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Description

Enables researchers to sample redistricting plans from a pre-specified target distribution using Sequential Monte Carlo and Markov Chain Monte Carlo algorithms. The package allows for the implementation of various constraints in the redistricting process such as geographic compactness and population parity requirements. Tools for analysis such as computation of various summary statistics and plotting functionality are also included. The package implements methods described in Fifield, Higgins, Imai and Tarr (2020) <doi:10.1080/10618600.2020.1739532>, Fifield, Imai, Kawahara, and Kenny (2020) <doi: 10.1080/2330443X.2020.1791773>, and McCartan and Imai (2020) <arXiv:2008.06131>.

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Description

This function facilitates comparing an existing (i.e., non-simulated) redistricting plan to a set of simulated plans.

Usage

```
add_reference(plans, ref_plan, name = NULL)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|--|
| plans | a redist_plans object |
| ref_plan | an integer vector containing the reference plan. It will be renumbered to 1..ndists. |
| name | a human-readable name for the reference plan. Defaults to the name of ref_plan. |

Value

a modified redist_plans object containing the reference plan

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| avg_by_prec | <i>Average a variable by precinct</i> |
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Description

Takes a column of a ‘redist_plans’ object and averages it across a set of ‘draws’ for each precinct.

Usage

```
avg_by_prec(plans, x, draws = NA)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------|---|
| plans | a ‘redist_plans’ object |
| x | an expression to average. Tidy-evaluated in ‘plans’. |
| draws | which draws to average. ‘NULL’ will average all draws, including reference plans. The special value ‘NA’ will average all sampled draws. An integer, logical, or character vector indicating specific draws may also be provided. |

Value

a vector of length matching the number of precincts, containing the average.

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|----------------|---|
| classify_plans | <i>Hierarchically classify a set of redistricting plans</i> |
|----------------|---|

Description

Applies hierarchical clustering to a distance matrix computed from a set of plans and takes the first k splits.

Usage

```
classify_plans(dist_mat, k = 8, method = "complete")
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|---|
| dist_mat | a distance matrix, the output of plan_distances() |
| k | the number of groupings to create |
| method | the clustering method to use. See hclust() for options. |

Value

An object of class `redist_classified`, which is a list with two elements:

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|---------------------|--|
| <code>groups</code> | A character vector of group labels of the form "I.A.1.a.i", one for each plan. |
| <code>splits</code> | A list of splits in the hierarchical clustering. Each list element is a list of two mutually exclusive vectors of plan indices, labeled by their group classification, indicating the plans on each side of the split. |

Use `plot.redist_classified()` for a visual summary.

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| <code>compare_plans</code> | <i>Make a comparison between two sets of plans</i> |
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Description

This function provides one way to identify the structural differences between two sets of redistricting plans. It operates by computing the precinct co-occurrence matrix (a symmetric matrix where the i,j -th entry is the fraction of plans where precinct i and j are in the same district) for each set, and then computing the first eigenvalue of the difference in these two matrices (in each direction). These eigenvalues identify the important parts of the map.

Usage

```
compare_plans(
  plans,
  set1,
  set2,
  shp = NULL,
  plot = "fill",
  thresh = 0.1,
  labs = c("Set 1", "Set 2"),
  ncores = 1
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------------------|--|
| <code>plans</code> | a <code>redist_plans</code> object |
| <code>set1</code> | <code><data-masking></code> indexing vectors for the plan draws to compare. Alternatively, a second <code>redist_plans</code> object to compare to. |
| <code>set2</code> | <code><data-masking></code> indexing vectors for the plan draws to compare. Must be mutually exclusive with <code>set1</code> . |
| <code>shp</code> | a shapefile for plotting. |
| <code>plot</code> | If <code>plot="line"</code> , display a plot for each set showing the set of boundaries which most distinguish it from the other set (the squared differences in the eigenvector values across the boundary). If <code>plot="fill"</code> , plot the eigenvector for each set as a choropleth. If <code>plot = 'adj'</code> , plot the shows the adjacency graph edges which |

most distinguish it from the other set. The `adj` option is a different graphical option of the same information as the `line` option. See below for more information. Set to `FALSE` to disable plotting (or leave out `shp`).

| | |
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| <code>thresh</code> | the value to threshold the eigenvector at in determining the relevant set of precincts for comparison. |
| <code>labs</code> | the names of the panels in the plot. |
| <code>ncores</code> | the number of parallel cores to use. |

Details

The co-occurrence matrices are regularized with a $Beta(1/ndists, 1 - 1/ndists)$ prior, which is useful for when either `set1` or `set2` is small.

Value

If possible, makes a comparison plot according to `plot`. Otherwise returns the following list:

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|---------------------------------|---|
| <code>eigen1</code> | A numeric vector containing the first eigenvector of $p1 - p2$, where $p1$ and $p2$ are the co-occurrence matrices for <code>set1</code> and <code>set2</code> , respectively. |
| <code>eigen2</code> | A numeric vector containing the first eigenvector of $p2 - p1$, where $p1$ and $p2$ are the co-occurrence matrices for <code>set1</code> and <code>set2</code> , respectively. |
| <code>group_1a, group_1b</code> | Lists of precincts. Compared to <code>set2</code> , in the <code>set1</code> plans these precincts were much more likely to be in separate districts. Computed by thresholding <code>eigen1</code> at <code>thresh</code> . |
| <code>group_2a, group_2b</code> | Lists of precincts. Compared to <code>set1</code> , in the <code>set2</code> plans these precincts were much more likely to be in separate districts. Computed by thresholding <code>eigen2</code> at <code>thresh</code> . |
| <code>cooccur_sep_1</code> | The difference in the average co-occurrence of precincts in <code>group_1a</code> and <code>group_1b</code> between <code>set2</code> and <code>set1</code> . Higher indicates better separation. |
| <code>cooccur_sep_2</code> | The difference in the average co-occurrence of precincts in <code>group_2a</code> and <code>group_2b</code> between <code>set1</code> and <code>set2</code> . Higher indicates better separation. |

Examples

```
data(iowa)
iowa_map <- redist_map(iowa, ndists = 4, pop_tol = 0.05)
plans1 <- redist_smc(iowa_map, 100, silent = TRUE)
plans2 <- redist_mergesplit(iowa_map, 200, warmup = 100, silent = TRUE)
compare_plans(plans1, plans2, shp = iowa_map)
compare_plans(plans2, as.integer(draw) <= 20,
  as.integer(draw) > 20, shp = iowa_map, plot = "line")
```

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| competitiveness | <i>Compute Competitiveness</i> |
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Description

Currently only implements the competitiveness function in equation (5) of Cho & Liu 2016.

Usage

```
competitiveness(map, rvote, dvote, .data = cur_plans())
```

```
redist.competitiveness(plans, rvote, dvote, alpha = 1, beta = 1)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------|--|
| map | a redist_map object |
| rvote | A numeric vector with the Republican vote for each precinct. |
| dvote | A numeric vector with the Democratic vote for each precinct. |
| .data | a redist_plans object |
| plans | A numeric vector (if only one map) or matrix with one row for each precinct and one column for each map. Required. |
| alpha | A numeric value for the alpha parameter for the talisman metric |
| beta | A numeric value for the beta parameter for the talisman metric |

Value

Numeric vector with competitiveness scores

Examples

```
data(f125)
data(f125_enum)

plans_05 <- f125_enum$plans[, f125_enum$pop_dev <= 0.05]
comp <- redist.competitiveness(plans_05, f125$mccain, f125$obama)
```

 constraints

Sampling constraints

Description

The `redist_smc()` and `redist_mergesplit()` algorithms in this package allow for additional constraints on the redistricting process to be encoded in the target distribution for sampling. These functions are provided to specify these constraints. All arguments are quoted and evaluated in the context of the data frame provided to `redist_constr()`.

Usage

```

add_constr_status_quo(constr, strength, current)

add_constr_grp_pow(
  constr,
  strength,
  group_pop,
  total_pop = NULL,
  tgt_group = 0.5,
  tgt_other = 0.5,
  pow = 1
)

add_constr_grp_hinge(
  constr,
  strength,
  group_pop,
  total_pop = NULL,
  tgts_group = c(0.55)
)

add_constr_grp_inv_hinge(
  constr,
  strength,
  group_pop,
  total_pop = NULL,
  tgts_group = c(0.55)
)

add_constr_compet(constr, strength, dvote, rvote, pow = 0.5)

add_constr_incumbency(constr, strength, incumbents)

add_constr_splits(constr, strength, admin)

add_constr_multisplits(constr, strength, admin)

```

```

add_constr_total_splits(constr, strength, admin)

add_constr_pop_dev(constr, strength)

add_constr_segregation(constr, strength, group_pop, total_pop = NULL)

add_constr_polsby(constr, strength, perim_df = NULL)

add_constr_fry_hold(
  constr,
  strength,
  total_pop = NULL,
  ssdmat = NULL,
  denominator = 1
)

add_constr_log_st(constr, strength, admin = NULL)

add_constr_edges_rem(constr, strength)

