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**Description** Tools to extract and analyse charcoal sedimentary data stored in the Global Charcoal Database. Main functionalities includes data extraction and sites selection, transformation and interpolation of the charcoal records as well as compositing.

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**paleofire-package**      *paleofire: A package for the Global Charcoal Database*

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**Description**

The paleofire package provides tools to extract and analyse charcoal sedimentary data stored in the Global Charcoal Database. Main functionalities includes data extraction and sites selection, transformation and homogenization of the charcoal records as well as regional to global compositing.

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**References**

Blarquez, O., Vannière, B., Marlon, J. R., Daniau, A. L., Power, M. J., Brewer, S., & Bartlein, P. J. (2014). paleofire: an R package to analyse sedimentary charcoal records from the Global Charcoal Database to reconstruct past biomass burning. Computers & Geosciences, 72, 255-261.

**See Also**

<http://gpwg.paleofire.org>

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
## Interactive sites selection:  
# ID=pfInteractive()  
  
## Site selection using criterions  
# Boreal Eastern North American sites with at least one  
# dating point each 2500 year  
  
ID=pfSiteSel(lat>50, lat<70, long>-90, long<(-50), date_int<=2500, 112==1)  
plot(ID,zoom="world")  
  
## Modify plot  
plot(ID,zoom="sites")  
  
## Simple test for transforming data  
# Select site 1 (Cygnet Lake)  
  
ID1=pfSiteSel(id_site==1)  
plot(ID1)
```

```

# Transformation of data
TR=pfTransform(ID1,method=c("MinMax", "Box-Cox", "Z-Score"))

# Plot Transformed and raw data
# First retrieve raw data for Cygnet using pfExtract

RAW=pfExtract(ID=1)

dev.off()
par(mfrow=(c(2,1)))

plot(RAW[,3],RAW[,4],type="l")
plot(TR$Age,TR$TransData,type="l")

## Transforming and Compositing
## Example 1: Usage as in Power et al. 2008
## Data transformation

TR1=pfTransform(ID, method=c("MinMax","Box-Cox","Z-Score"),BasePeriod=c(200,2000))

## Diagnostic pdf file with transformed series:
# pfDiagnostic(ID, method=c("MinMax","Box-Cox","Z-Score"),BasePeriod=c(200,2000),
# FileName = "Diagnostic.pdf")

## Compositing: basic binning procedure
COMP=pfComposite(TR1, binning=TRUE, bins=seq(0,8000,500))
plot(COMP)

## The result matrix can be saved
# write.csv(COMP$result,file="temp.csv")

## Compositing: Using the locfit package equivalent procedure to Daniau et al. 2012

COMP2=pfCompositeLF(TR1, tarAge=seq(-50,8000,20), binhw=20, hw=500,nboot=100)
plot(COMP2)

## And save
write.csv(COMP2$result,file="temp2.csv")

## End(Not run)

```

checkGCDversion

*Check GCD package install*

### Description

Check if GCD package is installed and up to date to ensure always using the most up to date GCD version. devtools package is required: on Windows install Rtools.exe depending on your R version <http://cran.r-project.org/bin/windows/Rtools/>

**Usage**

```
checkGCDversion()
```

**Details**

Last GCD database version is downloaded and installed using:

```
library(devtools)  
install_github("GCD", username="paleofire", ref="master")
```

**Author(s)**

O. Blarquez

**Examples**

```
## Not run: checkGCDversion()
```

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coast

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*coast*

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**Description**

World coastlines

**Usage**

```
data(coast)
```

**Format**

A data frame with 9865 observations on the following 2 variables.

Y Latitude

X Longitude

**Source**

<http://www.naturalearthdata.com/downloads/10m-physical-vectors/>

**Examples**

```
data(coast)
```

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contiguous	<i>Are cores sampled contiguously?</i>
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## Description

The function checks whether cores have been sampled contiguously or with a depth resolution <1cm.

## Usage

```
contiguous(x, threshold = 1)
```

## Arguments

x	An object of the class "pfSiteSel"
threshold	Numeric, threshold for considering two samples as contiguous (default=1cm)

## Value

Summary table of sites with the added contiguous logical column (TRUE–FALSE)

## Author(s)

O. Blarquez

## See Also

[pfResolution](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:
x=pfSiteSel(lat>12,lat<60,long<(-50),long>-140)
contiguous(x)

## End(Not run)
```

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<i>contrib.pfCompositeLF</i>	<i>contrib.pfCompositeLF</i>
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## Description

Calculates the number of prebinned samples contributing to the composite curve. The number is calculated by counting the number on non null charcoal values at each tarAge from the prebinned charcoal series.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'pfCompositeLF'
contrib(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	A "pfCompositeLF" object.
...	...

**Author(s)**

O. Blarquez

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
ID=pfSiteSel(continent=="North America", l12==1, long>=-160 & long<=-140)

TR=pfTransform(ID, method=c("MinMax","Box-Cox","MinMax","Z-Score"),
               BasePeriod=c(200,2000),QuantType="INFL")

COMP1=pfCompositeLF(TR, tarAge=seq(-50,4000,10), hw=200, nboot=100)

a=contrib(COMP1)
plot(COMP1$BinCentres,a)

## End(Not run)
```

kdffreq

*Fire frequency using kernel density*

**Description**

Computes paleo-fire frequency for a set of fire events (or frequency from other events types, see examples) using a gaussian kernel density estimation procedure based on a defined bandwidth (see Mudelsee 2004 for details). Pseudo-replicated values are used to correct for edge bias, equivalent to "minimum slope" correction in Mann (2004).

**Usage**

```
kdffreq(
  fevent,
  up = NULL,
  lo = NULL,
  interval = 10,
  bandwidth = NULL,
  boot = "full",
```

```

bootper = 0.1,
nbboot = NULL,
alpha = NULL,
pseudo = FALSE,
pseudo_per = NULL
)

```

## Arguments

<code>fevent</code>	Numeric vector, set of dates
<code>up</code>	Numeric, upper age for fire frequency calculus
<code>lo</code>	Numeric, lower age for fire frequency calculus
<code>interval</code>	Numeric, interval between two points for fire frequency calculus (default 10 years)
<code>bandwidth</code>	Numeric, bandwidth in years, or character for automatic bandwidth calculation (e.g. "bw.ucv" for unbiased cross validation) see <a href="#">bandwidth</a> for details
<code>boot</code>	Character, "full" or "partial" see @details
<code>bootper</code>	Numeric, percentage of fire events randomly added or removed in the "partial" replication procedure (default 0.1)
<code>nbboot</code>	Numeric, number of bootstrap replicates
<code>alpha</code>	Numeric, confidence interval (default 0.01)
<code>pseudo</code>	Logical, apply (TRUE) or not (FALSE) Mann (2004) correction (default=FALSE)
<code>pseudo_per</code>	percentage of actual data used in reflection in the Mann (2004) correction

## Details

By using `boot="partial"` option (beta!) fire dates are randomly removed or added within a defined percentage (by default between 1 and 10% of total number of events) in order to make new series that are then used to calculate ensemble members fire frequencies. This procedure differs slightly from the full bootstrapp where fire dates are randomly picked with replacement. Theoretically classic bootstrap could result in a sample where a single fire event date is replicated n times which makes no sense for fires. By randomly removing or adding fire dates the confidence intervals are narrower and likely better reflect the long term fire regime variabilility.

## Value

ff data.frame, with fire frequency, bandwidth and CIs

## Author(s)

O. Blarquez

## References

Mann, M. E. (2004). On smoothing potentially non-stationary climate time series. *Geophysical Research Letters*, 31(7).

Mudelsee, M., Börngen, M., Tetzlaff, G., & Grünwald, U. (2004). Extreme floods in central Europe over the past 500 years: Role of cyclone pathway “Zugstrasse Vb”. *Journal of Geophysical Research: Atmospheres* (1984–2012), 109(D23).

## See Also

[plot.kdffreq](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:
set.seed(123)
fevent=c(round(abs(rnorm(20,mean=7,sd=5))*1000),round(abs(rnorm(10,mean=8,sd=1))*1000))
ff=kdffreq(fevent,bandwidth = 1000, nbboot=10)

# Estimate the frequency of armed conflicts from 1946 to 2014
# Data from the The Uppsala Conflict Data Program (UCDP) available at: https://www.prio.org

dat=read.csv('http://ucdp.uu.se/downloads/ucdpprio/ucdp-prio-acd-4-2016.csv')
res=kdffreq(dat$Year,bandwidth = "bw.ucv", nbboot=1000, up = 1946, lo = 2014, interval=1, pseudo=T)
plot(res, ylab="# armed conflict/year")

## End(Not run)
```

paleofire-internal     *Internal paleofire functions*

## Description

Internal paleofire functions and functions waiting for man.

pfAddData

*Add user defined charcoal data series to paleofire*

## Description

This function is used to create a "pfAddData" object, from user defined csv files containing charcoal data, to be passed to pfTransform. csv files must contain three columns with Depth, Age, Charcoal quantity in this same order (for type="NONE" argument). A metadata csv file could also be specified with sites location information (three columns with: SITE\_NAME, LATITUDE, LONGITUDE). CharAnalysis data files could also be used, in this case the file must include the following columns: DepthTop, DepthBottom, AgeTop, AgeBottom, Volume and Charcoal value in this exact order. Then the files are passed to the pretreatment function in order to calculate Charcoal Accumulation Rates (see pretreatment for details).

