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.applyInterType   *Generate pairs of interactions according to interaction types*

Description

A helper function to be used in combination with .getInteractions()

Usage

```
.applyInterType(I, pair, interType)
```

Arguments

`I`	Matrix: defining the interaction between each pair of species
`pair`	Numeric: a vector with a length of 2, indicating the 2 focusing species in the process of applying the interaction types
`interType`	Character: one of 'mutualism', 'commensalism', 'parasitism', 'amensalism', or 'competition'. Defining the interaction type

Value

A matrix of interaction types with one pair changed

`.estimateAFromSimulations`

Get the interspecies interaction matrix A using leave-one-out method

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Description

generate matrix A from the comparisons between simulations with one absent species and a simulation with complete species (leave-one-out)

Usage

```
.estimateAFromSimulations(
  simulations,
  simulations2,
  n_instances = 1,
  t_end = NULL,
  scale_off_diagonal = 0.1,
  diagonal = -0.5,
  connectance = 0.2
)
```

Arguments

`simulations`	A list of simulation(s) with complete species
`simulations2`	A list of simulation(s), each with one absent species
`n_instances`	Integer: number of instances to generate (default: `n_instances = 1`)
`t_end`	Numeric: end time of the simulation. If not identical with t_end in params_list, then it will overwrite t_end in each simulation (default: `t_end = 1000`)
`scale_off_diagonal`	
	Numeric: scale of the off-diagonal elements compared to the diagonal. Same to the parameter in function randomA. (default: `scale_off_diagonal = 0.1`)
`diagonal`	Values defining the strength of self-interactions. Input can be a number (will be applied to all species) or a vector of length n_species. Positive self-interaction values lead to exponential growth. Same to the parameter in function randomA. (default: `diagonal = -0.5`)

connectance   Numeric frequency of inter-species interactions. i.e. proportion of non-zero off-
                     diagonal terms. Should be in the interval 0 <= connectance <= 1. Same to the
                     parameter in function `randomA`. (default: `connectance = 0.2`)

Value

a matrix A with dimensions (n_species x n_species) where n_species equals to the number of ele-
ments in simulations2

.eventTimes   *generate a vector of times when events is happening*

Description

generate a vector of times when events is happening

Usage

```
.eventTimes(t_events = NULL, t_duration = NULL, t_end = 1000, ...)
```

Arguments

`t_events, t_duration`
                     Numeric: vector of starting time and duration of the events

`t_end`   Numeric: end time of the simulation

`...`   : additional parameters to pass to simulationTimes, including t_start, t_step, and
                     t_store.

Value

A vector of time points in the simulation

Examples

```
tEvent <- .eventTimes(
    t_events = c(10, 50, 100),
    t_duration = c(1, 2, 3),
    t_end = 100,
    t_store = 100,
    t_step = 1
)
```

.getInteractions	*Generate interactions according to five types of interactions and their weights*

Description

Generate interactions according to five types of interactions and their weights

Usage

```
.getInteractions(n_species, weights, connectance)
```

Arguments

n_species	Integer: defining the dimension of matrix of interaction
weights	Numeric: defining the weights of mutualism, commensalism, parasitism, amensalism, and competition in all interspecies interactions.
connectance	Numeric: defining the density of the interaction network. Ranging from 0 to 1

Value

A matrix of interactions with all interactions changed according to the weights and connectance.

.isPosInt	*check whether a number is a positive integer*

Description

check whether a number is a positive integer

Usage

```
.isPosInt(x, tol = .Machine$double.eps^0.5)
```

Arguments

x	Numeric number to test
tol	Numeric tolerance of detection

Value

A logical value: whether the number is a positive integer.

.rdirichlet   *Generate dirichlet random deviates*

Description

Generate dirichlet random deviates

Usage

```
.rdirichlet(n, alpha)
```

Arguments

n   Number of random vectors to generate.

alpha   Vector containing shape parameters.

Value

a vector containing the Dirichlet density

Examples

```
dirichletExample <- .rdirichlet(1, c(1, 2, 3))
```

.replaceByZero   *Replace one element with zero in a list.*

Description

If the list contains m elements, then lengths of each element must be m, too. This function is intended to generate a list of x0 (the initial community) with one missing species, to prepare the parameter simulations_compare in `estimateAFromSimulations`.

Usage

```
.replaceByZero(input_list)
```

Arguments

input_list   A list containing m elements, and lengths of each element must be m, too.

Value

A list of same dimension as input_list, but with 0 at specific positions in the elements of the list.

.simulationTimes   *Generate simulation times and the indices of time points to return in simulation functions.*

Description

Generate simulation times and the indices of time points to return in simulation functions.

Usage

```
.simulationTimes(t_start = 0, t_end = 1000, t_step = 0.1, t_store = 1000)
```

Arguments

t_start	Numeric scalar indicating the initial time of the simulation. (default: t_start = 0)
t_end	Numeric scalar indicating the final time of the simulation (default: t_end = 1000)
t_step	Numeric scalar indicating the interval between simulation steps (default: t_step = 0.1)
t_store	Integer scalar indicating the number of evenly distributed time points to keep (default: t_store = 100)

Value

lists containing simulation times (t_sys) and the indices to keep.

