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camtrapR-package *Overview of the functions in the camtrapR package*

Description

This package provides a streamlined workflow for processing data generated in camera trap-based wildlife studies and prepares input for further analyses, particularly in occupancy and spatial capture-recapture frameworks. It suggests a simple data structure and provides functions for managing digital camera trap photographs (and videos), generating record tables, maps of species richness and species detections and species activity diagrams. It further helps prepare subsequent analyses by creating detection/non-detection matrices for occupancy analyses, e.g. in the **unmarked** package, and `capthist` objects for spatial capture-recapture analyses in the **secr** package. In addition, basic survey statistics are computed. The functions build on one another in a logical sequence. The only manual input needed is species (and individual) identification, which is achieved by moving images into species directories or by tagging images in image management software. Besides, a table holding basic information about camera trap station IDs, locations and trapping periods must be created in spreadsheet software.

Details

Image metadata (such as date and time or user-assigned tags) are extracted from the images using Phil Harvey's ExifTool (available from http://www.sno.phy.queensu.ca/~phil/exiftool/) and the information is stored in a record table. An adjustable criterion for temporal independence of records can be applied. Maps of species presence and species richness can be generated. Several functions are available for plotting single- and two-species activity patterns. Information about the camera-specific trapping periods (and periods of malfunction) are summarized into a matrix about camera trap operability. These, together with the record table, are used to generate species detection histories for occupancy and spatial capture-recapture analyses. The user has considerable freedom in generating the detection histories; sampling occasion length, beginning date and and occasion start times are adjustable. In addition, trapping effort (i.e. active trap nights per station and occasion) can be computed for use as a covariate / offset on detection probability.

User support

The camtrapR Google group is an online support and help forum for camtrapR users. You can find it here: https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/camtrapr.

Image organisation and management

The functions in this section set up a directory structure for storing camera trap images and identifying species and individuals from images. They build on one another and can be run in sequential order as needed.

`createStationFolders`	Create camera trap station directories for raw images
`fixDateTimeOriginal`	Fix DateTimeOriginal Exif metadata tag in Reconyx Hyperfire cameras
`timeShiftImages`	Apply time shifts to JPEG images
`imageRename`	Copy and rename images based on station ID and image creation date

addCopyrightTag	Write a copyright tag into JPEG image metadata
appendSpeciesNames	Add or remove species names from image filenames

Species / individual identification

These functions assist in species identification and prepare individual identification of animals.

checkSpeciesNames	Check species names against the ITIS taxonomic database
createSpeciesFolders	Create directories for species identification
checkSpeciesIdentification	Consistency check on species image identification
getSpeciesImages	Gather all images of a species in a new directory

Image data extraction

These function use the directory structure built above (Section 'Image management workflow') and a table containing basic information about camera traps and/or stations (IDs, location, trapping period).

recordTable	Create a species record table from camera trap images and videos
recordTableIndividual	Create a single-species record table from camera trap images and videos with individual IDs
exifTagNames	Return Exif metadata tags and tag names from JPEG images
exiftoolPath	Add the directory containing exiftool.exe to PATH temporarily (Windows only)

Data exploration and visualisation

These plots are generated from the record table and the camera trap table.

detectionMaps	Generate maps of species richness and species presence by station, export shapefiles
activityHistogram	Single-species diel activity histograms
activityDensity	Single-species diel activity kernel density estimation plots
activityRadial	Single-species diel activity radial plot
activityOverlap	Two-species diel activity overlap plots and estimates

Data export

cameraOperation	Create a camera operability matrix
detectionHistory	Species detection histories for occupancy analyses (single and multi-season)
spatialDetectionHistory	Detection histories of individuals for spatial capture-recapture analyses
surveyReport	Create a report about camera trap surveys and species detections

Sample data

camtraps	Sample camera trap station information table
recordTableSample	Sample species record table
recordTableIndividualSample	Single-species record table with individual IDs
camtrapsMultiSeason	Sample multi season camera trap station information table
recordTableSampleMultiSeason	Sample multi season species record table
recordTableIndividualSampleMultiSeason	Single-species multi season record table with individual IDs
timeShiftTable	Sample camera trap time shift information

Vignettes

1. Organising raw camera trap images
2. Identifying species and individuals
3. Extracting Data from Camera Trapping Images and Videos
4. Data exploration and visualisation

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Lemon, J. (2006) Plotrix: a package in the red light district of R. R-News, 6(4): 8-12.

Mike Meredith and Martin Ridout (2018). overlap: Estimates of coefficient of overlapping for animal activity patterns. R package version 0.3.2. https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=overlap

Phil Harvey's ExifTool http://www.sno.phy.queensu.ca/~phil/exiftool/

See Also

overlap unmarked secr plotrix taxize ritis wiqid

`activityDensity` *Plot kernel density estimation of single-species activity*

Description

The function plots a kernel density estimation of species diel activity using function `densityPlot` from package **overlap**.

Usage

```
activityDensity(recordTable,
  species,
  allSpecies = FALSE,
  speciesCol = "Species",
  recordDateTimeCol = "DateTimeOriginal",
  recordDateTimeFormat = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S",
  plotR = TRUE,
  writePNG = FALSE,
  plotDirectory,
  createDir = FALSE,
  pngMaxPix = 1000,
  add.rug = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

`recordTable`	data.frame. the record table created by `recordTable`
`species`	Name of the species for which to create an kernel density plot of activity
`allSpecies`	logical. Create plots for all species in `speciesCol` of `recordTable`? Overrides argument `species`
`speciesCol`	character. name of the column specifying species names in `recordTable`
`recordDateTimeCol`	character. name of the column specifying date and time in `recordTable`
`recordDateTimeFormat`	character. format of column `recordDateTimeCol` in `recordTable`
`plotR`	logical. Show plots in R graphics device?
`writePNG`	logical. Create pngs of the plots?
`plotDirectory`	character. Directory in which to create png plots if `writePNG = TRUE`
`createDir`	logical. Create `plotDirectory` if `writePNG = TRUE`?
`pngMaxPix`	integer. image size of png (pixels along x-axis)
`add.rug`	logical. add a rug to the plot?
`...`	additional arguments to be passed to function `densityPlot`

Details

`species` must be in the `speciesCol` of `recordTable`.

`recordDateTimeFormat` defaults to the "YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM:SS" convention, e.g. "2014-09-30 22:59:59". `recordDateTimeFormat` can be interpreted either by base-R via `strptime` or in **lubridate** via `parse_date_time` (argument "orders"). **lubridate** will be used if there are no "%" characters in `recordDateTimeFormat`.

For "YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM:SS", `recordDateTimeFormat` would be either "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S" or "ymd HMS". For details on how to specify date and time formats in R see `strptime` or `parse_date_time`.

Value

Returns invisibly a vector of species record observation times in radians, i.e. scaled to $[0, 2\pi]$. If `allSpecies == TRUE`, all species' vectors are returned in an invisible named list.

Author(s)

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References

Martin Ridout and Matthew Linkie (2009). Estimating overlap of daily activity patterns from camera trap data. Journal of Agricultural, Biological and Environmental Statistics, 14(3), 322-337
Mike Meredith and Martin Ridout (2018). overlap: Estimates of coefficient of overlapping for animal activity patterns. R package version 0.3.2. https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=overlap

See Also

`activityHistogram`, `activityRadial`, `activityOverlap` http://www.kent.ac.uk/smsas/personal/msr/overlap.html

Examples

```
# load record table
data(recordTableSample)

species4activity <- "VTA"    # = Viverra tangalunga, Malay Civet

activityDensity(recordTable = recordTableSample,
                species     = species4activity)


# all species at once

activityDensity(recordTable = recordTableSample,
                allSpecies  = TRUE,
                writePNG    = FALSE,
                plotR       = TRUE,
                add.rug     = TRUE)
```

`activityHistogram` *Plot histogram of single-species activity*

Description

The function generates a histogram of species diel activity in 1-hour intervals.

Usage

```
activityHistogram(recordTable,
species,
allSpecies = FALSE,
speciesCol = "Species",
recordDateTimeCol = "DateTimeOriginal",
recordDateTimeFormat = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S",
plotR = TRUE,
writePNG = FALSE,
plotDirectory,
createDir = FALSE,
pngMaxPix = 1000,
...)
```

Arguments

`recordTable`	data.frame. the record table created by `recordTable`
`species`	Name of the single species for which to create a histogram of activity
`allSpecies`	logical. Create plots for all species in `speciesCol` of `recordTable`? Overrides argument `species`
`speciesCol`	character. name of the column specifying species names in `recordTable`
`recordDateTimeCol`	character. name of the column specifying date and time in `recordTable`
`recordDateTimeFormat`	character. format of column `recordDateTimeCol` in `recordTable`
`plotR`	logical. Show plots in R graphics device?
`writePNG`	logical. Create pngs of the plots?
`plotDirectory`	character. Directory in which to create png plots if `writePNG = TRUE`
`createDir`	logical. Create `plotDirectory`?
`pngMaxPix`	integer. image size of png (pixels along x-axis)
`...`	additional arguments to be passed to function `hist`

Details

Activity is calculated from the time of day of records. The date is ignored.

`recordDateTimeFormat` defaults to the "YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM:SS" convention, e.g. "2014-09-30 22:59:59". `recordDateTimeFormat` can be interpreted either by base-R via `strptime` or in **lubridate** via `parse_date_time` (argument "orders"). **lubridate** will be used if there are no "%" characters in `recordDateTimeFormat`.

For "YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM:SS", `recordDateTimeFormat` would be either "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S" or "ymd HMS". For details on how to specify date and time formats in R see `strptime` or `parse_date_time`.

Value

It returns invisibly a vector of species record date and time in `POSIXlt` format. If `allSpecies == TRUE`, all species' vectors are returned in an invisible named list.

Note

If you have a sufficiently large number of records you may wish to consider using `activityDensity` instead. Please be aware that this function (like the other activity... function of this package) use clock time. If your survey was long enough to see changes in sunrise and sunset times, this may result in biased representations of species activity.

Author(s)

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See Also

`activityDensity`, `activityRadial`, `activityOverlap`

Examples

```
# load record table
data(recordTableSample)

# generate activity histogram
species4activity <- "VTA"    # = Viverra tangalunga, Malay Civet

activityHistogram (recordTable = recordTableSample,
                   species     = species4activity,
                   allSpecies = FALSE)
```

activityOverlap *Plot overlapping kernel densities of two-species activities*

Description

This function plots kernel density estimates of two species' diel activity data by calling the function overlapPlot from package **overlap**. It further computes the overlap coefficient Dhat1 by calling overlapEst.

Usage

```
  activityOverlap(recordTable,
  speciesA,
  speciesB,
  speciesCol = "Species",
  recordDateTimeCol = "DateTimeOriginal",
  recordDateTimeFormat = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S",
  plotR = TRUE,
  writePNG = FALSE,
  addLegend = TRUE,
  legendPosition = "topleft",
  plotDirectory,
  createDir = FALSE,
  pngMaxPix = 1000,
  add.rug = TRUE,
  overlapEstimator = c("Dhat1", "Dhat4", "Dhat5"),
  ...
)
```

Arguments

recordTable	data.frame. the record table created by recordTable
speciesA	Name of species 1 (as found in speciesCol of recordTable)
speciesB	Name of species 2 (as found in speciesCol of recordTable)
speciesCol	character. name of the column specifying species names in recordTable
recordDateTimeCol	character. name of the column specifying date and time in recordTable
recordDateTimeFormat	character. format of column recordDateTimeCol in recordTable
plotR	logical. Show plots in R graphics device?
writePNG	logical. Create pngs of the plots?
addLegend	logical. Add a legend to the plots?
legendPosition	character. Position of the legend (keyword)
plotDirectory	character. Directory in which to create png plots if writePNG = TRUE

createDir	logical. Create plotDirectory?
pngMaxPix	integer. image size of png (pixels along x-axis)
add.rug	logical. add a rug to the plot?
overlapEstimator	character. Which overlap estimator to return (passed on to argument type in overlapEst)
...	additional arguments to be passed to function overlapPlot

Details

... can be graphical parameters passed on to function overlapPlot, e.g. linetype, linewidth, linecol (see example below).

recordDateTimeFormat defaults to the "YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM:SS" convention, e.g. "2014-09-30 22:59:59". recordDateTimeFormat can be interpreted either by base-R via strptime or in **lubridate** via parse_date_time (argument "orders"). **lubridate** will be used if there are no "%" characters in recordDateTimeFormat.

For "YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM:SS", recordDateTimeFormat would be either "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S" or "ymd HMS". For details on how to specify date and time formats in R see strptime or parse_date_time.

Value

Returns invisibly the data.frame with plot coordinates returned by overlapPlot.

Note

Please be aware that the function (like the other activity... function of this package) use clock time, not solar time. If your survey was long enough to see changes in sunrise and sunset times, this may result in biased representations of species activity.

Author(s)

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References

Mike Meredith and Martin Ridout (2018). overlap: Estimates of coefficient of overlapping for animal activity patterns. R package version 0.3.2. https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=overlap

Ridout, M.S. and Linkie, M. (2009) Estimating overlap of daily activity patterns from camera trap data. Journal of Agricultural, Biological and Environmental Statistics, 14, 322-337.

See Also

activityDensity

http://www.kent.ac.uk/smsas/personal/msr/overlap.html

Examples

```
# load record table
data(recordTableSample)

# define species of interest
speciesA_for_activity <- "VTA"    # = Viverra tangalunga, Malay Civet
speciesB_for_activity <- "PBE"    # = Prionailurus bengalensis, Leopard Cat

# create activity overlap plot (basic)
activityOverlap (recordTable = recordTableSample,
                 speciesA    = "VTA",    # = Viverra tangalunga, Malay Civet
                 speciesB    = "PBE",    # = Prionailurus bengalensis, Leopard Cat
                 writePNG    = FALSE,
                 plotR       = TRUE
)



# create activity overlap plot (prettier and with some overlapPlot arguments set)

activityOverlap (recordTable = recordTableSample,
                 speciesA    = speciesA_for_activity,
                 speciesB    = speciesB_for_activity,
                 writePNG    = FALSE,
                 plotR       = TRUE,
                 createDir   = FALSE,
                 pngMaxPix   = 1000,
                 linecol     = c("black", "blue"),
                 linewidth   = c(5,3),
                 linetype    = c(1, 2),
                 olapcol     = "darkgrey",
                 add.rug     = TRUE,
                 extend      = "lightgrey",
                 ylim        = c(0, 0.25),
                 main        = paste("Activity overlap between ",
                                     speciesA_for_activity, "and",
                                     speciesB_for_activity)
)
```

`activityRadial` *Radial plots of single-species activity*

Description

The function generates a radial plot of species diel activity using an adapted version of function `radial.plot` from package **plotrix** (without the need to install the package). Records are aggregated by hour. The number of independent events is used as input, which in turn is based on the argument `minDeltaTime` in `recordTable`.

Usage

```
activityRadial(recordTable,
  species,
  allSpecies = FALSE,
  speciesCol = "Species",
  recordDateTimeCol = "DateTimeOriginal",
  recordDateTimeFormat = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S",
  byNumber = FALSE,
  plotR = TRUE,
  writePNG = FALSE,
  plotDirectory,
  createDir = FALSE,
  pngMaxPix = 1000,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

recordTable	data.frame. the record table created by recordTable
species	Name of the species for which to create an kernel density plot of activity
allSpecies	logical. Create plots for all species in speciesCol of recordTable? Overrides argument species
speciesCol	character. name of the column specifying species names in recordTable
recordDateTimeCol	character. name of the column specifying date and time in recordTable
recordDateTimeFormat	character. format of column recordDateTimeCol in recordTable
byNumber	logical. If FALSE, plot proportion of records. If TRUE, plot number of records
plotR	logical. Show plots in R graphics device?
writePNG	logical. Create pngs of the plots?
plotDirectory	character. Directory in which to create png plots if writePNG = TRUE
createDir	logical. Create plotDirectory?
pngMaxPix	integer. image size of png (pixels along x-axis)
...	additional arguments to be passed to function radial.plot

Details

radial.plot was adjusted to show a clockwise 24-hour clock face. It is recommended to set argument lwd to a value >= 2. You may also wish to add argument rp.type="p" to show a polygon instead of bars.

recordDateTimeFormat defaults to the "YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM:SS" convention, e.g. "2014-09-30 22:59:59". recordDateTimeFormat can be interpreted either by base-R via strptime or in **lubridate** via parse_date_time (argument "orders"). **lubridate** will be used if there are no "%" characters in recordDateTimeFormat.