**Usage**

```
pfAddData(
  files,
  metadata = NULL,
  type = "NULL",
  Int = TRUE,
  first = NULL,
  last = NULL,
  yrInterp = NULL,
  sep = ",",
  dec = "."
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>files</code>	Character, names and path to csv files.
<code>metadata</code>	Character, name and path to the (unique) metadata csv file.
<code>type</code>	Character, "NONE": user defined csv (default), "CharAnalysis": CharAnalysis data file.
<code>Int</code>	Logical specifying whether the pretreatment function interpolates particle zero counts, default TRUE.
<code>first, last</code>	Numeric, date of the first, last sample for accumulation rate calculation, if NULL first, last are automatically specified as the the minimum and maximum ages of the record respectively.
<code>yrInterp</code>	Numeric, temporal resolution of the interpolated accumulation rates, if NULL, yrInterp is automatically specified as the median resolution of the record.
<code>sep</code>	char, column separator for csv, "," by default
<code>dec</code>	char, decimal "." by default

**Value**

<code>out</code>	A list with merged data files that can be passed to <a href="#">pfTransform</a>
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**Author(s)**

O. Blarquez

**See Also**

[pretreatment](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
# Ad user own data from CharAnalysis file (csv)
```

```

# In this example we will use data from:
# Senici, D., A. Lucas, H. Y. H. Chen, Y. Bergeron, A. Larouche, B. Brossier, O.
# Blarquez, and A. A. Ali. 2013. Multi-millennial fire frequency and tree abundance
# differ between xeric and mesic boreal forests in central Canada. Journal of Ecology:
# 101, 356-367.

files=c("http://blarquez.com/public/data//Ben.csv",
       "http://blarquez.com/public/data/Small.csv")
metadata=c("http://blarquez.com/public/data/metadata.csv")

mydata=pfAddData(files=files,metadata=metadata,type="CharAnalysis")

# Transform and compositing:
TR1=pfTransform(add=mydata, method=c("MinMax","Box-Cox","Z-Score"),
                BasePeriod=c(200,2000))
COMP2=pfCompositeLF(TR1, tarAge=seq(-50,8000,20), hw=500, nboot=100)
plot(COMP2)

# Three columns example (with semicolon csv files):
files=c("http://blarquez.com/public/data/Ben_area.csv",
       "http://blarquez.com/public/data/Small_area.csv")
mydata=pfAddData(files=files, sep=";")
# Transform and compositing:
TR1=pfTransform(add=mydata, method=c("MinMax","Box-Cox","Z-Score"),
                BasePeriod=c(200,2000))
COMP2=pfCompositeLF(TR1, tarAge=seq(-50,8000,20), hw=500, nboot=100)
plot(COMP2)

## End(Not run)

```

**pfBoxCox***Box-Cox transformation of Charcoal series***Description**

Box-Cox transformation of charcoal series, the maximum likelihood estimation of lambda is derived from the `boxcox.R` function in the Venables and Ripley MASS library included in R 2.6.1

**Usage**

```
pfBoxCox(serie, alpha = 0.01, type = "BoxCox1964")
```

**Arguments**

<code>serie</code>	A vector of charcoal values.
<code>alpha</code>	Numeric, the "shift" parameter, default=0.01.
<code>type</code>	Character, the Box-Cox transformation formulation, can be either "BoxCox1964" (default) for the original Box & Cox (1964) formulation, or "JohnDraper" for the John & Draper (1980) modulus transformation.

**Value**

X Vector of transformed charcoal values

**Author(s)**

P. Bartlein

**References**

Venables, W. N., Ripley, B. D., & Venables, W. N. (1994). Modern applied statistics with S-PLUS (Vol. 250). New York: Springer-verlag.

Box, G.E.P. & Cox, D. R.(1964) An analysis of transformations, Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Series B, 26, 211-252.

John, J. A. & Draper N. R. (1980) Analternative family of transformations, Applied Statistics, 29, 190-197.

**See Also**

[pfTransform](#)

**Examples**

```
# Select a site
ID=pfSiteSel(site_name=="Pas-de-Fond")

# Extract data
A=pfExtract(ID)

B=pfBoxCox(A[,4],0.1)
plot(B,type="l")
```

**pfCircular**

*Circular block bootstrap procedure applied to charcoal records compositing results*

**Description**

Block bootstrap has been proposed to test the significances of changes in stationary time series (Kunsch 1989). This procedure consists of splitting each charcoal series into n-b+1 overlapping blocks of data, where n is sample size and b the block size. These blocks are used to reconstruct resampled individual charcoal series that are in turn used to estimate the confidence intervals around the charcoal series composite mean.

**Usage**

```
pfCircular(comp, b = NULL, conf = c(0.05, 0.95), nboot = 1000, AgeLim = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

comp	A "pfComposite" object
b	A numeric giving block size, if NULL the optimal block size for a given series is given by: $b = 2x(-1 / \log(p))$ , where p is the lag one autocorrelation coefficient of that series (Adams, Mann & Ammann 2003).
conf	Numeric, calculated confidence intervals.
nboot	Numeric, number of bootstrap replicates.
AgeLim	Numeric, years defining a period to restrict the analysis to.

**Value**

out	A "pfCircular" object with estimated confidence intervals.
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**Author(s)**

O. Blarquez

**References**

- Kunsch, H. R. 1989. The jackknife and the bootstrap for general stationary observation s. *The Annals of Statistics* 17:1217-1241.
- Adams, J. B., M. E. Mann, and C. M. Ammann. 2003. Proxy evidence for an El Nino-like response to volcanic forcing. *Nature* 426:274-278.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
ID=pfSiteSel(lat>49, lat<75, long>6, long<50)
plot(ID,zoom="world")
TR1=pfTransform(ID, method=c("MinMax","Box-Cox","Z-Score"),BasePeriod=c(200,2000))

## Circular block bootstrapp

COMP=pfComposite(TR1, binning=TRUE, bins=seq(0,2000,100))
circ=pfCircular(COMP,conf=c(0.005,0.025,0.975,0.995),nboot=100)
plot(circ)

## End(Not run)
```

**pfComposite***Produce a composite serie from multiple charcoal records***Description**

Produce a composite serie from multiple charcoal records using bootstrap resampling, the sites charcoal values are binned and the mean in each bin is calculated prior the bootstrap procedure. This procedure is equivalent to Power et al. 2008.

**Usage**

```
pfComposite(
  TR,
  bins = NULL,
  nboot = 1000,
  binning = TRUE,
  conf = c(0.05, 0.95)
)
```

**Arguments**

TR	An object returned by <a href="#">pfTransform</a>
bins	Numeric, the sequence for binning given in years (e.g. bins=seq(from=0, to=10000, by=200)). If unspecified the sequence is defined as bins=seq(from=min age, to=max age, by=median resolution).
nboot	Numeric, a number specifying the number of bootstrap replicates.
binning	Logical, set to TRUE (default) for binning, if transformed data are first interpolated this argument can be set to FALSE (no binning).
conf	Numeric, define confidence levels.

**Value**

Object of the class "pfComposite"

**Author(s)**

O.Blarquez

**References**

Power, M., J. Marlon, N. Ortiz, P. Bartlein, S. Harrison, F. Mayle, A. Ballouche, R. Bradshaw, C. Carcaillet, C. Cordova, S. Mooney, P. Moreno, I. Prentice, K. Thonicke, W. Tinner, C. Whitlock, Y. Zhang, Y. Zhao, A. Ali, R. Anderson, R. Beer, H. Behling, C. Briles, K. Brown, A. Brunelle, M. Bush, P. Camill, G. Chu, J. Clark, D. Colombaroli, S. Connor, A. L. Daniau, M. Daniels, J. Dodson, E. Doughty, M. Edwards, W. Finsinger, D. Foster, J. Frechette, M. J. Gaillard, D. Gavin, E. Gobet, S. Haberle, D. Hallett, P. Higuera, G. Hope, S. Horn, J. Inoue, P. Kaltenrieder, L. Kennedy, Z. Kong, C.

Larsen, C. Long, J. Lynch, E. Lynch, M. McGlone, S. Meeks, S. Mensing, G. Meyer, T. Minckley, J. Mohr, D. Nelson, J. New, R. Newnham, R. Noti, W. Oswald, J. Pierce, P. Richard, C. Rowe, M. Sanchez Goni, B. Shuman, H. Takahara, J. Toney, C. Turney, D. Urrego-Sanchez, C. Umbanhowar, M. Vandergoes, B. Vanniere, E. Vescovi, M. Walsh, X. Wang, N. Williams, J. Wilmshurst, and J. Zhang. 2008. Changes in fire regimes since the Last Glacial Maximum: an assessment based on a global synthesis and analysis of charcoal data. Climate Dynamics 30:887-907.

## Examples

```
## Not run:
## Composite charcoal record for boreal Canada:
ID=pfSiteSel(country=="Canada" & 112==1)
plot(ID)
## Transform data
res3=pfTransform(ID,method=c("MinMax","Box-Cox","Z-Score"),BasePeriod=c(200,4000))

## Composite
comp=pfComposite(res3,bins=seq(from=0,to=12000,by=200))
plot(comp)

## End(Not run)
```

**pfCompositeLF**

*Produce a composite serie from multiple charcoal records using a local regression procedure (from the locfit package)*

## Description

Produces a composite series from multiple charcoal records by using a robust locally weighted scatterplot smoother (LOWESS). The robust LOWESS uses the locfit function from the locfit package and is applied repeatedly (nboot times) on bootstrapped charcoal sites samples. The records charcoal values are pre-binned prior to sites resampling. This procedure is equivalent to Daniau et al. (2012).

