

Package ‘tabs’

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bintanja	<i>Dataset: Bintanja’s Global sea level curve (0-3000000 BP)</i>
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Description

Global sea level curve of Bintanja & van de Wal (2008) from 0 to 3000000 BP.

Usage

bintanja

Format

A vector with:

year_before_after_present years before or after present

sea_level_m meters below or above the reference sea level expressed in m.

Source

Bintanja, R., van de Wal, R. (2008) North American ice-sheet dynamics and the onset of 100,000-year glacial cycles. Nature 454, 869–872 (2008). [doi:10.1038/nature07158](https://doi.org/10.1038/nature07158)

Examples

```
curve <- bintanja
```

cutler

Dataset: Cutler's Global sea level curve (0-140000 BP)

Description

Global sea level curve of Cutler et al. (2003) from 0 to 140000 BP.

Usage

```
cutler
```

Format

A vector with:

year_before_after_present years before or after present

sea_level_m meters below or above the reference sea level expressed in m.

Source

Cutler, Kirsten B; Edwards, Ross L; Taylor, Frederick W; Cheng, H; Adkins, Jess F; Gallup, Christina D; Cutler, P M; Burr, George S; Bloom, Arthur L (2003): Rapid sea-level fall and deep-ocean temperature change since the last interglacial period. *Earth and Planetary Science Letters*, 206(3-4), 253-271. doi:[10.1016/S0012821X\(02\)01107X](https://doi.org/10.1016/S0012821X(02)01107X)

Examples

```
curve <- cutler
```

explore

Leaflet map of present and paleo configurations for biogeographic systems

Description

generate a timelapse or exploration visualisation for a reconstructed biomes

Usage

```
explore(x, timelapse = NULL, filename = NULL)
```

Arguments

x	tabs. Object of class tabs, after running the reconstruct-function.
timelapse	integer, specifies the speed of the html-animation, the higher the number the slower the animation
filename	name of the file to save

Details

explore

Value

html file

Examples

```
# load data samples
sporades <- sporades()
topo <- sporades$topo
labs <- sporades$labs
correction <- sporades$correction
curve <- sporades$curve

# subset first and last period
curve <- curve[[c(1,dim(curve)[3])]]

# reconstruct
rec <- reconstruct(topo=topo,
                   region=labs,
                   curve=curve,
                   correction=correction,
                   reclabs='name'
                   )

# metadata
md <- metadata(rec)

# export
dir <- tempdir() # export to temporary directory
export(rec, paste0(dir,'/sporades.qs2'),overwrite=TRUE) # qs2 (faster and less storage than rds)
export(rec, paste0(dir,'/sporades.rds'), overwrite=TRUE) # rds / rdata
export(rec, paste0(dir,'/sporades'), overwrite=TRUE) # datasets organized in directory
#export(rec, paste0(dir,'/sporades.zip')) # zipped datasets

# import
rec <- import(filename=paste0(dir,'/sporades.qs2'))
rec <- import(filename=paste0(dir,'/sporades.rds'))
rec <- import(filename=paste0(dir,'/sporades'))
```

```

# explore

## tabs class object
if (interactive()){
  explore(rec) # comparison present reference and topo-based
  explore(rec, timelapse=3) # paleo reconstruction
}

## from exported object
if (interactive()){
  explore(paste0(dir, '/sporades.qs2'))
  explore(paste0(dir, '/sporades.qs2'), timelapse=1)
}

# get area
area <- get_area(rec) # using object class tabs
area <- get_area(rec$recvect) # using recvect

area <- get_area(paste0(dir, '/sporades.qs2')) # using exported object
unlink(dir)

```

export

Export a reconstruction of class tabs in various formats

Description

export data

Usage

```
export(x, filename, overwrite = FALSE)
```

Arguments

x	tabs. Object of class tabs, after running the reconstruct-function.
filename	character. Path where files will be exported. Default as directory tree. Use .qs2, .rds, .zip to save as qs2, rds or zipped directory tree.
overwrite	boolean. Whether to overwrite the output when filename is specified.