Examples

```
Time <- .simulationTimes(
    t_start = 0, t_end = 100, t_step = 0.5,
    t_store = 100
)
DefaultTime <- .simulationTimes(t_end = 1000)
```

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powerlawA   *Interaction matrix with Power-Law network adjacency matrix*

Description

N is the an Interspecific Interaction matrix with values drawn from a normal distribution H the interaction strength heterogeneity drawn from a power-law distribution with the parameter alpha, and G the adjacency matrix of with out-degree that reflects the heterogeneity of the powerlaw. A scaling factor s may be used to constrain the values of the interaction matrix to be within a desired range. Diagonal elements of A are defined by the parameter d.

Usage

```
powerlawA(n_species, alpha = 3, stdev = 1, s = 0.1, d = -1, symmetric = FALSE)
```

Arguments

n_species	integer number of species
alpha	numeric power-law distribution parameter. Should be > 1. (default: alpha = 3.0) Larger values will give lower interaction strength heterogeneity, whereas values closer to 1 give strong heterogeneity in interaction strengths between the species. In other words, values of alpha close to 1 will give Strongly Interacting Species (SIS).
stdev	numeric standard deviation parameter of the normal distribution with mean 0 from which the elements of the nominal interspecific interaction matrix N are drawn. (default: stdev = 1)
s	numeric scaling parameter with which the final global interaction matrix A is multiplied. (default: s = 0.1)
d	numeric diagonal values, indicating self-interactions (use negative values for stability). (default: s = 1.0)
symmetric	logical scalar returning a symmetric interaction matrix (default: symmetric=FALSE)

Value

The interaction matrix A with dimensions (n_species x n_species)

References

Gibson TE, Bashan A, Cao HT, Weiss ST, Liu YY (2016) On the Origins and Control of Community Types in the Human Microbiome. PLOS Computational Biology 12(2): e1004688. https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pcbi.10046

Examples

```
# Low interaction heterogeneity
A_low <- powerlawA(n_species = 10, alpha = 3)
# Strong interaction heterogeneity
A_strong <- powerlawA(n_species = 10, alpha = 1.01)
```

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randomA   *Generate random interaction matrix for GLV model*

Description

Generates a random interaction matrix for Generalized Lotka-Volterra (GLV) model.

Usage

```
randomA(
  n_species,
  names_species = NULL,
  diagonal = -0.5,
  connectance = 0.2,
  scale_off_diagonal = 0.1,
  mutualism = 1,
  commensalism = 1,
  parasitism = 1,
  amensalism = 1,
  competition = 1,
  interactions = NULL,
  symmetric = FALSE,
  list_A = NULL
)
```

Arguments

n_species	Integer: number of species
names_species	Character: names of species. If NULL, paste0("sp", seq_len(n_species)) is used. (default: names_species = NULL)
diagonal	Values defining the strength of self-interactions. Input can be a number (will be applied to all species) or a vector of length n_species. Positive self-interaction values lead to exponential growth. (default: diagonal = -0.5)
connectance	Numeric frequency of inter-species interactions. i.e. proportion of non-zero off-diagonal terms. Should be in the interval 0 <= connectance <= 1. (default: connectance = 0.2)
scale_off_diagonal	
	Numeric: scale of the off-diagonal elements compared to the diagonal. (default: scale_off_diagonal = 0.1)
mutualism	Numeric: relative proportion of interactions terms consistent with mutualism (positive <-> positive) (default: mutualism = 1)
commensalism	Numeric: relative proportion of interactions terms consistent with commensalism (positive <-> neutral) (default: commensalism = 1)
parasitism	Numeric: relative proportion of interactions terms consistent with parasitism (positive <-> negative) (default: parasitism = 1)
amensalism	Numeric: relative proportion of interactions terms consistent with amensalism (neutral <-> negative) (default: amensalism = 1)
competition	Numeric: relative proportion of interactions terms consistent with competition (negative <-> negative) (default: competition = 1)
interactions	Numeric: values of the n_species^2 pairwise interaction strengths. Diagonal terms will be replaced by the 'diagonal' parameter If NULL, interactions are drawn from runif(n_species^2, min=0, max=abs(diagonal)). Negative values are first converted to positive then the signs are defined by the relative

	weights of the biological interactions (i.e. mutualism, commensalism, parasitism, amensalism, competition) (default: `interactions = NULL`)
symmetric	Logical: whether the strength of mutualistic and competitive interactions are symmetric. This is implemented by overwrite a half of the matrix, so the proportions of interactions might deviate from expectations. (default: `symmetric=FALSE`)
list_A	List: a list of matrices generated by randomA. Used to support different groups of interactions. If NULL (by default), no group is considered. Otherwise the given list of matrices will overwrite values around the diagonal. (default: `list_A = NULL`)

Value

randomA returns a matrix A with dimensions (n_species x n_species)

Examples

```
dense_A <- randomA(
    n_species = 10,
    scale_off_diagonal = 1,
    diagonal = -1.0,
    connectance = 0.9
)

sparse_A <- randomA(
    n_species = 10,
    diagonal = -1.0,
    connectance = 0.09
)

user_interactions <- rbeta(n = 10^2, .5, .5)
user_A <- randomA(n_species = 10, interactions = user_interactions)

competitive_A <- randomA(
    n_species = 10,
    mutualism = 0,
    commensalism = 0,
    parasitism = 0,
    amensalism = 0,
    competition = 1,
    connectance = 1,
    scale_off_diagonal = 1
)

parasitism_A <- randomA(
    n_species = 10,
    mutualism = 0,
    commensalism = 0,
    parasitism = 1,
    amensalism = 0,
    competition = 0,
    connectance = 1,
```

```
    scale_off_diagonal = 1,
    symmetric = TRUE
)

list_A <- list(dense_A, sparse_A, competitive_A, parasitism_A)
groupA <- randomA(n_species = 40, list_A = list_A)
```

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randomE   *Generate random efficiency matrix*

Description

Generate random efficiency matrix for consumer resource model from Dirichlet distribution, where positive efficiencies indicate the consumption of resources, whilst negatives indicate that the species would produce the resource.