For "YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM:SS", `recordDateTimeFormat` would be either "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S" or "ymd HMS". For details on how to specify date and time formats in R see `strptime` or `parse_date_time`.

Value

Returns invisibly a data.frame containing all information needed to create the plot: radial position, lengths, hour (for labels). If `allSpecies == TRUE`, all species' data frames are returned in an invisible named list.

Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

References

Lemon, J. (2006) Plotrix: a package in the red light district of R. R-News, 6(4): 8-12.
https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=plotrix

See Also

`activityDensity`, `activityHistogram`, `activityOverlap`

Examples

```
# load record table
data(recordTableSample)

species4activity <- "PBE"    # = Prionailurus bengalensis, Leopard Cat

activityRadial(recordTable       = recordTableSample,
               species           = species4activity,
               allSpecies        = FALSE,
               speciesCol        = "Species",
               recordDateTimeCol = "DateTimeOriginal",
               plotR             = TRUE,
               writePNG          = FALSE,
               lwd               = 5
)

# plot type = polygon

activityRadial(recordTable       = recordTableSample,
               species           = species4activity,
               allSpecies        = FALSE,
               speciesCol        = "Species",
               recordDateTimeCol = "DateTimeOriginal",
               plotR             = TRUE,
               writePNG          = FALSE,
               lwd               = 5,
               rp.type           = "p"
```

```
)
```

---

addCopyrightTag *Write a copyright tag into JPEG image metadata*

Description

This function writes a copyright tag into the copyright field of JPEG image Exif metadata. It does so recursively, so it works both for images that are sorted into subdirectories and unsorted images. Note that all images in subdirectories of inDir will be tagged. It is not required to run this function in the camtrapR workflow, but may be desired for data sharing or publishing.

Usage

```
addCopyrightTag(inDir,
  copyrightTag,
  askFirst = TRUE,
  keepJPG_original = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

inDir	character. Name of the directory containing camera trap images.
copyrightTag	character. The tag to be written into the Exif Copyright field
askFirst	logical. Ask user to confirm before execution?
keepJPG_original	logical. Keep original JPG files as .JPG_original files (TRUE) or overwrite JPGs (FALSE)?

Details

If askFirst = TRUE, the function will show a menu and asks the user to confirm the action before execution. Type "1" to write copyright tags and "2" to abort.

By default Exiftool creates a copy of each JPG image and preserves the original images (without the copyright tag) as .JPG_original files. Note that this behaviour will instantly double the number of images in inDir and the disk space required. If this is not desired, set keepJPG_original = FALSE.

Value

An invisible list of Exiftool output.

More importantly, the specified copyright tag is written into the Copyright field of the Exif metadata of all images in inDir.

Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

Examples

```
## Not run:

if (Sys.which("exiftool") != ""){       # only run this example if ExifTool is available

# copy sample images to temporary directory (so we don't mess around in the package directory)
wd_images_ID <- system.file(file.path("pictures", "sample_images_species_dir"),
                            package = "camtrapR")
file.copy(from = wd_images_ID, to = tempdir(), recursive = TRUE)
wd_images_ID_copy <- file.path(tempdir(), "sample_images_species_dir")

# define a sample tag
copyrightTagToAdd <- "Your Name (Your Organisation)"

# add the tag to the images
addCopyrightTag(inDir        = wd_images_ID_copy,
                copyrightTag = copyrightTagToAdd)
1     # we choose "YES", i.e., we want to add a copyright tag

# you can check the outcome with function exifTagNames

metadat <- exifTagNames(wd_images_ID_copy)
metadat [metadat$tag_name == "Copyright",]
}



## End(Not run)
```

---

appendSpeciesNames *Add or remove species names from JPEG image filenames*

Description

Add or remove species names from JPEG image filenames. It makes it easier to find images of a species.

Usage

```
appendSpeciesNames(inDir,
  IDfrom,
  hasCameraFolders,
  metadataSpeciesTag,
  metadataHierarchyDelimitor = "|",
  removeNames = FALSE,
  writecsv = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

inDir	character. Directory containing camera trap images sorted into station subdirectories (e.g. inDir/StationA/)
IDfrom	character. Read species ID from image metadata ("metadata") of from species directory names ("directory")?
hasCameraFolders	logical. Do the station subdirectories of inDir have camera-subdirectories (e.g. inDir/StationA/CameraA1; inDir/StationA/CameraA2)?
metadataSpeciesTag	character. The species ID tag name in image metadata (if IDfrom = "metadata").
metadataHierarchyDelimitor	character. The character delimiting hierarchy levels in image metadata tags in field "HierarchicalSubject". Either "|" or ":".
removeNames	logical. remove appended species names?
writecsv	logical. write csv table containing old and new file names into inDir?

Details

Species names can be appended or removed from image filenames. Before running the function, you may want to run checkSpeciesIdentification to detect possible misidentifications. As an example, the function would change an image file name from "StationA__2015-05-41__20-59-59(1).JPG" to "StationA__2015-05-41__20-59-59(1)__Species Name.JPG". If species names were appended several times by accident, they can all be removed by running the function with removeNames = TRUE

Value

A data.frame containing the old and new file names and directories.

Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

Examples

```
## Not run:

# copy sample images to another location (so we don't mess around in the package directory)
wd_images_ID <- system.file("pictures/sample_images_species_dir", package = "camtrapR")
file.copy(from = wd_images_ID, to = getwd(), recursive = TRUE)
wd_images_ID_copy <- file.path(getwd(), "sample_images_species_dir")

# append species names
SpecNameAppend1 <- appendSpeciesNames(inDir           = wd_images_ID_copy,
                                      IDfrom          = "directory",
                                      hasCameraFolders = FALSE,
                                      removeNames     = FALSE,
                                      writecsv        = FALSE)
```

```
SpecNameAppend1

# remove species names
SpecNameRemove1 <- appendSpeciesNames(inDir           = wd_images_ID_copy,
                                      IDfrom          = "directory",
                                      hasCameraFolders = FALSE,
                                      removeNames     = TRUE,
                                      writecsv        = FALSE)

SpecNameRemove1

## End(Not run)
```

`cameraOperation` *Create a camera trap station operability matrix*

Description

Construct a matrix of daily camera trap station operability for use in `detectionHistory` and `spatialDetectionHistory`, where it is needed for calculating trapping effort per occasion. If several cameras were deployed per station, the matrix can contain camera- or station-specific trap operation information.

Usage

```
cameraOperation(CTtable,
  stationCol = "Station",
  cameraCol,
  sessionCol,
  setupCol,
  retrievalCol,
  hasProblems = FALSE,
  byCamera,
  allCamsOn,
  camerasIndependent,
  dateFormat = "%Y-%m-%d",
  writecsv = FALSE,
  outDir
)
```

Arguments

`CTtable`	data.frame containing information about location and trapping period of camera trap stations
`stationCol`	character. name of the column specifying Station ID in `CTtable`
`cameraCol`	character. name of the column specifying Camera ID in `CTtable` (optional). If empty, 1 camera per station is assumed.

`sessionCol` character. name of the column specifying session ID in `CTtable` (optional). Use it for creating multi-session / multi-season detection histories (unmarked: `unmarkedMultFrame`; secr: `capthist`)

`setupCol` character. name of the column containing camera setup dates in `CTtable`

`retrievalCol` character. name of the column containing camera retrieval dates in `CTtable`

`hasProblems` logical. If TRUE, function will look for columns specifying malfunction periods in `CTtable` (naming convention: `ProblemX_from` and `ProblemX_to`, where X is a number)

`byCamera` logical. If TRUE, camera operability matrix is computed by camera, not by station (requires `cameraCol`)

`allCamsOn` logical. Takes effect only if `cameraCol` is defined and if `byCamera` is FALSE. If `allCamsOn = TRUE`, all cameras at a station need to be operational for the station to be operational (e.g. 1 camera out of 2 malfunctioning renders the station inoperational). Output values can be 1/0/NA only (all cameras at a station operational/ at least 1 camera not operational/ no camera set up). If `allCamsOn = FALSE`, at least 1 active camera makes a station operational.

`camerasIndependent` logical. Return number of active camera traps by station? Only if `byCamera` is FALSE and `allCamsOn` is FALSE. If `camerasIndependent` is TRUE, output values will be the number of operational cameras at a station. If `camerasIndependent` is FALSE, the value is 1 if at least 1 camera was operational, otherwise 0. In both cases, values are NA if no camera was set up.

`dateFormat` character. The format of columns `setupCol` and `retrievalCol` (and potential problem columns) in `CTtable`. Must be interpretable by either `as.Date` or the "orders" argument `parse_date_time` in **lubridate**.

`writecsv` logical. Should the camera operability matrix be saved as a .csv?

`outDir` character. Directory into which csv is saved

Details

`cameraCol` is NULL by default. The function then assumes there was 1 camera per station `CTtable`. In more than 1 camera was deployed per station, `cameraCol` needs to be specified to identify individual cameras within a station. `dateFormat` defaults to "YYYY-MM-DD", e.g. "2014-10-31". It can be specified either in the format required by `strptime` or the 'orders' argument in `parse_date_time` in **lubridate**. In the example above, "YYYY-MM-DD" would be specified as "%Y-%m-%d" or "ymd".

If `hasProblems` is TRUE, the function tries to find columns `ProblemX_from` and `ProblemX_to` in `CTtable`. `X` is a consecutive number from 1 to n, specifying periods in which a camera or station was not operational. If `hasProblems` is FALSE, cameras are assumed to have been operational uninterruptedly from setup to retrieval (see `camtraps` for details). `allCamsOn` only has an effect if there was more than 1 camera at a station. If TRUE, for the station to be considered operational, all cameras at a station need to be operational. If FALSE, at least 1 active camera renders the station operational. Argument `camerasIndependent` defines if cameras record animals independently (it thus only has an effect if there was more than 1 camera at a station). This is the case if an observation at one camera does not increase the probability for detection at another camera (cameras face

different trails at a distance of one another). Non-independence occurs if an animal is likely to trigger both camers (as would be the case with 2 cameras facing each other). If `camerasIndependent` is TRUE, 2 active cameras at a station will result in a station operation value of 2 in the resulting matrix, i.e., 2 independent trap days at 1 station and day. If `camerasIndependent` is FALSE, 2 active cameras will return value 1, i.e., 1 trap night at 1 station per day.

Row names depend on the input arguments and contain the station name and potentially session and camera names (if `sessionCol` and/or `cameraCol` are defined).

Naming convention is (since version 1.2) **Bold** information are from the columns `stationCol`, `sessionCol` and `cameraCol` in `CTtable`:

Station
Station__SESS_**SessionID**
Station__CAM_**CameraID**
Station__SESS_**SessionID**__CAM_**CameraID**

Session are designated with prefix "__SESS_", cameras with prefix "__CAM_". Therefore, these are reserved words and may not be part of station, session or camera names. Here's what it may look like in real life:

Station1
Station1__SESS_**2019**
Station1__CAM_**1024152**
Station1__SESS_**2019**__CAM_**1024152**

Functions detectionHistory and spatialDetectionHistory recognize these and use the information accordingly.

Value

A matrix. Row names always indicate Station IDs. If `sessionCol` and/or `cameraCol` are defined, they are contained in the row names also (camera ID only if `byCamera = TRUE`). Column names are dates.
Legend: NA: camera(s) not set up, 0: camera(s) not operational, 1 (or higher): number of operational camera(s) or an indicator for whether the station was operational (depending on `camerasIndependent` and `allCamsOn`)

Note

Setting `camerasIndependent` according to the sampling situation is important for the functions `detectionHistory` and `spatialDetectionHistory`, if sampling effort (the number of active trap nights in a occasion) is to be computed and returned.

Author(s)

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Examples

```
data(camtraps)

# no problems/malfunction
```

```
camop_no_problem <- cameraOperation(CTtable      = camtraps,
                                    stationCol   = "Station",
                                    setupCol     = "Setup_date",
                                    retrievalCol = "Retrieval_date",
                                    writecsv     = FALSE,
                                    hasProblems  = FALSE,
                                    dateFormat   = "%d/%m/%Y"
)

# with problems/malfunction
camop_problem <- cameraOperation(CTtable      = camtraps,
                                 stationCol   = "Station",
                                 setupCol     = "Setup_date",
                                 retrievalCol = "Retrieval_date",
                                 writecsv     = FALSE,
                                 hasProblems  = TRUE,
                                 dateFormat   = "%d/%m/%Y"
)

# with problems/malfunction / dateFormat in lubridate format
camop_problem_lubridate <- cameraOperation(CTtable      = camtraps,
                                           stationCol   = "Station",
                                           setupCol     = "Setup_date",
                                           retrievalCol = "Retrieval_date",
                                           writecsv     = FALSE,
                                           hasProblems  = TRUE,
                                           dateFormat   = "dmy"
)

camop_no_problem
camop_problem
camop_problem_lubridate
```

`camtraps` *Sample camera trap station information*

Description

Example camera trap station information table

Usage

```
data(camtraps)
```

Format

A data frame with 3 rows and 7 variables

Details

This is a general example of how information about camera trap stations are arranged in camtrapR. It contains setup and retrieval dates and coordinates. If more than 1 camera was set up at a station (e.g. 2 cameras facing each other), a camera ID column must be added, with camera-specific information instead of station-specific information. If cameras malfunctioned repeatedly, additional pairs of problem columns can be added, e.g. "Problem2_from" and "Problem2_to" etc..