## Usage

```
pfCompositeLF(
  TR,
  hw = 250,
  tarAge = NULL,
  binhw = NULL,
  nboot = 1000,
  conf = c(0.05, 0.95),
  pseudodata = FALSE,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

TR	An object returned by <a href="#">pfTransform</a>
hw	Numeric, the half window width for the locfit procedure (in years).
tarAge	Numeric, the target ages for prebinning given in years (e.g. tarAge = seq(0, 10000, 20)). If unspecified the sequence is defined as tarAge=seq(from=min age, to=max Age, by=median resolution).
binhw	Numeric, bin half width for the prebinning procedure (use the same value as tarAge intervals for overlapping bins or tarAge intervals/2 for non-overlapping bins, default).
nboot	Numeric, a number specifying the number of bootstrap replicates.
conf	Numeric, define confidence levels.
pseudodata	Logical, if TRUE 10 percent of the data is reflected at the top and the bottom of the resampled serie prior of each locfit regression in order to correct for the edge effect introduced by the local regression, see Cowling & Hall (1996). Equivalent to "minimum slope" correction in Mann(2004).
verbose	Logical: verbose or not...

**Value**

out	A "pfCompositeLF" object.
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**Author(s)**

O.Blarquez

**References**

Daniau, A. L., P. J. Bartlein, S. P. Harrison, I. C. Prentice, S. Brewer, P. Friedlingstein, T. I. Harrison-Prentice, J. Inoue, K. Izumi, J. R. Marlon, S. Mooney, M. J. Power, J. Stevenson, W. Tinner, Andri, M., J. Atanassova, H. Behling, M. Black, O. Blarquez, K. J. Brown, C. Carcaillet, E. A. Colhoun, D. Colombaroli, B. A. S. Davis, D. D'Costa, J. Dodson, L. Dupont, Z. Eshetu, D. G. Gavin, A. Genries, S. Haberle, D. J. Hallett, G. Hope, S. P. Horn, T. G. Kassa, F. Katamura, L. M. Kennedy, P. Kershaw, S. Krivonogov, C. Long, D. Magri, E. Marinova, G. M. McKenzie, P. I. Moreno, P. Moss, F. H. Neumann, E. Norstrom, C. Paitre, D. Rius, N. Roberts, G. S. Robinson, N. Sasaki, L. Scott, H. Takahara, V. Terwilliger, F. Thevenon, R. Turner, V. G. Valsecchi, B. Vanniere, M. Walsh, N. Williams, and Y. Zhang. 2012. Predictability of biomass burning in response to climate changes. Global Biogeochem. Cycles 26:GB4007.

Cowling A, Hall P (1996) On pseudodata methods for removing boundary effects in kernel density estimation. Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Series B 58(3): 551-563.

Mann, M. E. (2004). On smoothing potentially non-stationary climate time series. Geophysical Research Letters, 31(7).

## Examples

```

## Not run:
ID=pfSiteSel(continent=="North America", l12==1, long>=-160 & long<=-140)
plot(ID, xlim=c(-180, -130), ylim=c(40,80))
TR=pfTransform(ID, method=c("MinMax","Box-Cox","MinMax","Z-Score"),
               BasePeriod=c(200,2000),QuantType="INFL")

COMP1=pfCompositeLF(TR, tarAge=seq(-50,4000,10), hw=200, nboot=100)

plot(COMP1)

## Note: comparing confidence intervals based on 100 replicates is not recommended
# (100 is used to decrease analysis time)

## End(Not run)

```

**pfDiagnostic**

*Print diagnostic pdf for individual transformed series*

## Description

Print diagnostic pdf for individual transformed series, successive transformations could be specified (see example)

## Usage

```

pfDiagnostic(
  ID,
  add = NULL,
  Age = 0,
  Interpolate = FALSE,
  method = "Box-Cox",
  BasePeriod = c(-100, 1e+09),
  span = 0.3,
  RunWidth = 500,
  RunQParam = 0.5,
  stlYears = 500,
  alpha = 0.01,
  type = "BoxCox1964",
  FileName = "Diagnostic.pdf",
  QuantType = "ALL"
)

```

## Arguments

ID	An object returned by <a href="#">pfSiteSel</a> or <a href="#">pfTransform</a>
add	An object returned by <a href="#">pfAddData</a>

Age	Numeric, if Interpolate=TRUE, Age is used to specified the ages where the interpolation took place, If Age=0 the interpolated ages are automatically specified using the median resolution of the record(s) If Age is specified as a vector (e.g. Age=(from=0,to=10000, by=10)) the interpolation took place at specified ages
Interpolate	Logical, indicates wether data should be interpolated or not, default=FALSE
method	A character indicating the transformation method: "Z-Score", Z-Score, "LOESS", Locally weighted regression, "SmoothSpline", Smoothing spline, "Box-Cox", Box-Cox transformation, "MinMax", Minimax transformation, "RunMed", Running median, "RunMean", Running mean, "RunQuantile", Running quantile, "RunMin", Running min, "RunMax", Running max, "stl", Decompose a time series into seasonal, trend and irregular components using loess, based on <b>stl</b> function.
BasePeriod	Numeric, a parameter specifying the base period for calculating Z-score given in years BP (e.g. BasePeriod=c(0, 4000)), if empty or unspecified the base period corresponds to record length.
span	Numeric, the span parameter for the LOESS or Smoothing spline methods
RunWidth	Numeric, the width of the window for the "RunMed", "RunMean", "RunQuantile", "RunMin", and "RunMax" methods in years.
RunQParam	Numeric, the parameter specifying which quantile should be calculated for the method "RunQuantile" (default=0.5 i.e. median).
stlYears	Numeric, the bandwith for stl decomposition, default=500 years.
alpha	Numeric, alpha value to add before BoxCox calculation, see <a href="#">pfBoxCox</a> .
type	Character, the type of Box-Cox transformation, see <a href="#">pfBoxCox</a> for details
FileName	Character, define output pdf file name e.g. FileName="mydata.pdf"
QuantType	Character, by default QuantType="INFL" and influx are automatically calculated, otherwise use QuantType="NONE" (not recommended).

### Value

Filename.pdf	A diagnostic file is printed, each sites being printed on separate pages (specified using FileName="myfile.pdf")
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### Author(s)

O. Blarquez

### Examples

```
## Not run:
# Select boreal sites from Levavasseur 2012 PNV in Western North America
ID=pfSiteSel(continent=="North America", l12==1, long>=-160 & long<=-140)

# Print a diagnostic pdf for Box-Cox, Smoothed and Z-score tranformed data
# (base period = 200-2000 BP)
pfDiagnostic(ID,method=c("Box-Cox", "SmoothSpline", "Z-Score"),
span=0.3,BasePeriod=c(200,4000))
```

---

```
## End(Not run)
```

---

**pfDotMap***Produce maps of paleofire data***Description**

Produce map graphics representing spatial variability in charcoal data from the Global Charcoal Database.

**Usage**