Usage

```
randomE(
  n_species,
  n_resources,
  names_species = NULL,
  names_resources = NULL,
  mean_consumption = n_resources/4,
  mean_production = n_resources/6,
  maintenance = 0.5,
  trophic_levels = NULL,
  trophic_preferences = NULL,
  exact = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

n_species   Integer: number of species

n_resources   Integer: number of resources

names_species   Character: names of species. If NULL, paste0("sp", seq_len(n_species))
                    is used. (default: names_species = NULL)

names_resources
                    Character: names of resources. If NULL, paste0("res", seq_len(n_resources))
                    is used.

mean_consumption
                    Numeric: mean number of resources consumed by each species drawn from a
                    poisson distribution (default: mean_consumption = n_resources/4)

mean_production
                    Numeric: mean number of resources produced by each species drawn from a
                    poisson distribution (default: mean_production = n_resources/6)

maintenance   Numeric: proportion of resources that cannot be converted into products be-
                     tween 0~1 the proportion of resources used to maintain the living of microor-
                     ganisms. 0 means all the resources will be used for the reproduction of microor-
                     ganisms, and 1 means all the resources would be used to maintain the living of
                     organisms and no resources would be left for their growth(reproduction). (de-
                     fault: `maintenance = 0.5`)

trophic_levels   Integer: number of species in microbial trophic levels. If NULL, by default,
                     microbial trophic levels would not be considered. (default: `trophic_levels =`
                     `NULL`)

trophic_preferences
                     List: preferred resources and productions of each trophic level. Positive values
                     indicate the consumption of resources, whilst negatives indicate that the species
                     would produce the resource.

exact   Logical: whether to set the number of consumption/production to be exact as
                     mean_consumption/mean_production or to set them using a Poisson distribu-
                     tion. (default: `exact = FALSE`) If `length(trophic_preferences)` is smaller
                     than `length(trophic_levels)`, then NULL values would be appended to lower
                     trophic levels. If NULL, by default, the consumption preference will be defined
                     randomly. (default: `trophic_preferences = NULL`)

Value

randomE returns a matrix E with dimensions (n_species x n_resources), and each row represents a
species.

Examples

```
# example with minimum parameters
ExampleEfficiencyMatrix <- randomE(n_species = 5, n_resources = 12)

# examples with specific parameters
ExampleEfficiencyMatrix <- randomE(
    n_species = 3, n_resources = 6,
    names_species = letters[1:3],
    names_resources = paste0("res", LETTERS[1:6]),
    mean_consumption = 3, mean_production = 1
)
ExampleEfficiencyMatrix <- randomE(
    n_species = 3, n_resources = 6,
    maintenance = 0.4
)
ExampleEfficiencyMatrix <- randomE(
    n_species = 3, n_resources = 6,
    mean_consumption = 3, mean_production = 1, maintenance = 0.4
)

# examples with microbial trophic levels
ExampleEfficiencyMatrix <- randomE(
    n_species = 10, n_resources = 15,
    trophic_levels = c(6, 3, 1),
```

```
        trophic_preferences = list(
            c(rep(1, 5), rep(-1, 5), rep(0, 5)),
            c(rep(0, 5), rep(1, 5), rep(-1, 5)),
            c(rep(0, 10), rep(1, 5))
        )
)
ExampleEfficiencyMatrix <- randomE(
    n_species = 10, n_resources = 15,
    trophic_levels = c(6, 3, 1),
    trophic_preferences = list(c(rep(1, 5), rep(-1, 5), rep(0, 5)), NULL, NULL)
)
ExampleEfficiencyMatrix <- randomE(
    n_species = 10, n_resources = 15,
    trophic_levels = c(6, 3, 1)
)
```

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simulateConsumerResource

Consumer-resource model simulation

Description

Simulates time series with the consumer-resource model.

Usage

```
simulateConsumerResource(
  n_species,
  n_resources,
  names_species = NULL,
  names_resources = NULL,
  E = NULL,
  x0 = NULL,
  resources = NULL,
  resources_dilution = NULL,
  growth_rates = NULL,
  monod_constant = NULL,
  sigma_drift = 0.001,
  sigma_epoch = 0.1,
  sigma_external = 0.3,
  sigma_migration = 0.01,
  epoch_p = 0.001,
  t_external_events = NULL,
  t_external_durations = NULL,
  stochastic = FALSE,
  migration_p = 0.01,
  metacommunity_probability = NULL,
```