The variables are as follows:

- Station. Camera trap station ID
- utm_y. y coordinate of station (northing)
- utm_x. x coordinate of station (easting)
- Setup_date. camera trap setup date
- Retrieval_date. camera trap retrieval date
- Problem1_from. first day of camera malfunction
- Problem1_to. last day of camera malfunction

Note

The coordinates can be in the units of any coordinate system. UTM was chosen as an example, but it could be latlong or anything else, too. `capthist` objects (as created by `spatialDetectionHistory` for spatial capture-recapture analyses) expect the unit to be meters.

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camtrapsMultiSeason *Sample multi-season camera trap station information*

Description

Example multi-season camera trap station information table

Usage

```
data(camtrapsMultiSeason)
```

Format

A data frame with 7 rows and 8 variables

Details

This is a general example of how information about camera trap stations from multiple seasons are arranged in camtrapR. It contains setup and retrieval dates, coordinates and a season identifier. If more than 1 camera was set up at a station (e.g. 2 cameras facing each other), a camera ID column must be added, with camera-specific information instead of station-specific information. If cameras malfunctioned repeatedly, additional pairs of problem columns can be added, e.g. "Problem2_from" and "Problem2_to" etc..

Note that season 2010 has an additional station (StationD). This is to simulate a situation where a station was not set up during an entire season.

The variables are as follows:

- Station. Camera trap station ID
- utm_y. y coordinate of station (northing)
- utm_x. x coordinate of station (easting)
- Setup_date. camera trap setup date
- Retrieval_date. camera trap retrieval date
- Problem1_from. first day of camera malfunction
- Problem1_to. last day of camera malfunction
- session. Identified for trapping session / season

Note

The coordinates can be in the units of any coordinate system. UTM was chosen as an example, but it could be latlong or anything else, too. `capthist` objects (as created by `spatialDetectionHistory` for spatial capture-recapture analyses) expect the unit to be meters. `capthist` alse require session information as integer numbers starting with 1.

"Season" and "session" are used synonymously here. **secr** nomenclature is "session", in **unmarked** it is "season".

Examples

```
# data were created with the following code:
data(camtraps)

camtraps_season2 <- camtraps

# change 2009 to 2010
camtraps_season2[, "Setup_date"]    <- gsub("2009", "2010", camtraps_season2[, "Setup_date"])
camtraps_season2[, "Retrieval_date"] <- gsub("2009", "2010", camtraps_season2[, "Retrieval_date"])
camtraps_season2[, "Problem1_from"] <- gsub("2009", "2010", camtraps_season2[, "Problem1_from"])
camtraps_season2[, "Problem1_to"]   <- gsub("2009", "2010", camtraps_season2[, "Problem1_to"])

# add an extra station with different dates in session 2010
camtraps_season2 <- rbind(camtraps_season2, NA)
camtraps_season2$Station[4] <- "StationD"
camtraps_season2$utm_y[4]  <- 607050
camtraps_season2$utm_x[4]  <- 525000
camtraps_season2$Setup_date[4]      <- "04/04/2010"
camtraps_season2$Retrieval_date[4]  <- "17/06/2010"
camtraps_season2$Problem1_from[4]   <- "20/05/2010"
camtraps_season2$Problem1_to[4]     <- "30/05/2010"

# add season column
camtraps$session         <- 2009
camtraps_season2$session <- 2010
```

```
# combine the tables for 2 seasons
camtrapsMultiSeason <- rbind(camtraps, camtraps_season2)
```

`checkSpeciesIdentification` *Consistency check on species image identification*

Description

This function serves 2 purposes: 1) it assesses possible misidentification of species and 2) compares double observer species identification (only if metadata tagging was used for species identification).

Within each station, it assesses whether there are images of a species taken within a given time interval of another species. Often, it is unlikely that different species are encountered within a very short time intervals at the same location. This type of misidentification can arise easily if some images belonging to a sequence of images were accidentally moved into different species directories or tagged incorrectly.

Double observer identification may be desirable to increase reliability of species identification. The function returns conflicts in species identification between 2 observers. These conflicts can then be corrected.

Usage

```
checkSpeciesIdentification(inDir,
  IDfrom,
  hasCameraFolders,
  metadataSpeciesTag,
  metadataSpeciesTagToCompare,
  metadataHierarchyDelimitor = "|",
  maxDeltaTime,
  excludeSpecies,
  stationsToCheck,
  writecsv = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

`inDir`	character. Directory containing identified camera trap images sorted into station subdirectories (e.g. inDir/StationA/)
`IDfrom`	character. Read species ID from image metadata ("metadata") of from species directory names ("directory")?
`hasCameraFolders`	logical. Do the station directories in `inDir` have camera subdirectories (e.g. "inDir/StationA/Camera1" or "inDir/StationA/Camera1/Species1")?

`metadataSpeciesTag`
: character. The species ID tag name in image metadata (if IDfrom = "metadata").

`metadataSpeciesTagToCompare`
: character. A second species ID tag name in image metadata (if IDfrom = "metadata"). For comparing double observer species identification.

`metadataHierarchyDelimitor`
: character. The character delimiting hierarchy levels in image metadata tags in field "HierarchicalSubject". Either "|" or ":"

`maxDeltaTime`
: numeric. Maximum time interval between images to be returned (in seconds)

`excludeSpecies`
: character. vector of species to exclude from checks

`stationsToCheck`
: character. vector of stations to be checked (optionally)

`writecsv`
: logical. Should the resulting data.frame be saved as a .csv?

Details

Images may accidentally be misidentified by assigning wrong species tags or by moving them into wrong species directories. Imagine your cameras take sequences of images each time they are triggered and one image of the sequence is misidentified. The time difference between these images (that have different species assigned to them) will be very small, usually a few seconds. This function will return all these images for you to check if they were identified correctly.

If multiple observers identify images independently using metadata tagging, their identifications can be compared by setting `metadataSpeciesTagToCompare`. Conflicting or missing identifications will be reported. This feature is only available if images were identified by metadata tagging.

Species like "blank" or "team" can be ignored using `excludeSpecies`. If only specific stations are to be checked, `stationsToCheck` can be set.

Value

A `list` containing 2 data frames. The first contains a data frame with images file names, directories, time stamp and species ID that were taken within `maxDeltaTime` seconds of another species image at a particular station. The second data frame contains images with conflicting species IDs (if `IDfrom` = `"metadata"` and `metadataSpeciesTagToCompare` is defined)

Note

The function will not be able to find "isolated" images, i.e. images that were misidentified, but were not part of a sequence of images. Likewise, if all images of a sequence were misidentified, they cannot be found either. From version 0.99.0, the function can also handle images identied with metadata tags.

Author(s)

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Examples

```
wd_images_ID <- system.file("pictures/sample_images_species_dir", package = "camtrapR")

if (Sys.which("exiftool") != ""){       # only run this example if ExifTool is available
check.folders <- checkSpeciesIdentification(inDir             = wd_images_ID,
                                            IDfrom            = "directory",
                                            hasCameraFolders  = FALSE,
                                            maxDeltaTime      = 120,
                                            writecsv          = FALSE)

check.folders   # In the example, 2 different species were photographed within 2 minutes.
}


## Not run:
# now exclude one of these 2 species
check.folders2 <- checkSpeciesIdentification(inDir             = wd_images_ID,
                                             IDfrom            = "directory",
                                             hasCameraFolders  = FALSE,
                                             maxDeltaTime      = 120,
                                             excludeSpecies    = "EGY",
                                             writecsv          = FALSE)

check.folders2   # the data frame is empty

# now we check only one station
check.folders3 <- checkSpeciesIdentification(inDir             = wd_images_ID,
                                             IDfrom            = "directory",
                                             hasCameraFolders  = FALSE,
                                             maxDeltaTime      = 120,
                                             stationsToCheck   = "StationB",
                                             writecsv          = FALSE)
check.folders3   # the data frame is empty

## End(Not run)
```

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checkSpeciesNames *Check species names against the ITIS taxonomic database*

Description

The function checks species names (common or scientific names) provided by the user with the ITIS taxonomic database (http://www.itis.gov/) via functions from the package **taxize**. It returns both common and scientific names, the taxon authors, taxon rank name and status, the TSN (taxonomic serial numbers) and ITIS urls.

Usage

```
checkSpeciesNames(speciesNames,
                  searchtype,
                  accepted = TRUE,
                  ask = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

speciesNames	character. Vector of species names to check. Either common names or scientific names.
searchtype	character. Type of names specified in speciesNames. One of 'scientific' or 'common'.
accepted	logical. Return only accepted valid names? If TRUE, invalid names are returned as NA. Set to FALSE to return both accepted and unaccepted names.
ask	logical. Should the function be run in interactive mode? If TRUE and more than one TSN is found for a species, the user is asked to choose one. If FALSE, NA is returned for multiple matches.

Details

Arguments searchtype, accepted and ask are passed on to get_tsn.

Value

A data.frame with the names supplied by the user, matching common and scientific names, taxon author and year, taxonomic rank, status, TSNs (taxonomic serial numbers) and ITIS urls.

Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

References

http://www.itis.gov/

Examples

```
## Not run:


species_common <- c("Leopard Cat", "moonrat")

# ask = TRUE. Multiple matches for leopard cat will cause menu to pop up asking user input.

species.names.check1 <- checkSpeciesNames(speciesNames = species_common,
                                          searchtype   = "common",
                                          accepted     = TRUE,
```

```
                                          ask          = TRUE)
2   # we choose entry 2
species.names.check1


# ask = FALSE. Multiple matches for leopard cat will cause NA.

species.names.check2 <- checkSpeciesNames(speciesNames = species_common,
                                          searchtype   = "common",
                                          accepted     = TRUE,
                                          ask          = FALSE)
species.names.check2



# search for scientific names

species_scientific <- c("Tragulus", "Prionailurus bengalensis")

species.names.check3 <- checkSpeciesNames(speciesNames = species_scientific,
                                          searchtype   = "scientific",
                                          accepted     = TRUE,
                                          ask          = TRUE)
species.names.check3

## End(Not run)
```

`createSpeciesFolders` *Create species directories for species identification*

Description

This function creates species subdirectories within station directories. They can be used for species identification by manually moving images into the respective species directories. The function can also delete empty species directories (if species were not detected at sites). It is not necessary to run this function if animals will be identified by metadata tagging.

Usage

```
createSpeciesFolders(inDir,
  hasCameraFolders,
  species,
  removeFolders = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

`inDir`	character. Directory containing camera trap images sorted into station subdirectories (e.g. inDir/StationA/)

hasCameraFolders
: logical. Do the station directories in inDir have camera-subdirectories (e.g. inDir/StationA/CameraA1; inDir/StationA/CameraA2)?

species
: character. names of species directories to be created in every station (or station/camera) subdirectory of inDir

removeFolders
: logical. Indicating whether to create (TRUE) or remove (FALSE) species directories .

Details

This function should be run after imageRename. Empty directories can be created as containers for species identification if images are identified with the drag & drop method. After species identification is complete, empty species directories can be deleted using removeFolders = TRUE. The function will delete only directories which are specified in species. If hasCameraFolders was set to TRUE in function imageRename, hasCameraFolders must be set to TRUE here too. Species directories will then be created within each camera subdirectory of each station directory. if the user wishes to identify species by metadata tagging, running this function is not needed.

Value

A data.frame with directory names and an indicator for whether directories were created or deleted.

Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

Examples

```
## Not run:

# create dummy directories for tests
# (normally, you'd use directory containing renamed, unsorted images)

# this will be used as inDir
wd_createDirTest <- file.path(getwd(), "createSpeciesFoldersTest")

# now we create 2 station subdirectories
dirs_to_create <- file.path(wd_createDirTest, c("StationA", "StationB"))
sapply(dirs_to_create, FUN = dir.create, recursive = TRUE)

# species names for which we want to create subdirectories
species <- c("Sambar Deer", "Bay Cat")

# create species subdirectories
SpecFolderCreate1 <- createSpeciesFolders (inDir              = wd_createDirTest,
                                           species            = species,
                                           hasCameraFolders = FALSE,
                                           removeFolders      = FALSE)

SpecFolderCreate1
```

```
# check if directories were created
list.dirs(wd_createDirTest)

# delete empty species directories
SpecFolderCreate2 <- createSpeciesFolders (inDir              = wd_createDirTest,
                                           species            = species,
                                           hasCameraFolders = FALSE,
                                           removeFolders      = TRUE)

SpecFolderCreate2

# check if species directories were deleted
list.dirs(wd_createDirTest)


## End(Not run)
```

`createStationFolders` *Create camera trap station directories for raw camera trap images*

Description

This function creates camera trap station directories, if needed with camera subdirectories. They can be used as an initial directory structure for storing raw camera trap images.

Usage

```
createStationFolders(inDir,
  stations,
  cameras,
  createinDir
)
```

Arguments

`inDir`	character. Directory in which station directories are to be created
`stations`	character. Station IDs to be used as directory names within `inDir`
`cameras`	character. Camera trap IDs to be used as subdirectory names in each station directory (optionally)
`createinDir`	logical. If inDir does not exist, create it?

Details

The empty directories serve as containers for saving raw camera trap images. If more than 1 camera was set up at a station, specifying `cameras` is required in order to keep images from different cameras separate. Otherwise, generic filenames (e.g., IMG0001.JPG) from different cameras may lead to accidental overwriting of images if images from these cameras are saved in one station directory.

Value

A `data.frame` with station (and possibly camera) directory names and an indicator for whether they were created successfully.

Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

Examples

```
## Not run:

# create dummy directory for tests (this will be used as inDir)
# (normally, you'd set up an empty directory, e.g. .../myStudy/rawImages)
wd_createStationDir <- file.path(tempdir(), "createStationFoldersTest")

# now we load the sample camera trap station data frame
data(camtraps)

# create station directories in wd_createStationDir
StationFolderCreate1 <- createStationFolders (inDir       = wd_createStationDir,
                                              stations    = as.character(camtraps$Station),
                                                 createinDir = TRUE)