add_constr_custom(constr, strength, fn)

```

Arguments

| | |
|----------------------|--|
| constr | A <code>redist_constr()</code> object |
| strength | The strength of the constraint. Higher values mean a more restrictive constraint. |
| current | The reference map for the status quo constraint. |
| group_pop | A vector of group population |
| total_pop | A vector of total population. Defaults to the population vector used for sampling. |
| tgt_group, tgt_other | Target group shares for the power-type constraint. |
| pow | The exponent for the power-type constraint. |
| tgts_group | A vector of target group shares for the hinge-type constraint. |
| dvote, rvote | A vector of Democratic or Republican vote counts |
| incumbents | A vector of unit indices for incumbents. For example, if three incumbents live in the precincts that correspond to rows 1, 2, and 100 of your <code>[redist_map]</code> , entering <code>incumbents = c(1, 2, 100)</code> would avoid having two or more incumbents be in the same district. |
| admin | A vector indicating administrative unit membership |
| perim_df | A dataframe output from <code>'redist.prep.polsbypopper'</code> |
| ssdmat | Squared distance matrix for Fryer Holden constraint |
| denominator | Fryer Holden minimum value to normalize by. Default is 1 (no normalization). |
| fn | A function |

Details

All constraints are fed into a Gibbs measure, with coefficients on each constraint set by the corresponding strength parameter. The strength can be any real number, with zero corresponding to no constraint. Higher and higher strength values will eventually cause the algorithm's accuracy and efficiency to suffer. Whenever you use constraints, be sure to check all sampling diagnostics.

The `status_quo` constraint adds a term measuring the variation of information distance between the plan and the reference, rescaled to $[0, 1]$.

The `grp_hinge` constraint takes a list of target group percentages. It matches each district to its nearest target percentage, and then applies a penalty of the form $\sqrt{\max(0, tgt - group\ pct)}$, summing across districts. This penalizes districts which are below their target percentage. Use `plot.redist_constr()` to visualize the effect of this constraint and calibrate strength appropriately.

The `grp_inv_hinge` constraint takes a list of target group percentages. It matches each district to its nearest target percentage, and then applies a penalty of the form $\sqrt{\max(0, group\ pct - tgt)}$, summing across districts. This penalizes districts which are above their target percentage. Use `plot.redist_constr()` to visualize the effect of this constraint and calibrate strength appropriately.

The `grp_pow` constraint (for expert use) adds a term of the form $(|tgt\ group - group\ pct| |tgt\ other - group\ pct|)^{pow}$, which encourages districts to have group shares near either `tgt_group` or `tgt_other`. Values of strength depend heavily on the values of these parameters and especially the `pow` parameter. Use `plot.redist_constr()` to visualize the effect of this constraint and calibrate strength appropriately.

The `compet` constraint encourages competitiveness by applying the `grp_pow` constraint with target percentages set to 50%. For convenience, it is specified with Democratic and Republican vote shares.

The `incumbency` constraint adds a term counting the number of districts containing paired-up incumbents. Values of strength should generally be small, given that the underlying values are counts.

The `splits` constraint adds a term counting the number of counties which are split once or more. Values of strength should generally be small, given that the underlying values are counts.

The `multisplits` constraint adds a term counting the number of counties which are split twice or more. Values of strength should generally be small, given that the underlying values are counts.

The `total_splits` constraint adds a term counting the total number of times each county is split, summed across counties (i.e., counting the number of excess district-county pairs). Values of strength should generally be small, given that the underlying values are counts.

The `edges_rem` constraint adds a term counting the number of edges removed from the adjacency graph. This is only usable with `redist_flip()`, as other algorithms implicitly use this via the compactness parameter. Values of strength should generally be small, given that the underlying values are counts.

The `log_st` constraint adds a term counting the log number of spanning trees. This is only usable with `redist_flip()`, as other algorithms implicitly use this via the compactness parameter.

The `polsby` constraint adds a term encouraging compactness as defined by the Polsby Popper metric. Values of strength may be of moderate size.

The `fry_hold` constraint adds a term encouraging compactness as defined by the Fryer Holden metric. Values of `strength` should be extremely small, as the underlying values are massive when the true minimum Fryer Holden denominator is not known.

The `segregation` constraint adds a term encouraging segregation among minority groups, as measured by the dissimilarity index.

The `pop_dev` constraint adds a term encouraging plans to have smaller population deviations from the target population.

The `custom` constraint allows the user to specify their own constraint using a function which evaluates districts one at a time. The provided function `fn` should take two arguments: a vector describing the current plan assignment for each unit as its first argument, and an integer describing the district which to evaluate in the second argument. `which([plans == distr])` would give the indices of the units that are assigned to a district `distr` in any iteration. The function must return a single scalar for each plan - district combination, where a value of 0 indicates no penalty is applied. If users want to penalize an entire plan, they can have the penalty function return a scalar that does not depend on the district. It is important that `fn` not use information from precincts not included in `distr`, since in the case of SMC these precincts may not be assigned any district at all (plan will take the value of 0 for these precincts). The flexibility of this constraint comes with an additional computational cost, since the other constraints are written in C++ and so are more performant.

Examples

```
data(iowa)
iowa_map <- redist_map(iowa, existing_plan = cd_2010, pop_tol = 0.05)
constr <- redist_constr(iowa_map)
constr <- add_constr_splits(constr, strength = 1.5, admin = name)
constr <- add_constr_grp_hinge(constr, strength = 100,
  dem_08, tot_08, tgts_group = c(0.5, 0.6))
# encourage districts to have the same number of counties
constr <- add_constr_custom(constr, strength = 1000, fn = function(plan, distr) {
  # notice that we only use information on precincts in `distr`
  abs(sum(plan == distr) - 99/4)
})
print(constr)
```

county_splits

Count County Splits

Description

Count County Splits

Usage

```
county_splits(map, counties, .data = cur_plans())
```

```
redist_splits(plans, counties)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|--|
| map | a redist_map object |
| counties | A vector of county names or county ids. |
| .data | a redist_plans object |
| plans | A numeric vector (if only one map) or matrix with one row for each precinct and one column for each map. Required. |

Value

integer vector with one number for each map

distr_compactness *Calculate compactness measures for a set of plans*

Description

redist.compactness is used to compute different compactness statistics for a shapefile. It currently computes the Polsby-Popper, Schwartzberg score, Length-Width Ratio, Convex Hull score, Reock score, Boyce Clark Index, Fryer Holden score, Edges Removed number, and the log of the Spanning Trees.

Usage

```
distr_compactness(map, measure = "FracKept", .data = cur_plans(), ...)
```

```
redist.compactness(
  shp = NULL,
  plans,
  measure = c("PolsbyPopper"),
  total_pop = NULL,
  adj = NULL,
  draw = 1,
  ncores = 1,
  counties = NULL,
  planarize = 3857,
  ppRcpp,
  perim_path,
  perim_df
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------|--|
| map | a redist_map object |
| measure | A vector with a string for each measure desired. "PolsbyPopper", "Schwartzberg", "LengthWidth", "ConvexHull", "Reock", "BoyceClark", "FryerHolden", "EdgesRemoved", "FracKept", and "logSpanningTree" are implemented. Defaults to "PolsbyPopper". Use "all" to return all implemented measures. |

| | |
|------------|--|
| .data | a <code>redist_plans</code> object |
| ... | passed on to <code>redist.compactness</code> |
| shp | A <code>SpatialPolygonsDataFrame</code> or <code>sf</code> object. Required unless "EdgesRemoved" and "logSpanningTree" with adjacency provided. |
| plans | A numeric vector (if only one map) or matrix with one row for each precinct and one column for each map. Required. |
| total_pop | A numeric vector with the population for every observation. Is only necessary when "FryerHolden" is used for measure. Defaults to NULL. |
| adj | A zero-indexed adjacency list. Only used for "PolsbyPopper", "EdgesRemoved" and "logSpanningTree". Created with <code>redist.adjacency</code> if not supplied and needed. Default is NULL. |
| draw | A numeric to specify draw number. Defaults to 1 if only one map provided and the column number if multiple maps given. Can also take a factor input, which will become the draw column in the output if its length matches the number of entries in plans. If the 'plans' input is a 'redist_plans' object, it extracts the 'draw' identifier. |
| ncores | Number of cores to use for parallel computing. Default is 1. |
| counties | A numeric vector from 1:ncounties corresponding to counties. Required for "logSpanningTree". |
| planarize | a number, indicating the CRS to project the shapefile to if it is latitude-longitude based. Set to FALSE to avoid planarizing. |
| ppRcpp | Boolean, whether to run Polsby Popper and Schwartzberg using Rcpp. It has a higher upfront cost, but quickly becomes faster. Becomes TRUE if <code>ncol(district_membership) > 8</code> and not manually set. |
| perim_path | it checks for an Rds, if no rds exists at the path, it creates an rds with borders and saves it. This can be created in advance with <code>redist.prep.polsbypopper</code> . |
| perim_df | A dataframe output from <code>redist.prep.polsbypopper</code> |

Details

This function computes specified compactness scores for a map. If there is more than one shape specified for a single district, it combines them, if necessary, and computes one score for each district.

Polsby-Popper is computed as

$$\frac{4 * \pi * A(d)}{P(d)^2}$$

where A is the area function, the district is d, and P is the perimeter function. All values are between 0 and 1, where larger values are more compact.

Schwartzberg is computed as

$$\frac{P(d)}{2 * \pi * \sqrt{\frac{A(d)}{\pi}}}$$

where A is the area function, the district is d, and P is the perimeter function. All values are between 0 and 1, where larger values are more compact.

The Length Width ratio is computed as

$$\frac{\text{length}}{\text{width}}$$

where length is the shorter of the maximum x distance and the maximum y distance. Width is the longer of the two values. All values are between 0 and 1, where larger values are more compact.

The Convex Hull score is computed as

$$\frac{A(d)}{A(CVH)}$$

where A is the area function, d is the district, and CVH is the convex hull of the district. All values are between 0 and 1, where larger values are more compact.

The Reock score is computed as

$$\frac{A(d)}{A(MBC)}$$

where A is the area function, d is the district, and MBC is the minimum bounding circle of the district. All values are between 0 and 1, where larger values are more compact.

The Boyce Clark Index is computed as

$$1 - \sum_1^{16} \left\{ \frac{|\sum_i r_i * 100 - 6.25|}{200} \right\}$$

. The r_i are the distances of the 16 radii computed from the geometric centroid of the shape to the most outward point of the shape that intersects the radii, if the centroid is contained within the shape. If the centroid lies outside of the shape, a point on the surface is used, which will naturally incur a penalty to the score. All values are between 0 and 1, where larger values are more compact.

The Fryer Holden score for each district is computed with

$$Pop \odot D(\text{precinct})^2$$

, where Pop is the population product matrix. Each element is the product of the i-th and j-th precinct's populations. D represents the distance, where the matrix is the distance between each precinct. To fully compute this index, for any map, the sum of these values should be used as the numerator. The denominator can be calculated from the full enumeration of districts as the smallest calculated numerator. This produces very large numbers, where smaller values are more compact.

The log spanning tree measure is the logarithm of the product of the number of spanning trees which can be drawn on each district.

The edges removed measure is number of edges removed from the underlying adjacency graph. A smaller number of edges removed is more compact.

The fraction kept measure is the fraction of edges that were not removed from the underlying adjacency graph. This takes values 0 - 1, where 1 is more compact.

Value

A tibble with a column that specifies the district, a column for each specified measure, and a column that specifies the map number.

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Examples

