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letsR-package

Tools for Data Handling and Analysis in Macroecology.

Description

The letsR package is being developed to help researchers in the handling, processing, and analysis of macroecological data. Its purpose is to integrate these methodological processes into a single software platform for macroecological analyses. The package's main functions allow users to build presence-absence matrices, the basic analytical tool in macroecology, from species' geographical distributions and merge them with species' traits, conservation information (downloadable using functions from this package) and spatial environmental layers. In addition, other package's functions enable users to summarize and visualize information from presence-absence matrices.

Details

All functions in this package use a prefix and a suffix separated by a dot. The prefix refers to the package's name and the suffix to the actual function. This is done to avoid confusion with potentially similarly-named functions from other R packages. For instance, the letsR function used to create presence-absence matrices is called lets.presab (but see also lets.presab.birds and lets.presab.points) whereas the one used to add variables to a presence-absence matrix is called lets.addvar. The package's basic functions create and work on a particular S3 object class called PresenceAbsence. Such PresenceAbsence object class allows storing information beyond presence-absence data (e.g. user-defined grid-cell system) and using the generic plot, summary and print functions of R. Also, some package's functions allow the user to input customary R objects (e.g. vector, matrix, data.frame).

Another set of functions in this package allow the user to download species' information related to their description and conservation status as provided by the IUCN's REdList database (lets.iucn, lets.iucn.ha, lets.iucn.his). For this, such functions use the IUCN's RedList API to retrieve information from its webpage.

If you are looking for the most recent version of the package, you can get the development version of letsR on github (https://github.com/macroecology/letsR).

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References

Vilela, B., & Villalobos, F. (2015). letsR: a new R package for data handling and analysis in macroecology. Methods in Ecology and Evolution.

IUCN

IUCN avaliation for frogs of Phyllomedusa genus

Description

Result of the function lets.iucn applied to Southern American frog genera Phyllomedusa in 2014.

Usage

data(IUCN)

lets.addpoly

Add polygon coverage to a PresenceAbscence object

Description

Add polygon coverage within cells of a PresenceAbsence object.

Usage

```
lets.addpoly(x, y, z, onlyvar = FALSE, count = FALSE)
```

Arguments

x A PresenceAbsence object.

y Polygon of interest.

z A character indicating the column name of the polygon containing the attributes

to be used.

onlyvar If TRUE only the matrix object will be returned.

count Logical, if TRUE a progress bar indicating the processing progress will be shown.

Value

The result is a presence-absence matrix of species with the polygons' attributes used added as columns at the right-end of the matrix. The Values represent the percentage of the cell covered by the polygon attribute used.

Author(s)

Bruno Vilela

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See Also

```
lets.presab.birds
lets.presab
lets.addvar
```

Examples

```
## Not run:
data(PAM) # Phyllomedusa presence-absence matrix
data(wrld_simpl) # World map
Brazil <- wrld_simpl[wrld_simpl$NAME == "Brazil", ] # Brazil (polygon)
# Check where is the variable name
# (in this case it is in "NAME" which will be my z value)
names(Brazil)

PAM_pol <- lets.addpoly(PAM, Brazil, "NAME", onlyvar = TRUE)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

lets.addvar

Add variables (in raster format) to a PresenceAbscence object

Description

Add variables (in raster format), usually environmental, to a PresenceAbsence object. Variables are included as additional columns containing the aggregate/summarize value of the variable(s) in each cell of the presence-absence matrix.

Usage

```
lets.addvar(x, y, onlyvar = FALSE, fun = mean)
```

Arguments

x A PresenceAbsence object.

y Variables to be added in SpatRaster format.

onlyvar If TRUE only the matrix object will be returned.

fun Function used to aggregate the variables(s) values over each cell. Note that

this will only work for variables with a resolution value smaller (i.e. higher

resolution) than the PAM.

Value

The result is a presence-absence matrix of species with the variables added as columns at the rightend of the matrix (but see the 'onlyvar' argument). 6 lets.classvar

Note

The PresenceAbsence and the Raster variable must be in the same projection.

Author(s)

Bruno Vilela

See Also

```
lets.presab.birds
lets.presab
lets.addpoly
```

Examples

```
## Not run:
data(temp) # Global mean temperature
temp <- terra::unwrap(temp)
data(PAM) # Phyllomedusa presence-absence matrix
# Mean temperature
PAM_temp_mean <- lets.addvar(PAM, temp)
# Standard deviation of temperature
PAM_temp_sd <- lets.addvar(PAM, temp, fun = sd, onlyvar = TRUE)
# Mean and SD in the PAM
PAM_temp_mean_sd <- cbind(PAM_temp_mean, PAM_temp_sd)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

lets.classvar

Frequency distribution of a variable within a species' range

Description

Based on a species Presence-Absence matrix including variables of interest (see lets.addvar), the function divides a continuous variable into classes and counts the frequency of each class within each species' range.

Usage

```
lets.classvar(x, groups = "default", pos, xy)
```

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Arguments

X	Presence-absence matrix with a single variable added (see <pre>lets.addvar</pre>).
groups	The number of classes into which the variable will be divided. Default calculates the number of classes as the default for a histogram (hist).
pos	Column number containing the variable of interest.
ху	Logical, if TRUE the input matrix contains the geographic coordinates in the first two columns.

Value

A matrix with species in the rows and the variable's classes in the columns.

Author(s)

Bruno Vilela

References

Morales-Castilla et al. 2013. Range size patterns of New World oscine passerines (Aves): insights from differences among migratory and sedentary clades. Journal of Biogeography, 40, 2261-2273.