StationFolderCreate1

# check if directories were created
list.dirs(wd_createStationDir)


## End(Not run)
```

`detectionHistory` *Species detection histories for occupancy analyses*

Description

This function generates species detection histories that can be used in occupancy analyses, e.g. with package unmarked. It generates detection histories in different formats, with adjustable occasion length and occasion start time.

Usage

```
detectionHistory(recordTable,
 species,
 camOp,
 output = c("binary", "count"),
 stationCol = "Station",
 speciesCol = "Species",
```

```
 recordDateTimeCol = "DateTimeOriginal",
 recordDateTimeFormat = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S",
 occasionLength,
 minActiveDaysPerOccasion,
 maxNumberDays,
 day1,
 buffer,
 includeEffort = TRUE,
 scaleEffort = FALSE,
 occasionStartTime = 0,
 datesAsOccasionNames = FALSE,
 timeZone,
 writecsv = FALSE,
 outDir,
 unmarkedMultFrameInput
)
```

Arguments

recordTable	data.frame. the record table created by recordTable
species	character. the species for which to compute the detection history
camOp	The camera operability matrix as created by cameraOperation
output	character. Return binary detections ("binary") or counts of detections ("count")
stationCol	character. name of the column specifying Station ID in recordTable
speciesCol	character. name of the column specifying species in recordTable
recordDateTimeCol	character. name of the column specifying date and time in recordTable
recordDateTimeFormat	character. Format of column recordDateTimeCol in recordTable
occasionLength	integer. occasion length in days
minActiveDaysPerOccasion	integer. minimum number of active trap days for occasions to be included (optional)
maxNumberDays	integer. maximum number of trap days per station (optional)
day1	character. When should occasions begin: station setup date ("station"), first day of survey ("survey"), a specific date (e.g. "2015-12-31")?
buffer	integer. Makes the first occasion begin a number of days after station setup. (optional)
includeEffort	logical. Compute trapping effort (number of active camera trap days per station and occasion)?
scaleEffort	logical. scale and center effort matrix to mean = 0 and sd = 1?
occasionStartTime	integer. time of day (the full hour) at which to begin occasions.

datesAsOccasionNames
: If day1 = "survey", occasion names in the detection history will be composed of first and last day of that occasion.

timeZone
: character. Must be a value returned by OlsonNames

writecsv
: logical. Should the detection history be saved as a .csv?

outDir
: character. Directory into which detection history .csv file is saved

unmarkedMultFrameInput
: logical. Return input for multi-season occupancy models in unmarked (argument "y" in unmarkedMultFrame?

Details

The function computes a species detection matrix, either as a detection-by-date or a detection-by-occasion matrix. day1 defines if each stations detection history will begin on that station's setup day (day1 = "station") or if all station's detection histories have a common origin (the day the first station was set up if day1 = "survey" or a fixed date if, e.g. day1 = "2015-12-31"). If day1 is a date, as.Date must be able to understand it. The most suitable format is "YYYY-MM-DD", e.g. "2015-12-31".

output is analogous to spatialDetectionHistory. It makes the function return either counts of detections during occasions, or a binary indicator for whether the species was detected.

includeEffort controls whether an additional effort matrix is computed or not. This also affects the detection matrices. If includeEffort = FALSE, all occasions in which a station was not set up or malfunctioning (NA or 0 in camOp) will result in NAs in the detection history. If includeEffort = TRUE, the record history will only contain 0 and 1, and no NAs. The effort matrix can then be included in occupancy models as a (continuous) observation covariate to estimate the effect of effort on detection probability.

The number of days that are aggregated is controlled by occasionLength. occasionStartTime can be used to make occasions begin another hour than midnight (the default). This may be relevant for nocturnal animals, in which 1 whole night would be considered an occasion. The values of stationCol in recordTable must be matched by the row names of camOp (case-insensitive), otherwise an error is raised.

recordDateTimeFormat defaults to the "YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM:SS" convention, e.g. "2014-09-30 22:59:59". recordDateTimeFormat can be interpreted either by base-R via strptime or in **lubridate** via parse_date_time (argument "orders"). **lubridate** will be used if there are no "%" characters in recordDateTimeFormat.

For "YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM:SS", recordDateTimeFormat would be either "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S" or "ymd HMS". For details on how to specify date and time formats in R see strptime or parse_date_time.

If the camera operation matrix (camOp) was created for a multi-season study (argument sesssionCol in cameraOperation was set, it will be detected automatically. Output can be for unmarkedMultFrame by setting unmarkedMultFrameInput = TRUE. Each row corresponds to a site, and the columns are in season-major, occasion-minor order, e.g. season1-occasion1, season1-occasion2, etc.).

Value

Depending on the value of `includeEffort` and `scaleEffort`, a list with either 1, 2 or 3 elements. The first element is the species detection history. The second is the optional effort matrix and the third contains the effort scaling parameters.

`detection_history`
: A species detection matrix

`effort`
: A matrix giving the number of active camera trap days per station and occasion (= camera trapping effort). It is only returned if `includeEffort = TRUE`

`effort_scaling_parameters`
: Scaling parameters of the effort matrix. It is only returned if `includeEffort` and `scaleEffort` are `TRUE`

Warning

Setting `output = "count"` returns a count of detections, not individuals. We strongly advise against using it as input for models of animal abundance (such as N-Mixture models) models which use counts as input.

Please note the section about defining argument `timeZone` in the vignette on data extraction (accessible via `vignette("DataExtraction")` or online (https://cran.r-project.org/package=camtrapR/vignettes/camtrapr3.html)).

Author(s)

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Examples

```
# define image directory
wd_images_ID <- system.file("pictures/sample_images_species_dir", package = "camtrapR")

# load station information
data(camtraps)

# create camera operation matrix
camop_no_problem <- cameraOperation(CTtable      = camtraps,
                                    stationCol   = "Station",
                                    setupCol     = "Setup_date",
                                    retrievalCol = "Retrieval_date",
                                    hasProblems  = FALSE,
                                    dateFormat   = "%d/%m/%Y"
)

## Not run:
if (Sys.which("exiftool") != ""){       # only run this function if ExifTool is available
recordTableSample <- recordTable(inDir               = wd_images_ID,
                                 IDfrom              = "directory",
                                 minDeltaTime        = 60,
                                 deltaTimeComparedTo = "lastRecord",
```

```
                                exclude             = "UNID",
                                timeZone            = "Asia/Kuala_Lumpur"
)
}

## End(Not run)
data(recordTableSample)    # load the record history, as created above


# compute detection history for a species

# without trapping effort
DetHist1 <- detectionHistory(recordTable         = recordTableSample,
                             camOp               = camop_no_problem,
                             stationCol          = "Station",
                             speciesCol          = "Species",
                             recordDateTimeCol   = "DateTimeOriginal",
                             species             = "VTA",
                             occasionLength      = 7,
                             day1                = "station",
                             datesAsOccasionNames = FALSE,
                             includeEffort       = FALSE,
                             timeZone            = "Asia/Kuala_Lumpur"
)

DetHist1                     # this is a list with 1 element
DetHist1$detection_history   # this is the contained detection/non-detection matrix


# with effort / using base R to define recordDateTimeFormat
DetHist2 <- detectionHistory(recordTable          = recordTableSample,
                             camOp                = camop_no_problem,
                             stationCol           = "Station",
                             speciesCol           = "Species",
                             recordDateTimeCol    = "DateTimeOriginal",
                             species              = "VTA",
                             occasionLength       = 7,
                             day1                 = "station",
                             datesAsOccasionNames = FALSE,
                             includeEffort        = TRUE,
                             scaleEffort          = FALSE,
                             timeZone             = "Asia/Kuala_Lumpur"
)

DetHist2$detection_history  # detection history  (alternatively, use: DetHist2[[1]])
DetHist2$effort             # effort (alternatively, use: DetHist2[[2]])

# with effort / using lubridate package to define recordDateTimeFormat
DetHist2_lub <- detectionHistory(recordTable          = recordTableSample,
                             camOp                = camop_no_problem,
                             stationCol           = "Station",
                             speciesCol           = "Species",
                             recordDateTimeCol    = "DateTimeOriginal",
```

```
                              recordDateTimeFormat = "ymd HMS",
                              species              = "VTA",
                              occasionLength       = 7,
                              day1                 = "station",
                              datesAsOccasionNames = FALSE,
                              includeEffort        = TRUE,
                              scaleEffort          = FALSE,
                              timeZone             = "Asia/Kuala_Lumpur"
)

DetHist2_lub$detection_history  # detection history  (alternatively, use: DetHist2[[1]])
DetHist2_lub$effort             # effort (alternatively, use: DetHist2_lub[[2]])


# multi-season detection history

# load multi-season data
data(camtrapsMultiSeason)
data(recordTableSampleMultiSeason)

# multi-season camera operation matrix
camop_season <- cameraOperation(CTtable          = camtrapsMultiSeason,
                                stationCol   = "Station",
                                setupCol     = "Setup_date",
                                sessionCol   = "session",
                                retrievalCol = "Retrieval_date",
                                hasProblems  = TRUE,
                                dateFormat   = "%d/%m/%Y"
)

# multi-season detection history
DetHist_multi <- detectionHistory(recordTable      = recordTableSampleMultiSeason,
                              camOp                = camop_season,
                              stationCol           = "Station",
                              speciesCol           = "Species",
                              species              = "VTA",
                              occasionLength       = 10,
                              day1                 = "station",
                              recordDateTimeCol    = "DateTimeOriginal",
                              includeEffort        = TRUE,
                              scaleEffort          = FALSE,
                              timeZone             = "UTC",
                              unmarkedMultFrameInput = TRUE
)

DetHist_multi
```

`detectionMaps` *Generate maps of observed species richness and species presences by station*

Description

Generates maps of observed species richness and species presence by species and station. Output can be R graphics, PNG graphics or a shapefile for use in GIS software.

Usage

```
detectionMaps(CTtable,
  recordTable,
  Xcol,
  Ycol,
  backgroundPolygon,
  stationCol = "Station",
  speciesCol = "Species",
  speciesToShow,
  richnessPlot = TRUE,
  speciesPlots = TRUE,
  addLegend = TRUE,
  printLabels = FALSE,
  smallPoints,
  plotR = TRUE,
  writePNG = FALSE,
  plotDirectory,
  createPlotDir = FALSE,
  pngMaxPix = 1000,
  writeShapefile = FALSE,
  shapefileName,
  shapefileDirectory,
  shapefileProjection
)
```

Arguments

CTtable	data.frame. contains station IDs and coordinates
Xcol	character. name of the column specifying x coordinates in CTtable
Ycol	character. name of the column specifying y coordinates in CTtable
backgroundPolygon	SpatialPolygons or SpatialPolygonsDataFrame. Polygon to be plotted in the background of the map (e.g. project area boundary)
stationCol	character. name of the column specifying station ID in CTtable and recordTable
recordTable	data.frame. the record table created by recordTable
speciesCol	character. name of the column specifying species in recordTable
speciesToShow	character. Species to include in the maps. If missing, all species in recordTable will be included.
writePNG	logical. Create PNGs of the plots?
plotR	logical. Create plots in R graphics device?
plotDirectory	character. Directory in which to save the PNGs

createPlotDir	logical. Create plotDirectory?
richnessPlot	logical. Generate a species richness plot?
speciesPlots	logical. Generate plots of all species number of independent events?
printLabels	logical. Add station labels to the plots?
smallPoints	numeric. Number by which to decrease point sizes in plots (optional).
addLegend	logical. Add legends to the plots?
pngMaxPix	integer. number of pixels in pngs on the longer side
writeShapefile	logical. Create a shapefile from the output?
shapefileName	character. Name of the shapefile to be saved. If empty, a name will be generated automatically.
shapefileDirectory	character. Directory in which to save the shapefile.
shapefileProjection	character. A character string of projection arguments to use in the shapefile.

Details

The column name stationCol must be identical in CTtable and recordTable and station IDs must match.

Shapefile creation depends on the packages **sp** and **rgdal**. Argument shapefileProjection must be a valid argument of CRS. If shapefileProjection is undefined, the resulting shapefile will lack a coordinate reference system.

Value

An invisible data.frame with station coordinates, numbers of events by species at each station and total species number by station. In addition and optionally, R graphics or png image files.

Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

References

A great resource for CRS arguments is http://spatialreference.org/. Use the Proj4 string as shapefileProjection argument.

Examples

```
# load station information
data(camtraps)

# load record table
data(recordTableSample)
```

```
# create maps
Mapstest <- detectionMaps(CTtable           = camtraps,
                          recordTable       = recordTableSample,
                          Xcol              = "utm_x",
                          Ycol              = "utm_y",
                          stationCol        = "Station",
                          speciesCol        = "Species",
                          writePNG          = FALSE,
                          plotR             = TRUE,
                          printLabels       = TRUE,
                          richnessPlot      = TRUE,
                          addLegend         = TRUE
)



# with a polygon in the background, and for one species only

# make a dummy polygon for the background
library(sp)
poly1 <- Polygon(cbind(c(521500,526500,527000, 521500),c(607500, 608000, 603500, 603500)))
poly2 <- Polygons(list(poly1), "s1")
poly3 <- SpatialPolygons(list(poly2))

Mapstest2 <- detectionMaps(CTtable           = camtraps,
                           recordTable       = recordTableSample,
                           Xcol              = "utm_x",
                           Ycol              = "utm_y",
                           backgroundPolygon = poly3,             # this was added
                           speciesToShow     = c("PBE", "VTA"),   # this was added
                           stationCol        = "Station",
                           speciesCol        = "Species",
                           writePNG          = FALSE,
                           plotR             = TRUE,
                           printLabels       = TRUE,
                           richnessPlot      = TRUE,
                           addLegend         = TRUE
)
```

---

exifTagNames *Show Exif metadata of JPEG images or other image or video formats*

Description

The function will return metadata values, metadata tag names and group names of Exif metadata of JPEG images or other formats.

Usage

```
exifTagNames(inDir,
  whichSubDir = 1,
  fileName,
  returnMetadata = "DEPRECATED",
  returnTagGroup = "DEPRECATED")
```

Arguments

inDir	character. Directory containing camera trap images sorted into station subdirectories (e.g. inDir/StationA/)
whichSubDir	integer or character. Either number or name of subdirectory of inDir in which to look for an image
fileName	character. A filename, either the file name of an image in inDir or a full path with file name (in which case inDir is not needed)
returnMetadata	deprecated and ignored
returnTagGroup	deprecated and ignored

Details

Many digital cameras record information such as ambient temperature or moon phase under maker-specific tag names in Exif metadata of JPEG images. In addition, many technical information are stored in Exif metadata. In order to extract those information from images and add them to the record tables created by the functions recordTable and recordTableIndividual, the tag names must be known so they can be passed to these functions via the additionalMetadataTags argument.

By default the function returns both metadata tag names and the metadata group they belong to (via argument returnTagGroup). This is helpful to unambiguously address specific metadata tags, because different groups can contain tags of identical names, which may cause problems executing the functions recordTable and recordTableIndividual. The format is "GROUP:tag", e.g. "EXIF:Flash".

Value

A data frame containing three columns: metadata tag group, tag name, and values.

Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

References

Phil Harvey's ExifTool http://www.sno.phy.queensu.ca/~phil/exiftool/

See Also

recordTable

Examples