```
    error_variance = 0,
    norm = FALSE,
    t_end = 1000,
    trophic_priority = NULL,
    inflow_rate = 0,
    outflow_rate = 0,
    volume = 1000,
    ...
)
```

Arguments

n_species	Integer: number of species
n_resources	Integer: number of resources
names_species	Character: names of species. If NULL, paste0("sp", seq_len(n_species)) is used. (default: names_species = NULL)
names_resources	
	Character: names of resources. If NULL, paste0("res", seq_len(n_resources)) is used.
E	matrix: matrix of efficiency. A matrix defining the efficiency of resource-to-biomass conversion (positive values) and the relative conversion of metabolic by-products (negative values). If NULL, randomE(n_species, n_resources) is used. (default: E = NULL)
x0	Numeric: initial abundances of simulated species. If NULL, runif(n = n_species, min = 0.1, max = 10) is used. (default: x0 = NULL)
resources	Numeric: initial concentrations of resources. If NULL, runif(n = n_resources, min = 1, max = 100) is used. (default: resources = NULL)
resources_dilution	
	Numeric: concentrations of resources in the continuous inflow (applicable when inflow_rate > 0). If NULL, resources is used. (default: resources_dilution = NULL)
growth_rates	Numeric: vector of maximum growth rates(mu) of species. If NULL, rep(1, n_species) is used. (default: growth_rates = NULL)
monod_constant	matrix: the constant of additive monod growth of n_species consuming n_resources. If NULL, matrix(rgamma(n = n_species*n_resources, shape = 50*max(resources), rate = 1), nrow = n_species) is used. (default: monod_constant = NULL)
sigma_drift	Numeric: standard deviation of a normally distributed noise applied in each time step (t_step) (default: sigma_drift = 0.001)
sigma_epoch	Numeric: standard deviation of a normally distributed noise applied to random periods of the community composition with frequency defined by the epoch_p parameter (default: sigma_epoch = 0.1)
sigma_external	Numeric: standard deviation of a normally distributed noise applied to user-defined external events/disturbances (default: sigma_external = 0.3)
sigma_migration	
	Numeric: standard deviation of a normally distributed variable that defines the intensity of migration at each time step (t_step) (default: sigma_migration = 0.01)

epoch_p   Numeric: the probability/frequency of random periodic changes introduced to
                   the community composition (default: epoch_p = 0.001)

t_external_events
                   Numeric: the starting time points of defined external events that introduce ran-
                   dom changes to the community composition (default: t_external_events =
                   NULL)

t_external_durations
                   Numeric: respective duration of the external events that are defined in the 't_external_events'
                   (times) and sigma_external (std). (default: t_external_durations = NULL)

stochastic   Logical: whether to introduce noise in the simulation. If False, sigma_drift,
                   sigma_epoch, and sigma_external are ignored. (default: stochastic = FALSE)

migration_p   Numeric: the probability/frequency of migration from a metacommunity. (de-
                   fault: migration_p = 0.01)

metacommunity_probability
                   Numeric: Normalized probability distribution of the likelihood that species from
                   the metacommunity can enter the community during the simulation. If NULL,
                   rdirichlet(1, alpha = rep(1,n_species)) is used. (default: metacommunity_probability
                   = NULL)

error_variance   Numeric: the variance of measurement error. By default it equals to 0, indicating
                   that the result won't contain any measurement error. This value should be non-
                   negative. (default: error_variance = 0)

norm   Logical: whether the time series should be returned with the abundances as
                   proportions (norm = TRUE) or the raw counts (default: norm = FALSE) (default:
                   norm = FALSE)

t_end   Numeric: the end time of the simulationTimes, defining the modeled time length
                   of the community. (default: t_end = 1000)

trophic_priority
                   Matrix: a matrix defining the orders of resources to be consumed by each species.
                   If NULL, by default, this feature won't be turned on, and species will consume
                   all resources simultaneously to grow. The dimension should be identical to ma-
                   trix E. (default: trophic_priority = NULL)

inflow_rate, outflow_rate
                   Numeric: the inflow and outflow rate of a culture process. By default, in-
                   flow_rate and outflow_rate are 0, indicating a batch culture process. By setting
                   them equally larger than 0, we can simulate a continuous culture(e.g. chemo-
                   stat).

volume   Numeric: the volume of the continuous cultivation. This parameter is important
                   for simulations where inflow_rate or outflow_rate are not 0. (default: volume =
                   1000)

...   additional parameters, see utils to know more.

Value

an TreeSummarizedExperiment class object

Examples

```
n_species <- 2
n_resources <- 4
tse <- simulateConsumerResource(
    n_species = n_species,
    n_resources = n_resources
)

# example with user-defined values (names_species, names_resources, E, x0,
# resources, growth_rates, error_variance, t_end, t_step)

ExampleE <- randomE(
    n_species = n_species, n_resources = n_resources,
    mean_consumption = 3, mean_production = 1, maintenance = 0.4
)
ExampleResources <- rep(100, n_resources)
tse1 <- simulateConsumerResource(
    n_species = n_species,
    n_resources = n_resources, names_species = letters[seq_len(n_species)],
    names_resources = paste0("res", LETTERS[seq_len(n_resources)]), E = ExampleE,
    x0 = rep(0.001, n_species), resources = ExampleResources,
    growth_rates = runif(n_species),
    error_variance = 0.01,
    t_end = 5000,
    t_step = 1
)