Examples

```
## Not run:
data(PAM)
data(temp)
pamvar <- lets.addvar(PAM, temp)
resu <- lets.classvar(x = pamvar, pos = ncol(pamvar), xy = TRUE)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

lets.correl

Compute correlogram based on the Moran's I index

Description

Computes the Moran's I correlogram of a single or multiple variables.

Usage

```
lets.correl(x, y, z, equidistant = FALSE, plot = TRUE)
```

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Arguments

X	A single numeric variable in vector format or multiple variables in matrix format (as columns).
у	A distance matrix of class matrix or dist.
Z	The number of distance classes to use in the correlogram.
equidistant	Logical, if TRUE the classes will be equidistant. If FALSE the classes will have equal number of observations.
plot	Logical, if TRUE the correlogram will be ploted.

Value

Returns a matrix with the Moran's I Observed value, Confidence Interval (95 and Expected value. Also the p value of the randomization test, the mean distance between classes, and the number of observations. quase tudo

Author(s)

Bruno Vilela, Fabricio Villalobos, Lucas Jardim & Jose Alexandre Diniz-Filho

References

Sokal, R.R. & Oden, N.L. (1978) Spatial autocorrelation in biology. 1. Methodology. Biological Journal of the Linnean Society, 10, 199-228.

Sokal, R.R. & Oden, N.L. (1978) Spatial autocorrelation in biology. 2. Some biological implications and four applications of evolutionary and ecological interest. Biological Journal of the Linnean Society, 10, 229-249.

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Compute a geographic distance matrix

Description

Calculates a geographic distance matrix based on a PresenceAbsence or a two column matrix of x(longitude) and y(latitude).

Usage

```
lets.distmat(xy, asdist = TRUE)
```

Arguments

xy A PresenceAbsence object or a matrix with two columns (longitude, latitude).

asdist Logical, if TRUE the result will be an object of class dist, if FALSE the result

will be an object of class matrix.

Details

This function basically facilitates the use of terra::distance on a PresenceAbsence object, allowing also the user to have directly a dist object. The distance is always expressed in meter if the coordinate reference system is longitude/latitude, and in map units otherwise. Map units are typically meter, but inspect crs(x) if in doubt.

Value

The user can choose between dist and matrix class object to be returned. The resulting values are in kilometres (but see the argument 'unit' in rdist.earth).

Author(s)

Bruno Vilela & Fabricio Villalobos

```
## Not run:
data(PAM)
distPAM <- lets.distmat(PAM)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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lets.field	Create species' values based on the species co-occurrence within focal
	ranges

Description

Create single species' values based on the attributes of species co-occurring within individual ranges.

Usage

```
lets.field(x, y, z, weight = TRUE, xy = NULL, count = FALSE)
```

Arguments

Х	A PresenceAbsence object or a presence-absence in matrix format (see xy argument for matrix use) with the species named in the columns.
У	Species attribute to be considered. It must be a numeric attribute.
Z	Species names in the same order as the attributes and exactly the same as named in the matrix or in the PresenceAbsence object.
weight	If TRUE the value is weighted by species' range size, if FALSE the value is the mean of all species that co-occur within the focal species.
ху	If TRUE the presence-absence matrix contains the cell coordinates in the first two columns.
count	Logical, if TRUE a counting window will open.

Details

If the species do not co-occur with any other species NaN will be returned.

Author(s)

Bruno Vilela & Fabricio Villalobos

References

Villalobos, F. and Arita, H.T. 2010. The diversity field of New World leaf-nosed bats (Phyllostomidae). Global Ecology and Biogeography. 19, 200-211.

Villalobos, F., Rangel, T.F., and Diniz-Filho, J.A.F. 2013. Phylogenetic fields of species: cross-species patterns of phylogenetic structure and geographical coexistence. Proceedings of the Royal Society B. 280, 20122570.

See Also

```
lets.presab.birds
lets.presab
```

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Examples

```
## Not run:
data(PAM)
range <- lets.rangesize(x = PAM, units = "cell")
field <- lets.field(PAM, range, PAM$S, weight = TRUE)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

lets.gridirizer

Fits a grid into a PresenceAbsence object

Description

This function creates a grid in shapefile format and adds its cells' IDs to the presence-absence matrix. The function was created to facilitate the use of the PresenceAbsence object for the ones who prefer to work with a grid in shapefile format.

Usage

```
lets.gridirizer(x)
```

Arguments

х

A PresenceAbsence object.

Value

The result is a list of two objects. The first is a grid in shapefile format; the second is a presence-absence matrix with an aditional column called SP_ID (shapefile cell identifier).

Author(s)

Bruno Vilela

See Also

```
plot.PresenceAbsence
lets.presab.birds
```

```
## Not run:
data(PAM)
PAM.grid <- lets.gridirizer(PAM)
names(PAM.grid)
# Grid in polygon format (can be saved in shapefile)
PAM.grid$Grid</pre>
```

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```
# Presence-absence matrix (beggining only)
head(PAM.grid$Presence[, 1:5])
## End(Not run)
```

lets.iucn

Download species' information from the IUCN RedList online database (No longer supported)

Description

Get species' information from the IUCN website(https://www.iucnredlist.org/) for one or more species.

Usage

```
lets.iucn(input, count = FALSE)
```

Arguments

input Character vector with one or more species names, or an object of class PresenceAbsence.

count Logical, if TRUE a counting window will open.

Details

Note that you must be connected to the internet to use this function.

Value

Returns a data frame with the Species Name, Family, Conservation Status, Criteria used to estabilish the conservation status, Population Status, Year of Description (only for animals), and the Countries where it occurs. If species do not have information (i.e. have not been evaluated), the result is: NE (Not evaluated).

Author(s)

Bruno Vilela

See Also

```
lets.iucn.ha
lets.iucn.his
```

lets.iucn.ha

Examples

lets.iucn.ha

Download species' habitat information from the IUCN RedList online database (No longer supported)

Description

Get species' habitat information from the IUCN RedList website(https://www.iucnredlist.org/) for one or more species.