```
## Not run:

wd_images_ID <- system.file("pictures/sample_images_species_dir", package = "camtrapR")

# specify directory, camtrapR will automatically take first image from first subdirectory
exifTagNames(inDir          = wd_images_ID)

# specify subdirectory by name, camtrapR will use first image
exifTagNames(inDir          = wd_images_ID,
             whichSubDir    = "StationA")

# specifying fileName only (line break due to R package policy)
exifTagNames(fileName       = file.path(wd_images_ID, "StationC", "TRA",
                                        "StationC__2009-05-02__00-10-00(1).JPG"))

# specify inDir and fileName
exifTagNames(inDir          = wd_images_ID,
         fileName     = file.path("StationC", "TRA", "StationC__2009-05-02__00-10-00(1).JPG"))

# it also works this way
exifTagNames(inDir          = file.path(wd_images_ID, "StationC", "TRA"),
             fileName       = "StationC__2009-05-02__00-10-00(1).JPG")


# with tagged sample images
wd_images_ID_tagged <- system.file("pictures/sample_images_indiv_tag", package = "camtrapR")
exifTagNames(inDir          = wd_images_ID_tagged)


## End(Not run)
```

`exiftoolPath` *Add a directory to PATH temporarily*

Description

Temporarily adds a directory to the environmental variable PATH for system calls from within R. This allows Windows users to store exiftool.exe anywhere on their hard drive. It is not needed on Linux or MacOS machines.

Usage

```
exiftoolPath(exiftoolDir)
```

Arguments

`exiftoolDir`	character. the directory in the file system containing exiftool.exe.

Details

Several functions within this package depend on ExifTool. Under Windows, exiftool.exe cannot be used if it is not in a directory path specified in PATH. This can be solved by adding the directory containing exiftool.exe for temporary use within the running R process.

Value

invisible logical indicating whether `exiftoolDir` was added to PATH successfully (in the running R process).

Note

The directories in PATH can be queried by `Sys.getenv("PATH")`.

Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

Examples

```
exiftool_dir <- "C:/Path/To/Exiftool"
exiftoolPath(exiftoolDir = exiftool_dir)

# check if it has been added to PATH
grepl(exiftool_dir,  Sys.getenv("PATH"))
```

---

fixDateTimeOriginal *Fix DateTimeOriginal Exif metadata tag in Reconyx Hyperfire cameras*

Description

Some camera models don't store the date/time information in the standard Exif metadata tag. Consequently, camtrapR cannot find that information. This function uses Exiftool to update the DateTimeOriginal metadata tag in all images within a directory to make them readable with camtrapR (and other software).

Usage

```
fixDateTimeOriginal(inDir,
    recursive = TRUE)
```

Arguments

`inDir`	character. Name of the directory containing images to be fixed
`recursive`	logical. Recursively find images in subdirectories of `inDir`?

Details

Some Reconyx Hyperfire cameras (e.g. HC500) are known to show this problem.

Value

Returns invisibly the messages returned by the Exiftool call (warnings etc.).

Warning

Please make a backup of your images before running this function.

Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

References

This function uses the code from:
Tobler, Mathias (2015). Camera Base Version 1.7 User Guide http://www.atrium-biodiversity.org/tools/camerabase/files/CameraBaseDoc1.7.pdf

Examples

```
## Not run:
# a hypothetical example

wd_images_hyperfire <- "C:/Some/Directory"

fixDateTimeOriginal(inDir     = wd_images_hyperfire,
                    recursive = TRUE)

## End(Not run)
```

`getSpeciesImages` *Collect all images of a species*

Description

This function will fetch all images of a particular species from all camera trap stations and copies these images to a new location. The images which are to be copied are found in one of 2 possible ways, 1) by providing an existing record table (created with `recordTable`) or 2) by reading species IDs from species directories or from metadata (calling ExifTool). Earlier in the workflow, i.e., before running this function, images should have been renamed (with `imageRename`) to give images unique file names based on station ID and date/time.

Usage

```
getSpeciesImages(species,
recordTable,
speciesCol = "Species",
stationCol = "Station",
inDir,
outDir,
createStationSubfolders = FALSE,
IDfrom,
metadataSpeciesTag,
metadataHierarchyDelimitor = "|")
```

Arguments

species	character. Species whose images are to be fetched
recordTable	data frame. A data frame as returned by function recordTable. If you specify this argument, do not specify inDir
speciesCol	character. Name of the column specifying species ID in recordTable. Only required if recordTable is defined
stationCol	character. Name of the column specifying station ID in recordTable. Only required if recordTable is defined
inDir	character. Directory containing identified (species level) camera trap images sorted into station subdirectories (e.g. inDir/StationA/). If you specify this argument, do not specify recordTable.
outDir	character. Directory in which to save species images. A species subdirectory will be created in outDir automatically.
createStationSubfolders	logical. Save images in station directories within the newly created species directory in outDir?
IDfrom	character. Read species ID from image metadata ("metadata") of from species directory names ("directory")? Only required if inDir is defined.
metadataSpeciesTag	character. The species ID tag name in image metadata (if IDfrom = "metadata"). Only required if inDir is defined.
metadataHierarchyDelimitor	character. The character delimiting hierarchy levels in image metadata tags in field "HierarchicalSubject". Either "|" or ":" (if IDfrom = "metadata"). Only required if inDir is defined and IDfrom = "metadata".

Details

The function finds the images to be copied by either consulting a record table created with recordTable or by reading species IDs from images. The former is considerable faster because ExifTool is not called, but requires images to be in precisely the location given by the columns Directory and FileName in recordTable. To use this feature, provide the function with a record table in argument recordTable.

If you'd rather read species IDs from images within the function (to make sure all file paths are correct), images need to be in the directory structure required by the package, e.g.

> inDir/Station/Species

or

> inDir/Station/Camera/Species

if using species directories for species IDs, and

> inDir/Station

or

> inDir/Station/Camera

if reading IDs from species metadata tags. In the latter case, only station directories are needed. In any case, the argument `species` must match species IDs (either the `speciesCol` in `recordTable`, species directory names or species metadata tags).

Before running the function, first rename the images using function `imageRename` to provide unique file names and prevent several images from having the same name (if generic names like "IMGP0001.jpg" are used). The function will not copy images if there are duplicate filenames to prevent overwriting images unintentionally.

Value

A `data.frame` with old and new directories and file names and the copy status (`copy_ok`; TRUE if copying was successful, FALSE if not).

Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

Examples

```
## Not run:
# define image directory
wd_images_ID <- system.file("pictures/sample_images_species_dir", package = "camtrapR")
wd_images_ID_copy <- file.path(tempdir(), "sample_images_species_dir")

species_to_copy <- "VTA"    # = Viverra tangalunga, Malay Civet

specImagecopy <- getSpeciesImages(species                = species_to_copy,
                                  inDir                  = wd_images_ID,
                                  outDir                 = wd_images_ID_copy,
                                  createStationSubfolders = FALSE,
                                  IDfrom                 = "directory"
                                  )

## End(Not run)
```

`imageRename` *Copy and rename images based on camera trap station ID and creation date*

Description

The function renames and copies raw camera trap images into a new location where they can be identified. Images are renamed with camera trap station ID, camera ID (optional), creation date and a numeric identifier for images taken within one minute of each other at a given station. Station ID and camera ID are derived from the raw image directory structure. The creation date is extracted from image metadata using ExifTool.

Usage

```
imageRename(inDir,
  outDir,
  hasCameraFolders,
  keepCameraSubfolders,
  createEmptyDirectories = FALSE,
  copyImages = FALSE,
  writecsv = FALSE)
```

Arguments

`inDir`	character. Directory containing camera trap images sorted into station subdirectories (e.g. inDir/StationA/)
`outDir`	character. Directory into which the renamed images will be copied
`hasCameraFolders`	logical. Do the station directories in `inDir` have camera subdirectories (e.g. "inDir/StationA/Camera1")?
`keepCameraSubfolders`	logical. Should camera directories be preserved as subdirectories of `outDir` (e.g. "outDir/StationA/CameraA1")?
`createEmptyDirectories`	logical. If station or camera directories are empty, should they be copied nevertheless (causing empty directories in `inDir`, but preserving the whole directory structure)?
`copyImages`	logical. Copy images to `outDir`?
`writecsv`	logical. Save a data frame with a summary as a .csv?

Details

Setting up the correct raw image directory structure is necessary for running the function successfully. `inDir` is the main directory that contains camera trap station subdirectories (e.g. inDir/StationA). If one camera was deployed per station and no camera subdirectories are used within station directories, `hasCameraFolders` can be set to `FALSE`. If more than one camera was deployed

at stations, there must be subdirectories for the individual camera traps within the station directories (e.g. "inDir/StationA/CameraA1" and "inDir/StationA/CameraA2"). Even if only some stations had multiple cameras, all station will need camera subdirectories. The argument `hasCameraFolders` must be `TRUE`. Within the camera subdirectories, the directory structure is irrelevant.

Renaming of images follows the following pattern: If `hasCameraFolders` is TRUE, it is: "StationID__CameraID__Date__Time(Number).JPG", e.g. "StationA__CameraA1__2015-01-31__18-59-59(1).JPG". If `hasCameraFolders` is FALSE, it is: "StationID__Date__Time(Number).JPG", e.g. "StationA__2015-01-31__18-59-59(1).JPG".

The purpose of the number in parentheses is to prevent assigning identical file names to images taken at the same station (and camera) in the same second, as can happen if cameras take sequences of images. It is a consecutive number given to all images taken at the same station by the same camera within one minute. The double underscore "__" in the image file names is for splitting and extracting information from file names in other functions (e.g. for retrieving camera IDs in `recordTable` if camera subdirectories are not preserved (`keepCameraSubfolders = FALSE`)).

The function finds all JPEG images and extracts the image timestamp from the image metadata using ExifTool and copies the images (with new file names) into `outDir`, where it will set up a directory structure based on the station IDs and, if required by `keepCameraSubfolders = TRUE`, camera IDs (e.g. outDir/StationA/ or outDir/StationA/CameraA1).

`copyImages` can be set to FALSE to simulate the renaming and check the file names of the renamed images without copying. If you are handling large number of images (>e.g., 100,000), the function may take some time to run.

Value

A `data.frame` with original directory and file names, new directory and file names and an indicator for whether images were copied successfully.

Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

References

Phil Harvey's ExifTool http://www.sno.phy.queensu.ca/~phil/exiftool/

Examples

```
  ## Not run:

### "trial" run. create a table with file names after renaming, but don't copy images.

# first, find sample image directory in package directory:
wd_images_raw <- system.file("pictures/raw_images", package = "camtrapR")

# because copyImages = FALSE, outDir does not need to be defined
renaming.table <- imageRename(inDir              = wd_images_raw,
                              hasCameraFolders = FALSE,
```

```
                              copyImages          = FALSE,
                              writecsv            = FALSE
  )



### a real example in which images are copied and renamed

  # define raw image location
wd_images_raw <- system.file("pictures/raw_images", package = "camtrapR")

  # define destination for renamed images
wd_images_raw_renamed <- file.path(tempdir(), "raw_images_renamed")


  # now we have to define outDir because copyImages = TRUE
renaming.table2 <- imageRename(inDir               = wd_images_raw,
                               outDir              = wd_images_raw_renamed,
                               hasCameraFolders    = FALSE,
                               copyImages          = TRUE,
                               writecsv            = FALSE
  )

  # show output files
  list.files(wd_images_raw_renamed, recursive = TRUE)

  # output table
  renaming.table2


## End(Not run)
```

---

recordTable *Generate a species record table from camera trap images and videos*

Description

Generates a record table from camera trap images or videos. Images/videos must be sorted into station directories at least. The function can read species identification from a directory structure (Station/Species or Station/Camera/Species) or from image metadata tags.

Usage

```
recordTable(inDir,
  IDfrom,
  cameraID,
  camerasIndependent,
  exclude,
  minDeltaTime = 0,
```