```
data(f125)
data(f125_enum)

plans_05 <- f125_enum$plans[, f125_enum$pop_dev <= 0.05]

redist.compactness(
  shp = f125, plans = plans_05[, 1:3],
  measure = c("PolsbyPopper", "EdgesRemoved")
)
```

EPSG

EPSG Table

Description

This data contains NAD83 (HARN) EPSG codes for every U.S. state. Since `redist` uses projected geometries, it is often a good idea to use projections tailored to a particular state, rather than, for example, a Mercator projection. Use these codes along with `sf::st_transform()` to project your shapefiles nicely.

Usage

```
data("EPSG")
```

Format

named list containing EPSG codes for each U.S. state. Codes are indexed by state abbreviations.

Examples

```
data(EPSG)
EPSG$WA # 2855
```

 fl25

Florida 25 Precinct Shape File

Description

This data set contains the 25-precinct shapefile and related data for each precinct. All possible partitions of the 25 precincts into three contiguous congressional districts are stored in `fl25_enum`, and the corresponding adjacency graph is stored in `fl25_adj`. This is generally useful for demonstrating basic algorithms locally.

Usage

```
data("fl25")
```

Format

`sf` data.frame containing columns for useful data related to the redistricting process, subsetted from real data in Florida, and `sf` geometry column.

`geoid` Contains unique identifier for each precinct which can be matched to the full Florida dataset.

`pop` Contains the population of each precinct.

`vap` Contains the voting age population of each precinct.

`obama` Contains the 2012 presidential vote for Obama.

`mccain` Contains the 2012 presidential vote for McCain.

`TotPop` Contains the population of each precinct. Identical to `pop`.

`BlackPop` Contains the black population of each precinct.

`HispPop` Contains the Hispanic population of each precinct.

`VAP` Contains the voting age population of each precinct. Identical to `vap`.

`BlackVAP` Contains the voting age population of black constituents of each precinct.

`HispVAP` Contains the voting age population of hispanic constituents of each precinct.

`geometry` Contains `sf` geometry of each precinct.

References

Fifield, Benjamin, Michael Higgins, Kosuke Imai and Alexander Tarr. (2016) "A New Automated Redistricting Simulator Using Markov Chain Monte Carlo." Working Paper. Available at <http://imai.princeton.edu/research/files/redist.pdf>.

Examples

```
data(fl25)
```

fl250

Florida 250 Precinct Shape File

Description

This data set contains the 250 Precinct shapefile and related data for each precinct.

Usage

```
data("fl250")
```

Format

sf data.frame containing columns for useful data related to the redistricting process, subsetted from real data in Florida, and sf geometry column.

geoid Contains unique identifier for each precinct which can be matched to the full Florida dataset.

pop Contains the population of each precinct.

vap Contains the voting age population of each precinct.

obama Contains the 2012 presidential vote for Obama.

mccain Contains the 2012 presidential vote for McCain.

TotPop Contains the population of each precinct. Identical to pop.

BlackPop Contains the black population of each precinct.

HispPop Contains the Hispanic population of each precinct.

VAP Contains the voting age population of each precinct. Identical to vap.

BlackVAP Contains the voting age population of black constituents of each precinct.

HispVAP Contains the voting age population of hispanic constituents of each precinct.

geometry Contains sf geometry of each precinct.

Details

It is a random 70 precinct connected subset from Florida's precincts. This was introduced by <doi:10.1080/2330443X.2020.1791773>

References

Benjamin Fifield, Kosuke Imai, Jun Kawahara & Christopher T. Kenny (2020) The Essential Role of Empirical Validation in Legislative Redistricting Simulation, *Statistics and Public Policy*, 7:1, 52-68, doi:10.1080/2330443X.2020.1791773

Examples

```
data(fl250)
```

| | |
|----------|---------------------------------|
| f125_adj | <i>Florida 25 Precinct File</i> |
|----------|---------------------------------|

Description

This data set contains the 25-precinct shapefile and related data for each precinct. All possible partitions of the 25 precincts into three contiguous congressional districts are stored in `f125_enum`, and the corresponding adjacency graph is stored in `f125_adj`.

Format

A list storing the adjacency graph for the 25-precinct subset of Florida.

References

Fifield, Benjamin, Michael Higgins, Kosuke Imai and Alexander Tarr. (2016) "A New Automated Redistricting Simulator Using Markov Chain Monte Carlo." Working Paper. Available at <http://imai.princeton.edu/research/files/redist.pdf>.

Examples

```
data(f125_adj)
```

| | |
|-----------|---|
| f125_enum | <i>All Partitions of 25 Precincts into 3 Congressional Districts (No Population Constraint)</i> |
|-----------|---|

Description

This data set contains demographic and geographic information about 25 contiguous precincts in the state of Florida. The data lists all possible partitions of the 25 precincts into three contiguous congressional districts. The 25-precinct shapefile may be found in `f125`

Usage

```
data("f125_enum")
```

Format

A list with two entries:

`plans` A matrix containing every partition of the 25 precincts into three contiguous congressional districts, with no population constraint.

`pop_dev` A vector containing the maximum population deviation across the three districts for each plan.

References

Fifield, Benjamin, Michael Higgins, Kosuke Imai and Alexander Tarr. (2016) "A New Automated Redistricting Simulator Using Markov Chain Monte Carlo." Working Paper. Available at <http://imai.princeton.edu/research/files/redist.pdf>.

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Examples

```
data(fl25_enum)
```

f170

Florida 70 Precinct Shape File

Description

This data set contains the 70 Precinct shapefile and related data for each precinct.

Usage

```
data("f170")
```

Format

sf data.frame containing columns for useful data related to the redistricting process, subsetted from real data in Florida, and sf geometry column.

geoid Contains unique identifier for each precinct which can be matched to the full Florida dataset.

pop Contains the population of each precinct.

vap Contains the voting age population of each precinct.

obama Contains the 2012 presidential vote for Obama.

mccain Contains the 2012 presidential vote for McCain.

TotPop Contains the population of each precinct. Identical to pop.

BlackPop Contains the black population of each precinct.

HispPop Contains the Hispanic population of each precinct.

VAP Contains the voting age population of each precinct. Identical to vap.

BlackVAP Contains the voting age population of black constituents of each precinct.

HispVAP Contains the voting age population of hispanic constituents of each precinct.

geometry Contains sf geometry of each precinct.

Details

It is a random 70 precinct connected subset from Florida's precincts. This was introduced by <doi:10.1080/2330443X.2020.1791773>

References

Benjamin Fifield, Kosuke Imai, Jun Kawahara & Christopher T. Kenny (2020) The Essential Role of Empirical Validation in Legislative Redistricting Simulation, *Statistics and Public Policy*, 7:1, 52-68, doi:10.1080/2330443X.2020.1791773

Examples

```
data(f170)
```

| | |
|--------|------------------------------|
| freeze | <i>Freeze Parts of a Map</i> |
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Description

Freeze Parts of a Map

Usage

```
freeze(freeze_row, plan, .data = cur_map())

redist.freeze(adj, freeze_row, plan = rep(1, length(adj)))
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------|---|
| freeze_row | Required, logical vector where TRUE freezes and FALSE lets a precinct stay free or a vector of indices to freeze |
| plan | A vector of district assignments, which if provided will create separate groups by district. Recommended. In freeze defaults to the existing plan, if one exists. |
| .data | a redist_map object |
| adj | Required, zero indexed adjacency list. |

Value

integer vector to group by

Examples

```
library(redist)
library(dplyr)
data(f125)
data(f125_enum)
data(f125_adj)
plan <- f125_enum$plans[, 5118]
freeze_id <- redist.freeze(adj = f125_adj, freeze_row = (plan == 2),
  plan = plan)
```

```
data(iowa)
map <- redist_map(iowa, existing_plan = cd_2010, pop_tol = 0.02)
map <- map %>% merge_by(freeze(cd_2010 == 1, .data = .))
```

get_adj*Get and set the adjacency graph from a redist_map object*

Description

Get and set the adjacency graph from a redist_map object

Usage

```
get_adj(x)
```

```
set_adj(x, adj)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----|-----------------------|
| x | the redist_map object |
| adj | a new adjacency list. |

Value

a zero-indexed adjacency list (get_adj)
the modified redist_map object (set_adj)

get_existing*Extract the existing district assignment from a redist_map object*

Description

Extract the existing district assignment from a redist_map object

Usage

```
get_existing(x)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---|-----------------------|
| x | the redist_map object |
|---|-----------------------|

Value

an integer vector of district numbers

get_mh_acceptance_rate

Extract the Metropolis Hastings Acceptance Rate

Description

Extract the Metropolis Hastings Acceptance Rate

Usage

```
get_mh_acceptance_rate(plans)
```

Arguments

plans the redist_plans object

Value

a numeric acceptance rate

get_plans_matrix

Extract the matrix of district assignments from a redistricting simulation

Description

Extract the matrix of district assignments from a redistricting simulation

Usage

```
get_plans_matrix(x)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'redist_plans'
as.matrix(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x the redist_plans object
 ... ignored

Value

matrix
 matrix

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|-------------------|--|
| get_plans_weights | <i>Extract the sampling weights from a redistricting simulation.</i> |
|-------------------|--|

Description

May be NULL if no weights exist (MCMC or optimization methods).

Usage

```
get_plans_weights(plans)

## S3 method for class 'redist_plans'
weights(object, ...)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------------|-------------------------|
| plans, object | the redist_plans object |
| ... | Ignored. |

Value

A numeric vector of weights, with an additional attribute `resampled` indicating whether the plans have been resampled according to these weights. If weights have been resampled, this returns the weights before resampling (i.e., they do not correspond to the resampled plans).

numeric vector

| | |
|-------------|--|
| get_pop_tol | <i>Get and set the population tolerance from a redist_map object</i> |
|-------------|--|

Description

Get and set the population tolerance from a redist_map object

Usage

```
get_pop_tol(map)

set_pop_tol(map, pop_tol)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------|------------------------------------|
| map | the <code>redist_map</code> object |
| pop_tol | the population tolerance |

Value

For `get_pop_tol`, a single numeric value, the population tolerance

For `seet_pop_tol`, an updated `redist_map` object

`get_sampling_info` *Extract the sampling information from a redistricting simulation*

Description

Extract the sampling information from a redistricting simulation

Usage

```
get_sampling_info(plans)
```

Arguments

`plans` the `redist_plans` object

Value

a list of parameters and information about the sampling problem.

`get_target` *Extract the target district population from a redist_map object*

Description

Extract the target district population from a `redist_map` object

Usage

```
get_target(x)
```

Arguments

`x` the `redist_map` object

Value

a single numeric value, the target population

| | |
|------------|---|
| group_frac | <i>Calculate Group Proportion by District</i> |
|------------|---|

Description

`redist.group.percent` computes the proportion that a group makes up in each district across a matrix of maps.

Usage

```
group_frac(  
  map,  
  group_pop,  
  total_pop = map[[attr(map, "pop_col")]],  
  .data = cur_plans()  
)  
  
redist.group.percent(plans, group_pop, total_pop, ncores = 1)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| <code>map</code> | a redist_map object |
| <code>group_pop</code> | A numeric vector with the population of the group for every precinct. |
| <code>total_pop</code> | A numeric vector with the population for every precinct. |
| <code>.data</code> | a redist_plans object |
| <code>plans</code> | A matrix with one row for each precinct and one column for each map. Required. |
| <code>ncores</code> | Number of cores to use for parallel computing. Default is 1. |

Value

matrix with percent for each district

Examples

```
data(f125)  
data(f125_enum)  
  
cd <- f125_enum$plans[, f125_enum$pop_dev <= 0.05]  
  
redist.group.percent(plans = cd,  
  group_pop = f125$BlackPop,  
  total_pop = f125$TotPop)
```

iowa

Iowa County File

Description

This data contains geographic and demographic information on the 99 counties of the state of Iowa.