Usage

```
lets.iucn.ha(input, count = FALSE)
```

Arguments

input Character vector with one or more species names, or an object of the PresenceAbsence

class.

count Logical, if TRUE a counting window will open.

Details

Note that you must be connected to the internet to use this function.

Value

A data frame with species names in the first column and the habitats where it occurs in the remaining columns, '1' if species is present in that habitat and '0' otherwise.

Author(s)

Bruno Vilela

See Also

```
lets.iucn
lets.iucn.his
```

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Examples

lets.iucn.his

Download species' temporal trend in conservation status from the IUCN RedList online database (No longer supported)

Description

Get species conservation status over time (i.e. from 1980 to the present date available) from the IUCN website(https://www.iucnredlist.org/) for one or more species.

Usage

```
lets.iucn.his(input, count = FALSE)
```

Arguments

input character vector with one or more species names, or an object of class PresenceAbsence.

count Logical, if TRUE a counting window will open.

Details

Note that you must be connected to the internet to use this function.

Value

A data frame with the species names in the first column rows and the years (1980 - present) in the remaining columns, the code represents the species' conservation status (see the IUCN RedList website for details). If species do not have information (i.e. have not been evaluated), the result is: NE (Not evaluated).

Codes and categories:

EX: Extinct

EW: Extinct in the Wild

VU: VulnerableEN: Endangered

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CR: Critically Endangered

LC: Least Concern

NT: Near Threatened

DD: Data Deficient

CT: Commercially Threatened

IN: Indeterminate

IK: Insufficiently Known

LR: Lower Risk

RA: Rare

Author(s)

Bruno Vilela

See Also

```
lets.iucn.ha
lets.iucn
```

Examples

```
## Not run:
# Single species
lets.iucn.his("Panthera onca")

# Multiple species
sp <- c("Rhincodon typus", "Ailuropoda melanoleuca")
lets.iucn.his(sp)

## End(Not run)</pre>
```

lets.iucncont

Transform IUCN RedList conservation status to continuous values

Description

Transform IUCN RedList conservation status to continuous values ranging from 0 to 5.

Usage

```
lets.iucncont(x, dd = NA, ne = NA)
```

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Arguments

x A vector or a matrix containing IUCN codes to be transformed.	
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dd The value to be attributed to DD (data-deficient) species, the default option is

NA.

ne The value to be attributed to NE (not-evaluated) species, the default option is

NA.

Value

Returns a vector/matrix with continuos values from 0 to 5.

EX and EW = 5

CR = 4

EN = 3

VU = 2

NT = 1

LC = 0

DD = NA

NE = NA

Author(s)

Bruno Vilela

References

Purvis A et al., 2000. Predicting extinction risk in declining species. Proceedings of the Royal Society of London. Series B: Biological Sciences, 267.1456: 1947-1952.

See Also

```
lets.iucn
```

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lets.load

Load a PresenceAbsence object

Description

Reload Presence Absence objects written with the function lets.save.

Usage

```
lets.load(file)
```

Arguments

file

a character string giving the name of the file to load.

Author(s)

Bruno Vilela

See Also

```
lets.save
lets.presab
```

Examples

```
## Not run:
data(PAM)
lets.save(PAM, file = "PAM.RData")
PAM <- lets.load(file = "PAM.RData")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

lets.maplizer

Create a matrix summarizing species' attributes within cells of a PresenceAbsence object

Description

Summarize species atributes per cell in a presence-absence matrix.

Usage

```
lets.maplizer(x, y, z, func = mean, ras = FALSE)
```

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Arguments

x	A PresenceAbsence object.
у	Species attribute to be considered. It must be a numeric attribute.
Z	Species names in the same order as the attributes and exactly the same as named in the PresenceAbsence object.
func	A function to summarize the species' atribute in each cell (the function must return only one value).
ras	If TRUE the raster object will be returned together with the matrix.

Value

The result can be both a matrix or a list cointaining the follow objects:

Matrix: a matrix object with the cells' geographic coordinates and the summarized species' attributes within them.

Raster: The summarized species' attributed maped in a SpatRaster object.

Author(s)

Bruno Vilela

See Also

```
lets.presab
lets.presab.birds
```

```
## Not run:
data(PAM)
data(IUCN)
trait <- IUCN$Description_Year
resu <- lets.maplizer(PAM, trait, PAM$S, ras = TRUE)
head(resu$Matrix)
plot(resu$Raster, xlab = "Longitude", ylab = "Latitude",
main = "Mean description year per site")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

lets.midpoint

Description

Calculate species distribution midpoint from a presence-absence matrix using several methods.

Usage

```
lets.midpoint(pam, planar = FALSE, method = "PC", inside = FALSE)
```

Arguments

pam A presence-absence matrix (sites in the rows and species in the columns, with

the first two columns containing the longitudinal and latitudinal coordinates,

respectively), or an object of class PresenceAbsence.

planar Logical, if FALSE the coordinates are in Longitude/Latitude. If TRUE the coordi-

nates are planar.

method Default option, "PC" (polygon centroid) will generate a polygon from the raster,

and calculate the centroid of this polygon based on the function terra::centroids. Note that for the "PC" method, users can only use PresenceAbsence objects. Note also that this method will not be the best for PresenceAbsence objects made from occurrence records, or that have multiple disjoint distributions. Users can also choose the geographic midpoint, using the option "GM". "GM" will create a bounding box across the extremes of the distribution and calculate the centroid. Alternatively, the midpoint can be calculated as the point that minimize the distance between all cells of the PAM, using the method "CMD"(centre of minimum distance). The user can also calculate the midpoint, based on the centroid of the minimum convex polygon of the distribution, using the method "MCC". This last method is useful when using a PresenceAbsence object made

from occurrence records.

inside logical. If TRUE the points returned are guaranteed to be inside the polygons or

on the lines, but they are not the true centroids. True centroids may be outside a polygon, for example when a polygon is "bean shaped", and they are unlikely

to be on their line

Value

A data.frame containing the species' names and geographic coordinates (longitude [x], latitude [y]) of species' midpoints.