```
pfDotMap(
  TR,
  tarAge,
  hw,
  binhw = 0.5 * mean(diff(tarAge)),
  fig.base.name = NULL,
  base.map = "coasts",
  grd.res = 5,
  grd.ext = c(-180, 180, -90, 90),
  grd.lonlat = NULL,
  proj4 = "+proj=longlat +ellps=WGS84 +datum=WGS84 +no_defs",
  n.boot = 1000,
  cx.minsize = 0.3,
  cx.mult = 1
)
```

**Arguments**

<b>TR</b>	An object returned by <a href="#">pfTransform</a>
<b>tarAge</b>	Numeric, the target ages for prebinning given in years (e.g. <code>tarAge = seq(0, 10000, 20)</code> ). If unspecified the sequence is defined as <code>tarAge=seq(from=min age, to=max Age, by=median resolution)</code> .
<b>hw</b>	Numeric, the half window width for the locfit procedure (in years).
<b>binhw</b>	Numeric, bin half width for the prebinning procedure (use the same value as <code>tarAge</code> intervals for overlapping bins or <code>tarAge</code> intervals/2 for non-overlapping bins).
<b>fig.base.name</b>	Character sequence representing the base name for the figures. Can be preceded by a path as long as all directories in the path exist. One figure will be produced for each time bin, with years (and file suffix) appended to the base name automatically. A value of <code>NULL</code> (default) causes figures to be plotted to the current device in sequence.

<code>base.map</code>	Currently, either 'coasts' or 'countries' to choose which base map (from required library 'rworldmap') to be plotted as the base map for all plots. Could easily be modified to accept any SpatialPolygons object.
<code>grd.res, grd.ext</code>	Desired grid resolution and extent in degrees. If <code>grd.res</code> is a single number, the grid will be defined with equal lon/lat resolution; a two-element vector (lon,lat) can also be supplied for unequal resolution. <code>grd.ext</code> is specified as a vector of the form <code>c(min-lon, max-lon, min-lat, max-lat)</code> .
<code>grd.lonlat</code>	A data frame of coordinates for every grid cell center, to be used in cases where an irregular grid is desired. Columns must be named 'lon' and 'lat'. If specified, <code>grd.res</code> and <code>grd.ext</code> are ignored. Note that this option could have undesirable results for unusual grid definitions. In particular, the maximum radius for including sites in a grid cell is always calculated at the equator. For a regular lon/lat grid, this guarantees all sites will be included in at least one cell, because equatorial cells are largest at the equator. If an irregular grid is specified such that this is not true, the maximum radius calculated could lead to sites excluded from all cells. In this case a warning is printed but the function proceeds anyway.
<code>proj4</code>	<code>proj.4</code> string representing the desired projection for plotted maps. Default is unprojected. See <a href="http://www.spatialreference.org">http://www.spatialreference.org</a> to look up the string for your favorite projections.
<code>n.boot</code>	Number of bootstrap replicates to use when creating confidence intervals around each grid-cell mean. In each time bin X grid cell combination, replicates consist of composite z-score values for that bin, randomly sampled (with replacement) from sites within the grid cell (see 'Details' for precise description of sites included in each cell). I.e., no temporal bootstrapping is done here, so that bootstrap CI reflect only spatial variability.
<code>cx.minsize, cx.mult</code>	Parameters that crudely adjust plotted dot size. <code>cx.minsize</code> defines the minimum cex applied to any point in any map, <code>cx.mult</code> scales all points by an equivalent factor.

## Details

Takes any `pfTransform` object as input, and allows any set of one or more time bins to be specified for plotting (one plot per bin). Time bins are specified as for `pfCompositeLF` (which is called by `pfSimpleGrid`). The extent, resolution, and projection of the desired grid are also user-specified.

Results will be plotted on a regular lon/lat grid. To determine which sites contribute to each grid cell value, the code searches within a specified great circle distance (i.e. on the surface of the globe) around each grid cell center. To avoid missing any sites, the distance is set equal to the greatest distance from a grid cell center to its most distant corner, which occurs at the equator where grid cells are largest. This conservative approach will result in many sites falling within multiple grid boxes. At all latitudes, the defined radii will overlap near the edges of the grid boxes. At higher latitudes, the lon/lat grid cells are physically much smaller, so overlap will be considerably greater. There are alternatives, like using a grid that is irregular in terms of lon/laton, or changing the area of grid cells depending on latitude. But all have their tradeoffs, and this one is simple.

Current version produces plots of mean CHAR, number of sites per grid cell, and number of grid cells contributed to by each site (due to overlapping radii described above). The mean plot additionally shows points in two sizes, representing those mean values whose 95%" confidence intervals

do (small dots) or do not (large dots) contain zero. Finally, a time series is plotted in each figure with the current time bin highlighted.

### Value

Plots are produced on the current device or in pdf files defined by `fig.base.name`. In addition, a named list of useful objects is returned:

<code>COMP</code>	The binned composite generated for plotting.
<code>bins</code>	The list of bin endpoints.
<code>sp.grd</code>	A <code>SpatialPointsDataFrame-class</code> object containing all the grid-level statistics produced and plotted (mean influx value, bootstrap confidence interval, and number of sites per grid cell).
<code>sp.sites</code>	A <code>SpatialPointsDataFrame-class</code> object representing the number of grid cells influenced by each site.
<code>plots</code>	A list with one element for each bin. These elements are themselves named lists of trellis objects representing each of the plots produced ("mean", "sitesPerCell", "cellsPerSite", "timeSeries"). Note that these objects can be edited to some degree with the <code>update.trellis</code> function, and plotted or used in layouts as any other trellis graphics can.

### Author(s)

R. Kelly

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### Examples

```
## Not run:
## Composite charcoal record for North America:
ID=pfSiteSel(continent=="North America", long<(-100), l12==1 & long<(-130))
plot(ID)

## Transform data
```

```

res3=pfTransform(ID,method=c("MinMax","Box-Cox","Z-Score"),BasePeriod=c(200,4000))

## Plot maps for 1000-yr bins spanning 3-0 kBP
# dev.new(width=10,height=10) # A big plot area helps.
dotmap = pfDotMap( TR=res3, tarAge=seq(0,2000,1000), hw=500, grd.ext=c(-170,-80,40,80),
                    cx.minsize=2,cx.mult=3)
summary(dotmap)

# Plot the mean map from the first time bin
# newmap = update(dotmap$plots[[1]]$mean, main="A relabeled map")
# newmap

## End(Not run)

```

**pfExtract***Extract charcoal data for a list of sites***Description**

Extract charcoal data from an object returned by [pfSiteSel](#)

**Usage**

```
pfExtract(ID)
```

**Arguments**

ID	An object returned by <a href="#">pfSiteSel</a> .
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**Value**

out	A matrix of charcoal data with the following structure: out[,1]=Site identifiers, out[,2]=Depths, out[,3]=Estimated ages, out[,4]=Charcoal data.
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**Author(s)**

O. Blarquez

**Examples**

```

## Not run:
## Retrieve a site
ID=pfSiteSel(site_name=="Pas-de-Fond")
## Or a group of sites (Western North America)
ID=pfSiteSel(continent=="North America", long<(-100))

## Extract data
A=pfExtract(ID)

```

```
# Plot the first site raw charcoal data
plot(A[A[,1]==ID$id_site[1],3],A[A[,1]==ID$id_site[1],4],type="l",main=ID$site_name[1],
     xlab="Age",ylab="raw Char")

## End(Not run)
```

**pfGridding***Produce gridded maps of transformed charcoal values.***Description**

The function uses weighted spatio-temporal interpolation to produce gridded maps of transformed charcoal values. Spatial grids are used to interpolate transformed charcoal values for a key period defined by `Age`. For each grid cell the function search charcoal sites located in a radius defined by `distance_buffer` from the grid centre and at an elevation within a range defined by `elevation_buffer` from the mean elevation of the cell. Then the function search for charcoal samples within a temporal range from the key date defined by `time_buffer`. Finally a tricube distance weighting function is applied to each sample by considering its spatial distance to the grid centre and its temporal distance to the key date. This approach that weight samples according to their spatio-temporal location also down-weight charcoal sites that are poorly sampled.

**Usage**

```
pfGridding(
  data,
  cell_sizex = NULL,
  cell_sizey = NULL,
  age = 0,
  cell_size = NULL,
  time_buffer = NULL,
  distance_buffer = NULL,
  raster_extent = NULL,
  elevation_buffer = NULL,
  proj4 = NULL,
  sea_mask = TRUE,
  other_mask = NULL,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>data</code>	An object returned by <a href="#">pfTransform</a> .
<code>cell_sizex</code>	Numeric, grid cell width (m).
<code>cell_sizey</code>	Numeric, grid cell height (m).
<code>age</code>	Numeric, key date (years BP).
<code>cell_size</code>	Numeric, grid cell size (bypass <code>cell_sizex</code> and <code>cell_sizey</code> and produce square cells).

<b>time_buffer</b>	Numeric, temporal distance (years) from the key date to search for charcoal samples.
<b>distance_buffer</b>	Numeric, spatial distance from the grid centres to search for charcoal samples (m).
<b>raster_extent</b>	Numeric, define custom extent for the analysis such as raster_extent = c(xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax)
<b>elevation_buffer</b>	Numeric, elevation range from the mean grid cell elevation to search for charcoal sites.
<b>proj4</b>	String, proj.4 string representing the desired projection for plotted maps. Default is Robinson ("+proj=robin +lon_0=0 +x_0=0 +y_0=0 +ellps=WGS84 +datum=WGS84 +units=m +no_defs"). See <a href="http://www.spatialreference.org">http://www.spatialreference.org</a> to look up the string for your favorite projections.
<b>sea_mask</b>	Logical, mask cells falling in the sea.
<b>other_mask</b>	A sp object (SpatialPolygonsDataFrame) used to mask data i.e. for not interpolating pixels under the mask (classical usage: ice extent mask). Note that the SpatialPolygonsDataFrame projection must be used in the analysis and defined using proj4 argument, otherwise the mask should be reprojected (e.g. using rgdal::spTransform).
<b>verbose</b>	Logical, verbose or not...

### Value

A "pfGridding" object (list) that could be plotted using [plot.pfGridding](#).

### Author(s)

O.Blarquez

### See Also

[plot.pfGridding](#), [pfTransform](#), [pfDotMap](#)

### Examples

```
## Not run:
ID=pfSiteSel(continent="North America", l12==1, long>-85)

TR=pfTransform(ID,method=c("MinMax", "Box-Cox", "Z-Score"),BasePeriod=c(200, 4000))

p=pfGridding(TR,age=1000)
summary(p)

require(raster)
plot(p$raster)

## Example of other_mask usage: we will use here Dyke 2003 ice extent map for North
```

```

America
require(maptools)
ID=pfSiteSel(continent=="North America", long>-100,lat>40)
TR=pfTransform(ID,method=c("MinMax","Box-Cox","Z-Score"),BasePeriod=c(200,4000))

## Define projection (same as Dyke 2003)
proj4="+proj=lcc +lat_1=49 +lat_2=77 +lat_0=49
+lon_0=-95 +x_0=0 +y_0=0 +ellps=clrk66 +datum=NAD27 +units=m +no_defs"

## Download the shapefile
where=getwd()
download.file("http://blarquez.com/public/data/ice_9500_calBP_lcc.shp",
              paste0(where,"/ice_9500_calBP_lcc.shp"))
download.file("http://blarquez.com/public/data/ice_9500_calBP_lcc.dbf",
              paste0(where,"/ice_9500_calBP_lcc.dbf"))
download.file("http://blarquez.com/public/data/ice_9500_calBP_lcc.shx",
              paste0(where,"/ice_9500_calBP_lcc.shx"))

ice_shp=readShapePoly(paste0(where,"/ice_9500_calBP_lcc.shp"),
                      proj4string=CRS(proj4))
plot(ice_shp)

p=pfGridding(TR,age=9500,cell_size=100000,distance_buffer=300000,
              proj4=proj4,other_mask=ice_shp)
plot(p,add=ice_shp)

# Citation: Dyke, A.S., Moore, A. And Robertson, L. 2003 :
# Deglaciation of North America, Geological Survey of Canada Open File 1574.

## End(Not run)

```

pfInteractive

*GCD sites interactive selection*

## Description

Interactive selection of GCD sites by drawing a polygon on a map.