Usage

```
data("iowa")
```

Format

sf tibble containing columns for useful data related to the redistricting process

fips The FIPS code for the county.

cd_2010 The 2010 congressional district assignments.

pop The total population of the precinct, according to the 2010 Census.

white The non-Hispanic white population of the precinct.

black The non-Hispanic Black population of the precinct.

hisp The Hispanic population (of any race) of the precinct.

vap The voting-age population of the precinct.

wvap The white voting-age population of the precinct.

bvap The Black voting-age population of the precinct.

hvap The Hispanic voting-age population of the precinct.

tot_08 Number of total votes for president in the county in 2008.

dem_08 Number of votes for Barack Obama in 2008.

rep_08 Number of votes for John McCain in 2008.

region The 28E agency regions for counties.

geometry The sf geometry column containing the geographic information.

Examples

```
data(iowa)
print(iowa)
```

| | |
|---------------|---|
| is_contiguous | <i>Check that a redist_map object is contiguous</i> |
|---------------|---|

Description

Check that a redist_map object is contiguous

Usage

```
is_contiguous(x)
```

Arguments

x the object

Value

TRUE if contiguous.

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| is_county_split | <i>Identify which counties are split by a plan</i> |
|-----------------|--|

Description

Identify which counties are split by a plan

Usage

```
is_county_split(plan, counties)
```

Arguments

plan A vector of precinct/unit assignments
counties A vector of county names or county ids.

Value

A logical vector which is TRUE for precincts belonging to counties which are split

| | |
|-----------|--|
| last_plan | <i>Extract the last plan from a set of plans</i> |
|-----------|--|

Description

Extract the last plan from a set of plans

Usage

```
last_plan(plans)
```

Arguments

plans A `redist_plans` object

Value

An integer vector containing the final plan assignment.

| | |
|------------|---|
| make_cores | <i>Identify Cores of a District (Heuristic)</i> |
|------------|---|

Description

Creates a grouping ID to unite geographies and perform analysis on a smaller set of precincts. It identifies all precincts more than boundary edges of a district district boundary. Each contiguous group of precincts more than boundary steps away from another district gets it own group. Some districts may have multiple, disconnected components that make up the core, but each of these is assigned a separate grouping id so that a call to `sf::st_union()` would produce only connected pieces.

Usage

```
make_cores(.data = cur_map(), boundary = 1, focus = NULL)
```

```
redist.identify.cores(adj, plan, boundary = 1, focus = NULL, simplify = TRUE)
```

Arguments

.data a `redist_map` object

boundary Number of steps to check for. Defaults to 1.

focus Optional. Integer. A single district to focus on.

adj zero indexed adjacency list.

plan An integer vector or matrix column of district assignments.

simplify Optional. Logical. Whether to return extra information or just grouping ID.

Details

This is a loose interpretation of the [NCSL's summary](#) of redistricting criteria to preserve the cores of prior districts. Using the adjacency graph for a given plan, it will locate the precincts on the boundary of the district, within boundary steps of the edge. Each of these is given their own group. Each remaining entry that is not near the boundary of the district is given an id that can be used to group the remainder of the district by connected component. This portion is deemed the core of the district.

Value

integer vector (if simplify is false). Otherwise it returns a tibble with the grouping variable as group_id and additional information on connected components.

See Also

[redist.plot.cores()] for a plotting function

Examples

```
data(f1250)
f1250_map <- redist_map(f1250, ndists = 4, pop_tol = 0.01)
plan <- as.matrix(redist_smc(f1250_map, 20, silent = TRUE))
core <- redist.identify.cores(adj = f1250_map$adj, plan = plan)
redist.plot.cores(shp = f1250, plan = plan, core = core)
```

match_numbers

Renumber districts to match an existing plan

Description

District numbers in simulated plans are by and large random. This function attempts to renumber the districts across all simulated plans to match the numbers in a provided plan, using the Hungarian algorithm.

Usage

```
match_numbers(  
  data,  
  plan,  
  total_pop = attr(data, "prec_pop"),  
  col = "pop_overlap"  
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| data | a <code>redist_plans</code> object. |
| plan | a character vector giving the name of the plan to match to (e.g., for a reference plan), or an integer vector containing the plan itself. |
| total_pop | a vector of population counts. Should not be needed for most <code>redist_plans</code> objects. |
| col | the name of a new column to store the vector of population overlap with the reference plan: the fraction of the total population who are in the same district under each plan and the reference plan. Set to <code>NULL</code> if no column should be created. renumbering options in any plan. |

Value

a modified `redist_plans` object. New district numbers will be stored as an ordered factor variable in the `district` column. The district numbers in the plan matrix will match the levels of this factor.

Examples

```
data(iowa)

iowa_map <- redist_map(iowa, existing_plan = cd_2010, pop_tol = 0.05)
plans <- redist_smc(iowa_map, 100, silent = TRUE)
match_numbers(plans, "cd_2010")
```

merge_by

Merge map units

Description

In performing a county-level or cores-based analysis it is often necessary to merge several units together into a larger unit. This function performs this operation, modifying the adjacency graph as needed and attempting to properly aggregate other data columns.

Usage

```
merge_by(.data, ..., by_existing = TRUE, drop_geom = TRUE, collapse_chr = TRUE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------------------------|---|
| <code>.data</code> | a <code>redist_map</code> object |
| <code>...</code> | <code><tidy-select></code> the column(s) to merge by |
| <code>by_existing</code> | if an existing assignment is present, whether to also group by it |
| <code>drop_geom</code> | whether to drop the geometry column. Recommended, as otherwise a costly geometric merge is required. |
| <code>collapse_chr</code> | if <code>TRUE</code> , preserve character columns by collapsing their values. For example, a county name column in Iowa might be merged and have entries such as "Cedar~Clinton~Des Moines". Set to <code>FALSE</code> to drop character columns instead. |

Value

A merged `redist_map` object

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| min_move_parity | <i>Calculates Sparse Population Moves to Minimize Population Deviation</i> |
|-----------------|--|

Description

This function computes a minimal set of population moves (e.g., 5 people from district 1 to district 3) to maximally balance the population between districts. The moves are only allowed between districts that share the territory of a county, so that any boundary adjustments are guaranteed to preserve all unbroken county boundaries.

Usage

```
min_move_parity(map, plan, counties = NULL, penalty = 0.2)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|---|
| map | a <code>redist_map</code> |
| plan | an integer vector containing the plan to be balanced. Tidy-evaluated. |
| counties | an optional vector of counties, whose boundaries will be preserved. Tidy-evaluated. |
| penalty | the larger this value, the more to encourage sparsity. |

Value

a list with components:

`moves` A tibble describing the population moves

`pop_old` The current district populations

`pop_new` The district populations after the moves

Examples

```
data(iowa)
iowa_map <- redist_map(iowa, existing_plan = cd_2010, pop_tol = 0.01)
min_move_parity(iowa_map, cd_2010)
```

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|-------------|--|
| muni_splits | <i>Counts the Number of Municipalities Split Between Districts</i> |
|-------------|--|

Description

Counts the total number of municipalities that are split. Municipalities in this interpretation do not need to cover the entire state, which differs from counties.

Usage

```
muni_splits(map, munis, .data = cur_plans())

redist.muni.splits(plans, munis)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------|--|
| map | a redist_map object |
| munis | A vector of municipality names or ids. |
| .data | a redist_plans object |
| plans | A numeric vector (if only one map) or matrix with one row for each precinct and one column for each map. Required. |

Value

integer vector of length ndist by ncol(plans)

Examples

```
data(iowa)
ia <- redist_map(iowa, existing_plan = cd_2010, total_pop = pop, pop_tol = 0.01)
plans <- redist_smc(ia, 50, silent = TRUE)
ia$region[1:10] <- NA
splits <- redist.muni.splits(plans, ia$region)
```

| | |
|-----------|---|
| number_by | <i>Renumber districts to match a quantity of interest</i> |
|-----------|---|

Description

District numbers in simulated plans are by and large random. This function will renumber the districts across all simulated plans in order of a provided quantity of interest.