Author(s)

Fabricio Villalobos & Bruno Vilela

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See Also

```
lets.presab
lets.presab.birds
```

Examples

```
## Not run:
data(PAM)
mid <- lets.midpoint(PAM, method = "PC")</pre>
mid2 <- lets.midpoint(PAM, method = "GM")</pre>
mid3 <- lets.midpoint(PAM, method = "CMD")</pre>
mid4 <- lets.midpoint(PAM, method = "MCC")</pre>
mid5 <- lets.midpoint(PAM, method = "PC", planar = TRUE)</pre>
mid6 <- lets.midpoint(PAM, method = "GM", planar = TRUE)</pre>
mid7 <- lets.midpoint(PAM, method = "CMD", planar = TRUE)
mid8 <- lets.midpoint(PAM, method = "MCC", planar = TRUE)</pre>
for (sp in seq_len(nrow(mid))) {
 #sp = 4 # Or choose a line or species
 plot(PAM, name = mid[sp, 1])
 points(mid[sp, -1], col = adjustcolor("blue", .8), pch = 20, cex = 1.5)
 points(mid2[sp, -1], col = adjustcolor("green", .8), pch = 20, cex = 1.5)
 points(mid3[sp, -1], col = adjustcolor("yellow", .8), pch = 20, cex = 1.5)
 points(mid4[sp, -1], col = adjustcolor("purple", .8), pch = 20, cex = 1.5)
 points(mid5[sp, -1], col = adjustcolor("orange", .8), pch = 20, cex = 1.5)
points(mid6[sp, -1], col = adjustcolor("black", .8), pch = 20, cex = 1.5)
points(mid7[sp, -1], col = adjustcolor("gray", .8), pch = 20, cex = 1.5)
points(mid7[sp, -1], col = adjustcolor("gray", .8), pch = 20, cex = 1.5)
 points(mid8[sp, -1], col = adjustcolor("brown", .8), pch = 20, cex = 1.5)
 Sys.sleep(1)
}
## End(Not run)
```

lets.overlap

Compute pairwise species' geographic overlaps

Description

Creates a species geographic overlap matrix from a Presence-absence matrix.

Usage

```
lets.overlap(pam, method = "Chesser&Zink", xy = NULL)
```

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Arguments

pam A presence-absence matrix (sites in rows and species in columns, with the first

two columns containing the longitudinal and latitudinal coordinates, respec-

tively), or an object of class PresenceAbsence.

method The method used to calculate the overlap matrix. "Chesser&Zink" calculates the

degree of overlap as the proportion of the smaller range that overlaps within the larger range (Chesser & Zink 1994). "Proportional" calculates the proportion of a range that overlaps another range, the resultant matrix is not symmetric. "Cells" will show the number of overlapping grid cells between a pair of species' ranges (same for both species in a pair), here the resultant matrix is symmetric.

xy Logical, if TRUE the input matrix contains geographic coordinates in the first two

columns.

Author(s)

Fabricio Villalobos & Bruno Vilela

References

Chesser, R. Terry, and Robert M. Zink. "Modes of speciation in birds: a test of Lynch's method." Evolution (1994): 490-497.

Barraclough, Timothy G., and Alfried P. Vogler. "Detecting the geographical pattern of speciation from species-level phylogenies." The American Naturalist 155.4 (2000): 419-434.

See Also

```
lets.presab
lets.presab.birds
```

```
## Not run:
data(PAM)
CZ <- lets.overlap(PAM, method = "Chesser&Zink")
prop <- lets.overlap(PAM, method = "Proportional")
cells <- lets.overlap(PAM, method = "Cells")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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lets.pamcrop	Crop a PresenceAbsence	object based on an	input shapefile
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Description

Crop a PresenceAbsence object based on a shapefile provided by the user.

Usage

```
lets.pamcrop(x, shp, remove.sp = TRUE)
```

Arguments

x A PresenceAbsence object.

shp Object of class SpatVector (see function terra::vect) to crop the PresenceAb-

sence object.

remove.sp Logical, if TRUE the final matrix will not contain species that do not match any

cell in the grid.

Value

The result is an object of class PresenceAbsence croped.

Author(s)

Bruno Vilela

See Also

```
plot.PresenceAbsence
lets.presab.birds
```

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```
plot(sf::st_geometry(wrld_simpl), add = TRUE)
## End(Not run)
```

lets.presab

Create a presence-absence matrix of species' geographic ranges within a grid

Description

Convert species' ranges (in shapefile format) into a presence-absence matrix based on a user-defined grid system