Value

No return value, called for side effects

Author(s)

Johannes De Groeve

Examples

```
# load data samples
sporades <- sporades()
topo <- sporades$topo
labs <- sporades$labs
correction <- sporades$correction
curve <- sporades$curve

# subset first and last period
curve <- curve[[c(1,dim(curve)[3])]]

# reconstruct
rec <- reconstruct(topo=topo,
                   region=labs,
                   curve=curve,
                   correction=correction,
                   reclabs='name'
                   )

# metadata
md <- metadata(rec)

# export
dir <- tempdir() # export to temporary directory
export(rec, paste0(dir,'/sporades.qs2'),overwrite=TRUE) # qs2 (faster and less storage than rds)
export(rec, paste0(dir,'/sporades.rds'), overwrite=TRUE) # rds / rdata
export(rec, paste0(dir,'/sporades'), overwrite=TRUE) # datasets organized in directory
#export(rec, paste0(dir,'/sporades.zip')) # zipped datasets

# import
rec <- import(filename=paste0(dir,'/sporades.qs2'))
rec <- import(filename=paste0(dir,'/sporades.rds'))
rec <- import(filename=paste0(dir,'/sporades'))

# explore

## tabs class object
if (interactive()){
  explore(rec) # comparison present reference and topo-based
  explore(rec, timelapse=3) # paleo reconstruction
}

## from exported object
if (interactive()){
  explore(paste0(dir,'/sporades.qs2'))
  explore(paste0(dir,'/sporades.qs2'), timelapse=1)
}

# get area
area <- get_area(rec) # using object class tabs
```

```
area <- get_area(rec$recvect) # using recvect

area <- get_area(paste0(dir, '/sporades.qs2')) # using exported object
unlink(dir)
```

features

Dataset: features

Description

Features that can be defined as labeling points in the default dataset. point_reference dataset has been retrieved from geoNames.

Usage

```
features
```

Format

data frame

feature_class feature class

feature_class_description description of the feature class

feature feature names

Source

GeoNames <https://download.geonames.org/export/dump/>

Examples

```
f <- features
```

funza

Dataset: Funza (29500 up to 1000000 BP)

Description

The ‘páramos’ UFL, i.e. high altitude mountain ecosystem in Venezuela (Northern Andes), during the last 1 million years, regularized to intervals of 1 ky.

Usage

```
funza
```

Format

A vector with:

year_before_after_present years before or after present

tree_line_m tree line expressed in meters above the present day reference sea level.

Source

Flantua et al. (2019) [doi:10.3389/fevo.2021.615223](https://doi.org/10.3389/fevo.2021.615223)

Examples

```
curve <- funza
```

get_area

Get area in meter

Description

Get the area based on an object of class tabs or recvect object

Usage

```
get_area(filename, verbose = FALSE)
```

Arguments

filename character. Object of class tabs, recvect (SpatVector) or path where outputs of the reconstruct-function were exported. Data exported in the following formats can be read by get_area: directory tree, .qs2 and .rds.

verbose boolean, print messages

Value

tabs object

Author(s)

Johannes De Groeve

Examples

```
# load data samples
sporades <- sporades()
topo <- sporades$topo
labs <- sporades$labs
correction <- sporades$correction
curve <- sporades$curve

# subset first and last period
curve <- curve[[c(1,dim(curve)[3])]]

# reconstruct
rec <- reconstruct(topo=topo,
                   region=labs,
                   curve=curve,
                   correction=correction,
                   reclabs='name'
                   )

# metadata
md <- metadata(rec)

# export
dir <- tempdir() # export to temporary directory
export(rec, paste0(dir,'/sporades.qs2'),overwrite=TRUE) # qs2 (faster and less storage than rds)
export(rec, paste0(dir,'/sporades.rds'), overwrite=TRUE) # rds / rdata
export(rec, paste0(dir,'/sporades'), overwrite=TRUE) # datasets organized in directory
#export(rec, paste0(dir,'/sporades.zip')) # zipped datasets

# import
rec <- import(filename=paste0(dir,'/sporades.qs2'))
rec <- import(filename=paste0(dir,'/sporades.rds'))
rec <- import(filename=paste0(dir,'/sporades'))

# explore

## tabs class object
if (interactive()){
  explore(rec) # comparison present reference and topo-based
  explore(rec, timelapse=3) # paleo reconstruction
}
```

```
## from exported object
if (interactive()){
  explore(paste0(dir, '/sporades.qs2'))
  explore(paste0(dir, '/sporades.qs2'), timelapse=1)
}

# get area
area <- get_area(rec) # using object class tabs
area <- get_area(rec$recvect) # using recvect

area <- get_area(paste0(dir, '/sporades.qs2')) # using exported object
unlink(dir)
```

get_correction	<i>Get and prepare correction</i>
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Description