# example with trophic levels
n_species <- 10
n_resources <- 15
ExampleEfficiencyMatrix <- randomE(
    n_species = 10, n_resources = 15,
    trophic_levels = c(6, 3, 1),
    trophic_preferences = list(
        c(rep(1, 5), rep(-1, 5), rep(0, 5)),
        c(rep(0, 5), rep(1, 5), rep(-1, 5)),
        c(rep(0, 10), rep(1, 5))
    )
)

ExampleResources <- c(rep(500, 5), rep(200, 5), rep(50, 5))
tse2 <- simulateConsumerResource(
    n_species = n_species,
    n_resources = n_resources,
    names_species = letters[1:n_species],
    names_resources = paste0(
        "res", LETTERS[1:n_resources]
    ),
    E = ExampleEfficiencyMatrix,
    x0 = rep(0.001, n_species),
    resources = ExampleResources,
    growth_rates = rep(1, n_species),
```

```
    # error_variance = 0.001,
    t_end = 5000, t_step = 1
)

# example with trophic priority
n_species <- 4
n_resources <- 6
ExampleE <- randomE(
    n_species = n_species,
    n_resources = n_resources,
    mean_consumption = n_resources,
    mean_production = 0
)
ExampleTrophicPriority <- t(apply(
    matrix(sample(n_species * n_resources),
        nrow = n_species
    ),
    1, order
))
# make sure that for non-consumables resources for each species,
# the priority is 0 (smaller than any given priority)
ExampleTrophicPriority <- (ExampleE > 0) * ExampleTrophicPriority
tse3 <- simulateConsumerResource(
    n_species = n_species,
    n_resources = n_resources,
    E = ExampleE,
    trophic_priority = ExampleTrophicPriority,
    t_end = 2000
)
```

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simulateGLV   *Generalized Lotka-Volterra (gLV) simulation*

Description

Simulates time series with the generalized Lotka-Volterra model.

Usage

```
simulateGLV(
  n_species,
  names_species = NULL,
  A = NULL,
  x0 = NULL,
  growth_rates = NULL,
  sigma_drift = 0.001,
  sigma_epoch = 0.1,
  sigma_external = 0.3,
```

```
    sigma_migration = 0.01,
    epoch_p = 0.001,
    t_external_events = NULL,
    t_external_durations = NULL,
    stochastic = TRUE,
    migration_p = 0.01,
    metacommunity_probability = NULL,
    error_variance = 0,
    norm = FALSE,
    t_end = 1000,
    ...
)
```

Arguments

n_species	Integer: number of species
names_species	Character: names of species. If NULL, paste0("sp", seq_len(n_species)) is used. (default: names_species = NULL)
A	matrix: interaction matrix defining the positive and negative interactions between n_species. If NULL, randomA(n_species) is used. (default: A = NULL)
x0	Numeric: initial abundances of simulated species. If NULL, runif(n = n_species, min = 0, max = 1) is used. (default: x0 = NULL)
growth_rates	Numeric: growth rates of simulated species. If NULL, runif(n = n_species, min = 0, max = 1) is used. (default: growth_rates = NULL)
sigma_drift	Numeric: standard deviation of a normally distributed noise applied in each time step (t_step) (default: sigma_drift = 0.001)
sigma_epoch	Numeric: standard deviation of a normally distributed noise applied to random periods of the community composition with frequency defined by the epoch_p parameter (default: sigma_epoch = 0.1)
sigma_external	Numeric: standard deviation of a normally distributed noise applied to user-defined external events/disturbances (default: sigma_external = 0.3)
sigma_migration	
	Numeric: standard deviation of a normally distributed variable that defines the intensity of migration at each time step (t_step) (default: sigma_migration = 0.01)
epoch_p	Numeric: the probability/frequency of random periodic changes introduced to the community composition (default: epoch_p = 0.001)
t_external_events	
	Numeric: the starting time points of defined external events that introduce random changes to the community composition (default: t_external_events = NULL)
t_external_durations	
	Numeric: respective duration of the external events that are defined in the 't_external_events' (times) and sigma_external (std). (default: t_external_durations = NULL)
stochastic	Logical: whether to introduce noise in the simulation. If False, sigma_drift, sigma_epoch, and sigma_external are ignored. (default: stochastic = FALSE)

migration_p   Numeric: the probability/frequency of migration from a metacommunity. (default: migration_p = 0.01)

metacommunity_probability

    Numeric: Normalized probability distribution of the likelihood that species from the metacommunity can enter the community during the simulation. If NULL, rdirichlet(1, alpha = rep(1,n_species)) is used. (default: metacommunity_probability = NULL)

error_variance   Numeric: the variance of measurement error. By default it equals to 0, indicating that the result won't contain any measurement error. This value should be non-negative. (default: error_variance = 0)

norm   Logical: whether the time series should be returned with the abundances as proportions (norm = TRUE) or the raw counts (default: norm = FALSE) (default: norm = FALSE)

t_end   Numeric: the end time of the simulationTimes, defining the modeled time length of the community. (default: t_end = 1000)

...   additional parameters, see [utils](#) to know more.

Details

Simulates a community time series using the generalized Lotka-Volterra model, defined as dx/dt = x(b+Ax), where x is the vector of species abundances, diag(x) is a diagonal matrix with the diagonal values set to x. A is the interaction matrix and b is the vector of growth rates.

Value

simulateGLV returns a TreeSummarizedExperiment class object

Examples

