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treedater-package treedater fits a molecular clock to a phylogenetic tree and estimates evolutionary rates and times of common ancestry.

#### Description

Additional functions are provided for detecting outlier lineages (possible sequencing or alignment error). A statistical test is available for choosing between strict and relaxed clock models. The calendar time of each sample must be specified (possibly with bounds of uncertainty) and the length of the sequences used to estimate the tree. treedater uses heuristic search to optimise the TMRCAs of a phylogeny and the substitution rate. An uncorrelated relaxed molecular clock accounts for rate variation between lineages of the phylogeny which is parameterised using a Gamma-Poisson mixture model.

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#### References

Volz, E. M., and S. D. W. Frost. "Scalable relaxed clock phylogenetic dating." Virus Evolution 3.2 (2017).

boot

*Estimate of confidence intervals of molecular clock parameters with user-supplied set of bootstrap trees* 

#### Description

If the original treedater fit estimated the root position, root position will also be estimated for each simulation, so the returned trees may have different root positions. Some replicates may converge to a strict clock or a relaxed clock, so the parameter estimates in each replicate may not be directly comparable. It is possible to compute confidence intervals for the times of particular nodes or for estimated sample times by inspecting the output from each fitted treedater object, which is contained in the \$trees attribute.

boot

# Usage

```
boot(
   td,
   tres,
   ncpu = 1,
   searchRoot = 1,
   overrideTempConstraint = TRUE,
   overrideClock = NULL,
   quiet = TRUE,
   normalApproxTMRCA = FALSE,
   parallel_foreach = FALSE
)
```

# Arguments

td	A fitted treedater object
tres	A list or multiPhylo with bootstrap trees with branches in units of substitutions per site
ncpu	Number of threads to use for parallel computation. Recommended.
searchRoot overrideTempCon	See *dater* straint If TRUE (default) will not enforce positive branch lengths in simualtion repli- cates. Will speed up execution.
overrideClock	May be 'strict' or 'additive' or 'relaxed' in which case will force simulations to fit the corresponding model. If ommitted, will inherit the clock model from td
quiet	If TRUE will minimize output printed to screen
normalApproxTMR	CA
	If TRUE will use estimate standard deviation from simulation replicates and report confidence interval based on normal distribution
parallel_foreac	h
	If TRUE will use the foreach package for parallelization. May work better on HPC systems.

# Value

A list with elements

- trees: The fitted treedater objects corresponding to each simulation
- meanRates: Vector of estimated rates for each simulation
- meanRate\_CI: Confidence interval for substitution rate
- coef\_of\_variation\_CI: Confidence interval for rate variation
- timeOfMRCA\_CI: Confidence interval for time of common ancestor

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dater

#### See Also

dater parboot

#### Examples

```
# simulate a tree
tre <- ape::rtree(25)</pre>
# sample times based on distance from root to tip:
sts <- setNames( ape::node.depth.edgelength( tre )[1:ape::Ntip(tre)], tre$tip.label)</pre>
# make a list of trees that simulate outcome of bootstrap using nonparametric phylogeny estimation
# also modify edge length to represent evolutionary distance with rate 1e-3:
bootTrees <- lapply( 1:25, function(i) {</pre>
 .tre <- tre
.tre$edge.length <- tre$edge.length * pmax(rnorm( length(tre$edge.length), 1e-3, 1e-4 ), 0 )</pre>
 .tre
})
tre$edge.length <- tre$edge.length * 1e-3</pre>
# run treedater
td <- dater( tre, sts, s= 1000, clock='strict', omega0=.0015 )</pre>
# bootstrap:
( tdboot <- boot( td, bootTrees ) )</pre>
# plot lineages through time :
plot( tdboot )
```

dater

#### Estimate a time-scaled tree and fit a molecular clock

# Description

Estimate a time-scaled tree and fit a molecular clock

#### Usage

```
dater(
  tre,
  sts,
  s = 1000,
  omega0 = NA,
  minblen = NA,
  maxit = 100,
  abstol = 1e-04,
  searchRoot = 5,
  quiet = TRUE,
  temporalConstraints = TRUE,
  clock = c("strict", "uncorrelated", "additive"),
  estimateSampleTimes = NULL,
```

# dater

```
estimateSampleTimes_densities = list(),
numStartConditions = 1,
clsSolver = c("limSolve", "mgcv"),
meanRateLimits = NULL,
ncpu = 1,
parallel_foreach = FALSE
)
```