Usage

```
number_by(data, x, desc = FALSE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------|--|
| data | a <code>redist_plans</code> object |
| x | <data-masking> the quantity of interest. |
| desc | TRUE if district should be sorted in descending order. |

Value

a modified `redist_plans` object. New district numbers will be stored as an ordered factor variable in the `district` column. The district numbers in the plan matrix will match the levels of this factor.

| | |
|-------------------------------|--|
| <code>partisan_metrics</code> | <i>Calculate gerrymandering metrics for a set of plans</i> |
|-------------------------------|--|

Description

`redist.metrics` is used to compute different gerrymandering metrics for a set of maps.

Usage

```
partisan_metrics(map, measure, rvote, dvote, ..., .data = cur_plans())
```

```
redist.metrics(
  plans,
  measure = "DSeats",
  rvote,
  dvote,
  tau = 1,
  biasV = 0.5,
  respV = 0.5,
  bandwidth = 0.01,
  draw = 1
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------|---|
| map | a <code>redist_map</code> object |
| measure | A vector with a string for each measure desired from list "DSeats", "DVS", "EffGap", "EffGapEqPop", "TauGap", "MeanMedian", "Bias", "BiasV", "Declination", "Responsiveness", "LopsidedWins", "RankedMarginal", and "SmoothedSeat". Use "all" to get all metrics. "DSeats" and "DVS" are always computed, so it is recommended to always return those values. |
| rvote | A numeric vector with the Republican vote for each precinct. |
| dvote | A numeric vector with the Democratic vote for each precinct. |
| ... | passed on to <code>redist.metrics</code> |
| .data | a <code>redist_plans</code> object |

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| <code>plans</code> | A numeric vector (if only one map) or matrix with one row for each precinct and one column for each map. Required. |
| <code>tau</code> | A non-negative number for calculating Tau Gap. Only used with option "Tau-Gap". Defaults to 1. |
| <code>biasV</code> | A value between 0 and 1 to compute bias at. Only used with option "BiasV". Defaults to 0.5. |
| <code>respV</code> | A value between 0 and 1 to compute responsiveness at. Only used with option "Responsiveness". Defaults to 0.5. |
| <code>bandwidth</code> | A value between 0 and 1 for computing responsiveness. Only used with option "Responsiveness." Defaults to 0.01. |
| <code>draw</code> | A numeric to specify draw number. Defaults to 1 if only one map provided and the column number if multiple maps given. Can also take a factor input, which will become the draw column in the output if its length matches the number of entries in plans. If the plans input is a <code>redist_plans</code> object, it extracts the draw identifier. |

Details

This function computes specified compactness scores for a map. If there is more than one precinct specified for a map, it aggregates to the district level and computes one score.

- `DSeats` is computed as the expected number of Democratic seats with no change in votes.
- `DVS` is the Democratic Vote Share, which is the two party vote share with Democratic votes as the numerator.
- `EffGap` is the Efficiency Gap, calculated with votes directly.
- `EffGapEqPop` is the Efficiency Gap under an Equal Population assumption, calculated with the `DVS`.
- `TauGap` is the Tau Gap, computed with the Equal Population assumption.
- `MeanMedian` is the Mean Median difference.
- `Bias` is the Partisan Bias computed at 0.5.
- `BiasV` is the Partisan Bias computed at value `V`.
- `Declination` is the value of declination at 0.5.
- `Responsiveness` is the responsiveness at the user-supplied value with the user-supplied bandwidth.
- `LopsidedWins` computed the Lopsided Outcomes value, but does not produce a test statistic.
- `RankedMarginal` computes the Ranked Marginal Deviation (0-1, smaller is better). This is also known as the "Gerrymandering Index" and is sometimes presented as this value divided by 10000.
- `SmoothedSeat` computes the Smoothed Seat Count Deviation (0-1, smaller is R Bias, bigger is D Bias).

Value

A tibble with a column for each specified measure and a column that specifies the map number.

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Examples

```
data(fl25)
data(fl25_enum)
plans_05 <- fl25_enum$plans[, fl25_enum$pop_dev <= 0.05]
redist.metrics(plans_05, measure = "all", rvote = fl25$mccain, dvote = fl25$obama)
```

persily

Local Plan Optimization

Description

Searches the local area for a combination of minimizing county splits, compactness, population parity, and keeping close to the original plan

Usage

```
persily(plan, map, counties = NULL)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|--------------------------------|
| plan | a single plan to optimize from |
| map | a redist map object |
| counties | Required |

Value

a redist_plans object with one plan

Examples

```

data(iowa)
map <- redist_map(iowa, existing_plan = cd_2010, pop_tol = 0.01, total_pop = pop)
plan <- get_plans_matrix(redist_smc(map, 1))[, 2]
local <- persily(plan = plan, map = map, counties = region)

```

pick_a_plan

Pick One Plan from Many Plans

Description

Pick One Plan from Many Plans

Usage

```

pick_a_plan(
  plans,
  map,
  counties = NULL,
  comp = NULL,
  maximize_comp = TRUE,
  cut_point = 0.3
)

```

Arguments

| | |
|---------------|--|
| plans | a redist_plans object |
| map | a redist_map object |
| counties | A column in map with county names. Defaults to NULL and will assume each row in map is its own county if left NULL |
| comp | A column in plans with compactness. Defaults to NULL and will calculate FracKept if left NULL |
| maximize_comp | Should comp be maximized? Defaults to TRUE. |
| cut_point | portion of plans to keep at each step |

Value

An integer vector with a single plan

Examples

```

data(iowa)
map <- redist_map(iowa, existing_plan = cd_2010, pop_tol = 0.01, total_pop = pop)
sims <- redist_smc(map, 100)
pick_a_plan(sims, map)

```

plans_diversity *Calculate the diversity of a set of plans*

Description

Returns the off-diagonal elements of the variation of information distance matrix for a sample of plans, which can be used as a diagnostic measure to assess the diversity of a set of plans. While the exact scale varies depending on the number of precincts and districts, generally diversity is good if most of the values are greater than 0.5. Conversely, if there are many values close to zero, then the sample has many similar plans and may not be a good approximation to the target distribution.

Usage

```
plans_diversity(  
  plans,  
  n_max = 100,  
  ncores = 1,  
  total_pop = attr(plans, "prec_pop")  
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| plans | a redist_plans object. |
| n_max | the maximum number of plans to sample in computing the distances. Larger numbers will have less sampling error but will require more computation time. |
| ncores | the number of cores to use in computing the distances. |
| total_pop | The vector of precinct populations. Used only if computing variation of information. If not provided, equal population of precincts will be assumed, i.e. the VI will be computed with respect to the precincts themselves, and not the population. |

Value

A numeric vector of off-diagonal variation of information distances.

Examples

```
data(iowa)  
ia <- redist_map(iowa, existing_plan = cd_2010, pop_tol = 0.01)  
plans <- redist_smc(ia, 100, silent = TRUE)  
hist(plans_diversity(plans))
```

plan_distances *Compute Distance between Partitions*

Description

Compute Distance between Partitions

Usage

```
plan_distances(plans, measure = "variation of information", ncores = 1)
redist.distances(plans, measure = "Hamming", ncores = 1, total_pop = NULL)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| plans | A matrix with one row for each precinct and one column for each map. Required. |
| measure | String vector indicating which distances to compute. Implemented currently are "Hamming", "Manhattan", "Euclidean", and "variation of information", Use "all" to return all implemented measures. Not case sensitive, and any unique substring is enough, e.g. "ham" for Hamming, or "info" for variation of information. |
| ncores | Number of cores to use for parallel computing. Default is 1. |
| total_pop | The vector of precinct populations. Used only if computing variation of information. If not provided, equal population of precincts will be assumed, i.e. the VI will be computed with respect to the precincts themselves, and not the population. |

Details

Hamming distance measures the number of different precinct assignments between plans. Manhattan and Euclidean distances are the 1- and 2-norms for the assignment vectors. All three of the Hamming, Manhattan, and Euclidean distances implemented here are not invariant to permutations of the district labels; permuting will cause large changes in measured distance, and maps which are identical up to a permutation may be computed to be maximally distant.

Variation of Information is a metric on population partitions (i.e., districtings) which is invariant to permutations of the district labels, and arises out of information theory. It is calculated as

$$VI(\xi, \xi') = - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \text{pop}(\xi_i \cap \xi'_j) / P (2 \log(\text{pop}(\xi_i \cap \xi'_j)) - \log(\text{pop}(\xi_i)) - \log(\text{pop}(\xi'_j)))$$

where ξ, ξ' are the partitions, ξ_i, ξ_j the individual districts, $\text{pop}(\cdot)$ is the population, and P the total population of the state. VI is also expressible as the difference between the joint entropy and the mutual information (see references).

Value

distance_matrix returns a numeric distance matrix for the chosen metric.
 a named list of distance matrices, one for each distance measure selected.

References

Cover, T. M. and Thomas, J. A. (2006). *Elements of information theory*. John Wiley & Sons, 2 edition.

Examples

```
data(f125)
data(f125_enum)

plans_05 <- f125_enum$plans[, f125_enum$pop_dev <= 0.05]
distances <- redist.distances(plans_05)
distances$Hamming[1:5, 1:5]
```

plot.redist_classified

Plot a plan classification

Description

Plot a plan classification

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'redist_classified'
plot(x, plans, shp, type = "fill", which = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------|---|
| x | a redist_classified object, the output of <code>classify_plans()</code> . |
| plans | a <code>redist_plans</code> object. |
| shp | a shapefile or <code>redist_map</code> object. |
| type | either "line" or "fill". Passed on to <code>compare_plans()</code> as plot. |
| which | indices of the splits to plot. Defaults to all |
| ... | passed on to <code>compare_plans()</code> |

Value

ggplot comparison plot

plot.redist_constr *Visualize constraints*

Description

Plots the constraint strength versus some running variable. Currently supports visualizing the ‘grp_hinge’, ‘grp_inv_hinge’, and ‘grp_pow’ constraints.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'redist_constr'  
plot(x, y, type = "group", xlim = c(0, 1), ...)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------|--|
| x | A [redist_constr] object. |
| y | Ignored. |
| type | What type of constraint to visualize. Currently supports only "group", for visualizing constraint strength by group share. |
| xlim | Range of group shares to visualize. |
| ... | additional arguments (ignored) |

Value

A ggplot object

Examples

```
data(iowa)  
iowa_map <- redist_map(iowa, existing_plan = cd_2010, pop_tol = 0.05)  
constr <- redist_constr(iowa_map)  
constr <- add_constr_grp_hinge(constr, strength = 30,  
                              dem_08, tot_08, tgts_group = 0.5)  
constr <- add_constr_grp_hinge(constr, strength = -20,  
                              dem_08, tot_08, tgts_group = 0.3)  
plot(constr)
```

| | |
|-----------------|--------------------------|
| plot.redist_map | <i>Plot a redist_map</i> |
|-----------------|--------------------------|

Description

Plot a redist_map

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'redist_map'
plot(x, fill = NULL, by_distr = FALSE, adj = FALSE, interactive = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------|--|
| x | the redist_map object |
| fill | <data-masking> If present, will be used to color the map units. If using data masking, may need to explicitly name argument fill=... in non-interactive contexts to avoid S3 generic issues. |
| by_distr | if TRUE and fill is not missing and, color by district and indicate the fill variable by shading. |
| adj | if TRUE, force plotting the adjacency graph. Overrides by_distr. |
| interactive | if TRUE, show an interactive map in the viewer rather than a static map. Ignores adj and by_distr. |
| ... | passed on to redist.plot.map (or redist.plot.adj if adj=TRUE, or redist.plot.interactive if interactive=TRUE). Useful parameters may include zoom_to, boundaries, and title. |

Value

ggplot2 object

Examples

```
data(f125)
d <- redist_map(f125, ndists = 3, pop_tol = 0.05)
plot(d)
plot(d, BlackPop/pop)
```

```
data(f125_enum)
f125$dist <- f125_enum$plans[, 5118]
d <- redist_map(f125, existing_plan = dist)
plot(d)
```

`plot.redist_plans` *Summary plots for [\link{redist_plans}](#)*

Description

If no arguments are passed, defaults to plotting the sampling weights for the [redist_plans](#) object. If no weights exist, plots district populations.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'redist_plans'
plot(x, ..., type = "distr_qtys")
```

Arguments

`x` the [redist_plans](#) object.
`...` passed on to the underlying function
`type` the name of the plotting function to use. Will have `redist.plot.`, prepended to it; e.g., use `type="plans"` to call [redist.plot.plans](#).