Get and prepare a correction dataset

Usage

```
get_correction(
  correction = NULL,
  topo = NULL,
  curve = NULL,
  units = list(topo = "m", curve = c(names = "yr", value = "m"), correction = "mm/yr"),
  verbose = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

correction	SpatRaster. Correction value, vector, grid, or list of grids to account for spatial-(non-)explicit and temporal (non-)linear changes in the topography (e.g., uplift and subsidence rates, sedimentation and erosion thicknesses)
topo	SpatRaster. Topographic/Bathymetric model as SpatRaster or path to dataset. The topo projection is the reference for further outputs.
curve	SpatRaster. Curve value, vector, grid or list of grids indicating the relative altitude of a biogeographic system per time period compared to the present. A typical example is a sea level curve indicating the relative sea level position above or below sea level compared to the present.
units	numeric. Units of topo, curve and correction provided as a list (default: units=list(topo='m', curve=c(names='yr', value='m'), correction='mm/yr'))
verbose	boolean. FALSE: No messages are printed. TRUE: Standard verbose mode 2: Very verbose mode, displaying detailed information.

Value

A SpatRaster or vector with correction values in a suitable format for the reconstruct function, including a value for each time step, defined by the curve.

Author(s)

Johannes De Groeve

See Also

[correction](#)

Examples

```
sporades <- sporades()
topo <- sporades$topo
correction <- sporades$correction
curve <- sporades$curve

cor <- get_correction(correction=correction,
                      topo=topo,
                      curve=curve)
```

get_curve

Get and prepare curve

Description

load a curve of interest

Usage

```
get_curve(curve = NULL, verbose = FALSE)
```

Arguments

curve	SpatRaster. Curve value, vector, grid or list of grids indicating the relative altitude of a biogeographic system per time period compared to the present. A typical example is a sea level curve indicating the relative sea level position above or below sea level compared to the present.
verbose	Boolean. FALSE: No messages are printed. TRUE: Standard verbose mode. 2: Very verbose mode, displaying detailed information.

Value

A SpatRaster or vector with curve values in a suitable format for the reconstruct function.

Author(s)

Johannes De Groeve

See Also[curve](#)**Examples**

```

curve <- get_curve('lambeck')
curve <- get_curve('cutler')
curve <- get_curve('IPCC')
curve <- get_curve('funza')

curve <- get_curve()
curve <- get_curve(10)
curve <- get_curve(c(0,100,200,300,400,500))

# period definition curve
cur <- c(0,100,200,300,400,500) # altitudes
names(cur) <- c(0,1,2,3,4,5) # periods
curve <- get_curve(cur)

# add source attribute
cur <- c(0,100,200,300,400,500) # altitudes
names(cur) <- c(0,1,2,3,4,5) # periods
attr(cur, 'source') <- 'new curve' # curve source
curve <- get_curve(cur)

# custom-curve from data frame
cur <- data.frame(period=0:10,
                  altitude=seq(0,-20,-2),
                  source='custom')
curve <- get_curve(cur)

```

get_data

*Get and prepare input datasets (topo, labs, curve, correction)***Description**

load and prepare input datasets topo, labs, curve and correction

Usage