# Arguments

tre	An ape::phylo which describes the phylogeny with branches in units of substi- tutions per site. This may be a rooted or unrooted tree. If unrooted, the root position will be estimated by checking multiple candidates chosen by root-to- tip regression. If the tree has multifurcations, these will be resolved and a binary tree will be returned.
sts	Vector of sample times for each tip in phylogenetic tree. Vector must be named with names corresponding to tre\$tip.label.
S	Sequence length (numeric). This should correspond to sequence length used in phylogenetic analysis and will not necessarily be the same as genome length.
omega0	Vector providing initial guess or guesses of the mean substitution rate (substitu- tions per site per unit time). If not provided, will guess using root to tip regres- sion.
minblen	Minimum branch length in calendar time. By default, this will be the range of sample times (max - min) divided by sample size.
maxit	Maximum number of iterations
abstol	Difference in log likelihood between successive iterations for convergence.
searchRoot	Will search for the optimal root position using the top matches from root-to-tip regression. If searchRoot=x, dates will be estimated for x trees, and the estimate with the highest likelihood will be returned.
quiet	If TRUE, will suppress messages during execution
temporalConstra	ints
	If TRUE, will enforce the condition that an ancestor node in the phylogeny oc- curs before all progeny. Equivalently, this will preclude negative branch lengths. Note that execution is faster if this option is FALSE.
clock	The choice of molecular clock model. Choices are 'strict'(default), 'uncorre- lated', or 'additive'
estimateSampleT	imes
	If some sample times are not known with certainty, bounds can be provided with this option. This should take the form of a data frame with columns 'lower' and 'upper' providing the sample time bounds for each uncertain tip. Row names of the data frame should correspond to elements in tip.label of the input tree. Tips with sample time bounds in this data frame do not need to appear in the *sts* argument, however if they are included in *sts*, that value will be used as a starting condition for optimisation.

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estimateSampleT	estimateSampleTimes_densities						
	An optional named list of log densities which would be used as priors for un- known sample times. Names should correspond to elements in tip.label with uncertain sample times.						
numStartConditi	lons						
	Will attempt optimisation from more than one starting point if $>0$						
clsSolver	Which package should be used for constrained least-squares? Options are "mgcv" or "limSolve"						
meanRateLimits	Optional constraints for the mean substitution rate						
ncpu	Number of threads for parallel computing						
parallel_foread	parallel_foreach						
	If TRUE, will use the "foreach" package instead of the "parallel" package. This may work better on some HPC systems.						

#### Details

Estimates the calendar time of nodes in the given phylogenetic tree with branches in units of substitutions per site. The calendar time of each sample must also be specified and the length of the sequences used to estimate the tree. If the tree is not rooted, this function will estimate the root position. For an introduction to all options and features, see the vignette on Influenza H3N2: vignette("h3n2")

Multiple molecular clock models are supported including a strict clock and two variations on relaxed clocks. The 'uncorrelated' relaxed clock is the Gamma-Poisson mixture presented by Volz and Frost (2017), while the 'additive' variance model was developed by Didelot & Volz (2019).

#### Value

A time-scaled tree and estimated molecular clock rate

# References

E.M. Volz and Frost, S.D.W. (2017) Scalable relaxed clock phylogenetic dating. Virus Evolution. X. Didelot and Volz, E.M. (2019) Additive uncorrelated relaxed clock models.

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#### See Also

ape::chronos ape::estimate.mu

# Examples

```
## simulate a random tree and sample times for demonstration
# make a random tree:
tre <- ape::rtree(50)</pre>
# sample times based on distance from root to tip:
sts <- setNames( ape::node.depth.edgelength( tre )[1:ape::Ntip(tre)], tre$tip.label)</pre>
```

```
# modify edge length to represent evolutionary distance with rate 1e-3:
tre$edge.length <- tre$edge.length * 1e-3
# treedater:
td <- dater( tre, sts =sts , s = 1000, clock='strict', omega0=.0015)</pre>
```

gibbs\_jitter

Sample node dates conditional on root time using Gibbs sampling and date prior

# Description

This function is useful for 'smoothing out' time trees that have many adjacent small branch lengths (essential polytomies). It returns a list of smoothed trees.

