

# Package ‘plantphysioR’

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|             |                             |
|-------------|-----------------------------|
| all_indices | <i>All indices combined</i> |
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Description

Function to all the indices related to biomass/ yield under different growth conditions

Usage

all\_indices(Yp, Ys, Mp, Ms)

Arguments

- |    |                                                         |
|----|---------------------------------------------------------|
| Yp | Yield under control condition                           |
| Ys | Yield under stress condition                            |
| Mp | Mean yield of all the genotypes under control condition |
| Ms | Mean yields of all the genotyps under Stress condition  |

Value

Indices Combined

**Examples**

```
Mp <- mean(yield_data$Yp)
Ms <- mean(yield_data$Ys)
Yp <- yield_data$Yp
Ys <- yield_data$Ys
all_indices(Yp, Ys, Mp, Ms)
```

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|     |                                      |
|-----|--------------------------------------|
| ATI | <i>Abiotic Tolerance Index (ATI)</i> |
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**Description**

Calculate abiotic tolerance index according to Moosavi et al. (2008)

**Usage**

```
ATI(Yp, Ys, Mp, Ms)
```

**Arguments**

|    |                                                         |
|----|---------------------------------------------------------|
| Yp | Yield under control condition                           |
| Ys | Yield under Stress condition                            |
| Mp | Mean yield of all the genotypes under stress condition  |
| Ms | Mean yield of all the genotypes under control condition |

**Value**

ATI

**References**

Moosavi SS, Samadi YB, Naghavi MR, Zali AA, Dashti H, Pourshahbazi A (2008) Introduction of new indices to identify relative drought tolerance and resistance in wheat genotypes. Desert. 12: 165-178.

**Examples**

```
ATI(500, 350, 400, 300)
```

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|                    |                                                             |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| calculate_PEG_6000 | <i>Calculate Polyethylene glycol (PEG) 6000 requirement</i> |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|

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**Description**

Calculate Amount of PEG6000 required to reach desired water potential at given temperature

**Usage**

calculate\_PEG\_6000(C, bar)

**Arguments**

|     |                                              |
|-----|----------------------------------------------|
| C   | Temperature of solution in degree centigrade |
| bar | Water potential in bars                      |

**Value**

PEG6000 required

**References**

Michel, B. E., & Kaufmann, M. R. (1973). The osmotic potential of polyethylene glycol 6000. Plant physiology, 51(5), 914-916.

**Examples**

calculate\_PEG\_6000(25, -4)

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|            |                                  |
|------------|----------------------------------|
| caro_total | <i>Total carotenoids content</i> |
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**Description**

Calculate total carotenoids using Method by Lichtenthaler (1987)

**Usage**

caro\_total(A470, A663, A646, fresh\_weight)

**Arguments**

|              |                                          |
|--------------|------------------------------------------|
| A470         | Absorbance at 470nm                      |
| A663         | Absorbance at 663nm                      |
| A646         | Absorbance at 646nm                      |
| fresh_weight | Fresh weight of the sample used in grams |

**Value**

Carotenoids concentration in µg/ml

**References**

Lichtenthaler, H. K. (1987). Chlorophylls and carotenoids: pigments of photosynthetic biomembranes. In Methods in enzymology (Vol. 148, pp. 350-382). Academic Press.

**Examples**

```
caro_total(0.7, 0.041, 0.025, 1)
```

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|       |                                                      |
|-------|------------------------------------------------------|
| chl_a | <i>Chlorophyll 'a' Concentration by Arnon method</i> |
|-------|------------------------------------------------------|

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**Description**

Calculates Chlorophyll a Concentration according to Arnon(1949) method

**Usage**

```
chl_a(A663, A645, v, w)
```

**Arguments**

|      |                                          |
|------|------------------------------------------|
| A663 | Absorbance at 663nm                      |
| A645 | Absorbance at 645nm                      |
| v    | Final volume of solvent used in ml       |
| w    | Fresh weight of the sample used in grams |