```
  deltaTimeComparedTo,
  timeZone,
  stationCol,
  writecsv = FALSE,
  outDir,
  metadataHierarchyDelimitor = "|",
  metadataSpeciesTag,
  additionalMetadataTags,
  removeDuplicateRecords = TRUE,
  returnFileNamesMissingTags = FALSE,
  eventSummaryColumn,
  eventSummaryFunction,
  video
)
```

Arguments

`inDir`	character. Directory containing station directories. It must either contain images in species subdirectories (e.g. inDir/StationA/SpeciesA) or images with species metadata tags (without species directories, e.g. inDir/StationA).
`IDfrom`	character. Read species ID from image metadata ("metadata") of from species directory names ("directory")?
`cameraID`	character. Where should the function look for camera IDs: 'filename', 'directory'. 'filename' requires images renamed with `imageRename`. 'directory' requires a camera subdirectory within station directories (station/camera/species). Can be missing.
`camerasIndependent`	logical. If `TRUE`, species records are considered to be independent between cameras at a station.
`exclude`	character. Vector of species names to be excluded from the record table
`minDeltaTime`	integer. Time difference between records of the same species at the same station to be considered independent (in minutes)
`deltaTimeComparedTo`	character. For two records to be considered independent, must the second one be at least `minDeltaTime` minutes after the last independent record of the same species (`"lastIndependentRecord"`), or `minDeltaTime` minutes after the last record (`"lastRecord"`)?
`timeZone`	character. Must be a value returned by `OlsonNames`
`stationCol`	character. Name of the camera trap station column. Assuming "Station" if undefined.
`writecsv`	logical. Should the record table be saved as a .csv?
`outDir`	character. Directory to save csv to. If NULL and `writecsv = TRUE`, recordTable will be written to `inDir`.
`metadataHierarchyDelimitor`	character. The character delimiting hierarchy levels in image metadata tags in field "HierarchicalSubject". Either "|" or ":".

`metadataSpeciesTag`
: character. In custom image metadata, the species ID tag name.

`additionalMetadataTags`
: character. Additional camera model-specific metadata tags to be extracted. (If possible specify tag groups as returned by `exifTagNames`)

`removeDuplicateRecords`
: logical. If there are several records of the same species at the same station (also same camera if cameraID is defined) at exactly the same time, show only one?

`returnFileNamesMissingTags`
: logical. If species are assigned with metadata and images are not tagged, return a few file names of these images as a message?

`eventSummaryColumn`
: character. A column in the record table (e.g. from a metadata tag) by to summarise non-independent records (those within `minDeltaTime` of a given record) with a user-defined function (`eventSummaryFunction`)

`eventSummaryFunction`
: character. The function by which to summarise `eventSummaryColumn` of non-independent records, e.g. "sum", "max" (optional)

`video`
: list. Contains information on how to handle video data (otional). See details.

Details

The function can handle a number of different ways of storing images, and supports species identification by moving images into species directories as well as metadata tagging. In every case, images need to be stored into station directories. If images are identified by moving them into species directories, a camera directory is optional: "Station/Species/XY.JPG" or "Station/Camera/Species/XY.JPG". Likewise, if images are identified using metadata tagging, a camera directory can be used optionally: "Station/XY.JPG" or "Station/Camera/XY.JPG".

If images are identified by metadata tagging, `metadataSpeciesTag` specifies the metadata tag group name that contains species identification tags. `metadataHierarchyDelimitor` is "|" for images tagged in DigiKam and images tagged in Adobe Bridge / Lightroom with the default settings. It is only necessary to change it if the default was changed in these programs.

`minDeltaTime` is a criterion for temporal independence of species recorded at the same station. Setting it to 0 will make the function return all records. Setting it to a higher value will remove records that were taken less than `minDeltaTime` minutes after the last record (`deltaTimeComparedTo = "lastRecord"`) or the last independent record (`deltaTimeComparedTo = "lastIndependentRecord"`).

`camerasIndependent` defines if the cameras at a station are to be considered independent. If `TRUE`, records of the same species taken by different cameras are considered independent (e.g. if they face different trails). Use `FALSE` if both cameras face each other and possibly `TRUE`).

`exclude` can be used to exclude "species" directories containing irrelevant images (e.g. "team", "blank", "unidentified"). `stationCol` can be set to match the station column name in the camera trap station table (see `camtraps`).

Many digital images contain Exif metadata tags such as "AmbientTemperature" or "MoonPhase" that can be extracted if specified in `metadataTags`. Because these are manufacturer-specific and not standardized, function `exifTagNames` provides a vector of all available tag names. Multiple names

can be specified as a character vector as: `c(Tag1,Tag2,...)`. The metadata tags thus extracted may be used as covariates in modelling species distributions.

`eventSummaryColumn` and `eventSummaryFunction` can be used to extract summary statistics for independent sampling events. For example, you assigned a "count" tag to your images, indicating the number of individuals in a picture. In a sequence of pictures taken within 1 minute, most pictures show one individual, but one image shows two individuals. You tagged the images accordingly (count = 1 or count = 2) and run `recordTable`. Set `eventSummaryColumn = "count"` and `eventSummaryFunction = "max"` to obtain the maximum number of `count` in all images within `minDeltaTime` minutes of a given record. The results is in a new column, in this example `count_max`. You can also calculate several statistics at the same time, by supplying vectors of values, e.g. `eventSummaryColumn = c("count","count","camera")` and `eventSummaryFunction = c("min","max","unique")` to get minimum and maximum count and all unique camera IDs for that event. Note that `eventSummaryColumn` and `eventSummaryFunction` must be of same length.

Argument `video` is a named list with 2 or 4 items. 2 items (`file_formats`, `dateTimeTag`) are always required, and are sufficent if `IDfrom = "directory"`. In that case, no digiKam tags will be returned. To return digiKam tags, two additional items are required (`db_directory`, `db_filename`). This is essential when using `IDfrom = "metadata"`. When using `IDfrom = "directory"`, it is optional, but allows to extract metadata tags assigned to videos in digiKam. This workaround is necessary because digiKam tags are not written into video metadata, but are only saved in the digiKam database. So in contrast to JPG images, they can not be extracted with ExifTool. It also requires that `inDir` is in your digiKam database.

The items of argument `video` are:

`file_formats`	The video formats to extract (include "jpg" if you want .JPG image metadata)
`dateTimeTag`	the metadata tag to extract date/time from (use `exifTagNames` to find out which tag is suitable)
`db_directory`	The directory containing digiKam database (optional if `IDfrom = "directory"`)
`db_filename`	The digiKam database file in `db_directory` (optional if `IDfrom = "directory"`)

See the examples below for for how to specify the argument `video`.

Value

A data frame containing species records and additional information about stations, date, time and (optionally) further metadata.

Warning

Custom image metadata must be organised hierarchically (tag group - tag; e.g. "Species" - "Leopard Cat"). Detailed information on how to set up and use metadata tags can be found in vignette 2: Species and Individual Identification.

Custom image metadata tags must be written to the images. The function cannot read tags from .xmp sidecar files. Make sure you set the preferences accordingly. In DigiKam, go to Settings/Configure digiKam/Metadata. There, make sure "Write to sidecar files" is unchecked.

Please note the section about defining argument `timeZone` in the vignette on data extraction (accessible via `vignette("DataExtraction")` or online (https://cran.r-project.org/package=camtrapR/vignettes/camtrapr3.html)).

Note

The results of a number of other function will depend on the output of this function (namely on the arguments `exclude` for excluding species and `minDeltaTime`/ `deltaTimeComparedTo` for temporal independence):

`detectionMaps`
`detectionHistory`
`activityHistogram`
`activityDensity`
`activityRadial`
`activityOverlap`
`activityHistogram`
`surveyReport`

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References

Phil Harvey's ExifTool http://www.sno.phy.queensu.ca/~phil/exiftool/

Examples

```
## Not run:    # the examples take too long to pass CRAN tests


# set directory with camera trap images in station directories
wd_images_ID_species <- system.file("pictures/sample_images_species_dir",
                                    package = "camtrapR")

if (Sys.which("exiftool") != ""){       # only run these examples if ExifTool is available


rec_table1 <- recordTable(inDir               = wd_images_ID_species,
                          IDfrom              = "directory",
                          minDeltaTime        = 60,
                          deltaTimeComparedTo = "lastRecord",
                          writecsv            = FALSE,
                          additionalMetadataTags = c("EXIF:Model", "EXIF:Make")
)
# note argument additionalMetadataTags: it contains tag names as returned by function exifTagNames

rec_table2 <- recordTable(inDir               = wd_images_ID_species,
                          IDfrom              = "directory",
                          minDeltaTime        = 60,
                          deltaTimeComparedTo = "lastRecord",
                          exclude             = "UNID",
```

```
                        writecsv               = FALSE,
                        timeZone               = "Asia/Kuala_Lumpur",
                   additionalMetadataTags = c("EXIF:Model", "EXIF:Make", "NonExistingTag"),
                        eventSummaryColumn     = "EXIF:Make",
                        eventSummaryFunction   = "unique"
                        )

# note the warning that the last tag in "additionalMetadataTags" ("NonExistingTag") was not found


any(rec_table1$Species == "UNID")    # TRUE
any(rec_table2$Species == "UNID")    # FALSE


# here's how the removeDuplicateRecords argument works

rec_table3a <- recordTable(inDir              = wd_images_ID_species,
                        IDfrom                = "directory",
                        minDeltaTime          = 0,
                        exclude               = "UNID",
                        timeZone              = "Asia/Kuala_Lumpur",
                        removeDuplicateRecords = FALSE
)

rec_table3b <- recordTable(inDir              = wd_images_ID_species,
                        IDfrom                = "directory",
                        minDeltaTime          = 0,
                        exclude               = "UNID",
                        timeZone              = "Asia/Kuala_Lumpur",
                        removeDuplicateRecords = TRUE
)


anyDuplicated(rec_table3a[, c("Station", "Species", "DateTimeOriginal")])  # got duplicates
anyDuplicated(rec_table3b[, c("Station", "Species", "DateTimeOriginal")])  # no duplicates

# after removing duplicates, both are identical:
whichAreDuplicated <- which(duplicated(rec_table3a[,c("Station", "Species", "DateTimeOriginal")]))
all(rec_table3a[-whichAreDuplicated,] == rec_table3b)


### extracting species IDs from metadata

wd_images_ID_species_tagged <- system.file("pictures/sample_images_species_tag",
                                           package = "camtrapR")

rec_table4 <- recordTable(inDir               = wd_images_ID_species_tagged,
                        IDfrom                = "metadata",
                        metadataSpeciesTag    = "Species",
                        exclude               = "unidentified")


###  Including videos
```

```
# sample videos are not included in package

# with videos, IDfrom = "directory", not extracting digiKam metadata

rec_table4 <- recordTable(inDir  = wd_images_ID_species,
                          IDfrom = "directory",
                          video  = list(file_formats = c("jpg", "mp4"),
                                        dateTimeTag  = "QuickTime:CreateDate")
)

# with videos, IDfrom = "metadata", extracting digiKam metadata

rec_table5 <- recordTable(inDir  = wd_images_ID_species,
                          IDfrom = "metadata",
                          metadataSpeciesTag = "Species",
                          video  = list(file_formats = c("jpg", "mp4", "avi", "mov"),
                                        dateTimeTag  = "QuickTime:CreateDate",
                                        db_directory = "C:/Users/YourName/Pictures",
                                        db_filename = "digikam4.db")
)

} else {
# show function output if ExifTool is not available
message("ExifTool is not available. Cannot test function. Loading recordTableSample instead")
data(recordTableSample)
}


## End(Not run)
```

`recordTableIndividual` *Generate a single-species record table with individual identification from camera trap images or videos*

Description

The function generates a single-species record table containing individual IDs, e.g. for (spatial) capture-recapture analyses. It prepares input for the function `spatialDetectionHistory`.

Usage

```
recordTableIndividual(inDir,
  hasStationFolders,
  IDfrom,
  cameraID,
  camerasIndependent,
  minDeltaTime = 0,
  deltaTimeComparedTo,
  timeZone,
```

```
  stationCol,
  writecsv = FALSE,
  outDir,
  metadataHierarchyDelimitor = "|",
  metadataIDTag,
  additionalMetadataTags,
  removeDuplicateRecords = TRUE,
  returnFileNamesMissingTags = FALSE,
  eventSummaryColumn,
  eventSummaryFunction,
  video
)
```

Arguments

inDir	character. Directory containing images of individuals. Must end with species name (e.g. ".../speciesImages/Clouded Leopard")
hasStationFolders	logical. Does inDir have station subdirectories? If TRUE, station IDs will be taken from directory names. If FALSE, they will be taken from image filenames (requires images renamed with imageRename).
IDfrom	character. Read individual ID from image metadata ("metadata") of from directory names ("directory")?
cameraID	character. Should the function look for camera IDs in the image file names? If so, set to 'filename'. Requires images renamed with imageRename. If missing, no camera ID will be assigned and it will be assumed there was 1 camera only per station.
camerasIndependent	logical. If TRUE, cameras at a station are assumed to record individuals independently. If FALSE, cameras are assumed to be non-independent (e.g. in pairs). Takes effect only if there was more than 1 camera per station and cameraID = "filename".
minDeltaTime	numeric. time difference between observation of the same individual at the same station/camera to be considered independent (in minutes)
deltaTimeComparedTo	character. For two records to be considered independent, must the second one be at least minDeltaTime minutes after the last independent record of the same individual ("lastIndependentRecord"), or minDeltaTime minutes after the last record ("lastRecord")?
timeZone	character. Must be a value returned by OlsonNames
stationCol	character. Name of the camera trap station column in the output table.
writecsv	logical. Should the individual record table be saved as a .csv file?
outDir	character. Directory to save csv file to. If NULL and writecsv = TRUE, the output csv will be written to inDir.
metadataHierarchyDelimitor	character. The character delimiting hierarchy levels in image metadata tags in field "HierarchicalSubject". Either "|" or ":".

`metadataIDTag` character. In custom image metadata, the individual ID tag name.

`additionalMetadataTags`
character. additional camera model-specific metadata tags to be extracted. (If possible specify tag groups as returned by `exifTagNames`)

`removeDuplicateRecords`
logical. If there are several records of the same individual at the same station (also same camera if cameraID is defined) at exactly the same time, show only one?

`returnFileNamesMissingTags`
logical. If species are assigned with metadata and images are not tagged, return a few file names of these images as a message?

`eventSummaryColumn`
character. A column in the record table (e.g. from a metadata tag) by to summarise non-independent records (those within `minDeltaTime` of a given record) with a user-defined function (`eventSummaryFunction`)

`eventSummaryFunction`
character. The function by which to summarise `eventSummaryColumn` of non-independent records, e.g. "sum", "max" (optional)

`video` list. Contains information on how to handle video data (otional). See details.

Details

The function can handle a number of different ways of storing images and videos. In every case, images need to be stored in a species directory first (e.g. using function `getSpeciesImages`). Station subdirectories are optional. Camera subdirectories are not supported. This directory structure can be created easily with function `getSpeciesImages`.

As with species identification, individuals can be identified in 2 different ways: by moving images into individual directories ("Species/Station/Individual/XY.JPG" or "Species/Individual/XY.JPG") or by metadata tagging (without the need for individual directories: "Species/XY.JPG" or "Species/Station/XY.JPG").

`minDeltaTime` is a criterion for temporal independence of records of an individual at the same station/location. Setting it to 0 will make the function return all records. `camerasIndependent` defines if the cameras at a station are to be considered independent (e.g. `FALSE` if both cameras face each other and possibly `TRUE` if they face different trails). `stationCol` is the station column name to be used in the resulting table. Station IDs are read from the station directory names if `hasStationFolders = TRUE`. Otherwise, the function will try to extract station IDs from the image filenames (requires images renamed with `imageRename`.

If individual IDs were assigned with image metadata tags, `metadataIDTag` must be set to the name of the metadata tag group used for individual identification. `metadataHierarchyDelimitor` is "|" for images tagged in DigiKam and images tagged in Adobe Bridge/ Lightroom with the default settings. Manufacturer-specific Exif metadata tags such as "AmbientTemperature" or "MoonPhase" can be extracted if specified in `additionalMetadataTags`. Multiple names can be specified as a character vector as: `c(Tag1,Tag2,...)`. Because they are not standardized, function `exifTagNames` provides a vector of all available tag names. The metadata tags thus extracted may be used as individual covariates in spatial capture-recapture models.

`eventSummaryColumn` and `eventSummaryFunction` can be used to extract summary statistics for independent sampling events. For example, you assigned a "count" tag to your images, indicating the number of individuals in a picture. In a sequence of pictures taken within 1 minute,

most pictures show one individual, but one image shows two individuals. You tagged the images accordingly (count = 1 or count = 2) and run recordTable. Set eventSummaryColumn = "count" and eventSummaryFunction = "max" to obtain the maximum number of count in all images within minDeltaTime minutes of a given record. The results is in a new column, in this example count_max. You can also calculate several statistics at the same time, by supplying vectors of values, e.g. eventSummaryColumn = c("count","count","camera") and eventSummaryFunction = c("min","max","unique") to get minimum and maximum count and all unique camera IDs for that event. Note that eventSummaryColumn and eventSummaryFunction must be of same length.

Argument video is analogous to recordTable, a named list with 2 or 4 items. 2 items (file_formats, dateTimeTag) are always required, and are sufficent if IDfrom = "directory". In that case, no digiKam tags will be returned. To return digiKam tags, two additional items are required (db_directory, db_filename). This is essential when using IDfrom = "metadata". When using IDfrom = "directory", it is optional, but allows to extract metadata tags assigned to videos in digiKam. This workaround is necessary because digiKam tags are not written into video metadata, but are only saved in the digiKam database. So in contrast to JPG images, they can not be extracted with ExifTool. It also requires that inDir is in your digiKam database.

The items of argument video are:

file_formats	The video formats to extract (include "jpg" if you want .JPG image metadata)
dateTimeTag	the metadata tag to extract date/time from (use exifTagNames to find out which tag is suitable)
db_directory	The directory containing digiKam database (optional if IDfrom = "directory")
db_filename	The digiKam database file in db_directory (optional if IDfrom = "directory")

See the example below for for how to specify the argument video.

Value

A data frame containing species records with individual IDs and additional information about stations, date, time and (optionally) further metadata.

Warning

Be sure to read the section on individual identification in the package vignette (https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=camtrapR/vignettes/camtrapr2.html).

Af you use image metadata tags for identification, the tags must be written to the image metadata. The function cannot read tags from .xmp sidecar files. Make sure you set the preferences of your image management software accordingly. In DigiKam, go to Settings/Configure digiKam/Metadata. There, make sure "Write to sidecar files" is unchecked.

Please note the section about defining argument timeZone in the vignette on data extraction (accessible via vignette("DataExtraction") or online (https://cran.r-project.org/package=camtrapR/vignettes/camtrapr3.html)).

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References

Phil Harvey's ExifTool http://www.sno.phy.queensu.ca/~phil/exiftool/

Examples