```
# generate a random interaction matrix
ExampleA <- randomA(n_species = 4, diagonal = -1)

# run the model with default values (only stochastic migration considered)
tse <- simulateGLV(n_species = 4, A = ExampleA)

# run the model with two external disturbances at time points 240 and 480
# with durations equal to 1 (10 time steps when t_step by default is 0.1).
ExampleGLV <- simulateGLV(
    n_species = 4, A = ExampleA,
    t_external_events = c(0, 240, 480), t_external_durations = c(0, 1, 1)
)

# run the model with no perturbation nor migration
set.seed(42)
tse1 <- simulateGLV(
    n_species = 4, A = ExampleA, stochastic = FALSE,
    sigma_migration = 0
)
```

```
# run the model with no perturbation nor migration but with measurement error
set.seed(42)
tse2 <- simulateGLV(
    n_species = 4, A = ExampleA, stochastic = FALSE,
    error_variance = 0.001, sigma_migration = 0
)
```

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simulateHubbell   *Hubbell's neutral model simulation*

Description

Neutral species abundances simulation according to the Hubbell model.

Usage

```
simulateHubbell(
  n_species,
  M,
  carrying_capacity = 1000,
  k_events = 10,
  migration_p = 0.02,
  t_skip = 0,
  t_end,
  norm = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

n_species	integer amount of different species initially in the local community
M	integer amount of different species in the metacommunity, including those of the local community
carrying_capacity	
	integer value of fixed amount of individuals in the local community (default: carrying_capacity = 1000)
k_events	integer value of fixed amount of deaths of local community individuals in each generation (default: k_events = 10)
migration_p	numeric immigration rate: the probability that a death in the local community is replaced by a migrant of the metacommunity rather than by the birth of a local community member (default: migration_p = 0.02)
t_skip	integer number of generations that should not be included in the outputted species abundance matrix. (default: t_skip = 0)
t_end	integer number of simulations to be simulated
norm	logical scalar choosing whether the time series should be returned with the abundances as proportions (norm = TRUE) or the raw counts (default: norm = FALSE)

Value

simulateHubbell returns a TreeSummarizedExperiment class object

References

Rosindell, James et al. "The unified neutral theory of biodiversity and biogeography at age ten." Trends in ecology & evolution vol. 26,7 (2011).

Examples

```
tse <- simulateHubbell(
    n_species = 8, M = 10, carrying_capacity = 1000, k_events = 50,
    migration_p = 0.02, t_end = 100
)
```

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simulateHubbellRates   *Hubbell's neutral model simulation applied to time series*

Description

Neutral species abundances simulation according to the Hubbell model. This model shows that losses in society can be replaced either by the birth of individuals or by immigration depending on their probabilities. The specific time between the events of birth or migration is calculated and time effect is considered to determine the next event.

Usage

```
simulateHubbellRates(
  n_species = NULL,
  x0 = NULL,
  names_species = NULL,
  migration_p = 0.01,
  metacommunity_probability = NULL,
  k_events = 1,
  growth_rates = NULL,
  error_variance = 0,
  norm = FALSE,
  t_end = 1000,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

n_species	Integer: number of species
x0	Numeric: initial species composition. If NULL, rep(100, n_species) is used.

names_species   Character: names of species. If NULL, paste0("sp", seq_len(n_species))
                 is used. (default: names_species = NULL)

migration_p   Numeric: the probability/frequency of migration from a metacommunity. (de-
                 fault: migration_p = 0.01)

metacommunity_probability

                 Numeric: Normalized probability distribution of the likelihood that species from
                 the metacommunity can enter the community during the simulation. If NULL,
                 rdirichlet(1, alpha = rep(1,n_species)) is used. (default: metacommunity_probability
                 = NULL)

k_events   Integer: number of events to simulate before updating the sampling distribu-
                 tions. (default: k_events = 1)

growth_rates   Numeric: maximum growth rates(mu) of species. If NULL, rep(1, n_species)
                 is used. (default: growth_rates = NULL)

error_variance   Numeric: the variance of measurement error. By default it equals to 0, indicating
                 that the result won't contain any measurement error. This value should be non-
                 negative. (default: error_variance = 0)

norm   Logical: whether the time series should be returned with the abundances as
                 proportions (norm = TRUE) or the raw counts (default: norm = FALSE) (default:
                 norm = FALSE)

t_end   Numeric: the end time of the simulationTimes, defining the modeled time length
                 of the community. (default: t_end = 1000)

...   additional parameters, see utils to know more.

Value

simulateHubbellRates returns a TreeSummarizedExperiment class object

References

Rosindell, James et al. "The unified neutral theory of biodiversity and biogeography at age ten."
Trends in ecology & evolution vol. 26,7 (2011).

Examples

```
set.seed(42)
tse <- simulateHubbellRates(n_species = 5)

miaViz::plotSeries(tse, x = "time")

# no migration, all stochastic birth and death
set.seed(42)
tse1 <- simulateHubbellRates(n_species = 5, migration_p = 0)

# all migration, no stochastic birth and death
set.seed(42)
tse2 <- simulateHubbellRates(
    n_species = 5,
    migration_p = 1,
```

```
    metacommunity_probability = c(0.1, 0.15, 0.2, 0.25, 0.3),
    t_end = 20,
    t_store = 200
)