**Value**

Chlorophyll a in mg/g of fresh weight

**References**

Arnon, D. I. (1949). Copper enzymes in isolated chloroplasts. Polyphenoloxidase in Beta vulgaris. Plant physiology, 24(1), 1. doi:10.1104/pp.24.1.1

**Examples**

```
chl_a(0.025, 0.041, 15, 1)
```

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|       |                                    |
|-------|------------------------------------|
| chl_b | <i>Chlorophyll b concentration</i> |
|-------|------------------------------------|

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**Description**

Calculates Chlorophyll b Concentration according to Arnon(1949) method

**Usage**

```
chl_b(A645, A663, v, w)
```

**Arguments**

|      |                                          |
|------|------------------------------------------|
| A645 | Absorbance at 645nm                      |
| A663 | Absorbance at 663nm                      |
| v    | Final volume of solvent used in ml       |
| w    | Fresh weight of the sample used in grams |

**Value**

Chlorophyll b in mg/g of fresh weight

**References**

Arnon, D. I. (1949). Copper enzymes in isolated chloroplasts. Polyphenoloxidase in Beta vulgaris. Plant physiology, 24(1), 1. doi:10.1104/pp.24.1.1

**Examples**

```
chl_b(0.041, 0.025, 15, 1)
```

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|           |                                              |
|-----------|----------------------------------------------|
| chl_total | <i>Total chlorophyll (a+b) concentration</i> |
|-----------|----------------------------------------------|

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**Description**

Calculate Total chlorophyll (a+b) concentration using method by Arnon (1949)

**Usage**

```
chl_total(A645, A663, v, w)
```

**Arguments**

|      |                                          |
|------|------------------------------------------|
| A645 | Absorbance at 645nm                      |
| A663 | Absorbance at 663nm                      |
| v    | Final volume of solvent used in ml       |
| w    | Fresh weight of the sample used in grams |

**Value**

Total chlorophyll (a+b) in mg/g of fresh weight

**References**

Arnon, D. I. (1949). Copper enzymes in isolated chloroplasts. Polyphenoloxidase in Beta vulgaris. Plant physiology, 24(1), 1. doi:10.1104/pp.24.1.1

**Examples**

```
chl_total(0.041, 0.025, 15, 1)
```

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DRI

*Drought resistant index (DRI)*


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**Description**

The genotype with high values of this index will be more suitable for drought stress condition

**Usage**

```
DRI(Yp, Ys)
```

**Arguments**

|    |                               |
|----|-------------------------------|
| Yp | Yield under control condition |
| Ys | Yield under stress condition  |

**Value**

DRI

**Examples**

```
DRI(500, 350)
```

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|     |                                                              |
|-----|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| gmp | <i>Geometric mean productivity (GMP) by Fernandez (1992)</i> |
|-----|--------------------------------------------------------------|

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**Description**

The genotype with high values of this index will be more desirable

**Usage**

gmp(Yp, Ys)

**Arguments**

|    |                               |
|----|-------------------------------|
| Yp | Yield under control condition |
| Ys | Yield under stress condition  |

**Value**

GMP

**References**

Fernandez, G. C. (1993). Effective selection criteria for assessing plant stress tolerance.

**Examples**

gmp(5, 3)

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|             |                         |
|-------------|-------------------------|
| Golden_mean | <i>Golden Mean (GM)</i> |
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**Description**

Calculates Golden mean value using Moradi et al.,(2012)

**Usage**

Golden\_mean(Yp, Ys)

**Arguments**

|    |                               |
|----|-------------------------------|
| Yp | Yield under control condition |
| Ys | Yield under stress condition  |

**Value**

GM



## References

Moradi H, Akbari GA, Khorasani SK, Ramshini HA (2012) Evaluation of drought tolerance in corn (*Zea Mays* L.) new hybrids with using stress tolerance indices. *Eur J Sustain Dev* 1. (3): 543-560