```
## Not run:    # the examples run too long to pass CRAN tests

 wd_images_ID_individual <- system.file("pictures/sample_images_indiv_tag/LeopardCat",
                                        package = "camtrapR")
 # missing space in species = "LeopardCat" is because of CRAN package policies
 # note argument additionalMetadataTags: contains tag names as returned by function exifTagNames

 if (Sys.which("exiftool") != ""){      # only run these examples if ExifTool is available

 rec_table_pbe <- recordTableIndividual(inDir                 = wd_images_ID_individual,
                                        minDeltaTime          = 60,
                                        deltaTimeComparedTo   = "lastRecord",
                                        hasStationFolders     = FALSE,
                                        IDfrom                = "metadata",
                                        camerasIndependent    = FALSE,
                                        writecsv              = FALSE,
                                        metadataIDTag         = "individual",
                                   additionalMetadataTags = c("EXIF:Model", "EXIF:Make"),
                                        timeZone              = "Asia/Kuala_Lumpur"
 )


 # extracting some example summary stats too
 # a nonsensical example, get all unique cameras with which the event was photographed

  rec_table_pbe2 <- recordTableIndividual(inDir               = wd_images_ID_individual,
                                        minDeltaTime          = 60,
                                        deltaTimeComparedTo   = "lastRecord",
                                        hasStationFolders     = FALSE,
                                        IDfrom                = "metadata",
                                        camerasIndependent    = FALSE,
                                        writecsv              = FALSE,
                                        metadataIDTag         = "individual",
                                   additionalMetadataTags = c("EXIF:Model", "EXIF:Make"),
                                        timeZone              = "Asia/Kuala_Lumpur",
                                        eventSummaryColumn    = "EXIF:Make",
                                        eventSummaryFunction  = "unique"
 )

 ### Video example (the sample data don't contain a video, this is hypothetical)
 # with JPG, video mp4, avi, mov, ID = metadata

rec_table_ind_video <- recordTableIndividual(inDir = wd_images_ID_individual,
                          hasStationFolder  = FALSE,
                          IDfrom            = "metadata",
                          metadataIDTag     = "individual",
```

```
                              video = list(file_formats = c("jpg", "mp4", "avi", "mov"),
                                           dateTimeTag = "QuickTime:CreateDate",
                                           db_directory = "C:/Users/YourName/Pictures",
                                           db_filename = "digikam4.db")
)


} else {
# show function output if ExifTool is not available
message("ExifTool is not available. Cannot test function. Loading recordTableSample instead")
data(recordTableSample)
}

## End(Not run)
```

`recordTableIndividualSample` *Sample single-species record table with custom metadata from camera trap images*

Description

Sample single-species record table with individual IDs from the tagged sample images in the package. Generated with function `recordTableIndividual`.

Usage

```
data(recordTableIndividualSample)
```

Format

A data frame with 21 rows and 17 variables

Details

The variables are as follows:

- Station. Camera trap station ID
- Species. Species ID
- Individual. Individual ID
- DateTimeOriginal. Date and time as extracted from image
- Date. record date
- Time. record time of day
- delta.time.secs. time difference to first species record at a station (seconds)
- delta.time.mins. time difference to first species record at a station (minutes)

- delta.time.hours. time difference to first species record at a station (hours)
- delta.time.days. time difference to first species record at a station (days)
- Directory. Image directory
- FileName. image filename
- HierarchicalSubject. content of the HierarchicalSubject image metadata tag
- Model. camera model extracted from image metadata
- Make. camera make extracted from image metadata
- metadata_Species. content of custom image metadata tag "Species" (see HierarchicalSubject)
- metadata_individual. content of custom image metadata tag "individual" (see HierarchicalSubject)

`recordTableIndividualSampleMultiSeason` *Sample single-species multi-season record table with custom metadata from camera trap images*

Description

Sample single-species multi-season record table with individual IDs from the tagged sample images in the package. Generated with function `recordTableIndividual`, then duplicated to simulate a second year.

Usage

```
data(recordTableIndividualSampleMultiSeason)
```

Format

A data frame with 31 rows and 17 variables

Details

The variables are as follows:

- Station. Camera trap station ID
- Species. Species ID
- Individual. Individual ID
- DateTimeOriginal. Date and time as extracted from image
- Date. record date
- Time. record time of day
- delta.time.secs. time difference to first species record at a station (seconds)
- delta.time.mins. time difference to first species record at a station (minutes)
- delta.time.hours. time difference to first species record at a station (hours)

- delta.time.days. time difference to first species record at a station (days)
- Directory. Image directory
- FileName. image filename
- HierarchicalSubject. content of the HierarchicalSubject image metadata tag
- Model. camera model extracted from image metadata
- Make. camera make extracted from image metadata
- metadata_Species. content of custom image metadata tag "Species" (see HierarchicalSubject)
- metadata_individual. content of custom image metadata tag "individual" (see HierarchicalSubject)

Examples

```
# example data were created as follows:
data(recordTableIndividualSample)

recordTableIndividualSample_season2 <- recordTableIndividualSample[1:10,]
recordTableIndividualSample_season2$DateTimeOriginal <- gsub("2009", "2010",
      recordTableIndividualSample_season2$DateTimeOriginal)
recordTableIndividualSampleMultiSeason <- rbind(recordTableIndividualSample,
      recordTableIndividualSample_season2)
```

---

recordTableSample *Sample species record table from camera trap images*

Description

Sample species record table from camera trap images generated from the sample images in the package with the function `recordTable` .

Usage

```
data(recordTableSample)
```

Format

A data frame with 39 rows and 11 variables

Details

The variables are as follows:

- Station. Camera trap station ID
- Species. Species ID
- DateTimeOriginal. Date and time as extracted from image
- Date. record date

- Time. record time of day
- delta.time.secs. time difference to first species record at a station (seconds)
- delta.time.mins. time difference to first species record at a station (minutes)
- delta.time.hours. time difference to first species record at a station (hours)
- delta.time.days. time difference to first species record at a station (days)
- Directory. Image directory
- FileName. image filename

`recordTableSampleMultiSeason` *Sample multi-season species record table from camera trap images*

Description

Sample multi-season species record table from camera trap images generated from the sample images in the package with the function `recordTable`. Season 2009 is the same as `recordTableSample`, season 2010 was simulated by adding 1 year to these records.

Usage

```
data(recordTableSampleMultiSeason)
```

Format

A data frame with 78 rows and 11 variables

Details

The variables are as follows:

- Station. Camera trap station ID
- Species. Species ID
- DateTimeOriginal. Date and time as extracted from image
- Date. record date
- Time. record time of day
- delta.time.secs. time difference to first species record at a station (seconds)
- delta.time.mins. time difference to first species record at a station (minutes)
- delta.time.hours. time difference to first species record at a station (hours)
- delta.time.days. time difference to first species record at a station (days)
- Directory. Image directory
- FileName. image filename

Examples

```
# data were created with the following code:

data(recordTableSample)
recordTableSample_season2 <- recordTableSample

# substitute 2009 with 2010
recordTableSample_season2$DateTimeOriginal <- gsub("2009", "2010",
     recordTableSample_season2$DateTimeOriginal)
  # combine with season 2009
recordTableSampleMultiSeason <- rbind(recordTableSample, recordTableSample_season2)
```

`spatialDetectionHistory` *Generate a* `capthist` *object for spatial capture-recapture analyses from camera-trapping data*

Description

This function generates spatial detection histories of individuals of a species for spatial capture-recapture analyses with package `secr`. Data are stored in a `capthist` object. The `capthist` object contains detection histories, camera-trap station location and possibly individual and station-level covariates. Detection histories can have adjustable occasion length and occasion start time (as in the function `detectionHistory`).

Usage

```
spatialDetectionHistory(recordTableIndividual,
  species,
  camOp,
  CTtable,
  output,
  stationCol = "Station",
  speciesCol = "Species",
  sessionCol,
  Xcol,
  Ycol,
  stationCovariateCols,
  individualCol,
  individualCovariateCols,
  recordDateTimeCol = "DateTimeOriginal",
  recordDateTimeFormat = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S",
  occasionLength,
  minActiveDaysPerOccasion,
  occasionStartTime = 0,
  maxNumberDays,
  day1,
```

```
  buffer,
  includeEffort = TRUE,
  scaleEffort = FALSE,
  binaryEffort,
  timeZone,
  makeRMarkInput
)
```

Arguments

recordTableIndividual	data.frame. the record table with individual IDs created by recordTableIndividual
species	character. the species for which to compute the detection history
camOp	The camera operability matrix as created by cameraOperation
CTtable	data.frame. contains station IDs and coordinates. Same as used in cameraOperation.
output	character. Return individual counts ("count") or binary observations ("binary")?
stationCol	character. name of the column specifying Station ID in recordTableIndividual and CTtable
speciesCol	character. name of the column specifying species in recordTableIndividual
sessionCol	character. name of the column specifying session IDs, either in recordTableIndividual or in CTtable. See 'Details' for more information. Session ID values must be a sequence of integer numbers beginning with 1 (i.e., 1,2,3,...).
Xcol	character. name of the column specifying x coordinates in CTtable
Ycol	character. name of the column specifying y coordinates in CTtable
stationCovariateCols	character. name of the column(s) specifying station-level covariates in CTtable
individualCol	character. name of the column specifying individual IDs in recordTableIndividual
individualCovariateCols	character. name of the column(s) specifying individual covariates in recordTableIndividual
recordDateTimeCol	character. name of the column specifying date and time in recordTableIndividual
recordDateTimeFormat	format of column recordDateTimeCol in recordTableIndividual
occasionLength	integer. occasion length in days
minActiveDaysPerOccasion	integer. minimum number of active trap days for occasions to be included (optional)
occasionStartTime	integer. time of day (the full hour) at which to begin occasions.
maxNumberDays	integer. maximum number of trap days per station (optional)
day1	character. When should occasions begin: station setup date ("station"), first day of survey ("survey"), a specific date (e.g. "2015-12-31")?
buffer	integer. Makes the first occasion begin a number of days after station setup. (optional)

includeEffort	logical. Include trapping effort (number of active camera trap days per station and occasion) as usage in capthist object?
scaleEffort	logical. scale and center effort matrix to mean = 0 and sd = 1? Currently not used. Must be FALSE.
binaryEffort	logical. Should effort be binary (1 if >1 active day per occasion, 0 otherwise)?
timeZone	character. Must be a value returned by OlsonNames
makeRMarkInput	logical. If FALSE, output will be a data frame for RMark. If FALSE or not specified, a secr capthist object

Details

The function creates a capthist object by combining three different objects: 1) a record table of identified individuals of a species, 2) a camera trap station table with station coordinates and 3) a camera operation matrix computed with cameraOperation. The record table must contain a column with individual IDs and optionally individual covariates. The camera trap station table must contain station coordinates and optionally station-level covariates. The camera operation matrix provides the dates stations were active or not and the number of active stations.

day1 defines if each stations detection history will begin on that station's setup day (day1 = "station") or if all station's detection histories have a common origin (the day the first station was set up if day1 = "survey" or a fixed date if, e.g. day1 = "2015-12-31").

includeEffort controls whether an effort matrix is computed or not. If TRUE, effort will be used for object usage information in a traps. binaryEffort makes the effort information binary. scaleEffort is currently not used and must be set to FALSE. The reason is that usage can only be either binary, or nonnegative real values, whereas scaling effort would return negative values.

The number of days that are aggregated is controlled by occasionLength. occasionStartTime can be used to make occasions begin another hour than midnight (the default). This may be relevant for nocturnal animals, in which 1 whole night would be considered an occasion. Output can be returned as individual counts per occasion (output = "count") or as binary observation (output = "binary").

Argument sessionCol can be used to a create multi-session capthist object. There are two different ways in which the argument is interpreted. It depends on whether a column with the name you specify in argument sessionCol exists in recordTableIndividual or in CTtable. If sessionCol is found in recordTableIndividual, the records will be assigned to the specified sessions, and it will be assumed that all camera trap station were used in all sessions. Alternatively, if sessionCol is found inCTtable, it will be assumed that only a subset of stations was used in each session, and the records will be assigned automatically (using the station IDs to identify which session they belong into). In both cases, session information must be provided as a sequence of integer numbers beginnign with 1, i.e., you provide the session number directly in sessionCol. See session for more information about sessions in **secr**.

capthist objects (as created by spatialDetectionHistory for spatial capture-recapture analyses) expect the units of coordinates (Xcol and col in CTtable) to be meters. Therefore, please use a suitable coordinate system (e.g. UTM).

recordDateTimeFormat defaults to the "YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM:SS" convention, e.g. "2014-09-30 22:59:59". recordDateTimeFormat can be interpreted either by base-R via strptime or in **lubridate** via parse_date_time (argument "orders"). **lubridate** will be used if there are no "%" characters in recordDateTimeFormat.

For "YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM:SS", recordDateTimeFormat would be either "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S" or "ymd HMS". For details on how to specify date and time formats in R see strptime or parse_date_time.

Value

Output depends on argument makeRMarkInput:

makeRMarkInput = FALSE
: A capthist object

makeRMarkInput = TRUE
: A data frame for use in RMark

Warning

Please note the section about defining argument timeZone in the vignette on data extraction (accessible via vignette("DataExtraction") or online (https://cran.r-project.org/package=camtrapR/vignettes/camtrapr3.html)).

Author(s)

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See Also

secr RMark

Examples

