
## End(Not run)
```

Description

Scales the cartesian coordinates in a trajectory, for example, to convert units from pixels to metres.

Usage

```
TrajScale(trj, scale, units, yScale = scale)
```

Arguments

trj	The trajectory to be scaled.
scale	Scaling factor to be applied to the trajectory coordinates.
units	Character specifying the spatial units after scaling, e.g. "m" or "metres"
yScale	Optional scaling factor to be applied to the y-axis, which may be specified if the original coordinates are not square. Defaults to scale.

Value

new scaled trajectory.

Examples

```
set.seed(42)
trj <- TrajGenerate()
# original trajectory units are pixels, measured as having
# 47 pixels in 10 mm, so to convert to metres, scale the
# trajectory by the approriate factor, i.e. (size in metres) / (size in pixels).
scale <- .01 / 47
scaled <- TrajScale(trj, scale, "m")</pre>
```

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TrajSinuosity

Sinuosity of a trajectory

Description

Calculates the sinuosity of a (constant step length) trajectory as defined by Bovet & Benhamou (1988), which is: $S=1.18\sigma/\sqrt{q}$ where σ is the standard deviation of the step turning angles and q is the mean step length. A corrected sinuosity index is available as the function TrajSinuosity2 which handles a wider range of variations in step angles.

Usage

```
TrajSinuosity(trj, compass.direction = NULL)
```

Arguments

trj Trajectory to calculate sinuosity of.

 ${\tt compass.direction}$

if not NULL, turning angles are calculated for a directed walk, assuming the specified compass direction (in radians). Otherwise, a random walk is assumed.

Details

If your trajectory does not have a constant step length, it should be _rediscretized_ by calling TrajRediscretize before calling this function.

Value

The sinuosity of trj.

References

Bovet, P., & Benhamou, S. (1988). Spatial analysis of animals' movements using a correlated random walk model. Journal of Theoretical Biology, 131(4), 419-433. doi:10.1016/S0022-5193(88)80038-9

See Also

TrajAngles for the turning angles in a trajectory, TrajStepLengths for the step lengths, TrajSinuosity2 for a corrected version of sinuosity, and TrajRediscretize for resampling to a constant step length.

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TrajSinuosity2

Sinuosity of a trajectory

Description

Calculates the sinuosity of a trajectory as defined by Benhamou (2004), equation 8. This is a corrected version of the sinuosity index defined in Bovet & Benhamou (1988), which is suitable for a wider range of turning angle distributions, and does not require a constant step length.

Usage

TrajSinuosity2(trj, compass.direction = NULL)

Arguments

trj

A Trajectory object.

compass.direction

if not NULL, turning angles are calculated for a directed walk, assuming the specified compass direction (in radians). Otherwise, a random walk is assumed.

Details

This function implements the formula

$$S = 2[p(((1+c)/(1-c)) + b^2)]^{-0.5}$$

where c is the mean cosine of turning angles, and b is the coefficient of variation of the step length.

References

Benhamou, S. (2004). How to reliably estimate the tortuosity of an animal's path. Journal of Theoretical Biology, 229(2), 209-220. doi:10.1016/j.jtbi.2004.03.016

See Also

TrajSinuosity for the uncorrected sinuosity index.

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geStats Merge trajectory characteristics
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Description

Builds a data frame by combining rows of statistical values for multiple trajectories. The statistics for each trajectory are defined by the caller in a user defined function - see the example for one way to achieve this.

Usage

```
TrajsMergeStats(
   trjs,
   statsFn,
   progressBar = c("none", "text", "win", "tk"),
   ...
)
```

Arguments

trjs List of trajectories to be characterised.

statsFn Function to calculate statistics of interest for a single trajectory.

progressBar Displays an optional progressbar, which may be helpful if processing is very

slow. The progressbar is displayed by printing to the console, by using winProgressBar or tkProgressBar, if progressBar is "text", "win" or "tk" respectively. The default is no progressbar (value "none"). The "win" progressbar is only avail-

able on Windows.

... Additional arguments passed to statsFn.

Note

Any NULL valued statistics are converted to NAs.