#### Usage

```
gibbs_jitter(
    dtr,
    iter = 1000,
    burn_pc = 20,
    returnTrees = 10,
    res = 100,
    report = 10
)
```

#### Arguments

A treedater fit
Number of iterations (every node time is resampled in each iteration )
Remove this proportion as burnin
Integer number of trees to return.
Time resolution for proposing new node times
Report progress after this many iterations. Set to Inf to turn it off
A list of treedater trees

# Examples

```
## Not run:
# make a random tree:
tre <- ape::rtree(50)
# sample times based on distance from root to tip:
sts <- setNames( ape::node.depth.edgelength( tre )[1:ape::Ntip(tre)], tre$tip.label)
# modify edge length to represent evolutionary distance with rate 1e-3:
tre$edge.length <- tre$edge.length * 1e-3
# treedater:
```

```
td <- dater( tre, sts =sts, clock='strict', s = 1000, omega0=.0015 )
gibbs_jitter( td )
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

goodnessOfFitPlot Produce a goodness of fit plot

#### Description

The sorted tail probabilties (p values) for each edge in the tree under the fitted model

#### Usage

goodnessOfFitPlot(td)

#### Arguments

td	A treedater object generated by the dater function
outlierLineages	Detect lineages with unusually large evolutionary divergence under the fitted treedater model

#### Description

Outliers are detected using the \*stats::p.adjust\* function and the 'fdr' function. The test requires that \*dater\* was used with the temporalConstraints=TRUE.

# Usage

```
outlierLineages(td, alpha = 0.05, type = c("tips", "internal", "all"))
```

### Arguments

td	A fitted treedater object
alpha	The tail probability used for classifying lineages as outliers
type	Should outliers be detected on tip lineages, interal lineages, or all lineages?

### Value

A data frame summarizing for each lineage the p values, adjusted p values ('q'), likelihood, rates, and branch lengths.

#### See Also

dater outlier.tips

outlierTips

Detect terminal lineages with unusually large evolutionary divergence under the fitted treedater model

#### Description

This is a convient wrapper of the \*outlier.lineages\*

# Usage

outlierTips(td, alpha = 0.05)

#### Arguments

td	A fitted treedater object
alpha	The tail probability used for classifying lineages as outliers

#### Value

A data frame summarizing for each lineage the p values, adjusted p values ('q'), likelihood, rates, and branch lengths.

## See Also

dater outlier.lineages

parboot	Estimate of confidence intervals using parametric bootstrap for molec-
	ular clock dating.

# Description

This function simulates phylogenies with branch lengths in units of substitutions per site. Simulations are based on a fitted treedater object which provides parameters of the molecular clock model. The treedater method is applied to each simulated tree providing a Monte Carlo estimate of variance in rates and dates.

# Usage

```
parboot(
  td,
  nreps = 100,
  ncpu = 1,
  overrideTempConstraint = TRUE,
  overrideClock = NULL,
```

```
overrideSearchRoot = TRUE,
overrideSeqLength = NULL,
quiet = TRUE,
normalApproxTMRCA = FALSE,
parallel_foreach = FALSE
)
```

#### Arguments

td	A fitted treedater object
nreps	Integer number of simulations to be carried out
ncpu	Number of threads to use for parallel computation. Recommended.
overrideTempCon	straint
	If TRUE (default) will not enforce positive branch lengths in simualtion replicates. Will speed up execution.
overrideClock	May be 'strict' or 'additive' or 'uncorrelated' in which case will force simula- tions to fit the corresponding model. If ommitted, will inherit the clock model from td
overrideSearchR	loot
	If TRUE, will re-use root position from input treedater tree. Otherwise may re-estimate root position in simulations
overrideSeqLeng	th
	Optional sequence length to use in simulations
quiet	If TRUE will minimize output printed to screen
normalApproxTMR	CA
	If TRUE will use estimate standard deviation from simulation replicates and report confidence interval based on normal distribution
parallel_foreac	h
	If TRUE will use the foreach package for parallelization. May work better on

#### Details

If the original treedater fit estimated the root position, root position will also be estimated for each simulation, so the returned trees may have different root positions. Some replicates may converge to a strict clock or a relaxed clock, so the parameter estimates in each replicate may not be directly comparable. It is possible to compute confidence intervals for the times of particular nodes or for estimated sample times by inspecting the output from each fitted treedater object, which is contained in the \$trees attribute.

#### Value

A list with elements

- trees: The fitted treedater objects corresponding to each simulation
- meanRates: Vector of estimated rates for each simulation
- meanRate\_CI: Confidence interval for substitution rate

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# plot.bootTreedater

- coef\_of\_variation\_CI: Confidence interval for rate variation
- timeOfMRCA\_CI: Confidence interval for time of common ancestor

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# See Also

dater boot

#### Examples

```
# make a random tree
tre <- ape::rtree(25)
# simulate sample times based on distance from root to tip:
sts <- setNames( ape::node.depth.edgelength( tre )[1:ape::Ntip(tre)], tre$tip.label)
# modify edge length to represent evolutionary distance with rate 1e-3:
tre$edge.length <- tre$edge.length * 1e-3
# treedater:
td <- dater( tre, sts=sts, s=1000, clock='strict', omega0=.0015 )
# parametric bootstrap:
pb <- parboot( td, nreps=25 )
# plot lineages through time
plot( pb )
```

plot.bootTreedater	Plots	lineages	through	time	and	confidence	intervals	estimated	by
	boots	trap.							

# Description

Plots lineages through time and confidence intervals estimated by bootstrap.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'bootTreedater'
plot(x, t0 = NA, res = 100, ggplot = FALSE, cumulative = FALSE, ...)
```