```

get_data(
  region = NULL,
  topo = NULL,
  aggregate = FALSE,

```

```

    curve = NULL,
    correction = NULL,
    reclabs = NULL,
    units = list(topo = "m", curve = c(names = "yr", value = "m"), correction = "mm/yr"),
    buffer = NULL,
    fact = 0,
    verbose = FALSE
)

```

Arguments

region	SpatVector. Region selection object defined by extent coordinates, a polygon object or path to dataset, an island, archipelago, country, mountain or plate name from the regions-list. If region is not defined a selection window will pop-up to define the area of interest.
topo	SpatRaster. Topographic/Bathymetric model as SpatRaster or path to dataset. The topo projection is the reference for further outputs.
aggregate	boolean. Whether to aggregate biogeographic shapes.
curve	SpatRaster. Curve value, vector, grid or list of grids indicating the relative altitude of a biogeographic system per time period compared to the present. A typical example is a sea level curve indicating the relative sea level position above or below sea level compared to the present.
correction	SpatRaster. Correction value, vector, grid, or list of grids to account for spatial-(non-)explicit and temporal (non-)linear changes in the topography (e.g., uplift and subsidence rates, sedimentation and erosion ticknesses)
reclabs	character. Dataset or column used for labeling biogeographic shapes. By default the island labeling dataset is used, while if reclabs is set to 'mnts' the mountain labeling is used. Otherwise another column from the region object could be used, or a feature from the geonames feature list (e.g., 'peaks', 'peak') could be specified. Note that any overlapping name from the list geonames features cannot be used. If so, it is recommended to rename your labeling column. Note that in case of a user-defined reclabs column, the concerned column will be replicated in the labs-object under the column name 'name'.
units	numeric. Units of topo, curve and correction provided as a list (default: units=list(topo='m', curve=c(names='yr', value='m'), correction='mm/yr'))
buffer	numeric. Draws a buffer around the selected region. For extent, the buffer is 0, otherwise 10000 m.
fact	numeric. Spatial resolution factor at which the bathymetric model will be re-sampled
verbose	boolean. FALSE: No messages are printed. TRUE: Standard verbose mode, providing progress bar. 2: Very verbose mode, displaying detailed information.

Value

a list including topo, labs, curve and correction input datasets

Author(s)

Johannes De Groeve

Examples

```
# load data samples
sporades <- sporades()
topo <- sporades$topo
labs <- sporades$labs
correction <- sporades$correction
curve <- sporades$curve

# subset first and last period
curve <- curve[[c(1,dim(curve)[3])]]

data <- get_data(topo=topo,
                 region=labs,
                 curve=curve)
data <- get_data(topo=topo,
                 region=labs,
                 curve=curve,
                 correction=correction)

# run reconstruct using prepared input datasets
rec <- reconstruct(data)
```

get_region

Get and prepare region

Description

Retrieve region of interest

Usage

```
get_region(
  region = NULL,
  buffer = NULL,
  reclabs = NULL,
  aggregate = FALSE,
  verbose = FALSE,
  overwrite = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

region	SpatVector. Region selection object defined by extent coordinates, a polygon object or path to dataset, an island, archipelago, country, mountain or plate name from the regions-list. If region is not defined a selection window will pop-up to define the area of interest.
buffer	numeric. Draws a buffer around the selected region. For extent, the buffer is 0, otherwise 10000 m.
reclabs	character. Dataset or column used for labeling biogeographic shapes. By default the island labeling dataset is used, while if reclabs is set to 'mnts' the mountain labeling is used. Otherwise another column from the region object could be used, or a feature from the geonames feature list (e.g., 'peaks', 'peak') could be specified. Note that any overlapping name from the list geonames features cannot be used. If so, it is recommended to rename your labeling column. Note that in case of a user-defined reclabs column, the concerned column will be replicated in the labs-object under the column name 'name'.
aggregate	boolean. Whether to aggregate biogeographic shapes.
verbose	boolean. FALSE: No messages are printed. TRUE: Standard verbose mode. 2: Very verbose mode, displaying detailed information.
overwrite	boolean. TRUE: overwrite region and select a new extent via selection window will pop-up.

Value

A SpatVector object with the labeling polygons for the specified extent coming from spatial object, extent or region name

See Also

[region](#)

Examples

```
if(interactive()){
# interactive selection
r <- get_region()
# overwrite interactive selection
r <- get_region(overwrite=TRUE)
}

# sample dataset
labs <- sporades()$labs
# labels based on "name" column
r <- get_region(region=labs)
# labels based on specific column
r <- get_region(region=labs[, 'plate'], reclabs='plate')
# automatic labeling
r <- get_region(region=labs, reclabs = FALSE)
# aggregate shapes
```

```

r <- get_region(region=labs, aggregate=TRUE)
# define by extent
library(terra)
e <- terra::ext(labs)
r <- get_region(region=e)
e <- as.vector(e)
r <- get_region(region=e)
# add buffer
r <- get_region(region=e,buffer=10000)
r <- get_region(region=e,buffer=100000)

```

import

Import a reconstruction as class tabs object

Description

import TABS object

Usage

```
import(filename)
```

Arguments

filename character. Path where outputs of the reconstruct-function were exported. Data exported in the following formats can be imported: directory tree, .qs2 and .rds.