`prec_assignment` *Extract the district assignments for a precinct across all simulated plans*

Description

Extract the district assignments for a precinct across all simulated plans

Usage

```
prec_assignment(prec, .data = cur_plans())
```

Arguments

`prec` the precinct number
`.data` a [redist_plans](#) object

Value

integer vector, a row from a plans matrix

```
prec_cooccurrence      Compute a matrix of precinct co-occurrences
```

Description

For a map with n precincts Returns an n -by- n matrix, where each entry measures the fraction of the plans in which the row and column precincts were in the same district.

Usage

```
prec_cooccurrence(plans, which = NULL, sampled_only = TRUE, ncores = 1)
```

Arguments

`plans` a `redist_plans` object.
`which` `<data-masking>` which plans to compute the co-occurrence over. Defaults to all.
`sampled_only` if TRUE, do not include reference plans.
`ncores` the number of parallel cores to use in the computation.

Value

a symmetric matrix the size of the number of precincts.

```
print.redist_classified
      Print redist_classified objects
```

Description

Print `redist_classified` objects

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'redist_classified'
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

`x` `redist_classified` object
`...` additional arguments

Value

prints to console

print.redist_constr *Generic to print redist_constr*

Description

Generic to print redist_constr

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'redist_constr'  
print(x, header = TRUE, details = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------|--|
| x | redist_constr |
| header | if FALSE, then suppress introduction / header line |
| details | if FALSE, then suppress the details of each constraint |
| ... | additional arguments |

Value

Prints to console and returns input redist_constr

print.redist_map *Generic to print redist_map*

Description

Generic to print redist_map

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'redist_map'  
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----|----------------------|
| x | redist_map |
| ... | additional arguments |

Value

Prints to console and returns input redist_map

```
print.redist_plans      Print method for redist_plans
```

Description

Print method for redist_plans

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'redist_plans'
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----|--------------------------------|
| x | a [redist_plans] object |
| ... | additional arguments (ignored) |

Value

The original object, invisibly.

```
pullback                Pull back plans to unmerged units
```

Description

Merging map units through [merge_by](#) or [summarize](#) changes the indexing of each unit. Use this function to take a set of redistricting plans from a redist algorithm and re-index them to be compatible with the original set of units.

Usage

```
pullback(plans, map = NULL)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------|--|
| plans | a redist_plans object |
| map | optionally, a redist_map object, which will be used to set the new population vector |

Value

a new, re-indexed, redist_plans object

| | |
|---------------------------------|---|
| <code>rbind.redist_plans</code> | <i>Combine multiple sets of redistricting plans</i> |
|---------------------------------|---|

Description

Only works when all the sets are compatible—generated from the same map, with the same number of districts. Sets of plans will be indexed by the chain column.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'redist_plans'
rbind(..., deparse.level = 1)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------------------------|--|
| <code>...</code> | The <code>redist_plans</code> objects to combine. If named arguments are provided, the names will be used in the chain column; otherwise, numbers will be used for the chain column. |
| <code>deparse.level</code> | Ignored. |

Value

A new `redist_plans` object.

| | |
|-------------------------------|--|
| <code>redist.adjacency</code> | <i>Adjacency List functionality for redist</i> |
|-------------------------------|--|

Description

Creates an adjacency list that is zero indexed with no skips

Usage

```
redist.adjacency(shp, plan)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------------|--|
| <code>shp</code> | A <code>SpatialPolygonsDataFrame</code> or <code>sf</code> object. Required. |
| <code>plan</code> | A numeric vector (if only one map) or matrix with one row |

Value

Adjacency list

redist.calc.frontier.size
Calculate Frontier Size

Description

Calculate Frontier Size

Usage

```
redist.calc.frontier.size(ordered_path)
```

Arguments

ordered_path path to ordered path created by redist.prep.enumpart

Value

List, four objects

- maxnumeric, maximum frontier size
- averagenumeric, average frontier size
- average_sqnumeric, average((frontier size)^2)
- sequencenumeric vector, lists out all sizes for every frontier

Examples

```
## Not run:  
data(f125)  
adj <- redist.adjacency(f125)  
redist.prep.enumpart(adj, "unordered", "ordered")  
redist.calc.frontier.size("ordered")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

redist.coarsen.adjacency
Coarsen Adjacency List

Description

Coarsen Adjacency List

Usage

```
redist.coarsen.adjacency(adj, groups)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------|--|
| adj | A zero-indexed adjacency list. Required. |
| groups | integer vector of elements of adjacency to group |

Value

adjacency list coarsened

redist.combine *(Deprecated) Combine successive runs of redist.flip*

Description

redist.combine is used to combine successive runs of redist.flip into a single data object

Usage

```
redist.combine(savename, nloop, nthin, temper)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|---|
| savename | The name (without the loop or .rds suffix) of the saved simulations. |
| nloop | The number of loops being combined. Savename must be non-null. |
| nthin | How much to thin the simulations being combined. |
| temper | Whether simulated tempering was used (1) or not (0) in the simulations. Default is 0. |

Details

This function allows users to combine multiple successive runs of redist.flip into a single redist object for analysis.

Value

redist.combine returns an object of class "redist". The object redist is a list that contains the following components (the inclusion of some components is dependent on whether tempering techniques are used):

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| plans | Matrix of congressional district assignments generated by the algorithm. Each row corresponds to a geographic unit, and each column corresponds to a simulation. |
| distance_parity | Vector containing the maximum distance from parity for a particular simulated redistricting plan. |
| mhdecisions | A vector specifying whether a proposed redistricting plan was accepted (1) or rejected (0) in a given iteration. |

| | |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| mhprob | A vector containing the Metropolis-Hastings acceptance probability for each iteration of the algorithm. |
| pparam | A vector containing the draw of the p parameter for each simulation, which dictates the number of swaps attempted. |
| constraint_pop | A vector containing the value of the population constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| constraint_compact | A vector containing the value of the compactness constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| constraint_segregation | A vector containing the value of the segregation constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| constraint_vra | A vector containing the value of the vra constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| constraint_similar | A vector containing the value of the similarity constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| constraint_partisan | A vector containing the value of the partisan constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| constraint_minority | A vector containing the value of the minority constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| constraint_hinge | A vector containing the value of the hinge constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| constraint_qps | A vector containing the value of the QPS constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| beta_sequence | A vector containing the value of beta for each iteration of the algorithm. Returned when tempering is being used. |
| mhdecisions_beta | A vector specifying whether a proposed beta value was accepted (1) or rejected (0) in a given iteration of the algorithm. Returned when tempering is being used. |
| mhprob_beta | A vector containing the Metropolis-Hastings acceptance probability for each iteration of the algorithm. Returned when tempering is being used. |
| a redist object with entries combined | |

References

Fifield, Benjamin, Michael Higgins, Kosuke Imai and Alexander Tarr. (2016) "A New Automated Redistricting Simulator Using Markov Chain Monte Carlo." Working Paper. Available at <http://imai.princeton.edu/research/files/redist.pdf>.

Examples

```

data(fl25)
data(fl25_enum)
data(fl25_adj)

## Code to run the simulations in Figure 4 in Fifield, Higgins, Imai and Tarr (2015)

## Get an initial partition
init_plan <- fl25_enum$plans[, 5118]

## Run the algorithm
set.seed(1)
temp <- tempdir()
# alg_253 <- redist.flip(adj = fl25_adj, total_pop = fl25$pop,
# init_plan = init_plan, nsims = 10000,
# nloop = 2, savename = paste0(temp, "/test"))
# out <- redist.combine(savename = paste0(temp, "/test"), nloop = 2, nthin = 10)

```

redist.combine.anneal *(Deprecated)* redist.combine.anneal

Description

Combine files generated by redist.flip.anneal()

Usage

```
redist.combine.anneal(file_name)
```

Arguments

file_name The file name to search for in current working directory.

Value

redist.combine.anneal returns an object of class "redist". The object redist is a list that contains the following components (the inclusion of some components is dependent on whether tempering techniques are used):

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| plans | Matrix of congressional district assignments generated by the algorithm. Each row corresponds to a geographic unit, and each column corresponds to a simulation. |
| distance_parity | Vector containing the maximum distance from parity for a particular simulated redistricting plan. |
| mhdecisions | A vector specifying whether a proposed redistricting plan was accepted (1) or rejected (0) in a given iteration. |

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| mhprob | A vector containing the Metropolis-Hastings acceptance probability for each iteration of the algorithm. |
| pparam | A vector containing the draw of the p parameter for each simulation, which dictates the number of swaps attempted. |
| constraint_pop | A vector containing the value of the population constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| constraint_compact | A vector containing the value of the compactness constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| constraint_segregation | A vector containing the value of the segregation constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| constraint_vra | A vector containing the value of the vra constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| constraint_similar | A vector containing the value of the similarity constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| constraint_partisan | A vector containing the value of the partisan constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| constraint_minority | A vector containing the value of the minority constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| constraint_hinge | A vector containing the value of the hinge constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| constraint_qps | A vector containing the value of the QPS constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| beta_sequence | A vector containing the value of beta for each iteration of the algorithm. Returned when tempering is being used. |
| mhdecisions_beta | A vector specifying whether a proposed beta value was accepted (1) or rejected (0) in a given iteration of the algorithm. Returned when tempering is being used. |
| mhprob_beta | A vector containing the Metropolis-Hastings acceptance probability for each iteration of the algorithm. Returned when tempering is being used. |

redist.combine.mpi *Combine successive runs of* redist.mcmc.mpi

Description

redist.combine.mpi is used to combine successive runs of redist.mcmc.mpi into a single data object

Usage

```
redist.combine.mpi(savename, nloop, nthin, tempadj)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|--|
| savename | The name (without the loop or .RData suffix) of the saved simulations. |
| nloop | The number of loops being combined. |
| nthin | How much to thin the simulations being combined. |
| tempadj | The temperature adjacency object saved by <code>redist.mcmc.mpi</code> . |

Details

This function allows users to combine multiple successive runs of `redist.mcmc.mpi` into a single `redist` object for analysis.