Usage

```
lets.presab(
  shapes,
  xmn = NULL,
  xmx = NULL,
  ymn = NULL,
  ymx = NULL,
  resol = NULL,
  remove.cells = TRUE,
  remove.sp = TRUE,
  show.matrix = FALSE,
  crs = "+proj=longlat +datum=WGS84",
  crs.grid = crs,
  cover = 0,
  presence = NULL,
  origin = NULL,
  seasonal = NULL,
  count = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

xmn

xmx

shapes	Object of class SpatVect or Spatial (see packages terra and sf to read these

files) containing the distribution of one or more species. Species names should be stored in the object as BINOMIAL/binomial or SCINAME/sciname.

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Minimun longitude used to construct the grid in which the matrix will be based (i.e. the [gridded] geographic domain of interest). If NULL, limits will be cal-

culated based on the limits of the shapes object.

Maximun longitude used to construct the grid in which the matrix will be based (i.e. the [gridded] geographic domain of interest). If NULL, limits will be cal-

culated based on the limits of the shapes object.

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ymn	Minimun latitude used to construct the grid in which the matrix will be based (i.e. the [gridded] geographic domain of interest). If NULL, limits will be calculated based on the limits of the shapes object.
ymx	Maximun latitude used to construct the grid in which the matrix will be based (i.e. the [gridded] geographic domain of interest). If NULL, limits will be calculated based on the limits of the shapes object.
resol	Numeric vector of length 1 or 2 to set the grid resolution. If NULL, resolution will be equivalent to 1 degree of latitude and longitude.
remove.cells	Logical, if TRUE the final matrix will not contain cells in the grid with a value of zero (i.e. sites with no species present).
remove.sp	Logical, if TRUE the final matrix will not contain species that do not match any cell in the grid.
show.matrix	Logical, if TRUE only the presence-absence matrix will be returned.
crs	Character representing the PROJ.4 type description of a Coordinate Reference System (map projection) of the polygons.
crs.grid	Character representing the PROJ.4 type description of a Coordinate Reference System (map projection) for the grid. Note that when you change this options you may probably change the extent coordinates and the resolution.
cover	Percentage of the cell covered by the shapefile that will be considered for presence (values between 0 and 1).
presence	A vector with the code numbers for the presence type to be considered in the process (for IUCN spatial data https://www.iucnredlist.org/resources/spatial-data-download , see metadata).
origin	A vector with the code numbers for the origin type to be considered in the process (for IUCN spatial data).
seasonal	A vector with the code numbers for the seasonal type to be considered in the process (for IUCN spatial data).
count	Logical, if TRUE a progress bar indicating the processing progress will be shown.

Details

The function creates the presence-absence matrix based on a raster object. Depending on the cell size, extension used and number of species it may require a lot of memory, and may take some time to process it. Thus, during the process, if count argument is set TRUE, a counting window will open so you can see the progress (i.e. in what polygon/shapefile the function is working). Note that the number of polygons is not the same as the number of species that you have (i.e. a species may have more than one polygon/shapefiles).

Value

The result is a list object of class PresenceAbsence with the following objects: Presence-Absence Matrix: A matrix of species' presence(1) and absence(0) information. The first two columns contain the longitude (x) and latitude (y) of the cells' centroid (from the gridded domain used); Richness Raster: A raster containing species richness data; Species name: A character vector with species' names contained in the matrix. *But see the optional argument show.matrix.

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Author(s)

Bruno Vilela & Fabricio Villalobos

See Also

```
plot.PresenceAbsence
lets.presab.birds
lets.shFilter
```

Examples

lets.presab.birds

Create a presence-absence matrix of species' geographic ranges within a grid for the Birdlife spatial data

Description

Convert species' ranges (in shapefile format and stored in particular folders) into a presence-absence matrix based on a user-defined grid. This function is specially designed to work with BirdLife Intl. shapefiles (https://www.birdlife.org). (Notice that new versions of birds spatial data are in a similar format to other groups and should be run using the lets.presab function. We will keep this function in case someone needs to use on the previous data format.)

Usage

```
lets.presab.birds(
  path,
  xmn = NULL,
  xmx = NULL,
  ymn = NULL,
  ymx = NULL,
  resol = NULL,
```

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```
remove.cells = TRUE,
remove.sp = TRUE,
show.matrix = FALSE,
crs = "+proj=longlat +datum=WGS84",
crs.grid = crs,
cover = 0,
presence = NULL,
origin = NULL,
seasonal = NULL,
count = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

path	Path location of folders with one or more species' individual shapefiles. Shapefiles with more than one species will not work on this function. To use multispecies shapefiles see lets.presab .
xmn	Minimun longitude used to construct the grid in which the matrix will be based (i.e. the [gridded] geographic domain of interest). If NULL, limits will be calculated based on the limits of the shapes object.
xmx	Maximun longitude used to construct the grid in which the matrix will be based (i.e. the [gridded] geographic domain of interest). If NULL, limits will be calculated based on the limits of the shapes object.
ymn	Minimun latitude used to construct the grid in which the matrix will be based (i.e. the [gridded] geographic domain of interest). If NULL, limits will be calculated based on the limits of the shapes object.
ymx	Maximun latitude used to construct the grid in which the matrix will be based (i.e. the [gridded] geographic domain of interest). If NULL, limits will be calculated based on the limits of the shapes object.
resol	Numeric vector of length 1 or 2 to set the grid resolution. If NULL, resolution will be equivalent to 1 degree of latitude and longitude.
remove.cells	Logical, if TRUE the final matrix will not contain cells in the grid with a value of zero (i.e. sites with no species present).
remove.sp	Logical, if TRUE the final matrix will not contain species that do not match any cell in the grid.
show.matrix	Logical, if TRUE only the presence-absence matrix will be returned.
crs	Character representing the PROJ.4 type description of a Coordinate Reference System (map projection) of the polygons.
crs.grid	Character representing the PROJ.4 type description of a Coordinate Reference System (map projection) for the grid. Note that when you change this options you may probably change the extent coordinates and the resolution.
cover	Percentage of the cell covered by the shapefile that will be considered for presence (values between 0 and 1).
presence	A vector with the code numbers for the presence type to be considered in the process (for IUCN spatial data https://www.iucnredlist.org/resources/spatial-data-download, see metadata).

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origin	A vector with the code numbers for the origin type to be considered in the process (for IUCN spatial data).
seasonal	A vector with the code numbers for the seasonal type to be considered in the process (for IUCN spatial data).
count	Logical, if TRUE a progress bar indicating the processing progress will be shown.

Details

The function creates the presence-absence matrix based on a raster file. Depending on the cell size, extension used and number of species it may require a lot of memory, and may take some time to process it. Thus, during the process, if count argument is set TRUE, a counting window will open so you can see the progress (i.e. in what polygon the function is working). Note that the number of polygons is not the same as the number of species that you have (i.e. a species may have more than one polygon/shapefiles).

Value

The result is a list object of class PresenceAbsence with the following objects: Presence-Absence Matrix: A matrix of species' presence(1) and absence(0) information. The first two columns contain the longitude (x) and latitude (y) of the cells' centroid (from the gridded domain used); Richness Raster: A raster containing species richness data; Species name: A character vector with species' names contained in the matrix. *But see the optional argument show.matrix.

Author(s)

Bruno Vilela & Fabricio Villalobos

See Also