Value

object of class tabs including a list of input (topo, labs, curve, correction) and output (recvect, recrast, recarea) datasets

Author(s)

Johannes De Groeve

Examples

```

# load data samples
sporades <- sporades()
topo <- sporades$topo
labs <- sporades$labs
correction <- sporades$correction
curve <- sporades$curve

# subset first and last period

```

```

curve <- curve[[c(1,dim(curve)[3])]]

# reconstruct
rec <- reconstruct(topo=topo,
                   region=labs,
                   curve=curve,
                   correction=correction,
                   reclabs='name'
                   )

# metadata
md <- metadata(rec)

# export
dir <- tempdir() # export to temporary directory
export(rec, paste0(dir,'/sporades.qs2'),overwrite=TRUE) # qs2 (faster and less storage than rds)
export(rec, paste0(dir,'/sporades.rds'), overwrite=TRUE) # rds / rdata
export(rec, paste0(dir,'/sporades'), overwrite=TRUE) # datasets organized in directory
#export(rec, paste0(dir,'/sporades.zip')) # zipped datasets

# import
rec <- import(filename=paste0(dir,'/sporades.qs2'))
rec <- import(filename=paste0(dir,'/sporades.rds'))
rec <- import(filename=paste0(dir,'/sporades'))

# explore

## tabs class object
if (interactive()){
  explore(rec) # comparison present reference and topo-based
  explore(rec, timelapse=3) # paleo reconstruction
}

## from exported object
if (interactive()){
  explore(paste0(dir,'/sporades.qs2'))
  explore(paste0(dir,'/sporades.qs2'), timelapse=1)
}

# get area
area <- get_area(rec) # using object class tabs
area <- get_area(rec$recvect) # using recvect

area <- get_area(paste0(dir,'/sporades.qs2')) # using exported object
unlink(dir)

```

Description

Mean global sea level rise according to different scenarios (ssp1,ssp2,ssp3,ssp5) for 2021-2040, 2041-2060 and 2081-2100. The global means were calculated from global raster datasets available for download in the interactive IPCC atlas.

Usage

```
IPCC_global_mean
```

Format

A list four RSL vectors

year_before_after_present years before or after present

sea_level_m meters below or above the reference sea level expressed in m.

Source

IPCC, Kirsten B; Edwards, Ross L; Taylor, Frederick W; Cheng, H; Adkins, Jess F; Gallup, Christina D; Cutler, P M; Burr, George S; Bloom, Arthur L (2003): Rapid sea-level fall and deep-ocean temperature change since the last interglacial period. Earth and Planetary Science Letters, 206(3-4), 253-271. doi:10.1016/S0012821X(02)01107X <https://interactive-atlas.ipcc.ch/regional-information>

Examples

```
curves <- IPCC_global_mean
```

lambeck

Dataset: Lambeck's Global sea level curve (0-35000 BP)

Description

Global sea level curve of Lambeck et al. (2014) from 0 to 35000 BP.

Usage

```
lambeck
```

Format

A vector with:

year_before_after_present years before or after present

sea_level_m meters below or above the reference sea level expressed in m.

Source

Lambeck, Kurt; Rouby, Hélène; Purcell, Anthony; Sun, Y; Sambridge, Malcom (2014): Sea level and global ice volumes from the Last Glacial Maximum to the Holocene. Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, 111(43), 15296-15303. doi:[10.1073/pnas.1411762111](https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.1411762111)

Examples

```
curve <- lambeck
```

metadata	<i>Metadata of object of class tabs (reconstruction)</i>
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Description

retrieve dataset and column descriptions as well as the sources from reconstruction object

Usage

```
metadata(x)
```

Arguments

x object of class tabs

Value

a list of data frames with a description of columns of vector datasets and the sources of the input datasets

Author(s)

Johannes De Groeve

Examples

```
# load data samples
sporades <- sporades()
topo <- sporades$topo
labs <- sporades$labs
correction <- sporades$correction
curve <- sporades$curve

# subset first and last period
curve <- curve[[c(1,dim(curve)[3])]]

# reconstruct
rec <- reconstruct(topo=topo,
                    region=labs,
```

```

        curve=curve,
        correction=correction,
        reclabs='name'
    )

# metadata
md <- metadata(rec)

# export
dir <- tempdir() # export to temporary directory
export(rec, paste0(dir, '/sporades.qs2'), overwrite=TRUE) # qs2 (faster and less storage than rds)
export(rec, paste0(dir, '/sporades.rds'), overwrite=TRUE) # rds / rdata
export(rec, paste0(dir, '/sporades'), overwrite=TRUE) # datasets organized in directory
#export(rec, paste0(dir, '/sporades.zip')) # zipped datasets

# import
rec <- import(filename=paste0(dir, '/sporades.qs2'))
rec <- import(filename=paste0(dir, '/sporades.rds'))
rec <- import(filename=paste0(dir, '/sporades'))

# explore

## tabs class object
if (interactive()){
  explore(rec) # comparison present reference and topo-based
  explore(rec, timelapse=3) # paleo reconstruction
}

## from exported object
if (interactive()){
  explore(paste0(dir, '/sporades.qs2'))
  explore(paste0(dir, '/sporades.qs2'), timelapse=1)
}

# get area
area <- get_area(rec) # using object class tabs
area <- get_area(rec$recvect) # using recvect

area <- get_area(paste0(dir, '/sporades.qs2')) # using exported object
unlink(dir)