Value

`redist.combine.mpi` returns an object of class "redist". The object `redist` is a list that contains the following components (the inclusion of some components is dependent on whether tempering techniques are used):

| | |
|--------------------|--|
| plans | Matrix of congressional district assignments generated by the algorithm. Each row corresponds to a geographic unit, and each column corresponds to a simulation. |
| distance_parity | Vector containing the maximum distance from parity for a particular simulated redistricting plan. |
| mhdecisions | A vector specifying whether a proposed redistricting plan was accepted (1) or rejected (0) in a given iteration. |
| mhprob | A vector containing the Metropolis-Hastings acceptance probability for each iteration of the algorithm. |
| pparam | A vector containing the draw of the p parameter for each simulation, which dictates the number of swaps attempted. |
| constraint_pop | A vector containing the value of the population constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| constraint_compact | A vector containing the value of the compactness constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| constraint_vra | A vector containing the value of the vra constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| constraint_similar | A vector containing the value of the similarity constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| constraint_qps | A vector containing the value of the QPS constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |

- beta_sequence A vector containing the value of beta for each iteration of the algorithm. Returned when tempering is being used.
- mhdecisions_beta A vector specifying whether a proposed beta value was accepted (1) or rejected (0) in a given iteration of the algorithm. Returned when tempering is being used.
- mhprob_beta A vector containing the Metropolis-Hastings acceptance probability for each iteration of the algorithm. Returned when tempering is being used.

References

Fifield, Benjamin, Michael Higgins, Kosuke Imai and Alexander Tarr. (2016) "A New Automated Redistricting Simulator Using Markov Chain Monte Carlo." Working Paper. Available at <http://imai.princeton.edu/research/files/redist.pdf>.

Examples

```
## Not run:
# Cannot run on machines without Rmpi
data(fl25)
data(fl25_enum)
data(fl25_adj)

## Code to run the simulations in Figure 4 in Fifield, Higgins, Imai and
## Tarr (2015)

## Get an initial partition
init_plan <- fl25_enum$plans[, 5118]

## Run the algorithm
redist.mcmc.mpi(adj = fl25_adj, total_pop = fl25$pop,
  init_plan = init_plan, nsims = 10000, nloops = 2, savename = "test")
out <- redist.combine.mpi(savename = "test", nloop = 2,
  nthin = 10, tempadj = tempAdjMat)

## End(Not run)
```

redist.constraint.helper

Create Constraints for SMC

Description

Create Constraints for SMC

Usage

```
redist.constraint.helper(
  constraints = "vra",
  tgt_min = 0.55,
  group_pop,
  total_pop,
  ndists,
  nmmd,
  strength_vra = 2500,
  pow_vra = 1.5
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------------|--|
| constraints | Vector of constraints to include. Currently only 'vra' implemented. |
| tgt_min | Defaults to 0.55. If 'vra' included, the minority percent to encourage in each district. |
| group_pop | A vector of populations for some subgroup of interest. |
| total_pop | A vector containing the populations of each geographic unit. |
| ndists | The total number of districts. |
| nmmd | The number of majority minority districts to target for 'vra' constraint |
| strength_vra | The strength of the 'vra' constraint. Defaults to 2500. |
| pow_vra | The exponent for the 'vra' constraint. Defaults to 1.5. |

Value

list of lists for each constraint selected

redist.county.id *Create County IDs*

Description

Create County IDs

Usage

```
redist.county.id(counties)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|-------------------------------|
| counties | vector of counties, required. |
|----------|-------------------------------|

Value

A vector with an ID that corresponds from 1:n counties

Examples

```
set.seed(2)
counties <- sample(c(rep("a", 20), rep("b", 5)))
redist.county.id(counties)
```

redist.county.relabel *Relabel Discontinuous Counties*

Description

Relabel Discontinuous Counties

Usage

```
redist.county.relabel(adj, counties, simplify = TRUE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|--|
| adj | adjacency list |
| counties | character vector of county names |
| simplify | boolean - TRUE returns a numeric vector of ids, while FALSE appends a number when there are multiple connected components. |

Value

character vector of county names

Examples

```
set.seed(2)
data(f125)
data(f125_adj)
counties <- sample(c(rep("a", 20), rep("b", 5)))
redist.county.relabel(f125_adj, counties)
```

redist.crsg

*Redistricting via Compact Random Seed and Grow Algorithm***Description**

redist.crsg generates redistricting plans using a random seed a grow algorithm. This is the compact districting algorithm described in Chen and Rodden (2013).

Usage

```
redist.crsg(
  adj,
  total_pop,
  shp,
  ndists,
  pop_tol,
  verbose = TRUE,
  maxiter = 5000
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| adj | List of length N, where N is the number of precincts. Each list element is an integer vector indicating which precincts that precinct is adjacent to. It is assumed that precinct numbers start at 0. |
| total_pop | numeric vector of length N, where N is the number of precincts. Each element lists the population total of the corresponding precinct, and is used to enforce pop_tol constraints. |
| shp | An sf dataframe to compute area and centroids with. |
| ndists | integer, the number of districts we want to partition the precincts into. |
| pop_tol | numeric, indicating how close district population targets have to be to the target population before algorithm converges. pop_tol=0.05 for example means that all districts must be between 0.95 and 1.05 times the size of target.pop in population size. |
| verbose | boolean, indicating whether the time to run the algorithm is printed. |
| maxiter | integer, indicating maximum number of iterations to attempt before convergence to population constraint fails. If it fails once, it will use a different set of start values and try again. If it fails again, redist.rsg() returns an object of all NAs, indicating that use of more iterations may be advised. Default is 5000. |

Value

list, containing three objects containing the completed redistricting plan.

- plan A vector of length N, indicating the district membership of each precinct.

- `district_list` A list of length `Ndistrict`. Each list contains a vector of the precincts in the respective district.
- `district_pop` A vector of length `Ndistrict`, containing the population totals of the respective districts.

References

Jowei Chen and Jonathan Rodden (2013) "Unintentional Gerrymandering: Political Geography and Electoral Bias in Legislatures." *Quarterly Journal of Political Science*. 8(3): 239-269.

Examples

```
data("f125")
adj <- redist.adjacency(f125)
redist.crsq(adj = adj, total_pop = f125$pop, shp = f125, ndists = 2, pop_tol = .1)
```

redist.diagplot *Diagnostic plotting functionality for MCMC redistricting.*

Description

`redist.diagplot` generates several common MCMC diagnostic plots.

Usage

```
redist.diagplot(sumstat,
plot = c("trace", "autocorr", "densplot", "mean", "gelmanrubin"),
logit = FALSE, savename = NULL)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------------------|--|
| <code>sumstat</code> | A vector, list, <code>mcmc</code> or <code>mcmc.list</code> object containing a summary statistic of choice. |
| <code>plot</code> | The type of diagnostic plot to generate: one of "trace", "autocorr", "densplot", "mean", "gelmanrubin". If <code>plot = "gelmanrubin"</code> , the input <code>sumstat</code> must be of class <code>mcmc.list</code> or <code>list</code> . |
| <code>logit</code> | Flag for whether to apply the logistic transformation for the summary statistic. The default is <code>FALSE</code> . |
| <code>savename</code> | Filename to save the plot. Default is <code>NULL</code> . |

Details

This function allows users to generate several standard diagnostic plots from the MCMC literature, as implemented by Plummer et. al (2006). Diagnostic plots implemented include trace plots, autocorrelation plots, density plots, running means, and Gelman-Rubin convergence diagnostics (Gelman & Rubin 1992).

Value

Returns a plot of file type .pdf.

References

Fifield, Benjamin, Michael Higgins, Kosuke Imai and Alexander Tarr. (2016) "A New Automated Redistricting Simulator Using Markov Chain Monte Carlo." Working Paper. Available at <http://imai.princeton.edu/research/files/redist.pdf>.

Gelman, Andrew and Donald Rubin. (1992) "Inference from iterative simulations using multiple sequences (with discussion)." *Statistical Science*.

Plummer, Martin, Nicky Best, Kate Cowles and Karen Vines. (2006) "CODA: Convergence Diagnosis and Output Analysis for MCMC." *R News*.

Examples

```
data(fl25)
data(fl25_enum)
data(fl25_adj)

## Get an initial partition
init_plan <- fl25_enum$plans[, 5118]

## 25 precinct, three districts - no pop constraint ##
alg_253 <- redist.flip(adj = fl25_adj, total_pop = fl25$pop,
  init_plan = init_plan, nsims = 10000)

## Get Republican Dissimilarity Index from simulations
rep_dmi_253 <- redist.segcalc(alg_253, fl25$mccain, fl25$pop)

## Generate diagnostic plots
redist.diagplot(rep_dmi_253, plot = "trace")
redist.diagplot(rep_dmi_253, plot = "autocorr")
redist.diagplot(rep_dmi_253, plot = "densplot")
redist.diagplot(rep_dmi_253, plot = "mean")

## Gelman Rubin needs two chains, so we run a second
alg_253_2 <- redist.flip(adj = fl25_adj,
  total_pop = fl25$pop,
  init_plan = init_plan, nsims = 10000)

rep_dmi_253_2 <- redist.segcalc(alg_253_2, fl25$mccain, fl25$pop)

## Make a list out of the objects:
rep_dmi_253_list <- list(rep_dmi_253, rep_dmi_253_2)

## Generate Gelman Rubin diagnostic plot
redist.diagplot(sumstat = rep_dmi_253_list, plot = "gelmanrubin")
```

 redist.dist.pop.overlap

Compare the Population Overlap Across Plans at the District Level

Description

This implements Crespin's 2005 measure of district continuity, as applied to the geographies represented by a plan, typically precincts or voting districts. This implementation assumes none of the precincts in `plan_old` or `plan_new` are split.

Usage