## Usage

```
pfInteractive(addata = NULL)
```

## Arguments

addata	An optional XY matrix of coordinates to specify a polygon to be drawn on the map.
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## Value

An object of the class "pfSiteSel".

**Author(s)**

O. Blarquez

**See Also**

[pfSiteSel](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
# Type:
ID=pfInteractive()
# And follow text instructions
## End(Not run)
```

**pfKruskal**

*Analyse composite records by a Kruskal-Wallis ANOVA*

**Description**

The function applies a Kruskal-Wallis ANOVA on binned data issued from a "pfComposite" object (or directly on "pfTransform" objects), in order to test the difference in biomass burning activity between different time periods.

**Usage**

```
pfKruskal(data, p.adj = "none", alpha = 0.05, bins = NULL, verbose = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

<b>data</b>	An object returned by <a href="#">pfComposite</a> or <a href="#">pfTransform</a> .
<b>p.adj</b>	Method for adjusting p values (see <a href="#">p.adjust</a> ). Includes: "holm", "hochberg", "hommel", "bonferroni", "BH", "BY", "fdr" and "none" (default).
<b>alpha</b>	Numeric, confidence level.
<b>bins</b>	Numeric, bins to use if a "pfTransform" object is provided.
<b>verbose</b>	Logical, verbose or not...

**Value**

A "pfKruskal" object containing multiple comparison results.

**Author(s)**

O. Blarquez

**See Also**

[plot.pfKruskal](#), [kruskal](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
## Composite charcoal record for Western Boreal North America:  
ID=pfSiteSel(continent=="North America", long<(-100) & l12==1)  
plot(ID)  
## Transform data  
res3=pfTransform(ID,method=c("MinMax","Box-Cox","Z-Score"),BasePeriod=c(200,4000))  
  
## Composite  
comp=pfComposite(res3,bins=seq(from=-500,to=12500,by=1000))  
plot(comp)  
  
## Kruskal Wallis Anova  
comparison=pfKruskal(comp)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

pfMinMax

*MinMax transformation of a charcoal serie*

---

**Description**

MiniMax transformation of a charcoal serie

**Usage**

`pfMinMax(serie)`

**Arguments**

`serie` Numeric, a vector of charcoal values.

**Value**

`out` A vector of minimax transformed values.

**Author(s)**

O. Blarquez

**See Also**

[pfTransform](#)

## Examples

```

## Retrieve a site
ID=pfSiteSel(site_name=="Pas-de-Fond")
## Or a group of sites
ID=pfSiteSel(continent=="Africa")

## Extract data
A=pfExtract(ID)

## Plot the first site raw charcoal data
par(mfrow=c(1,2))
plot(A[A[,1]==ID$id_site[1],3],A[A[,1]==ID$id_site[1],4],type="l",main=ID$site_name[1],
     xlab="Age",ylab="raw Char")
## Minimax transformation
B=pfMinMax(A[A[,1]==ID$id_site[1],4])
## Plot the first site Minimax transformed charcoal data
plot(A[A[,1]==ID$id_site[1],3],B,type="l",main=ID$site_name[1],
     xlab="Age",ylab="Minimax")

```

**pfPublication**      *Get citations for charcoal sites*

## Description

Get citations for charcoal sites

## Usage

```
pfPublication(x, output = "data.frame")
```

## Arguments

x	A "pfSiteSel" object
output	Defines the output as a "list" or a "data.frame" (default).

## Value

A list or data frame with citation informations related to charcoal sites.

## Author(s)

O. Blarquez

## Examples

```

x=pfSiteSel(id_site %in% c(1:4))
pfPublication(x,output="list")

```

---

**pfResolution**

*Calculates age resolution indicators for charcoal records*

---

**Description**

Calculates age resolution indicators for charcoal records selected using [pfSiteSel](#) or [pfInteractive](#) functions.

**Usage**

```
pfResolution(ID, AgeLim = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

ID	An object of the class "pfSiteSel"
AgeLim	Numeric, defines age limits for age resolution calculations (e.g. AgeLim=c(-50,6000))

**Value**

data.frame	A data frame with the following informations: ID_SITE, SITE_NAME, Median Resolution of the record, Mean Resolution and Standard deviation
------------	---

**Author(s)**

O. Blarquez

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
ID=pfSiteSel(lat>40, lat<90, long>-100, long<=-50)  
Res=pfResolution(ID,AgeLim=c(-50,8000))  
head(Res)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

**pfSimpleGrid**

*Produce simple gridded maps of paleofire data*

---

**Description**

Produce gridded map graphics representing spatial variability in charcoal data from the Global Charcoal Database.

## Usage

```
pfSimpleGrid(
  TR,
  tarAge,
  hw,
  binhw = 0.5 * mean(diff(tarAge)),
  fun = mean,
  n.boot = 0,
  prob.CI = c(0.025, 0.975),
  test.val = 0,
  proj4 = "+proj=longlat +ellps=WGS84 +datum=WGS84 +no_defs",
  res = 5,
  ext = c(-180, 180, -90, 90),
  fig.file.name = NULL,
  show.plots = TRUE,
  title.text = "",
  cols = NULL,
  cuts = NULL,
  zlim = NULL,
  base.map = "coasts",
  base.map.col = grey(0.7),
  base.map.lwd = 0.5
)
```

## Arguments

TR	An object returned by <a href="#">pfTransform</a>
tarAge	Numeric, the target ages for prebinning given in years (e.g. tarAge = seq(0, 10000, 20)). If unspecified the sequence is defined as tarAge=seq(from=min age, to=max Age, by=median resolution).
hw	Numeric, the half window width for the locfit procedure (in years).
binhw	Numeric, bin half width for the prebinning procedure (use the same value as tarAge intervals for overlapping bins or tarAge intervals/2 for non-overlapping bins).
fun	Function to be used for aggregating across sites.
n.boot	Number of bootstrap replicates to use when creating confidence intervals around each grid-cell value.
prob.CI	Vector of two quantiles to define the bootstrap CI for significance testing
test.val	Test value for bootstrap significance test.
proj4	proj.4 string representing the desired projection for plotted maps. Default is unprojected. See <a href="http://www.spatialreference.org">http://www.spatialreference.org</a> to look up the string for your favorite projections.
res, ext	Desired grid resolution and extent. If grd.res is a single number, the grid will be defined with equal x/y resolution; a two-element vector (x,y) can also be supplied for unequal resolution. grd.ext is specified as a vector, matrix, or Extent object, as for the function raster::extent.

<code>fig.file.name</code>	Character sequence representing the file name for the output figures. Can be preceded by a path as long as all directories in the path exist. The file will be a PDF with one figure per time bin, each on a separate page.
<code>show.plots</code>	Logical indicating whether plots will be printed to the screen.
<code>title.text</code>	Character sequence for labeling figures. Time bin bounds will be added automatically.
<code>cols,</code>	<code>cuts</code> Vectors of color specifications and values defining the plot legend. Grid-cell values will be binned by <code>cuts</code> and assigned the colors in <code>cols</code> . If either are NULL, the function tries to guess at a good scheme. <code>cuts</code> may also be a single value specifying the number of bins.
<code>cuts</code>	Defines range and resolution of color scale
<code>zlim</code>	Two-element vector representing the bounds of the color scale. Ignored if <code>cuts</code> is fully specified, but otherwise used in defining the color bins.
<code>base.map</code>	Currently, either 'coasts' or 'countries' to choose which base map (from required library 'rworldmap') to be plotted as the base map for all plots. Could easily be modified to accept any SpatialPolygons object.
<code>base.map.col,</code>	Color specifications for plotting the basemap.
<code>base.map.lwd</code>	Line width specifications for plotting the basemap.

## Details

Takes any pfTransform object as input, and allows any set of one or more time bins to be specified for plotting (one plot per bin). Time bins are specified as for pfCompositeLF (which is called by pfSimpleGrid). The extent, resolution, and projection of the desired grid are also user-specified.

Records are first composited, and then aggregated with other sites falling in the same grid cell according to the specified function 'fun' (defaults to mean). This is a considerably simpler approach than the distance-based spatial binning used by pfDotMap, although it has its own tradeoffs (e.g. grid cells are unlikely to represent equal area).

A flexible bootstrapped significance test is implemented. Within each time bin X grid cell combination, composite z-score values are randomly sampled (with replacement) from sites within the grid cell. The function is applied to the sampled values. Quantiles of all bootstrap function evaluations are computed, and significance is reported if a user-specified test value is outside of these bootstrap CI. Note that bootstrap CI calculated here reflect only spatial variability, as no temporal resampling is performed.

## Value

Plots are produced on the current device and/or in pdf files according to input arguments. In addition, a named list of useful objects is returned:

<code>COMP</code>	The binned composite generated for plotting.
<code>tarAge</code>	The list of target ages used for temporal binning.
<code>sg.rast</code>	A <a href="#">Raster-class</a> object containing the gridded output data
<code>sg.plots</code>	A list of trellis objects representing the composed plots. Note that these objects can be edited to some degree with the <code>update.trellis</code> function, and plotted or used in layouts as any other trellis graphics can.

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

[pfGridding](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
ID=pfSiteSel(continent=="North America", l12==1 & long<(-130))
plot(ID)

## Transform data
res3=pfTransform(ID,method=c("MinMax","Box-Cox","Z-Score"),BasePeriod=c(200,4000))

## Plot maps for 1000-yr bins spanning 3-0 kBP
# dev.new(width=10,height=10) # A big plot area helps.
gridmap = pfSimpleGrid( TR=res3, tarAge=seq(0,2000,1000), hw=500, ext=c(-170,-80,40,80))
summary(gridmap)

# Plot the mean map from the first time bin
newmap = update(gridmap$sg.plots[[1]], main="A relabeled map")
newmap

## End(Not run)
```

## Description

Main function used for site selection, uses data strored in data(paleofiresites) to perform site selection according to multiple criterion, those criterions could be either geographic, based on series attributes (e.g. # of datings), or on sites attributes (e.g. biome).