```

Description

reconstruct paleo or present day landscape using a bathymetric model, island labeling dataset and a seacurve

Usage

```
reconstruct(
  x = NULL,
  region = NULL,
  topo = NULL,
  curve = NULL,
  correction = NULL,
  iso = 0,
  reclabs = NULL,
  buffer = NULL,
  aggregate = FALSE,
  units = list(topo = "m", curve = c(names = "yr", value = "m"), correction = "mm/yr"),
  fact = 0,
  noise = 5,
  noiserm = TRUE,
  fillholes = TRUE,
  filename = NULL,
  overwrite = FALSE,
  metrics = c("area"),
  verbose = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	get_data-object. Prepared object including standardized input datasets (region, topo, curve, correction) with get_data() (optional)
<code>region</code>	SpatVector. Region selection object defined by extent coordinates, a polygon object or path to dataset, an island, archipelago, country, mountain or plate name from the regions-list. If region is not defined a selection window will pop-up to define the area of interest.
<code>topo</code>	SpatRaster. Topographic/Bathymetric model as SpatRaster or path to dataset. The topo projection is the reference for further outputs.
<code>curve</code>	SpatRaster. Curve value, vector, grid or list of grids indicating the relative altitude of a biogeographic system per time period compared to the present. A typical example is a sea level curve indicating the relative sea level position above or below sea level compared to the present.
<code>correction</code>	SpatRaster. Correction value, vector, grid, or list of grids to account for spatial-(non-)explicit and temporal (non-)linear changes in the topography (e.g., uplift and subsidence rates, sedimentation and erosion ticknesses)
<code>iso</code>	numeric. Vector or list indicating the elevation range of the biogeographic system to reconstruct. By default 0 (coastlines). If provided as a list, the boundary definition of the range can be defined (options are '>' and '>='). By default, the

	elevation range definition includes the indicated lower bound value (i.e., list(0, '>=')).
reclabs	character. Dataset or column used for labeling biogeographic shapes. By default the island labeling dataset is used, while if reclabs is set to 'mnts' the mountain labeling is used. Otherwise another column from the region object could be used, or a feature from the geonames feature list (e.g., 'peaks', 'peak') could be specified. Note that any overlapping name from the list geonames features cannot be used. If so, it is recommended to rename your labeling column. Note that in case of a user-defined reclabs column, the concerned column will be replicated in the labs-object under the column name 'name'.
buffer	numeric. Draws a buffer around the selected region. For extent, the buffer is 0, otherwise 10000 m.
aggregate	boolean. Whether to aggregate biogeographic shapes.
units	numeric. Units of topo, curve and correction provided as a list (default: units=list(topo='m', curve=c(names='yr', value='m'), correction='mm/yr'))
fact	numeric. Resolution factor, increasing the factor will half the resolution.
noise	numeric. Maximum number of unlabeled clumped topo pixels considered as noise. Note that clumps of pixels are only considered as noise when their highest points do not intersect with a reference polygon.
noiserm	boolean. Whether noise should be removed.
fillholes	boolean. fill the holes in polygons, independent from noise (e.g. lakes)
filename	character. Path where files will be exported. Default as directory tree. Use .qs2, .rds, .zip to save as qs2, rds or zipped directory tree.
overwrite	boolean. Whether to overwrite the output when filename is specified.
metrics	character. metrics to calculate for each biogeographic shape, currently only area is implemented.
verbose	boolean. FALSE: No messages are printed. TRUE: Standard verbose mode, providing progress bar. 2: Very verbose mode, displaying detailed information.

Details

INPUT

input dataset may be topo, curve, correction (optional) and a labs dataset:

TOPO Topographic and/or bathymetric raster used to identify biogeographic shapes for the extent of the selected region.

CURVE The relative altitude of a biogeographic system per time period compared to the present expressed as a numeric vector (e.g., Lambeck, Cutler, Funza) or raster (e.g., st_curve). In the case of st_curve, the curve is returned for the extent of the selected region and resampled to the resolution of the topo dataset. If the curve is not defined, 0 is returned and a reconstruction is made for the present-day sea level.

CORRECTION Correction numeric vector or raster harmonized with the curve and resampled to the resolution of the topo dataset. If the input correction raster or numeric vector is defined as a rate (i.e., a single value, a single raster; thus, assuming temporal linear changes in topography), a correction variable (raster/numeric vector) is returned with the same length as the curve, expressing the cumulative topographic change over time. If the correction parameter is not defined, 0 is returned.

LABS Labeling dataset that is used for naming biogeographic shapes for the extent of the selected region.

Returned variables:

unique_id integer: Unique identifier of a biogeographic shape in the labeling dataset.