```
plot.PresenceAbsence
lets.presab
lets.shFilter
```

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lets.presab.grid	Create a presence-absence matrix of species' geographic ranges within a user's grid shapefile (beta version)
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Description

Convert species' ranges (in shapefile format) into a presence-absence matrix based on a grid in shapefile format.

Usage

```
lets.presab.grid(
    shapes,
    grid,
    sample.unit,
    remove.sp = TRUE,
    presence = NULL,
    origin = NULL,
    seasonal = NULL
)
```

Arguments

shapes	Object of class SpatVect or Spatial (see packages terra and sf to read these files) containing the distribution of one or more species. Species names should be stored in the object as BINOMIAL/binomial or SCINAME/sciname.
grid	Object of class shapefile representing the spatial grid (e.g. regular/irregular cells, political divisions, hexagonal grids, etc). The grid and the shapefiles must be in the same projection.
sample.unit	Object of class character with the name of the column (in the grid) representing the sample units of the presence absence matrix.
remove.sp	Logical, if TRUE the final matrix will not contain species that do not match any cell in the grid.
presence	A vector with the code numbers for the presence type to be considered in the process (for IUCN spatial data https://www.iucnredlist.org/resources/spatial-data-download, see metadata).
origin	A vector with the code numbers for the origin type to be considered in the process (for IUCN spatial data).
seasonal	A vector with the code numbers for the seasonal type to be considered in the process (for IUCN spatial data).

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Details

This function is an alternative way to create a presence absence matrix when users already have their own grid.

Value

The result is a list containing two objects:

- (I) A matrix the species presence (1) and absence (0) values per sample unity.
- (II) The original grid.

Author(s)

Bruno Vilela & Fabricio Villalobos

See Also

```
plot.PresenceAbsence
lets.presab.birds
lets.shFilter
```

```
## Not run:
# Species polygons
data("Phyllomedusa")
data("wrld_simpl")
# Grid
sp.r <- terra::as.polygons(terra::rast(resol = 5,</pre>
crs = terra::crs(Phyllomedusa),
xmin = -93, xmax = -29, ymin = -57, ymax = 15))
sp.r$ID <- 1:length(sp.r)</pre>
# PAM
resu <- lets.presab.grid(Phyllomedusa, sp.r, "ID")</pre>
# Plot
rich_plus1 <- rowSums(resu$PAM[, -1]) + 1</pre>
colfunc <- colorRampPalette(c("#fff5f0", "#fb6a4a", "#67000d"))</pre>
colors <- c("white", colfunc(max(rich_plus1)))</pre>
plot(resu$grid, border = "gray40",
     col = colors[rich_plus1])
plot(sf::st_geometry(wrld_simpl), add = TRUE)
## End(Not run)
```

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lets.presab.points

Create a presence-absence matrix based on species' point occurrences

Description

Convert species' occurrences into a presence-absence matrix based on a user-defined grid.

Usage

```
lets.presab.points(
    xy,
    species,
    xmn = NULL,
    xmx = NULL,
    ymn = NULL,
    ymx = NULL,
    resol = NULL,
    remove.cells = TRUE,
    remove.sp = TRUE,
    show.matrix = FALSE,
    crs = "+proj=longlat +datum=WGS84",
    count = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

ху	A matrix with geographic coordinates of species occurrences, first column is the longitude (or x), and the second latitude (or y).
species	Character vector with species names, in the same order as the coordinates.
xmn	Minimun longitude used to construct the grid in which the matrix will be based (i.e. the [gridded] geographic domain of interest). If NULL, limits will be calculated based on the limits of the shapes object.
xmx	Maximun longitude used to construct the grid in which the matrix will be based (i.e. the [gridded] geographic domain of interest). If NULL, limits will be calculated based on the limits of the shapes object.
ymn	Minimun latitude used to construct the grid in which the matrix will be based (i.e. the [gridded] geographic domain of interest). If NULL, limits will be calculated based on the limits of the shapes object.
ymx	Maximun latitude used to construct the grid in which the matrix will be based (i.e. the [gridded] geographic domain of interest). If NULL, limits will be calculated based on the limits of the shapes object.
resol	Numeric vector of length 1 or 2 to set the grid resolution. If NULL, resolution will be equivalent to 1 degree of latitude and longitude.
remove.cells	Logical, if TRUE the final matrix will not contain cells in the grid with a value of zero (i.e. sites with no species present).

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remove.sp	Logical, if TRUE the final matrix will not contain species that do not match any cell in the grid.
show.matrix	Logical, if TRUE only the presence-absence matrix will be returned.
crs	Character representing the PROJ.4 type description of a Coordinate Reference System (map projection) of the polygons.
count	Logical, if TRUE a progress bar indicating the processing progress will be shown.

Details

The function creates the presence-absence matrix based on a raster file. Depending on the cell size, extension used and number of species it may require a lot of memory, and may take some time to process it. Thus, during the process, if count argument is set TRUE, a counting window will open so you can see the progress (i.e. in what polygon the function is working). Note that the number of polygons is not the same as the number of species that you have (i.e. a species may have more than one polygon/shapefiles).

Value

The result is a list object of class PresenceAbsence with the following objects: Presence-Absence Matrix: A matrix of species' presence(1) and absence(0) information. The first two columns contain the longitude (x) and latitude (y) of the cells' centroid (from the gridded domain used); Richness Raster: A raster containing species richness data; Species name: A character vector with species' names contained in the matrix. *But see the optional argument show.matrix.