# all migration, no stochastic birth and death, but with measurement errors
set.seed(42)
tse3 <- simulateHubbellRates(
    n_species = 5,
    migration_p = 1,
    metacommunity_probability = c(0.1, 0.15, 0.2, 0.25, 0.3),
    t_end = 20,
    t_store = 200,
    error_variance = 100
)

# model with specified inputs
set.seed(42)
tse4 <- simulateHubbellRates(
    n_species = 5,
    migration_p = 0.1,
    metacommunity_probability = c(0.1, 0.15, 0.2, 0.25, 0.3),
    t_end = 200,
    t_store = 1000,
    k_events = 5,
    growth_rates = c(1.1, 1.05, 1, 0.95, 0.9)
)
```

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simulateRicker   *Generate time series with the Ricker model*

Description

The Ricker model is a discrete version of the generalized Lotka-Volterra model and is implemented here as proposed by Fisher and Mehta in PLoS ONE 2014.

Usage

```
simulateRicker(
  n_species,
  A,
  names_species = NULL,
  x0 = runif(n_species),
  carrying_capacities = runif(n_species),
  error_variance = 0.05,
  explosion_bound = 10^8,
  t_end = 1000,
  norm = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

`n_species`	Integer: number of species
`A`	interaction matrix
`names_species`	Character: names of species. If NULL, `paste0("sp", seq_len(n_species))` is used. (default: `names_species = NULL`)
`x0`	Numeric: initial abundances of simulated species. If NULL, `runif(n = n_species, min = 0, max = 1)` is used.
`carrying_capacities`	
	numeric carrying capacities. If NULL, `runif(n = n_species, min = 0, max = 1)` is used.
`error_variance`	Numeric: the variance of measurement error. By default it equals to 0, indicating that the result won't contain any measurement error. This value should be non-negative. (default: `error_variance = 0.05`)
`explosion_bound`	
	numeric value of boundary for explosion (default: `explosion_bound = 10^8`)
`t_end`	integer number of simulations to be simulated
`norm`	logical scalar returning normalised abundances (proportions in each generation) (default: `norm = FALSE`)
`...`	additional parameters, see utils to know more.

Value

simulateRicker returns a TreeSummarizedExperiment class object

References

Fisher & Mehta (2014). Identifying Keystone Species in the Human Gut Microbiome from Metagenomic Timeseries using Sparse Linear Regression. PLoS One 9:e102451

Examples

```
A <- powerlawA(10, alpha = 1.01)
tse <- simulateRicker(n_species = 10, A, t_end = 100)
```

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simulateSOI   *Self-Organised Instability model (SOI) simulation*

Description

Generate time-series with The Self-Organised Instability (SOI) model. Implements a K-leap method for accelerating stochastic simulation.

Usage

```
simulateSOI(
  n_species,
  x0 = NULL,
  names_species = NULL,
  carrying_capacity = 1000,
  A = NULL,
  k_events = 5,
  t_end = 1000,
  metacommunity_probability = runif(n_species, min = 0.1, max = 0.8),
  death_rates = runif(n_species, min = 0.01, max = 0.08),
  norm = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

`n_species`	Integer: number of species
`x0`	a vector of initial community abundances If (default: `x0 = NULL`), based on migration rates
`names_species`	Character: names of species. If NULL, `paste0("sp", seq_len(n_species))` is used. (default: `names_species = NULL`)
`carrying_capacity`	
	integer community size, number of available sites (individuals)
`A`	matrix: interaction matrix defining the positive and negative interactions between n_species. If NULL, `powerlawA(n_species)` is used. (default: `A = NULL`)
`k_events`	integer number of transition events that are allowed to take place during one leap. (default: `k_events = 5`). Higher values reduce runtime, but also accuracy of the simulation.
`t_end`	Numeric: the end time of the simulation, defining the modeled time length of the community. (default: `t_end = 1000`)
`metacommunity_probability`	
	Numeric: Normalized probability distribution of the likelihood that species from the metacommunity can enter the community during the simulation. By default, `runif(n_species, min = 0.1, max = 0.8)` is used. (default: `metacommunity_probability = runif(n_species, min = 0.1, max = 0.8)`)
`death_rates`	Numeric: death rates of each species. By default, `runif(n_species, min = 0.01, max = 0.08)` is used. (default: `death_rates = runif(n_species, min = 0.01, max = 0.08)`)
`norm`	logical scalar indicating whether the time series should be returned with the abundances as proportions (`norm = TRUE`) or the raw counts (default: `norm = FALSE`)

Value

simulateSOI returns a TreeSummarizedExperiment class object

Examples

```
# Generate interaction matrix
A <- miaSim::powerlawA(10, alpha = 1.2)
# Simulate data from the SOI model
tse <- simulateSOI(
    n_species = 10, carrying_capacity = 1000, A = A,
    k_events = 5, x0 = NULL, t_end = 150, norm = TRUE
)
```

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simulateStochasticLogistic

Stochastic Logistic simulation

Description

Simulates time series with the (stochastic) logistic model

Usage