```
data(recordTableIndividualSample)
data(camtraps)

# create camera operation matrix (with problems/malfunction)
camop_problem <- cameraOperation(CTtable      = camtraps,
                                 stationCol   = "Station",
                                 setupCol     = "Setup_date",
                                 retrievalCol = "Retrieval_date",
                                 writecsv     = FALSE,
                                 hasProblems  = TRUE,
                                 dateFormat   = "%d/%m/%Y"
)

sdh <- spatialDetectionHistory(recordTableIndividual = recordTableIndividualSample,
                               species               = "LeopardCat",
                               camOp                 = camop_problem,
                               CTtable               = camtraps,
                               output                = "binary",
                               stationCol            = "Station",
                               speciesCol            = "Species",
                               Xcol                  = "utm_x",
                               Ycol                  = "utm_y",
```

```
                                individualCol         = "Individual",
                                recordDateTimeCol     = "DateTimeOriginal",
                                recordDateTimeFormat  = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S",
                                occasionLength        = 10,
                                day1                  = "survey",
                                includeEffort         = TRUE,
                                timeZone              = "Asia/Kuala_Lumpur"
  )

# missing space in species = "LeopardCat" was introduced by recordTableIndividual
# (because of CRAN package policies.
# In your data you can have spaces in your directory names)

  summary(sdh)
  plot(sdh, tracks = TRUE)

  ## multi-season capthist object
 # see vignette "3. Extracting Data from Camera Trapping Images, creating occupancy & secr input"

  data(camtrapsMultiSeason)
  camtrapsMultiSeason$session[camtrapsMultiSeason$session == 2009] <- 1
  camtrapsMultiSeason$session[camtrapsMultiSeason$session == 2010] <- 2

  data(recordTableIndividualSampleMultiSeason)

  # create camera operation matrix (with problems/malfunction)
  camop_session <- cameraOperation(CTtable         = camtrapsMultiSeason,
                                   stationCol   = "Station",
                                   setupCol     = "Setup_date",
                                   sessionCol   = "session",
                                   retrievalCol = "Retrieval_date",
                                   hasProblems  = TRUE,
                                   dateFormat   = "%d/%m/%Y"
  )

sdh_multi <- spatialDetectionHistory(recordTableIndividual = recordTableIndividualSampleMultiSeason,
                                species               = "LeopardCat",
                                output                = "binary",
                                camOp                 = camop_session,
                                CTtable               = camtrapsMultiSeason,
                                stationCol            = "Station",
                                speciesCol            = "Species",
                                sessionCol            = "session",
                                Xcol                  = "utm_x",
                                Ycol                  = "utm_y",
                                individualCol         = "Individual",
                                recordDateTimeCol     = "DateTimeOriginal",
                                recordDateTimeFormat  = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S",
                                occasionLength        = 10,
                                day1                  = "survey",
                                includeEffort         = TRUE,
                                timeZone              = "Asia/Kuala_Lumpur",
                                stationCovariateCols  = "utm_y",         # example
```

```
                                individualCovariateCols = "Individual"   # example
)

summary(sdh_multi)
plot(sdh_multi, tracks = TRUE)
```

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surveyReport *Create a report about a camera trapping survey and species detections*

Description

This function creates a report about a camera trapping survey and species records. It uses a camera trap station information table and a record table (generated with recordTable) as input. Output tables can be saved and a zip file for simple data sharing can be created easily.

Usage

```
surveyReport (recordTable,
  CTtable,
  speciesCol = "Species",
  stationCol = "Station",
  cameraCol,
  setupCol,
  retrievalCol,
  CTDateFormat = "%Y-%m-%d",
  CTHasProblems = FALSE,
  recordDateTimeCol = "DateTimeOriginal",
  recordDateTimeFormat = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S",
  Xcol,
  Ycol,
  sinkpath,
  makezip
)
```

Arguments

recordTable	data.frame containing a species record table as given by recordTable
CTtable	data.frame containing information about location and trapping period of camera trap stations (equivalent to camtraps
speciesCol	character. name of the column specifying Species ID in recordTable
stationCol	character. name of the column specifying Station ID in CTtable and recordTable
cameraCol	character. name of the column specifying Camera ID in CTtable and recordTable
setupCol	character. name of the column containing camera setup dates in CTtable
retrievalCol	character. name of the column containing camera retrieval dates in CTtable

`CTDateFormat` character. The format of columns `setupCol` and `retrievalCol` (and potential problem columns) in `CTtable`. Must be interpretable by either `as.Date` or the "orders" argument `parse_date_time` in **lubridate**.

`CTHasProblems` logical. Are there periods of camera malfunction specified in `CTtable`?

`recordDateTimeCol` character. The name of the column containing date and time of records in `recordTable`

`recordDateTimeFormat` character. The date/time format of column `recordDateTimeCol` in `recordTable`.

`Xcol` character. name of the column specifying x coordinates in `CTtable`. Used to create detection maps if `makezip` is TRUE. (optional)

`Ycol` character. name of the column specifying y coordinates in `CTtable`. Used to create detection maps if `makezip` is TRUE. (optional)

`sinkpath` character. The directory into which the survey report is saved (optional)

`makezip` logical. Create a zip file containing tables, plots and maps in `sinkpath`?

Details

`dateFormat` defaults to "YYYY-MM-DD", e.g. "2014-10-31". It can be specified either in the format required by `strptime` or the 'orders' argument in `parse_date_time` in **lubridate**. In the example above, "YYYY-MM-DD" would be specified as "%Y-%m-%d" or "ymd". If `CTHasProblems` is set to TRUE, the function tries to find columns `ProblemX_from` and `ProblemX_to` in `CTtable` (`X` designates numbers from 1 to n in which a camera or station was not operational). If there are no such columns all stations are assumed to have been operational uninterruptedly from setup to retrieval.

`recordDateTimeFormat` defaults to the "YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM:SS" convention, e.g. "2014-09-30 22:59:59". `recordDateTimeFormat` can be interpreted either by base-R via `strptime` or in **lubridate** via `parse_date_time` (argument "orders"). **lubridate** will be used if there are no "%" characters in `recordDateTimeFormat`.

For "YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM:SS", `recordDateTimeFormat` would be either "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S" or "ymd HMS". For details on how to specify date and time formats in R see `strptime` or `parse_date_time`.

Value

An invisible list containing 5 `data.frames`.

`survey_dates` station and image date ranges, number of total and active trap nights, number of cameras per station

`species_by_station` species numbers by station

`events_by_species` number of events and stations by species

`events_by_station` number of events for every species by station (only species that were recorded)

`events_by_station2`
: number of events for all species at all stations (including species that were not recorded)

The output will be saved to a .txt file if `sinkpath` is defined.

If `makezip` is TRUE, a zip file will be created in `sinkpath`. It contains single-species activity plots, detection maps (if `Xcol` and `Ycol` are defined), the survey report tables, the record table and the camera trap station table, and an example R script.

Author(s)

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See Also

`recordTable`

Examples

```
data(camtraps)
data(recordTableSample)

reportTest <- surveyReport (recordTable          = recordTableSample,
                            CTtable              = camtraps,
                            speciesCol           = "Species",
                            stationCol           = "Station",
                            setupCol             = "Setup_date",
                            retrievalCol         = "Retrieval_date",
                            CTDateFormat         = "%d/%m/%Y",
                            recordDateTimeCol    = "DateTimeOriginal",
                            recordDateTimeFormat = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S")

class(reportTest)  # a list with
length(reportTest) # 5 elements

reportTest[[1]]    # camera trap operation times and image date ranges
reportTest[[2]]    # number of species by station
reportTest[[3]]    # number of events and number of stations by species
reportTest[[4]]    # number of species events by station
reportTest[[5]]   # number of species events by station including 0s (non-observed species)

# with camera problems

reportTest_problem <- surveyReport (recordTable          = recordTableSample,
                                    CTtable              = camtraps,
                                    speciesCol           = "Species",
                                    stationCol           = "Station",
                                    setupCol             = "Setup_date",
                                    retrievalCol         = "Retrieval_date",
                                    CTDateFormat         = "%d/%m/%Y",
                                    recordDateTimeCol    = "DateTimeOriginal",
                                    recordDateTimeFormat = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S",
```

```
                                    CTHasProblems        = TRUE)

reportTest_problem$survey_dates

## Not run:
# run again with sinkpath defined
reportTest <- surveyReport (recordTable          = recordTableSample,
                            CTtable              = camtraps,
                            speciesCol           = "Species",
                            stationCol           = "Station",
                            setupCol             = "Setup_date",
                            retrievalCol         = "Retrieval_date",
                            CTDateFormat         = "%d/%m/%Y",
                            recordDateTimeCol    = "DateTimeOriginal",
                            recordDateTimeFormat = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S",
                            sinkpath             = getwd())

# have a look at the text file
readLines(list.files(getwd(), pattern = paste("survey_report_", Sys.Date(), ".txt", sep = "")),
 full.names = TRUE))

## End(Not run)
```

`timeShiftImages` *Apply time shifts to JPEG image metadata*

Description

Change the values of digital timestamps in image metadata using ExifTool. If date/time of images were set incorrectly, they can be corrected easily in batch mode for further analyses. Please, always make a backup of your data before using this function to avoid data loss or damage. This is because ExifTool will make a copy of your images and applies the time shifts to the copies. The file extentsion of the original images (.JPG) will be renamed to ".JPG_original".

Usage

```
timeShiftImages (inDir,
  hasCameraFolders,
  timeShiftTable,
  stationCol,
  cameraCol,
  timeShiftColumn,
  timeShiftSignColumn,
  undo = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

inDir	character. Name of directory containing station directories with images
hasCameraFolders	logical. Do the station directories in inDir have camera subdirectories (e.g. "inDir/StationA/Camera1")?
timeShiftTable	data.frame containing information about station-/camera-specific time shifts.
stationCol	character. name of the column specifying Station ID in timeShiftTable
cameraCol	character. name of the column specifying Camera ID in timeShiftTable (optional)
timeShiftColumn	character. The name of the column containing time shift values in timeShiftTable
timeShiftSignColumn	character. The name of the column with the direction of time shifts in timeShiftTable. Can only be "-" or "+".
undo	logical. Undo changes and restore the original images? Please be careful, this deletes any edited images if TRUE

Details

timeShiftTable is a data frame with columns for station ID, camera ID (optional), time shift value and direction of time shift (for an example see timeShiftTable). Images in inDir must be sorted into station directories. If hasCameraFolders = TRUE, the function expects camera subdirectories in the station directories and will only apply time shifts to the camera subdirectories specified by CameraCol in timeShiftTable. If hasCameraFolders = FALSE, shifts will be applied to the whole station directory (including potential subdirectories).

The values of timeShiftColumn must adhere to the following pattern: "YYYY:mm:dd HH:MM:SS" ("year:month:day hour:minute:second"). Examples: "1:0:0 0:0:0" is a shift of exactly 1 year and "0:0:0 12:10:01" 12 hours and 10 minutes and 1 second. Note that stating "00" may cause problems, so use "0" instead if an entry is zero.

timeShiftSignColumn signifies the direction of the time shift. "+" moves image dates into the future (i.e. the image date lagged behind the actual date) and "-" moves image dates back (if the image dates were ahead of actual time).

ExifTool stores the original images as .JPG_original files in the original file location. By setting undo = TRUE, any JPG files in the directories specified by timeShiftTable will be deleted and the original JPEGs will be restored from the JPG_original files. Please make a backup before using undo.

Years can have 365 or 366 days, and months 28 to 31 days. Here is how the function handles these (from the exiftool help page): "The ability to shift dates by Y years, M months, etc, conflicts with the design goal of maintaining a constant shift for all time values when applying a batch shift. This is because shifting by 1 month can be equivalent to anything from 28 to 31 days, and 1 year can be 365 or 366 days, depending on the starting date. The inconsistency is handled by shifting the first tag found with the actual specified shift, then calculating the equivalent time difference in seconds for this shift and applying this difference to subsequent tags in a batch conversion."

Value

A `data.frame` containing the information about the processed directories and the number of images.

Author(s)

Juergen Niedballa

References

http://www.sno.phy.queensu.ca/~phil/exiftool/Shift.html

Examples

```
## Not run:

# copy sample images to temporary directory (so we don't mess around in the package directory)
wd_images_ID <- system.file("pictures/sample_images_species_dir", package = "camtrapR")
file.copy(from = wd_images_ID, to = tempdir(), recursive = TRUE)
wd_images_ID_copy <- file.path(tempdir(), "sample_images_species_dir")

data(timeShiftTable)


timeshift_run <- timeShiftImages(inDir               = wd_images_ID_copy,
                                 timeShiftTable      = timeShiftTable,
                                 stationCol          = "Station",
                                 hasCameraFolders    = FALSE,
                                 timeShiftColumn     = "timeshift",
                                 timeShiftSignColumn = "sign",
                                 undo                = FALSE
)


timeshift_undo <- timeShiftImages(inDir               = wd_images_ID_copy,
                                  timeShiftTable      = timeShiftTable,
                                  stationCol          = "Station",
                                  hasCameraFolders    = FALSE,
                                  timeShiftColumn     = "timeshift",
                                  timeShiftSignColumn = "sign",
                                  undo                = TRUE
)

## End(Not run)
```

`timeShiftTable` *Sample camera trap time shift table*

Description

Sample camera trap time shift table

Usage

```
data(timeShiftTable)
```

Format

A data frame with 2 rows and 4 variables

Details

If image Exif metadata timestamps are wrong systematically (e.g. because camera system time was not set after changing batteries), it can be corrected using a `data.frame` in the following format using function `timeShiftImages`. For details on data format, please see `timeShiftImages`.

The variables are as follows:

- Station. Camera trap station ID
- camera. Camera trap ID (optional)
- timeshift. time shift amount to be applied
- sign. direction of time shift

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