## Examples

```
Golden_mean(500, 350)
```

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|     |                      |
|-----|----------------------|
| HAM | <i>Harmonic Mean</i> |
|-----|----------------------|

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## Description

Harmonic Mean

## Usage

```
HAM(Yp, Ys)
```

## Arguments

|    |                               |
|----|-------------------------------|
| Yp | Yield under control condition |
| Ys | Yield under stress condition  |

## Value

Harmonic mean

## References

Schneider, K. A., Rosales-Serna, R., Ibarra-Perez, F., Cazares-Enriquez, B., Acosta-Gallegos, J. A., Ramirez-Vallejo, P., ... & Kelly, J. D. (1997). Improving common bean performance under drought stress. *Crop science*, 37(1), 43-50.

## Examples

```
HAM(500, 350)
```

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|          |                                                                 |
|----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| mp_index | <i>Mean productivity Index (MPI)- by Hossain et al., (1990)</i> |
|----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|

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**Description**

The genotype with high values of this index will be more desirable

**Usage**

mp\_index(Yp, Ys)

**Arguments**

|    |                               |
|----|-------------------------------|
| Yp | Yield under control condition |
| Ys | Yield under stress condition  |

**Value**

Mean productivity Index

**References**

Hossain, A. B. S., Sears, R. G., Cox, T. S., & Paulsen, G. M. (1990). Desiccation tolerance and its relationship to assimilate partitioning in winter wheat. *Crop Science*, 30(3), 622-627.

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|          |                                                          |
|----------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| peg_6000 | <i>Water potential of Polyethylene glycol (PEG) 6000</i> |
|----------|----------------------------------------------------------|

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**Description**

Calculate the corresponding water potential of PEG6000 when dissolved in 1l of water

**Usage**

peg\_6000(peg, C)

**Arguments**

|     |                                                  |
|-----|--------------------------------------------------|
| peg | Amount PEG6000 in grams                          |
| C   | Temperature of the solution in degree centigrade |

**Value**

Water potential in bars

**References**

Michel, B. E., & Kaufmann, M. R. (1973). The osmotic potential of polyethylene glycol 6000. Plant physiology, 51(5), 914-916.

**Examples**

```
peg_6000(20, 25)
```

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|                 |                                     |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| R_drought_index | <i>Relative Drought Index (RDI)</i> |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|

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**Description**

Calculates relative drought index according to Fisher and Wood (1979)

**Usage**

```
R_drought_index(Yp, Ys, Mp, Ms)
```

**Arguments**

|    |                                                         |
|----|---------------------------------------------------------|
| Yp | Yield under control condition                           |
| Ys | Yield under stress condition                            |
| Mp | Mean Yield of all the genotypes under control Condition |
| Ms | Mean Yield of all the genotypes under stress Condition  |

**Value**

RDI

**References**

Fischer RA, Wood JT (1979) Drought resistance in spring wheat cultivars III. Yield association with morphological traits. Aust J Agr Res. 30: 1001-1020

**Examples**

```
R_drought_index(500, 350, 400, 300)
```

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ss\_index

*Stress susceptibility index (SSI) by Fischer and Maurer (1978)*


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**Description**

The genotype with high SSI < 1 are more resistant to drought stress conditions

**Usage**

```
ss_index(Yp, Ys, Ms, Mp)
```

**Arguments**

|    |                                                         |
|----|---------------------------------------------------------|
| Yp | Yield under control condition                           |
| Ys | Yield under Stress condition                            |
| Ms | Mean yield of all the genotypes under control condition |
| Mp | Mean yield of all the genotypes under stress condition  |

**Value**

SSI

**References**

Fischer, R. A., & Maurer, R. (1978). Drought resistance in spring wheat cultivars. I. Grain yield responses. Australian Journal of Agricultural Research, 29(5), 897-912.