```
simulateStochasticLogistic(
  n_species,
  names_species = NULL,
  growth_rates = NULL,
  carrying_capacities = NULL,
  death_rates = NULL,
  x0 = NULL,
  sigma_drift = 0.001,
  sigma_epoch = 0.1,
  sigma_external = 0.3,
  sigma_migration = 0.01,
  epoch_p = 0.001,
  t_external_events = NULL,
  t_external_durations = NULL,
  migration_p = 0.01,
  metacommunity_probability = NULL,
  stochastic = TRUE,
  error_variance = 0,
  norm = FALSE,
  t_end = 1000,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

n_species   Integer: number of species

names_species	Character: names of species. If NULL, paste0("sp", seq_len(n_species)) is used. (default: names_species = NULL)
growth_rates	Numeric: growth rates of simulated species. If NULL, runif(n = n_species, min = 0.1, max = 0.2) is used. (default: growth_rates = NULL)
carrying_capacities	
	Numeric: The max population of species supported in the community. If NULL, runif(n = n_species, min = 1000, max = 2000) is used. (default: carrying_capacities = NULL)
death_rates	Numeric: death rates of each species. If NULL, runif(n = n_species, min = 0.0005, max = 0.0025) is used. (default: death_rates = NULL)
x0	Numeric: initial abundances of simulated species. If NULL, runif(n = n_species, min = 0.1, max = 10) is used. (default: x0 = NULL)
sigma_drift	Numeric: standard deviation of a normally distributed noise applied in each time step (t_step) (default: sigma_drift = 0.001)
sigma_epoch	Numeric: standard deviation of a normally distributed noise applied to random periods of the community composition with frequency defined by the epoch_p parameter (default: sigma_epoch = 0.1)
sigma_external	Numeric: standard deviation of a normally distributed noise applied to user-defined external events/disturbances (default: sigma_external = 0.3)
sigma_migration	
	Numeric: standard deviation of a normally distributed variable that defines the intensity of migration at each time step (t_step) (default: sigma_migration = 0.01)
epoch_p	Numeric: the probability/frequency of random periodic changes introduced to the community composition (default: epoch_p = 0.001)
t_external_events	
	Numeric: the starting time points of defined external events that introduce random changes to the community composition (default: t_external_events = NULL)
t_external_durations	
	Numeric: respective duration of the external events that are defined in the 't_external_events' (times) and sigma_external (std). (default: t_external_durations = NULL)
migration_p	Numeric: the probability/frequency of migration from a metacommunity. (default: migration_p = 0.01)
metacommunity_probability	
	Numeric: Normalized probability distribution of the likelihood that species from the metacommunity can enter the community during the simulation. If NULL, rdirichlet(1, alpha = rep(1,n_species)) is used. (default: metacommunity_probability = NULL)
stochastic	Logical: whether to introduce noise in the simulation. If False, sigma_drift, sigma_epoch, and sigma_external are ignored. (default: stochastic = TRUE)
error_variance	Numeric: the variance of measurement error. By default it equals to 0, indicating that the result won't contain any measurement error. This value should be non-negative. (default: error_variance = 0)

norm   Logical: whether the time series should be returned with the abundances as
                        proportions (norm = TRUE) or the raw counts (default: norm = FALSE) (default:
                        norm = FALSE)

t_end   Numeric: the end time of the simulationTimes, defining the modeled time length
                        of the community. (default: t_end = 1000)

...   additional parameters, see [utils](#) to know more.

Details

The change rate of the species was defined as dx/dt = b*x*(1-(x/k))*rN - dr*x, where b is the
vector of growth rates, x is the vector of initial species abundances, k is the vector of maximum
carrying capacities, rN is a random number ranged from 0 to 1 which changes in each time step,
dr is the vector of constant death rates. Also, the vectors of initial dead species abundances can be
set. The number of species will be set to 0 if the dead species abundances surpass the alive species
abundances.

Value

simulateStochasticLogistic returns a TreeSummarizedExperiment class object

Examples

```
# Example of logistic model without stochasticity, death rates, or external
# disturbances
set.seed(42)
tse <- simulateStochasticLogistic(
    n_species = 5,
    stochastic = FALSE, death_rates = rep(0, 5)
)

# Adding a death rate
set.seed(42)
tse1 <- simulateStochasticLogistic(
    n_species = 5,
    stochastic = FALSE, death_rates = rep(0.01, 5)
)

# Example of stochastic logistic model with measurement error
set.seed(42)
tse2 <- simulateStochasticLogistic(
    n_species = 5,
    error_variance = 1000
)

# example with all the initial parameters defined by the user
set.seed(42)
tse3 <- simulateStochasticLogistic(
    n_species = 2,
    names_species = c("species1", "species2"),
    growth_rates = c(0.2, 0.1),
    carrying_capacities = c(1000, 2000),
```

```
    death_rates = c(0.001, 0.0015),
    x0 = c(3, 0.1),
    sigma_drift = 0.001,
    sigma_epoch = 0.3,
    sigma_external = 0.5,
    sigma_migration = 0.002,
    epoch_p = 0.001,
    t_external_events = c(100, 200, 300),
    t_external_durations = c(0.1, 0.2, 0.3),
    migration_p = 0.01,
    metacommunity_probability = miaSim::.rdirichlet(1, alpha = rep(1, 2)),
    stochastic = TRUE,
    error_variance = 0,
    norm = FALSE, # TRUE,
    t_end = 400,
    t_start = 0, t_step = 0.01,
    t_store = 1500
)
```

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