name character: Name of the biogeographic shape in the labeling dataset. By default this will be derived from the Global Shoreline Vector (GSV; Sayre et al. 2019), or from the mountain inventory v2 (GMBA; Snethlage et al. 2022), when reclabs is set to 'mnts'. Otherwise, if a custom polygon reference and labeling dataset is used, the name-column will store the content of a by the user specified column. NOTE: If the labeling column is specified by the user, that one will be stored as a duplicate in the labs output under its original name.

uniquename character: Concatenated name and unique identifier.

refx numeric: X-coordinate (SRID=4326) of the highest point of a biogeographic shape in the labeling dataset. If the labeling dataset are points, the x-coordinate of the point is given.

refy numeric: Y-coordinate (SRID=4326) of the highest point of a biogeographic shape in the labeling dataset. If the labeling dataset are points, the y-coordinate of the point is given.

refz numeric: Meter above/below present sea level of the highest point within a biogeographic shape extracted through intersection with topo. If the labeling dataset are points, the z of the point is given.

refn integer: Number of cells at the resolution of the topo within a biogeographic shape in the labeling dataset. If the labeling dataset are points, the number of cells will equal 1.

Depending from the used labeling dataset (GSV, GMDA, GeoNames) additional other columns are returned.

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OUTPUT

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RECAREA Table expressing the area in square meters for each biogeographic shape per time period.

RECRAS Raster expressing the reconstruction of a biogeographic region per time period within the extent of the selected region.

RECVET Spatial vector expressing the reconstruction per time period, identifying each polygon as a different biogeographic shape. The vector layers include a range of default attributes per biogeographic shape.

NOTE: In case reclabs=FALSE, biogeographic shapes are merged into a single multipolygon, and all attributes in the vector layers are expressed for the whole region.

Returned variables:

- iso** numeric: Meter above or below the curve value (e.g., sea level position) defining the lower bound of the range of a biogeographic system
- period** character: Lower bound of a time period expressed in years before/after present for a reconstruction at a specific curve value (e.g., sea level position).
- curve** numeric: Curve value (e.g., sea level position) for that period. In case of a raster (e.g., st_curve; spatial-explicit curve) the average curve value is calculated within the region.
- unique_id** integer: Unique identifier of a biogeographic shape for a time period.
- area** numeric: Size of a biogeographic shape in square meters.
- n** integer: Number of cells at the resolution of the topo within a biogeographic shape; will change if the fact parameter is modified.
- x** numeric: X-coordinate in degrees (SRID=4326) of the highest point within a biogeographic shape extracted through intersection with topo. If the highest point could not be extracted, the centroid of the biogeographic shape is used.
- y** numeric: Y-coordinate in degrees (SRID=4326) of the highest point within a biogeographic shape extracted through intersection with topo. If the highest point could not be extracted, the centroid of the biogeographic shape is used.
- z** numeric: Meter above/below present sea level of the highest point within a biogeographic shape extracted through intersection with topo. If the highest point could not be extracted, the centroid of the biogeographic shape is used.
- recid** character: Reconstructed ID, when biogeographic shapes merge over time it is named after the shape with the highest point. The ID is unique across islands with identical names.
- recname** character: Reconstructed name, when biogeographic shapes merge over time it is named after the shape with the highest point. It can have the following formats:
- S-<PERIOD>-<ID> S biogeographic shape identified in topo but not in labeling dataset; or drowned biogeographic shapes that were disconnected from a present-day existing biogeographic shape
- PERIOD The most recent period the biogeographic shape emerged.
- ID Identifier.
- UNKNOWN The name of the biogeographic shape is intersecting with the labeling dataset but unknown (only for the Global Shoreline Vector - i.e. island labeling dataset).
- UNNAMED The name of the biogeographic shape is intersecting with the labeling dataset but unnamed (only for the Global Shoreline Vector - i.e. island labeling dataset).
- recnames** json: JSON object including the name and ID of intersecting reconstructed polygons (from t0 until ti, where t = time period) within a reconstructed polygon of ti.
- refnames** json: JSON object including the name and ID of intersecting labeling points/polygons (from t0 until ti, where t = time period) within a reconstructed polygon of ti.

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Value

object of class tabs including a list of input (topo, labs, curve, correction) and output (recvect, recrast, recarea) datasets

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See Also[get started](#)[tabs object structure](#)**Examples**