```
## Not run:

# Define a function which calculates some statistics
# of interest for a single trajectory
characteriseTrajectory <- function(trj) {
    # Measures of speed
    derivs <- TrajDerivatives(trj)
    mean_speed <- mean(derivs$speed)
    sd_speed <- sd(derivs$speed)

# Resample to constant step length.
# Step length must be appropriate for the trajectory</pre>
```

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```
resampled <- TrajRediscretize(trj, 2)</pre>
  # Measures of straightness
  sinuosity <- TrajSinuosity2(resampled)</pre>
  Emax <- TrajEmax(resampled)</pre>
  # Periodicity
  resampled <- TrajRediscretize(trj, .001)</pre>
  corr <- TrajDirectionAutocorrelations(resampled, round(nrow(resampled) / 4))</pre>
  first_min <- TrajDAFindFirstMinimum(corr)</pre>
  # Return a list with all of the statistics for this trajectory
  list(mean_speed = mean_speed,
       sd_speed = sd_speed,
       sinuosity = sinuosity,
       Emax = Emax,
       first_min_deltaS = first_min[1],
       first_min_C = first_min[2])
}
trjs <- TrajsBuild(filenames)</pre>
stats <- TrajsMergeStats(trjs, characteriseTrajectory)</pre>
## End(Not run)
```

TrajSmoothSG

Smooth a trajectory using a Savitzky-Golay filter

Description

Smooths a trajectory using a Savitzky-Golay smoothing filter.

Usage

```
TrajSmoothSG(trj, p = 3, n = p + 3 - p\%2, ...)
```

Arguments

trj	The trajectory to be smoothed.
p	polynomial order (passed to sgolayfilt).
n	Filter length (or window size), must be an odd number. Passed to sgolayfilt.
	Additional arguments are passed to sgolayfilt.

Details

Consider carefully the effects of smoothing a trajectory with temporal gaps in the data. If the smoothed trajectory is used to derive speed and/or acceleration, it may be advisable to fill in the gaps before smoothing, possibly by calling TrajResampleTime.

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Value

A new trajectory which is a smoothed version of the input trajectory.

See Also

```
sgolayfilt
```

Examples

```
set.seed(3)
trj <- TrajGenerate(500, random = TRUE, angularErrorSd = .25)
smoothed <- TrajSmoothSG(trj, 3, 31)
plot(trj)
plot(smoothed, col = "red", add = TRUE)</pre>
```

TrajSpeedIntervals

Calculate speed time intervals

Description

Calculates and returns a list of time intervals during which speed is slower and/or faster than specified values. Speed is calculated by taking the modulus of velocity (TrajVelocity).

Usage

```
TrajSpeedIntervals(
   trj,
   fasterThan = NULL,
   slowerThan = NULL,
   interpolateTimes = TRUE,
   diff = c("backward", "central", "forward")
)
```

Arguments

trj Trajectory to be analysed.

fasterThan, slowerThan

If not NULL, intervals will cover time periods where speed exceeds/is lower than this value.

interpolateTimes

If TRUE, times will be linearly interpolated between frames.

diff

Method used to calculate speed, see TrajVelocity for details. The default is "backward" to maintain backwards compatibility; in general, "central" provides a more accurate estimate of velocity.

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Value

A data frame of class "TrajSpeedIntervals", each row is an interval, columns are:

startFrame Indices of frames at the start of each interval.
stopFrame Indices of frames at the end of each interval.

startTime Time since start of trajectory at the start of each interval.

stopTime Time since start of trajectory at the end of each interval

duration Duration of each interval.

The data frame will also have non-standard attributes:

trajectory Value of the trj argument.

slowerThan Value of the slowerThan argument.

fasterThan Value of the fasterThan argument.

speed Data frame with columns speed and time.

derivs Value returned by calling TrajDerivatives(trj). Provided for backwards-

compatibility; use of speed is now preferred.

See Also

TrajVelocity for calculating trajectory velocity, plot.TrajSpeedIntervals for plotting speed over time with intervals highlighted.