## Usage

```
pfSiteSel(...)
```

## Arguments

- ... Any combination of conditions defined by relational operators and or logical operators that are applied on the "paleofiresites" dataset. See examples below:

## Details

Use data(paleofiresites);names(paleofiresites) to retrieve the conditions that could be used to select sites i.e.: id\_site, site\_name, lat, long, elev, pref\_units, biome, id\_region, id\_country, id\_site\_type, water\_depth, id\_basin\_size, id\_catch\_size, id\_land\_desc, dating\_type, min\_est\_age, max\_est\_age, num\_dating, age\_model, data\_source, qtype, rf99, l12, num\_samp, date\_int.

## Value

An object of the class "pfSiteSel" (list) with "id\_site" and "site\_name" components.

## Author(s)

O. Blarquez

## See Also

[paleofiresites](#)

## Examples

```
## Sites selection examples

## Select all sites
ID=pfSiteSel()

## Savana sites in Ramankutty and Foley (1999)
ID=pfSiteSel(rf99==9)
plot(ID,zoom="world")

## Tropical forest and tundra such as Levavasseur et al. (2012)
ID=pfSiteSel(l12==6 | l12==7)
plot(ID,zoom="world")

## Sites in North America by geographic location
ID=pfSiteSel(lat>25, lat<75, long<(-45), long>-150)
```

```

plot(ID,zoom="world")

## is equivalent to:
ID=pfSiteSel(lat>25 & lat<75 & long<(-45) & long>-150)
plot(ID,zoom="world")

## By region criterion
ID=pfSiteSel(continent=="North America")
plot(ID,zoom="world")

## Pas-de-Fond site
pfSiteSel(site_name=="Pas-de-Fond")

## All sites in eastern North America that are not Pas-de-Fond
pfSiteSel(site_name!="Pas-de-Fond", continent=="North America", long>-100)

## Sites with on average one dating point every 250 to 300 yrs
pfSiteSel(date_int>=250 & date_int<=300)

## Sites between 0, 100 m elevation in Asia
ID=pfSiteSel(elevation>0 & elevation<100, continent=="Asia")

## All sites that are not marine nor fluvial
# ID=pfSiteSel(id_land_desc!="MARI" , id_site_type!="FLUV" & id_site_type!="LFLU") # v.4.0.1 to come
# plot(ID)

```

**pfToKml***Export selected site to Google Earth kml format***Description**

Export sites selected using pfSiteSel function to Google Earth kml format.

**Usage**

```
pfToKml(x, file = "NULL")
```

**Arguments**

- |                   |   |
|-------------------|---|
| <code>x</code>    | An object of the class "pfSiteSel"  |
| <code>file</code> | File location and name with kml extension e.g. file="/Users/Olivier/Desktop/truc.kml" |

**Value**

No value returned.

**Author(s)**

O. Blarquez

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
x=pfSiteSel(id_site==222)
pfToKml(x,file="site222.kml")

## End(Not run)
```

**pfTransform**

*Transform charcoal data for unique to multiple series*

**Description**

Charcoal data transformation, background estimation and homogenization for unique to multiple series, accepts objects returned by [pfSiteSel](#).

**Usage**

```
pfTransform(
  ID = NULL,
  add = NULL,
  Interpolate = FALSE,
  Age = NULL,
  method = "Z-Score",
  BasePeriod = c(-100, 1e+09),
  span = 0.3,
  RunWidth = 500,
  RunQParam = 0.5,
  stlYears = 500,
  type = "BoxCox1964",
  alpha = 0.01,
  QuantType = "INFL",
  MethodType = NULL,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

ID	An object returned by <a href="#">pfSiteSel</a> or <a href="#">pfTransform</a>
add	An object returned by <a href="#">pfAddData</a>
Interpolate	Logical, indicates whether data should be interpolated or not, default=FALSE

Age	Numeric, If Interpolate=TRUE, Age is used to specified the ages where the interpolation took place, If Age=NULL (default) the interpolated ages are automatically specified using the median resolution of the record(s). If Age is specified as a vector (e.g. Age=(from=0,to=10000, by=10)) the interpolation took place at specified ages.
method	A character indicating the transformation method: "Z-Score", Z-Score, "LOESS", Locally weighted regression, "SmoothSpline", Smoothing spline, "Box-Cox", Box-Cox transformation, "MinMax", Minimax transformation, "RunMed", Running median, "RunMean", Running mean, "RunQuantile", Running quantile, "RunMin", Running min, "RunMax", Running max, "stl", Decompose a time series into seasonal, trend and irregular components using loess, based on <b>stl</b> function.
BasePeriod	Numeric, a parameter specifying the base period for calculating Z-score given in years BP (e.g. BasePeriod=c(0, 4000)), if empty or unspecified the base period corresponds to record length.
span	Numeric, the span parameter for the LOESS or Smoothing spline methods
RunWidth	Numeric, the width of the window for the "RunMed", "RunMean", "RunQuantile", "RunMin", and "RunMax" methods in years.
RunQParam	Numeric, the parameter specifying which quantile should be calculated for the method "RunQuantile" (default=0.5 i.e. median).
stlYears	Numeric, the bandwidth for stl decomposition, default=500 years.
type	Character, the type of Box-Cox transformation, see <a href="#">pfBoxCox</a> for details.
alpha	Numeric, alpha value to add before BoxCox calculation, see <a href="#">pfBoxCox</a> .
QuantType	Character, by default QuantType="INFL" and influx are automatically calculated, otherwise use QuantType="NONE" (not recommended).
MethodType	Character, by default (MethodType=NULL) imply that when for a specific site two charcoal unit exist the function pick the one define by pref_unit. By passing different arguments to MethodType user can modify the analysis to pick non preferred units by referring to more general methods for instance MethodType = "POLIS" will choose charcoal records from pollen slides, or MethodType = "SIEV" sieved macro charcoal series. Type (paleofiredata); levels(paleofiredata\$METHOD) for available methods.
verbose	Logical, verbose or not...

### Value

An object of the class "pfTransform".

### Author(s)

O. Blarquez

### Examples

```
## Not run:
## Select the site Pas-de-Fond
```

```
ID=pfSiteSel(site_name=="Pas-de-Fond")

# Transform data sequentially using pfTransform function
tr=pfTransform(ID,method=c("MinMax","Box-Cox"))

## Plot transformed data for the first site
plot(tr$Age[,1],tr$TransData[,1],type="l")

## End(Not run)
```

---

**plot.CHAR***Plot CHAR*

---

**Description**

Plot an object of the class "CHAR" returned by the pretreatment function. Original accumulation rates are presented using grey bars, accumulation rates interpolated at equal time steps are presented by a black curve.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'CHAR'
plot(
  x,
  xlim = NULL,
  ylim = NULL,
  xlab = NULL,
  ylab = NULL,
  frame = TRUE,
  main = NULL,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

x	An object of the class "CHAR".
xlim	xlim...
ylim	ylim...
xlab	x axis label.
ylab	y axis label.
frame	TRUE by default
main	main plot title
...	...