```
# load data samples
sporades <- sporades()
topo <- sporades$topo
labs <- sporades$labs
correction <- sporades$correction
curve <- sporades$curve

# subset first and last period
curve <- curve[[c(1,dim(curve)[3])]]

# reconstruct
rec <- reconstruct(topo=topo,
                   region=labs,
                   curve=curve,
                   correction=correction,
                   reclabs='name'
                   )

# metadata
md <- metadata(rec)

# export
dir <- tempdir() # export to temporary directory
export(rec, paste0(dir,'/sporades.qs2'),overwrite=TRUE) # qs2 (faster and less storage than rds)
export(rec, paste0(dir,'/sporades.rds'), overwrite=TRUE) # rds / rdata
export(rec, paste0(dir,'/sporades'), overwrite=TRUE) # datasets organized in directory
#export(rec, paste0(dir,'/sporades.zip')) # zipped datasets

# import
rec <- import(filename=paste0(dir,'/sporades.qs2'))
rec <- import(filename=paste0(dir,'/sporades.rds'))
rec <- import(filename=paste0(dir,'/sporades'))

# explore

## tabs class object
if (interactive()){
  explore(rec) # comparison present reference and topo-based
  explore(rec, timelapse=3) # paleo reconstruction
}
```

```
## from exported object
if (interactive()){
  explore(paste0(dir, '/sporades.qs2'))
  explore(paste0(dir, '/sporades.qs2'), timelapse=1)
}

# get area
area <- get_area(rec) # using object class tabs
area <- get_area(rec$recvect) # using recvect

area <- get_area(paste0(dir, '/sporades.qs2')) # using exported object
unlink(dir)
```

regions

*Dataset: regions***Description**

mountain ranges at different hierarchical levels, islands, archipelagoes, countries and plates that can be used for region selection

Usage

```
regions
```

Format

vector

dataset the dataset (islands,mountains) for which the region definition can be used

region region type

name name of the region

name_ascii name in ascii format

Source

Islands: Sayre et al. 2019 [doi:10.1080/1755876X.2018.1529714](https://doi.org/10.1080/1755876X.2018.1529714)

Plates: Bird, P. (2003) [doi:10.1029/2001GC000252](https://doi.org/10.1029/2001GC000252)

Archipelagoes: Weigelt et al. 2013 [doi:10.5061/dryad.fv94v](https://doi.org/10.5061/dryad.fv94v)

Countries: from rnaturalearth <https://docs.ropensci.org/rnaturalearth/>

Mountains: Snethlage et al. 2022 [doi:10.48601/earthenvt9k21407](https://doi.org/10.48601/earthenvt9k21407)

Examples

```
r <- regions
```

 setup

Setup - Download of default datasets

Description

download default datasets (labs, topo, curve) in default or custom directory. The datasets require 15 GB disk space.

Usage

```
setup()
```

Value

No return value, called for side effects

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Examples

```
if(interactive()){

# download labs, topo and curve and store in custom or default directory
setup()

# reset setup
# if you want the install the datasets under a different path
options(tabs.datasetPath=NULL)
setup()
}
```

 sporades

Sporades sample dataset including topo, labs, curve and correction

Description

Sample dataset for the Sporades Archipelago in Greece

Usage

```
sporades()
```

Value

List of input sample datasets (topo, labs, curve, correction)

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