Examples

```
# Plot speed, highlighting intervals where speed drops below 50 units/sec
set.seed(4)
trj <- TrajGenerate(200, random = TRUE)
smoothed <- TrajSmoothSG(trj, 3, 101)
intervals <- TrajSpeedIntervals(smoothed, diff = "central", slowerThan = 50, fasterThan = NULL)
plot(intervals)
# Report the duration of the longest period of low speed
cat(sprintf("Duration of the longest low-speed interval was %g secs\n", max(intervals$duration)))</pre>
```

TrajSplit

Split a trajectory into multiple sections

Description

Every point in trj will belong to exactly one of the returned sections. Note that this function will happily create single point trajectories.

Usage

```
TrajSplit(trj, idx)
```

Arguments

trj The trajectory to be split

idx Indices of splits. Each new section starts at one of these indices.

Value

A list containing one or more trajectories. The first trajectory in the list contains the first points from trj. Remaining trajectories contain the points starting from each of the idx values, in ascending order.

See Also

TrajMerge, TrajSplitAtFirstCrossing

TrajSplitAtFirstCrossing

Split a trajectory into two parts, separated at the first boundary crossing

Description

This is basically a wrapper around TrajInPolygon and TrajSplit.

Usage

TrajSplitAtFirstCrossing(trj, boundary)

Arguments

trj The trajectory to split.

boundary A polygon defining the boundary. Can be any structure that xy.coords can

handle, such as a data frame with x and y columns.

Value

A list with 1 or 2 elements. If trj lies entirely inside or outside boundary, then the list simply contains trj. If trj crosses the boundary, then the list contains 2 trajectories. The first is the longest part of trj that lies entirely inside or outside boundary, and the second is the remainder of trj.

See Also

TrajInPolygon, TrajSplit

Examples

```
# Square arena
boundary <- data.frame(x = c(-10, 10, 10, -10), y = c(-10, -10, 10, 10))
# Generate a random trajectory
set.seed(1)
trj <- TrajGenerate(n = 8, stepLength = 3, angularErrorSd = .4)
# Split the trajectory where it crosses the boundary
1 <- TrajSplitAtFirstCrossing(trj, boundary)

# Plot the boundary and the two trajectories
plot(NULL, xlim = range(c(boundary$x, trj$x)), ylim = range(c(boundary$y, trj$y)), asp = 1)
polygon(boundary, border = "brown", lwd = 2)
lines(l[[1]], col = "#2040ff80", lwd = 3)
lines(l[[2]], col = "#ff204080", lwd = 3)</pre>
```

TrajsStatsReplaceNAs Replace NAs in a data frame

Description

Replaces NAs in a single column of a data frame with an imputed uninformative numeric replacement value, so that a principal component analysis can be applied without discarding data. Optionally adds a new "flag" column which contains 1 for each row which originally contained NA, otherwise 0.

Usage

```
TrajsStatsReplaceNAs(
   df,
   column,
   replacementValue = mean(df[, column], na.rm = TRUE),
   flagColumn = NULL
)
```

Arguments

df Data frame to be adjusted.

column Name or index of the column to be adjusted.

replacementValue

flagColumn

Numeric value to use instead of NA.

If not NULL, specifies the name of a new column to be added to the data frame, with value 0 for non-NA rows, 1 for NA rows. The column is added regardless of whether there are any NAs in the data.

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Value

A copy of df with NAs replaced in column.

See Also

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Examples

```
df <- data.frame(x = c(1, 2, 3), y = c(NA, 5, 6), z = c(NA, NA, 9)) # Eliminate NAs in y, add a flag column, ignore other NAs df <- TrajsStatsReplaceNAs(df, "y", flagColumn = "y.was.NA") print(df)
```

TrajsStepLengths

Step lengths of multiple trajectories

Description

Returns the lengths of all of the steps in a list of trajectories

Usage

```
TrajsStepLengths(trjs)
```

Arguments

trjs

A list of Trajectory objects.