**Author(s)**

O. Blarquez

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
## In this example we will use the charcoal record of the Lac du Loup (Blarquez et al. 2010)
## Load raw charcoal data in mm^2
A=read.csv("http://blarquez.com/public/code/loupchar.csv")
C_=A[,6] # charcoal areas
P_=A[,1:5] # CmTop, CmBot, AgeTop, AgeBot, Volume

## Calculates charcoal accumulation rate (CHAR, mm2.cm-2.yr-1)
CHAR=pretreatment(params=P_,serie=C_,Int=TRUE)
plot(CHAR)

## End(Not run)
```

**plot.contiguous**      *Plot "contiguous" object*

**Description**

Plot an object returned by contiguous, plot contiguous cores (or sites) in green (T) and non-contiguous cores in red (F).

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'contiguous'
plot(x, ylim = NULL, xlim = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	An object returned by contiguous
<code>ylim</code>	Numeric, ylim for the graph
<code>xlim</code>	Numeric, xlim for the graph
<code>...</code>	...

**Value**

A plot.

**Author(s)**

O. Blarquez

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

```
## Not run:  
x=pfSiteSel(lat>12,lat<60,long<(-50),long>-140)  
cont=contiguous(x)  
plot(cont)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

plot.kdffreq

*plot.kdffreq*

---

**Description**

Plot fire frequency calculated using the [kdffreq](#) function

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'kdffreq'  
plot(  
  x,  
  ylim = NULL,  
  xlim = NULL,  
  main = NULL,  
  xlab = "Age",  
  ylab = "FF (#.yr-1)",  
  frame = T,  
  ...  
)
```

**Arguments**

x	Object returned by kdffreq
ylim	Numeric, y axis limits
xlim	Numeric x axis limits
main	char, title of plot
xlab	char, x axis legend
ylab	char, y axis legend
frame	frame around plot
...	other arguments

**See Also**

[kdffreq](#) @examples

```
set.seed(123) fevent=c(round(abs(rnorm(20,mean=7,sd=5))*1000),round(abs(rnorm(10,mean=8,sd=1))*1000))
ff=kdffreq(fevent,bandwidth = 1000, nbboot=10) plot(ff)
```

[plot.pfCircular](#)      *plot.pfCircular*

**Description**

Plot circular block bootstrap percentiles.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'pfCircular'
plot(
  x,
  ylim = NULL,
  xlim = NULL,
  ylab = NULL,
  xlab = NULL,
  main = NULL,
  text = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	A "pfCircular" object.
<code>ylim</code>	Numeric, x axis limits.
<code>xlim</code>	Numeric, y axis limits.
<code>ylab</code>	Character, y axis label.
<code>xlab</code>	Character, x axis label.
<code>main</code>	Character, title of the plot.
<code>text</code>	Logical, text options.
<code>...</code>	...

**Author(s)**

O. Blarquez

## Examples

```
## Not run:
ID=pfSiteSel(lat>49,lat<75,long>6,long<50)
TR1=pfTransform(ID, method=c("MinMax","Box-Cox","Z-Score"),BasePeriod=c(200,2000))

## Circular block bootstrapp
COMP=pfComposite(TR1, binning=TRUE, bins=seq(0,2000,100))
circ=pfCircular(COMP,conf=c(0.005,0.025,0.975,0.995),nboot=100)
plot(circ)

## End(Not run)
```

**plot.pfComposite**      *plot.pfComposite*

## Description

Plot a pfComposite object

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'pfComposite'
plot(
  x,
  type = "ci",
  conf = c(0.05, 0.95),
  palette = "jet",
  add = "NONE",
  text = FALSE,
  main = NULL,
  ...
)
```

## Arguments

x	A "pfComposite" object.
type	Character, type of plot among "ci", "prctile", "density"
conf	Numeric, confidence levels.
palette	Character, color palette used with type=c("prctile", "density") among "jet" and "BW".
add	Character, add="NONE" by default, add="sitenum" could be specified to plot the sites number in each bin along with the composite curve.
text	Logical, text options.
main	Character, title of the plot.
...	...

**Author(s)**

O. Blarquez

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
# Composite charcoal record for boreal Canada:
ID=pfSiteSel(country=="Canada" & l12==1)
## Transform data
res3=pfTransform(ID,method=c("MinMax","Box-Cox","Z-Score"),BasePeriod=c(200,4000))

## Composite
comp=pfComposite(res3,bins=seq(0,5000,200))
plot(comp,type="density",smoothing=TRUE,spar=0.3)

## End(Not run)
```

**plot.pfCompositeLF**      *plot.pfCompositeLF*

**Description**

Plot pfCompositeLF object

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'pfCompositeLF'
plot(
  x,
  type = "ci",
  add = "NULL",
  conf = c(0.05, 0.95),
  palette = "jet",
  xlim = NULL,
  ylim = NULL,
  main = "Composite",
  text = FALSE,
  what = "locfit",
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

- |             |   |
|-------------|---|
| <b>x</b>    | A "pfCompositeLF" object.   |
| <b>type</b> | Character, type of plot among "ci", "prctile", "density"  |
| <b>add</b>  | Character, add=NULL by default, add="sitenum" could be specified to plot the sites number in each bin along with the composite curve. |

conf	Numeric, confidence levels.
palette	Character, color palette used with type=c("prctile", "density") among "jet" and "BW".
xlim	Numeric, x axis limits.
ylim	Numeric, y axis limits.
main	Character, title of the plot.
text	Logical, text options.
what	Character, indicates which transformed charcoal trend is used for the plot (type="ci"), default "locfit" indicates that the trend is the locfit applied to All binned data, use "mean" or "median" to plot the mean or median of the locfit replicates given by the bootstrap procedure.
...	...

### Author(s)

O. Blarquez

### Examples

```
## Not run:
ID=pfSiteSel(continent=="North America", 112==1, long>=-160 & long<=-140)

TR=pfTransform(ID, method=c("MinMax","Box-Cox","MinMax","Z-Score"),
               BasePeriod=c(200,2000),QuantType="INFL")

COMP1=pfCompositeLF(TR, tarAge=seq(-50,4000,10), hw=200, nboot=999)

plot(COMP1, type="density")

## End(Not run)
```

**plot.pfGridding**      *Plot a "pfGridding" object.*

### Description

Plot maps presenting gridded and transformed charcoal values obtained from the [pfGridding](#) function.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'pfGridding'
plot(
  x,
  continuous = TRUE,
  col_class = NULL,
  col_lim = NULL,
  xlim = NULL,
  ylim = NULL,
  empty_space = 10,
  cpal = "YlGn",
  anomalies = TRUE,
  file = NULL,
  points = FALSE,
  add = NULL,
  add_color = "white",
  plot_countries = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	An object returned by <a href="#">pfGridding</a> .
<code>continuous</code>	Logical, plot continuous (TRUE) or discrete (FALSE) colors on the map.
<code>col_class</code>	Numeric, if continuous is false define here color classes (single values: <code>col_class=5</code> , or sequences <code>col_class=seq(-15,15,5)</code> are accepted.)
<code>col_lim</code>	Numeric, limits for plotting grid cells values, grid cells with values beyond <code>col_lim</code> are not plotted.
<code>xlim</code>	Numeric, map limits.
<code>ylim</code>	Numeric, map limits.
<code>empty_space</code>	Percentage, define empty space around the map.
<code>cpal</code>	String, color palette to use see <a href="#">brewer.pal</a>
<code>anomalies</code>	Logical, adapt output for plotting anomalies or not (color classes, etc..)
<code>file</code>	Path/Filename.tiff, the function can output a GeoTiff file if desired.
<code>points</code>	Logical, plot charcoal sites on the map?
<code>add</code>	An object of the class "SpatialPolygonsDataFrame" (sp) to be plotted on the map.
<code>add_color</code>	Color of the added SpatialPolygonsDataFrame.
<code>plot_countries</code>	Logical, default FALSE (if TRUE plot countries borderlines and coastlines)
...	...

**Value**

A ggplot2 "gg" object that could be further manipulated.

**Author(s)**

O. Blarquez

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

```
## Not run:  
ID=pfSiteSel(continent="North America", l12==1, long>-85)  
  
TR=pfTransform(ID,method=c("MinMax","Box-Cox", "Z-Score"),BasePeriod=c(200,4000))  
  
p=pfGridding(TR,age=1000)  
  
plot(p,empty_space=100)  
  
# require(ggplot2)  
# pp=plot(p,empty_space=100)  
# pp+ggtitle("my title..")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

**plot.pfKruskal**      *Plot a "pfKruskal" object.*

---

**Description**

Plot a "pfKruskal" object using boxplots and showing significant differences between the periods using letters.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'pfKruskal'  
plot(x, trend = FALSE, outliers = FALSE, xlim = NULL, ylim = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	An object returned by <a href="#">pfKruskal</a> .
trend	Logical, show trend using linear regression?
outliers	Logical, show outliers?
xlim	Numeric, x axis limits.
ylim	Numeric, y axis limits.
...	...

## Details

If two periods share the same letter their rank (median) is not significantly different at the confidence level specified by `alpha`. If not, equality could be rejected at the confidence level specified by `alpha`.

## Value

Return a ggplot2 "gg" object.

## Author(s)

O. Blarquez

## See Also

[pfKruskal](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:
## Composite charcoal record for Western Boreal North America:
ID=pfSiteSel(continent=="North America", long<(-100) & l12==1)
plot(ID)
## Transform data
res3=pfTransform(ID,method=c("MinMax","Box-Cox","Z-Score"),BasePeriod=c(200,4000))

## Composite
comp=pfComposite(res3,bins=seq(from=-500,to=12500,by=1000))
plot(comp)

## Kruskal Wallis Anova
comparison=pfKruskal(comp)

plot(comparison)

# p=plot(comparison)
# require(ggplot2)
# p+ggtitle("my title")

## End(Not run)
```

`plot.pfSiteSel`

*plot.pfSiteSel*

## Description

Plot an object of the class "pfSiteSel"

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'pfSiteSel'  
plot(  
  x,  
  add = NULL,  
  type = "Map",  
  zoom = "Sites",  
  pch = "|",  
  xlim = NULL,  
  ylim = NULL,  
  cex = 1,  
  plot_countries = FALSE,  
  main = NULL,  
  ...  
)
```

**Arguments**

x	An object of the class "pfSiteSel".
add	An object returned by pfAddData (optional).
type	Character, type of plot among "Map" or "Chronology".
zoom	Character, zooming factor for type="Map": "Sites" or "World"
pch	Pointer type see <a href="#">plot</a> .
xlim	Numeric, x axis limits.
ylim	Numeric, y axis limits.
cex	Numeric, size of points.
plot_countries	Logical, default FALSE (if TRUE plot countries borderlines and coastlines)
main	Title.
...	...