Author(s)

Bruno Vilela & Fabricio Villalobos

See Also

```
plot.PresenceAbsence
lets.presab.birds
lets.presab
lets.shFilter
```

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```
# Map of the specific species
plot(PAM, name = "sp1")
## End(Not run)
```

lets.rangesize

Compute species' geographic range sizes

Description

This function calculates species' range sizes from a PresenceAbsence object or directly from the species' shapefiles.

Usage

```
lets.rangesize(
    x,
    species_name = NULL,
    coordinates = "geographic",
    units = "cell"
)
```

Arguments

x A PresenceAbsence or an SpatVector object.

species_name Species names in the same order as in the SpatVector (only needed if x is a

SpatVector).

coordinates "geographical" or "planar". Indicate whether the shapefile has geographical or

planar coordinates(only needed if x is a SpatVector).

units "cell" or "squaremeter". Indicate if the size units wanted are in number of cells

occupied or in square meters(only needed if x is a PresenceAbsence object).

Value

The result is a matrix with the range size of each species. If the range size accounts for the earth curvature (Yes or No) or its size unit may differ for each argument combination:

- 1) SpatVector & geographical = Square meters. Yes.
- 2) SpatVector & planar = Square meters. No.
- 3) Presence Absence & cell = number of cells. No.
- 4) Presence Absence & squaremeter = Square meters. Yes.

Author(s)

Bruno Vilela

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Examples

```
## Not run:
# SpatialPolygonsDataFrame & geographical
data(Phyllomedusa)
rangesize <- lets.rangesize(x = Phyllomedusa,</pre>
                             coordinates = "geographic")
# SpatialPolygonsDataFrame & planar
rangesize2 <- lets.rangesize(x = Phyllomedusa,</pre>
                              coordinates = "planar")
# PresenceAbsence & cell
data(PAM)
rangesize3 <- lets.rangesize(x = PAM,</pre>
                              units = "cell")
# PresenceAbsence & squaremeter
rangesize4 <- lets.rangesize(x = PAM,</pre>
                              units = "squaremeter")
## End(Not run)
```

lets.save

Save a PresenceAbsence object

Description

Save an external representation of a PresenceAbsence object to the specified file. The object can be read back from the file at a later date by using the function lets.load.

Usage

```
lets.save(pam, ...)
```

Arguments

pam A Presence Absence object.
... other arguments passed to the function save

Author(s)

Bruno Vilela

See Also

```
lets.presab
lets.presab.birds
```

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Examples

```
## Not run:
data(PAM)
lets.save(PAM, file = "PAM.RData")
PAM <- lets.load(file = "PAM.RData")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

lets.shFilter

Filter species' shapefiles based on its presence, origin, and season

Description

Filter species shapefiles by origin, presence, and seasonal type (following IUCN types: https://www.iucnredlist.org/resources/spatial-data-download, see metadata).

Usage

```
lets.shFilter(shapes, presence = NULL, origin = NULL, seasonal = NULL)
```

Arguments

shapes	Object of class SpatVect or Spatial (see packages terra and sf to read these files) containing the distribution of one or more species. Species names should be stored in the object as BINOMIAL/binomial or SCINAME/sciname.
presence	A vector with the code numbers for the presence type to be considered in the process (for IUCN spatial data https://www.iucnredlist.org/resources/spatial-data-download , see metadata).
origin	A vector with the code numbers for the origin type to be considered in the process (for IUCN spatial data).
seasonal	A vector with the code numbers for the seasonal type to be considered in the process (for IUCN spatial data).

Details

Presence codes: (1) Extant, (2) Probably Extant, (3) Possibly Extant, (4) Possibly Extinct, (5) Extinct (post 1500) & (6) Presence Uncertain.

Origin codes: (1) Native, (2) Reintroduced, (3) Introduced, (4) Vagrant & (5) Origin Uncertain.

Seasonal codes: (1) Resident, (2) Breeding Season, (3) Non-breeding Season, (4) Passage & (5) Seasonal Occurrence Uncertain.

More info in the shapefiles' metadata.

Value

The result is the shapefile(s) filtered according to the selected types. If the filters remove all polygons, the result will be NULL.

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Author(s)

Bruno Vilela

See Also

```
plot.PresenceAbsence
lets.presab
lets.presab.birds
```

lets.subsetPAM

Subset a PresenceAbsence object based on species names

Description

Subset a PresenceAbsence object based on species character vector provided by the user.

Usage

```
lets.subsetPAM(x, names, remove.cells = TRUE)
```

Arguments

x A PresenceAbsence object.

names Character vector with species names to subset the PresenceAbsence object.

remove.cells Logical, if TRUE the final matrix will not contain cells in the grid with a value of

zero (i.e. sites with no species present).

Value

The result is an object of class PresenceAbsence subseted.

Author(s)

Bruno Vilela

See Also

```
plot.PresenceAbsence
lets.presab.birds
```

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Examples

lets.summarizer

Summarize variable(s) values in a presence-absence matrix within species' ranges

Description

Based on a Presence-Absence matrix with added variables (see lets.addvar), this function summarizes the values of such variable(s) per species (across the species' occupied cells. i.e. within their ranges).

Usage

```
lets.summarizer(x, pos, xy = TRUE, fun = mean, ...)
```

Arguments

х	Presence-absence matrix with variables added.
pos	Column position of the variables of interest.
ху	Logical, if TRUE the input matrix contains geographic coordinates in the first two columns.
fun	Function to be used to summarize the variable per species. Default is mean.
	Other parameters passed to the function defined in fun.

Author(s)

Bruno Vilela & Fabricio Villalobos

References

Villalobos, F. and Arita, H.T. 2010. The diversity field of New World leaf-nosed bats (Phyllostomidae). Global Ecology and Biogeography. 19, 200-211.