Value

A numeric vector containing the lengths of every step in every trajectory.

```
## Not run:
trjs <- TrajsBuild(fileNames, scale = scale, units = "m")
# Print a summary about the step sizes across all trajectories
print(summary(TrajsStepLengths(trjs)))
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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TrajStepLengths

Trajectory step lengths

Description

Returns the lengths of each step in a trajectory.

Usage

TrajStepLengths(trj)

Arguments

trj

Trajectory to query.

See Also

TrajLength

TrajStraightness

Straightness of a Trajectory

Description

Calculates the straightness index of a trajectory, D/L, where D is the beeline distance between the first and last points in the trajectory, and L is the path length travelled (Batschelet, 1981). Benhamou (2004) considers the straightness index to be a reliable measure of the efficiency of a directed walk, but inapplicable to random trajectories. The straightness index of a random walk tends towards zero as the number of steps increases, hence should only be used to compare the tortuosity of random walks consisting of a similar number of steps.

Usage

TrajStraightness(trj)

Arguments

trj

Trajectory to calculate straightness of.

Details

The straightness index is also known as the net-to-gross displacement ratio. According to Batschelet (1981), this value (termed d) is an approximation of r, which is the length of the mean vector of turning angles of a constant step-length trajectory (see TrajMeanVectorOfTurningAngles and TrajRediscretize for creating a constant step-length trajectory).

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Value

The straightness index of trj, which is a value between 0 (infinitely tortuous) to 1 (a straight line).

References

Batschelet, E. (1981). Circular statistics in biology. ACADEMIC PRESS, 111 FIFTH AVE., NEW YORK, NY 10003, 1981, 388.

Benhamou, S. (2004). How to reliably estimate the tortuosity of an animal's path. Journal of Theoretical Biology, 229(2), 209-220. doi:10.1016/j.jtbi.2004.03.016

See Also

TrajDistance for trajectory distance (or displacement), and TrajLength for trajectory path length.

TrajTranslate	Translate a trajectory	
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Description

Shifts an entire trajectory by the specified delta x and y.

Usage

```
TrajTranslate(trj, dx, dy, dt = 0)
```

Arguments

trj	The Trajectory to be translated.
dx	Delta x.
dy	Delta y.
dt	Delta time.

Value

A new trajectory which is a translated version of the input trajectory.

```
# Shift a trajectory so that its origin is (10, 15).
# Note that trajectories created by TrajGenerate always start at (0, 0)
set.seed(42)
trj <- TrajGenerate()
trj <- TrajTranslate(trj, 10, 15)
# Translate a trajectory so its origin (0, 0) and it starts at time 0
trj <- TrajTranslate(trj, -trj$x[1], -trj$y[1], -trj$time[1])</pre>
```

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Description

The velocity is approximated at each point of the trajectory using first-order finite differences. Central, forward or backward differences can be used. Central differences yield a more accurate approximation if the velocity is smooth. As a practical guide, if velocity doesn't change much between steps, use central differences. If it changes substantially (and not just as an artifact of recording noise), then use either forward or backward differences.

Usage

```
TrajVelocity(trj, diff = c("central", "forward", "backward"))
```

Arguments

trj	Trajectory whose velocity is to be calculated.
diff	Type of difference to be calculated, one of "central" (the default), "forward" or

"backward".

Details

Intuitively, think of the central difference velocity at a point as the mean of the velocities of the two adjacent steps. Forward difference velocity is the velocity of the step starting at the point. Backward difference is the velocity of the step ending at the point.

Value

A vector of complex numbers representing the velocity at each point along the trajectory. The modulus (Mod(v)) is the magnitude of the velocity, i.e. the speed; the argument (Arg(v)) is the direction of the velocity; the real part (Re(v)) is velocity in the X direction; and the imaginary part (Im(v)) is velocity in the Y direction. The vector has an attribute, trj, with the trajectory as its value. If diff is "central", the first and last velocity values are NA since velocity cannot be calculated for them. If diff is "forward", the last value will be NA, and if diff is "backward", the first value will be NA.

See Also

TrajAcceleration for calculating acceleration; TrajResampleTime and TrajRediscretize to resample a trajectory to fixed time or length steps; TrajSpeedIntervals for calculating when speed crosses some threshold; Finite differences on Wikipedia.

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```
set.seed(11)
trj <- TrajGenerate(100)
# calculate velocity
vel <- TrajVelocity(trj)

# Obtain speed over time, with NAs removed
speed <- na.omit(data.frame(speed = Mod(vel), time = trj$time))
plot(speed ~ time, speed, type = 'l')</pre>
```

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