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pop.lion-package

Lion population models

Description

A package to run simulations of lion populations using an Individual-Based Model compiled in C.

Details

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plot_projection

Plot population projections

Description

Plot population projections

Usage

```
plot_projection(projection, title)
```

Arguments

 $\label{eq:continuous} \mbox{A list obtained after running the function project.}$

title A string indicating which variable should be plotted

"NINDIV", "NPRIDES", "NCOALIS", "NCOALIS_RESIDENT", "NCOALIS_VAGRANT",

"NPRIDES_RESIDENT", "NPRIDES_VAGRANT", "COALISIZE_RESIDENT", "COALISIZE_VAGRANT",

"PRIDESIZE_RESIDENT", "PRIDESIZE_VAGRANT", "NFEMALES", "NMALES", "TAKEOVERS",

"LITTERS", "AGE".

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Details

Plot average projections with 95% confidence interval.

Value

No returned value, plot created

Examples

```
oldpar <- par(mfrow = c(1,1))
years = 25
survival <- matrix(1, nrow=180, ncol=2)</pre>
survival[1:12, 1:2] <- 0.97^(1/12)
survival[13:24, 1:2] <- 0.98^(1/12)
survival[25:96, 1:2] <- 0.99<sup>(1/12)</sup>
survival[97:108, 1:2] <- 0.98<sup>(1/12)</sup>
survival[109:120, 1:2] <- 0.96<sup>(1/12)</sup>
survival[121:132, 1:2] <- 0.94^(1/12)
survival[133:144, 1:2] <- 0.92^(1/12)
survival[145:156, 1:2] <- 0.90^(1/12)
survival[157:168, 1:2] <- 0.87^(1/12)
survival[169:180, 1:2] <- 0.83^(1/12)
litter_distribution <- c(0.10, 0.30, 0.35, 0.20, 0.05)
conflict_age <- array(4*12, dim=c(2), dimnames=list(c("female", "male")))</pre>
conflict_mortality <- array(0, dim=c(12*years, 2), dimnames=list(NULL, c("female", "male")))</pre>
conflict_mortality[24:36,] <- 15.2</pre>
hunting_age <- array(5*12, dim=c(2), dimnames=list(c("female", "male")))</pre>
hunting_mortality <- array(0, dim=c(12*years, 2), dimnames=list(NULL, c("female", "male")))</pre>
hunting_mortality[72:84,"male"] <- 10</pre>
projection <- project(</pre>
years = years,
runs = 100,
survival = survival,
litter_distribution = litter_distribution,
pop_initial = 5,
conflict_age = conflict_age,
conflict_mortality = conflict_mortality,
hunting_age = hunting_age,
hunting_mortality = hunting_mortality,
hunter_error = 0,
K_{indiv} = 400,
K_{pride} = 20,
K_{coali} = 20,
K_{edged} = 10,
seed = 1,
details = FALSE
```

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```
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
plot_projection(projection, "NINDIV")
plot_projection(projection, "NPRIDES")
plot_projection(projection, "NCOALIS")
plot_projection(projection, "LITTERS")
par(oldpar)
```

project

Lion population projections

Description

Run stochastic lion population projections.

Usage

```
project(years,
     runs,
     survival,
     litter_distribution,
     pop_initial,
     conflict_age,
     conflict_mortality,
     hunting_age,
     hunting_mortality,
     hunter_error,
     K_indiv,
     K_pride,
     K_coali,
     K_edged,
     seed,
     details)
```

Arguments

years A number: number of years to simulate the population.

runs A number: number of times (or Monte Carlo runs) to simulate the population.

survival A matrix: average monthly survival for each sex.

litter_distribution

A vector: probability distribution of litter sizes (1-5 cubs) in the population.

pop_initial A number: number of prides (and coalitions). A simulation starts with an equal

number of prides and coalitions.

conflict_age A vector: the minimum age in months at which lions can be killed by conflict

for females and males.

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conflict_mortality

An array: mortality added at the edge by conflict for every month of the simulation and for females and males. Expressed in percentage, a value of 15.2 will be understood by the model as 15.2 per cent. Values can be double. The array has 12 * years rows.

hunting_age

A vector: the minimum age in months at which lions can be killed by trophy hunting for females and males.

hunting_mortality

An array: mortality added at the edge by trophy hunting for every month of the simulation and for females and males. Expressed in number of individuals, a value of 15 will be understood by the model as 15 killed every month. A value of 0.5 will be understood as 6 lions killed per year. The array has 12 * years rows.

hunter_error A number: hunter error.

K_indivA number: maximum number of individuals in the population.K_prideA number: maximum number of prides in the population.K_coaliA number: maximum number of coalitions in the population.

K_edged A number: number of prides in the population that are located at the edge of the

reserve and therefore vulnerabe to hunting and poaching.

seed (optional) A number: seed of the random number generator.

details (optional) A boolean: indicate whether individual events are exported. This can

generate large simulation objects.

Details

Run stochastic lion population projections with an Individual-Based Model (IBM) compiled in C.

Value

runs a 3-dimensional array of numbers of individuals with dimension c(years, statis-

tics, runs)

individuals a 2-dimensional array of individuals events

parameters a list of parameters of the projection

Examples

years = 25

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conflict_age = conflict_age,
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K_{indiv} = 400,
K_{pride} = 20,
K_{coali} = 20,
K_{edged} = 10,
seed = 1,
details = FALSE
# Population size at the end of the simulation:
apply(projection$runs[,"NINDIV",], 1, mean)[12*years+1]
```

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