#### Arguments

х	A bootTreedater object produced by *parboot* or *boot*
tØ	The lower bound of the time axis to show
res	The number of time points on the time axis
ggplot	If TRUE, will return a plot made with the ggplot2 package
cumulative	If TRUE, will show only decreasing lineages through time
	Additional arg's are passed to *ggplot* or *plot*

relaxedClockTest

#### Description

This function simulates phylogenies with branch lengths in units of substitutions per site. Simulations are based on a fitted treedater object which provides parameters of the molecular clock model. The coefficient of variation of rates is estimated using a relaxed clock model applied to strict clock simulations. Estimates of the CV is then compared to the null distribution provided by simulations.

#### Usage

```
relaxedClockTest(..., nreps = 100, overrideTempConstraint = T, ncpu = 1)
```

#### Arguments

•••	arguments passed to *dater*
nreps	Integer number of simulations
overrideTempCor	straint
	see *parboot*
ncpu	Number of threads to use for parallel computation. Recommended.

#### Details

This function will print the optimal clock model and the distribution of the coefficient of variation statistic under the null hypothesis (strict clock). Parameters passed to this function should be the same as when calling \*dater\*.

#### Value

A list with elements:

- strict\_treedater: A dater object under a strict clock
- relaxed\_treedater: A dater object under a relaxed clock
- clock: The favoured clock model
- parboot: Result of call to \*parboot\* using fitted treedater and forcing a relaxed clock
- nullHypothesis\_coef\_of\_variation\_CI: The null hypothesis CV

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# rootToTipRegressionPlot

#### Examples

```
# simulate a tree
tre <- ape::rtree(25)
# sample times based on distance from root to tip:
sts <- setNames( ape::node.depth.edgelength( tre )[1:ape::Ntip(tre)], tre$tip.label)
# modify edge length to represent evolutionary distance with rate 1e-3:
tre$edge.length <- tre$edge.length * 1e-3
relaxedClockTest( tre, sts, s= 1000, omega0=.0015, nreps=25)
```

rootToTipRegressionPlot

Plot evolutionary distance from root to sample times and estimated internal node times and regression lines

# Description

If a range of sample times was given, these will be estimated. Red and black respectively indicate sample and internal nodes. This function will print statistics computed from the linear regression model.

#### Usage

```
rootToTipRegressionPlot(
   td,
   show.tip.labels = FALSE,
   textopts = NULL,
   pointopts = NULL,
   ...
)
```

# Arguments

td	A fitted treedater object
show.tip.labels	
	If TRUE, the names of each sample will be plotted at the their corresponding time and evoutionary distance
textopts	An optional list of parameters for plotted tip labels. Passed to the *text* function.
pointopts	An optional list of parameters for plotted points if showing tip labels. Passed to the *points* function.
	Additional arguments are passed to plot

# Value

The fitted linear model (class 'lm')

## Examples

```
## simulate a random tree and sample times for demonstration
# make a random tree:
tre <- ape::rtree(50)
# sample times based on distance from root to tip:
sts <- setNames( ape::node.depth.edgelength( tre )[1:ape::Ntip(tre)], tre$tip.label)
# modify edge length to represent evolutionary distance with rate 1e-3:
tre$edge.length <- tre$edge.length * 1e-3
# treedater:
td <- dater( tre, sts =sts, clock='strict', s = 1000, omega0=.0015 )
# root to tip regression:
fit = rootToTipRegressionPlot( td )
summary(fit)</pre>
```

sampleYearsFromLabels Compute a vector of numeric sample times from labels in a sequence alignment or phylogeny

# Description

Compute a vector of numeric sample times from labels in a sequence aligment or phylogeny

# Usage

```
sampleYearsFromLabels(
   tips,
   dateFormat = "%Y-%m-%d",
   delimiter = NULL,
   index = NULL,
   regex = NULL
)
```

#### Arguments

tips	A character vector supplying the name of each sample	
dateFormat	The format of the sample date. See ?Date for more information	
delimiter	Character(s) which separate data in each label	
index	Integer position of the date string in each label with respect to *delimiter*	
regex	A regular expression for finding the date substring. Should not be used with *delimiter* or *index*	

#### Value

Numeric vector with sample time in decimal format.

# Examples

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