**Examples**

```
ss_index(500, 350, 450, 370)
```

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st\_index

*Calculate Stress tolerance index (STI) suggested by Fernandez (1992)*


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**Description**

The genotype with high STI values will be tolerant to drought

**Usage**

```
st_index(Yp, Ys)
```

**Arguments**

|    |                               |
|----|-------------------------------|
| Yp | Yield under control condition |
| Ys | Yield under stress condition  |

**Value**

STI

**References**

Fernandez, G. C. (1993). Effective selection criteria for assessing plant stress tolerance.

**Examples**

```
st_index(500, 350)
```

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|           |                                                       |
|-----------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| tol_index | <i>Tolerance index -TOL by Hossain et al., (1990)</i> |
|-----------|-------------------------------------------------------|

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**Description**

Higher the TOL value indicates the genotype is tolerant to stress

**Usage**

```
tol_index(Yp, Ys)
```

**Arguments**

|    |                               |
|----|-------------------------------|
| Yp | Yield under control condition |
| Ys | Yield under stress condition  |

**Value**

TOL

**References**

Hossain, A. B. S., Sears, R. G., Cox, T. S., & Paulsen, G. M. (1990). Desiccation tolerance and its relationship to assimilate partitioning in winter wheat. *Crop Science*, 30(3), 622-627.

**Examples**

```
tol_index(500, 350)
```

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|            |                     |
|------------|---------------------|
| yield_data | <i>Example data</i> |
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**Description**

Yield data of rice in kg/ha under two different growth conditions

**Usage**

yield\_data

**Format**

A data frame with 50 rows and 3 variables:  
Genotype character Genotype  
Yp integer Yield under control condition  
Ys integer Yield under drought condition

**Source**

Simulated data, no external source were used

**References**

No external reference

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|                 |                        |
|-----------------|------------------------|
| yield_reduction | <i>Yield Reduction</i> |
|-----------------|------------------------|

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**Description**

Claculate percent yield reduction over control

**Usage**

yield\_reduction(Yp, Ys)

**Arguments**

Yp                   Yield under control condition  
Ys                   Yield under stress condition

**Value**

YR

**Examples**

```
yield_reduction(500, 350)
```

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|          |                                   |
|----------|-----------------------------------|
| YR_ratio | <i>Yield reduction ratio (YR)</i> |
|----------|-----------------------------------|

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**Description**

lesser the YR value more stable under stress conditions

**Usage**

```
YR_ratio(Yp, Ys)
```

**Arguments**

|    |                               |
|----|-------------------------------|
| Yp | Yield under control condition |
| Ys | Yield under stress condition  |

**Value**

YR

**Examples**

```
YR_ratio(500, 350)
```

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|     |                                                             |
|-----|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| YSI | <i>Yield reduction index or Yield Stability Index (YSI)</i> |
|-----|-------------------------------------------------------------|

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**Description**

Higer YSI value depicts that particular genotype is stable under both normal and stressed conditions

**Usage**

```
YSI(Yp, Ys)
```

**Arguments**

|    |                               |
|----|-------------------------------|
| Yp | Yield under control condition |
| Ys | Yield under stress condition  |

**Value**

YSI

References

Bousslama, M., & Schapaugh Jr, W. T. (1984). Stress tolerance in soybeans. I. Evaluation of three screening techniques for heat and drought tolerance 1. Crop science, 24(5), 933-937.

Examples

YSI(500, 350)

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|         |                         |
|---------|-------------------------|
| Y_index | <i>Yield index (YI)</i> |
|---------|-------------------------|

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Description

Yield index (YI)

Usage

Y\_index(Ys, Ms)

Arguments

- Ys                      Yield under stress condition
- Ms                      Mean Yield of all the genotypes under stress Condition

Value

Yield Index

References

Gavuzzi, P., Rizza, F., Palumbo, M., Campanile, R. G., Ricciardi, G. L., & Borghi, B. (1997). Evaluation of field and laboratory predictors of drought and heat tolerance in winter cereals. Canadian journal of plant science, 77(4), 523-531.

Examples

Y\_index(500, 300)



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