**Author(s)**

O. Blarquez

**Examples**

```
ID=pfSiteSel(continent=="North America", long>-100)  
plot(ID,zoom="world")
```

**plot.potveg**      *plot.potveg*

---

## Description

Plot "potveg" object i.e. produce a map by overlaying charcoal sites on potential vegetation maps. Uses ggplot2 syntax.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'potveg'
plot(
  x,
  size = 4,
  palette = NULL,
  alpha = 0.5,
  text = FALSE,
  points = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

## Arguments

<code>x</code>	A "potveg object."
<code>size</code>	Size of the dots on the map.
<code>palette</code>	A custom color palette can be specified.
<code>alpha</code>	Transparency of charcoal sites dots
<code>text</code>	Logical: plot sites as numbers referring to potential vegetation index (text=TRUE) or as points (text=FALSE, default).
<code>points</code>	Logical: plot sites (TRUE, default)
...	...

## Value

A ggplot2 ("gg") object that can be further modified (see example)

## Author(s)

O. Blarquez

## See Also

[potveg](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:  
require(paleofire)  
ID=pfSiteSel(c(1:10))  
obj=potveg(ID,classif="l12")  
plot(obj)  
  
#Return a ggplot object  
require(ggplot2)  
p=plot(obj,text=TRUE,alpha=1)  
p+ggtitle("My title")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

potveg

potveg

---

## Description

Retrieve potential vegetation types based on charcoal sites location

## Usage

```
potveg(ID, classif = "rf99", buffer = NULL)
```

## Arguments

ID	An object of the class "pfSiteSel"
classif	Potential vegetation to be used: "rf99" in reference to Ramankutty and Foley (1999) or "l12" in reference to Levavasseur et al. 2012.
buffer	Distance in m that defines a radius around each site to calculate the dominant vegetation type by kernel density estimation.

## Value

An object of the class "potveg" i.e. a list containing two data frames: "site\_data" for charcoal sites and associated potential vegetation type, "map" data frame used for mapping data. See [plot.potveg](#) for details.

## Author(s)

O. Blarquez

## References

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## See Also

[plot.potveg](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:
require(paleofire)
ID=pfSiteSel(c(1:10))
obj=potveg(ID,classif="l12")
head(obj$site_data)

## End(Not run)
```

*pretreatment*

*Calculate particules accumulation rates for sediment records*

## Description

This is the R version of the CharAnalysis CharPretreatment.m function originally developed by P. Higuera and available at <https://sites.google.com/site/charanalysis>

## Usage

```
pretreatment(
  params,
  serie,
  Int = TRUE,
  first = NULL,
  last = NULL,
  yrInterp = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

params	A matrix with the following columns: CmTop, CmBot, AgeTop, AgeBot, Volume, in the same order.
serie	A proxy record to be transformed in accumulation rates, could be particule counts, surfaces, volumes, etc.
Int	Logical specifying whether the function interpolates missing values, default TRUE (missing values specified could be specified as -999 or NA)
first, last	Date of the first, last sample for accumulation rate calculation, if NULL first, last are automatically specified as the the minimum and maximum ages of the record respectively
yrInterp	Temporal resolution of the interpolated accumulation rates, if NULL, yrInterp is automatically specified as the median resolution of the record

**Value**

Return an output structure with the following:

cmI	interpolated depths
ybpI	interpolated ages
accI	accumulation rates

**Author(s)**

O. Blarquez translated from P. Higuera CharPretreatment.m function

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
# In this example we will use the charcoal record of the Lac du Loup from Blarquez et al. (2010).
# Blarquez, O., C. Carcaillet, B. Mourier, L. Bremond, and O. Radakovitch. 2010. Trees in the
# subalpine belt since 11 700 cal. BP: origin, expansion and alteration of the modern forest.
# The Holocene 20:139-146.

# Load raw charcoal data in mm^2
A=read.csv("http://blarquez.com/public/code/loupchar.csv")
C_=A[,6] # charcoal areas
P_=A[,1:5] # CmTop, CmBot, AgeTop, AgeBot, Volume

# Calculates charcoal accumulation rate (CHAR, mm2.cm-2.yr-1)
CHAR=pretreatment(params=P_,serie=C_,Int=TRUE)
plot(CHAR)

## End(Not run)
```

**rbind.pfAddData**      *rbind.pfAddData*

## Description

rbind two or more pfAddData objects, this enable to add charcoal series stored using multiple types, see type argument of [pfAddData](#) for details.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'pfAddData'
rbind(...)
```

## Arguments

...	two or more objects returned by pfAddData
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## Value

An object of the class "pfAddData" (list)

## Author(s)

O. Blarquez

## See Also

[pfAddData](#)

## Examples

```
## Not run:
files=c("http://blarquez.com/public/data//Ben.csv",
       "http://blarquez.com/public/data/Small.csv")
metadata=c("http://blarquez.com/public/data/metadata.csv")

mydata1=pfAddData(files=files,type="CharAnalysis")
mydata2=pfAddData(files=files,metadata=metadata,type="CharAnalysis")
mydata=rbind(mydata1,mydata2)

TR1=pfTransform(add=mydata, method=c("MinMax","Box-Cox","Z-Score"),
                BasePeriod=c(200,2000))
COMP2=pfCompositeLF(TR1, tarAge=seq(-50,8000,20), hw=500, nboot=100)
plot(COMP2)

## End(Not run)
```

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SEA*Superposed Epoch Analysis*

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### Description

The function performs a Superposed Epoch Analysis on a provided temporal serie. The function uses pfCircular function for the computation of the block bootstrap procedure. The function could be used on both dendrochronological data and other data expressed in CE ages as well on paleoecological series expressed in BP. Proxy data and ages must be spaced evenly but not necessarily using 1 yr time steps.

### Usage

```
SEA(
  x,
  y,
  lag,
  b = NULL,
  conf = c(0.05, 0.95),
  nboot = 1000,
  center = FALSE,
  normalize = FALSE,
  age = "CE"
)
```

### Arguments

x	data frame or matrix with ages and proxy values, younger ages on top.
y	events dates.
lag	lag time used for calculating the SEA.
b	A numeric giving block size, if NULL the optimal block size is given by: $b = 2x(-1 / \log(p))$ , where p is the lag one autocorrelation coefficient of the serie (Adams, Mann & Ammann 2003).
conf	confidence intervals for the block bootstrap procedure.
nboot	number of bootstrap replicates.
center	logical, center each epoch by subtracting values to each epoch's mean (default = FALSE).
normalize	logical, normalize each epoch by calculating Z-Score (default = FALSE, see Adams, Mann & Ammann 2003)
age	type of ages used in x[,1] either "CE" for Common Era or "BP" for Before Present.

### Value

res	A "pfCircular" object with estimated confidence intervals.
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**Author(s)**

O. Blarquez

**See Also**

[pfCircular](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
## Generate some fake data
set.seed(1)
n <- 100 # number of data points
t <- seq(0,4*pi,,100)
a <- 3
b <- 2
c.unif <- runif(n)
amp <- 4

# generate data and calculate "y"
set.seed(1)
y1 <- a*sin(b*t)+c.unif*amp # add uniform error

# SEA applied to fake dendrochronological data in CE
plot(rev(seq(1901,2000,1)), y1, t="l", ylim=range(y1)*c(1.2))
y=c(1923,1948,1972,1995)
points(y,rep(0,length(y)))
x=data.frame(rev(seq(1901,2000,1)),value=y1)
lag=10

#Perform SEA
res=SEA(x, y, lag, b = NULL, conf = c(0.05, 0.95), nboot = 1000, age="CE")
plot(res,xlim=c(-10,10),xlab="lag",ylab="Composite mean")

# SEA applied to fake paleoecological data in BP
plot(seq(-50,49,1), y1, t="l", ylim=range(y1)*c(1.2),xlim=c(50,-50))
y=1950-c(1923,1948,1972,1995)
points(y,rep(0,length(y)))
x=data.frame(seq(-50,49,1),value=y1)
# Perform SEA
res=SEA(x, y, lag, b = NULL, conf = c(0.05, 0.95), nboot = 1000, age="BP")
plot(res,xlim=c(-10,10),xlab="lag",ylab="Composite mean")

## End(Not run)
```

**Description**

Return a summary table for an object of the class "pfSiteSel"

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'pfSiteSel'
summary(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	An object of the class "pfSiteSel".
...	...

**Value**

Data.frame, returns the following informations: "id\_site", "lat", "long" "elevation", "min\_est\_age", "max\_est\_age", "num\_dating", "date\_int", "num\_samp", "l12", "rf99".

**Author(s)**

O. Blarquez

**Examples**

```
ID=pfSiteSel(id_site==2)
summary(ID)
```

**triCube**

*Tukey's Tricube weight function*

**Description**

From the EGRET package <http://usgs-r.github.io/EGRET/> Robert Hirsch and Laura De Cicco

**Usage**

```
triCube(d, h)
```

**Arguments**

d	numeric vector of distances from the point of estimation to the given sample value
h	numeric value, the half-window width, measured in the same units as d

**Details**

Computes the tricube weight function on a vector of distance values (d), based on a half-window width of h, and returns a vector of weights that range from zero to 1.

**Value**

w numeric vector of weights, all  $0 \leq w \leq 1$

**Examples**

```
h<-10
d<-c(-11,-10,-5,-1,-0.01,0,5,9.9,10,20)
triCube(d,h)
```

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