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See Also

```
lets.addvar
lets.addpoly
lets.field
```

Examples

lets.transf

Transform values of a vector

Description

Transform each element of a vector.

Usage

```
lets.transf(x, y, z, NUMERIC = TRUE)
```

Arguments

x A vector to be transformed.

y levels to be transformed.

The value to be atributed to each level (same order as y).

NUMERIC logical, if TRUE z will be considered numbers.

Value

Return a vector with changed values.

Author(s)

Bruno Vilela

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Examples

```
## Not run:
status <- sample(c("EN","VU", "NT", "CR", "DD", "LC"), 30, replace=TRUE)
TE <- "Threatened"
NT <- "Non-Threatened"
new <- c(TE, TE, NT, TE, "Data Deficient", NT)
old <- c("EN","VU", "NT", "CR", "DD", "LC")
statustrans <- lets.transf(status, old, new, NUMERIC=FALSE)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

PAM

PresenceAbsence object for frogs of Phyllomedusa genus

Description

Presence Absence object obtained using the function lets.presab in the Geographic distribution of the Southern American frog genus Phyllomedusa.

Usage

data(PAM)

Source

IUCN - https://www.iucnredlist.org/. 2014.

Phyllomedusa

Geographic distribution of Phyllomedusa genus

Description

Geographic distribution of the Southern American frog genera Phyllomedusa. Data was modfied from IUCN (https://www.iucnredlist.org/, downloaded in 05/2014). There are 32 species and 46 polygons.

Usage

```
data(Phyllomedusa)
```

Source

```
IUCN - https://www.iucnredlist.org/. 2014.
```

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Description

Plots species richness map from an object of class PresenceAbsence or a particular species' map.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'PresenceAbsence'
plot(x, name = NULL, world = TRUE, col_rich = NULL, col_name = "red", ...)
```

Arguments

X	An object of class PresenceAbsence.
name	A character specifying a species to be ploted instead of the complete species richness map.
world	If TURE a map of political divisions (countries) is added to the plot.
col_rich	Color function (e.g. rainbow, heat.colors, colorRampPalette) to be used in the richness map.
col_name	The color to use when ploting single species.
	Other parameters pass to the plot function.

Author(s)

Bruno Vilela

See Also

```
lets.presab
lets.presab.birds
```

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PresenceAbsence

PresenceAbsence Class

Description

The PresenceAbsence is a new S3 object class created and used inside the letsR package. This object class is used to store information on species distribution within a geographic domain in the form of a presence-absence matrix. In addition, the PresenceAbsence object also contains other essential information (e.g. user-defined grid cell system, including resolution, projection, datum, and extent) necessary for other analysis performed with the package's functions.

Details

Creating a PresenceAbsence object

A PresenceAbsence object can be generated using the following functions:

- -lets.presab
- lets.presab.birds
- -lets.presab.points

The PresenceAbsence information

The result is a list object of class PresenceAbsence that includes the following objects:

- Presence_and_Absence_Matrix: A matrix of species' presence(1) and absence(0) information. The first two columns contain the longitude (x) and latitude (y) of the cells' centroid (from the gridded domain used);
- Richness_Raster: A raster containing species richness information across the geographic domain, which can be used to map the observed geographic gradient in species richness;
- Species_name: A character vector with species' names contained in the matrix.

Each of the objects can be obtained usign the standard subsetting operators that are commonly applied to a list object (i.e. '[[' and '\$').

letsR functions applied to a PresenceAbsence object

The following functions from the letsR package can be directly applied to a PresenceAbsence:

- -lets.addpoly
- -lets.addvar
- -lets.distmat
- -lets.field
- -lets.gridirizer
- -lets.iucn
- -lets.iucn.ha
- -lets.iucn.his
- -lets.maplizer
- -lets.midpoint
- -lets.overlap

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```
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```

Generic functions applied to a PresenceAbsence object

The following generic functions can be directly applied to the PresenceAbsence object.

```
- print (print.PresenceAbsence)
```

- summary (summary.PresenceAbsence)
- plot (plot.PresenceAbsence)

print.PresenceAbsence Print for object of class PresenceAbsence

Description

Print for objects of class PresenceAbsence.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'PresenceAbsence' print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x an object of class PresenceAbsence.

... Other print parameters.

Author(s)

Bruno Vilela

```
print.summary.PresenceAbsence
```

Print summary for object of class PresenceAbsence

Description

Print summary for objects of class PresenceAbsence.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'PresenceAbsence' print.summary(x, ...)
```

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Arguments

x an object of class PresenceAbsence.

... Other print parameters.

Author(s)

Bruno Vilela

summary.PresenceAbsence

Summary for object of class PresenceAbsence

Description

Summary for objects of class PresenceAbsence.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'PresenceAbsence'
summary(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object an object of class PresenceAbsence.

... additional arguments affecting the summary produced.

Author(s)

Bruno Vilela

temp

Avarege temperature raster for the world.

Description

Average temperature raster in Celsius degrees(multiplied by 100) for the world in 10 arc min of resolution. Data was modfied from WorldClim (https://worldclim.com/, downloaded in 05/2014).

Usage

```
data(temp)
```

Source

Hijmans, R.J., S.E. Cameron, J.L. Parra, P.G. Jones and A. Jarvis, 2005. Very high resolution interpolated climate surfaces for global land areas. International Journal of Climatology 25: 1965-1978.

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wr 10_\$1mp1 Simplified world country polygons	wrld_simpl	Simplified world country polygons	
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Description

Shapefile in sf format. The object was obtained from maptools package and converted to sf.

Usage

data(temp)

Source

Originally "https://mappinghacks.com/data/TM_WORLD_BORDERS_SIMPL-0.2.zip", now available from https://github.com/nasa/World-Wind-Java/tree/master/WorldWind/testData/shapefiles

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