```
redist.dist.pop.overlap(plan_old, plan_new, total_pop, normalize_rows = TRUE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| <code>plan_old</code> | The reference or original plan to compare against |
| <code>plan_new</code> | The new plan to compare to the reference plan |
| <code>total_pop</code> | The total population by precinct This can also take a <code>redist_map</code> object and will use the population in that object. If nothing is provided, it weights all entries in <code>plan</code> equally. |
| <code>normalize_rows</code> | Default TRUE. Normalize populations by row. If FALSE, normalizes by column. If NULL, does not normalize. |

Value

matrix with `length(unique(plan_old))` rows and `length(unique(plan_new))` columns

References

"Using Geographic Information Systems to Measure District Change, 2000-02", Michael Crespin, *Political Analysis* (2005) 13(3): 253-260

Examples

```
set.seed(5)
data(iowa)
iowa_map <- redist_map(iowa, total_pop = pop, pop_tol = 0.01, ndists = 4)
plans <- redist_smc(iowa_map, 2)
plans_mat <- get_plans_matrix(plans)
ov <- redist.dist.pop.overlap(plans_mat[, 1], plans_mat[, 2], iowa_map)
round(ov, 2)

ov_col <- redist.dist.pop.overlap(plans_mat[, 1], plans_mat[, 2], iowa_map, normalize_rows = FALSE)
round(ov_col, 2)

ov_un_norm <- redist.dist.pop.overlap(plans_mat[, 1], plans_mat[, 2],
  iowa_map, normalize_rows = NULL)
```

```
round(ov_un_norm, 2)

iowa_map_5 <- iowa_map <- redist_map(iowa, total_pop = pop, pop_tol = 0.01, ndists = 5)
plan_5 <- get_plans_matrix(redist_smc(iowa_map_5, 1))
ov4_5 <- redist.dist.pop.overlap(plans_mat[, 1], plan_5, iowa_map)
round(ov4_5, 2)
```

redist.district.splits

Counts the Number of Counties within a District

Description

Counts the total number of counties that are found within a district. This does not subtract out the number of counties that are found completely within a district.

Usage

```
redist.district.splits(plans, counties)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|--|
| plans | A numeric vector (if only one map) or matrix with one row for each precinct and one column for each map. Required. |
| counties | A vector of county names or county ids. |

Value

integer matrix where each district is a

Examples

```
data(iowa)
ia <- redist_map(iowa, existing_plan = cd_2010, total_pop = pop, pop_tol = 0.01)
plans <- redist_smc(ia, 50, silent = TRUE)
splits <- redist.district.splits(plans, ia$region)
```

redist.enumpart *Enumerate All Partitions*

Description

Single function for standard enumeration analysis.

Usage

```
redist.enumpart(
  adj,
  unordered_path,
  ordered_path,
  out_path,
  ndists = 2,
  all = TRUE,
  n = NULL,
  weight_path = NULL,
  lower = NULL,
  upper = NULL,
  init = FALSE,
  read = TRUE,
  total_pop = NULL
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------------|---|
| adj | zero indexed adjacency list. |
| unordered_path | valid path to output the unordered adjacency map to |
| ordered_path | valid path to output the ordered adjacency map to |
| out_path | Valid path to output the enumerated districts |
| ndists | number of districts to enumerate |
| all | boolean. TRUE outputs all districts. FALSE samples n districts. |
| n | integer. Number of districts to output if all is FALSE. Returns districts selected from uniform random distribution. |
| weight_path | A path (not including ".dat") to a space-delimited file containing a vector of vertex weights, to be used along with lower and upper. |
| lower | A lower bound on each partition's total weight, implemented by rejection sampling. |
| upper | An upper bound on each partition's total weight. |
| init | Runs redist.init.enumpart. Defaults to false. Should be run on first use. |
| read | boolean. Defaults to TRUE. reads |
| total_pop | the vector of precinct populations |

Value

List with entries district_membership and parity.

redist.find.target *Find Majority Minority Remainder*

Description

Given a percent goal for majority minority districts, this computes the average value of minority in non-majority minority districts. This value is "tgt_other" in redist.flip and redist_smc.

Usage

```
redist.find.target(tgt_min, group_pop, total_pop, ndists, nmmd)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|--|
| tgt_min | target group population for majority minority district |
| group_pop | A vector of populations for some subgroup of interest. |
| total_pop | A vector containing the populations of each geographic unit. |
| ndists | The number of congressional districts. |
| nmmd | The number of majority minority districts. |

Value

numeric value to target

redist.findparams *Run parameter testing for redist.flip*

Description

redist.findparams is used to find optimal parameter values of redist_flip for a given map.

Usage

```
redist.findparams(
  map,
  nsims,
  init_plan = NULL,
  adapt_lambda = FALSE,
  adapt_eprob = FALSE,
  params,
  ssdmat = NULL,
```



```

group_pop = NULL,
counties = NULL,
nstartval_store = 1,
maxdist_startval = 100,
maxiterrsg = 5000,
report_all = TRUE,
parallel = FALSE,
ncores = NULL,
log = FALSE,
verbose = TRUE
)

```

Arguments

| | |
|------------------|---|
| map | A <code>redist_map</code> object. |
| nsims | The number of simulations run before a save point. |
| init_plan | A vector containing the congressional district labels of each geographic unit. The default is NULL. If not provided, random and contiguous congressional district assignments will be generated using <code>redist.rsg</code> . |
| adapt_lambda | Whether to adaptively tune the lambda parameter so that the Metropolis-Hastings acceptance probability falls between 20% and 40%. Default is FALSE. |
| adapt_eprob | Whether to adaptively tune the edgcut probability parameter so that the Metropolis-Hastings acceptance probability falls between 20% and 40%. Default is FALSE. |
| params | A matrix of parameter values to test, such as the output of <code>expand.grid</code> . Parameters accepted for params include <code>eprob</code> , <code>lambda</code> , <code>pop_tol</code> , <code>beta</code> , and <code>constraint</code> . |
| ssdmat | A matrix of squared distances between geographic units. The default is NULL. |
| group_pop | A vector of populations for some sub-group of interest. The default is NULL. |
| counties | A vector of county membership assignments. The default is NULL. |
| nstartval_store | The number of maps to sample from the preprocessing chain for use as starting values in future simulations. Default is 1. |
| maxdist_startval | The maximum distance from the starting map that sampled maps should be. Default is 100 (no restriction). |
| maxiterrsg | Maximum number of iterations for random seed-and-grow algorithm to generate starting values. Default is 5000. |
| report_all | Whether to report all summary statistics for each set of parameter values. Default is TRUE. |
| parallel | Whether to run separate parameter settings in parallel. Default is FALSE. |
| ncores | Number of parallel tasks to run, declared outside of the function. Default is NULL. |
| log | Whether to open a log to track progress for each parameter combination being tested. Default is FALSE. |
| verbose | Whether to print additional information about the tests. Default is TRUE. |

Details

This function allows users to test multiple parameter settings of `redist.flip` in preparation for a longer run for analysis.

Value

`redist.findparams` returns a print-out of summary statistics about each parameter setting.

References

Fifield, Benjamin, Michael Higgins, Kosuke Imai and Alexander Tarr. (2016) "A New Automated Redistricting Simulator Using Markov Chain Monte Carlo." Working Paper. Available at <http://imai.princeton.edu/research/files/redist.pdf>.

Examples

```
data(fl25)
data(fl25_enum)
data(fl25_adj)

## Get an initial partition
init_plan <- fl25_enum$plans[, 5118]

params <- expand.grid(eprob = c(.01, .05, .1))

# Make map
map_fl <- redist_map(fl25, ndists = 3, pop_tol = 0.2)
## Run the algorithm
redist.findparams(map_fl,
  init_plan = init_plan, nsims = 10000, params = params)
```

`redist.flip`

(Deprecated) Flip MCMC Redistricting Simulator

Description

`redist.mcmc` is used to simulate Congressional redistricting plans using Markov Chain Monte Carlo methods.

Usage

```
redist.flip(
  adj,
  total_pop,
  nsims,
  ndists = NULL,
```

```

init_plan = NULL,
constraints = redist_constr(),
loopscompleted = 0,
nloop = 1,
warmup = 0,
nthin = 1,
eprob = 0.05,
lambda = 0,
pop_tol = NULL,
temper = FALSE,
betaseq = "powerlaw",
betaseqlength = 10,
betaweights = NULL,
adjswaps = TRUE,
rngseed = NULL,
maxiterrsg = 5000,
adapt_lambda = FALSE,
adapt_eprob = FALSE,
exact_mh = FALSE,
savename = NULL,
verbose = TRUE
)

```

Arguments

| | |
|----------------|--|
| adj | adjacency matrix, list, or object of class "SpatialPolygonsDataFrame." |
| total_pop | A vector containing the populations of each geographic unit |
| nsims | The number of simulations run before a save point. |
| ndists | The number of congressional districts. The default is NULL. |
| init_plan | A vector containing the congressional district labels of each geographic unit. If not provided, random and contiguous congressional district assignments will be generated using <code>redist_smc</code> . To use the old behavior of generating with <code>redist_rsg</code> , provide <code>init_plan = 'rsg'</code> . |
| constraints | A 'redist_constr' list. |
| loopscompleted | Number of save points reached by the algorithm. The default is 0. |
| nloop | The total number of save points for the algorithm. The default is 1. Note that the total number of simulations run will be <code>nsims * nloop</code> . <code>savename</code> must be non-null. |
| warmup | The number of warmup samples to discard. The default is 0. |
| nthin | The amount by which to thin the Markov Chain. The default is 1. |
| eprob | The probability of keeping an edge connected. The default is 0.05. |
| lambda | The parameter determining the number of swaps to attempt each iteration of the algorithm. The number of swaps each iteration is equal to $\text{Pois}(\text{lambda}) + 1$. The default is 0. |

| | |
|---------------|--|
| pop_tol | The strength of the hard population constraint. pop_tol = 0.05 means that any proposed swap that brings a district more than 5% away from population parity will be rejected. The default is NULL. |
| temper | Whether to use simulated tempering algorithm. Default is FALSE. |
| betaseq | Sequence of beta values for tempering. The default is powerlaw (see Fifield et al (2015) for details). |
| betaseqlength | Length of beta sequence desired for tempering. The default is 10. |
| betaweights | Sequence of weights for different values of beta. Allows the user to upweight certain values of beta over others. The default is NULL (equal weighting). |
| adjswaps | Flag to restrict swaps of beta so that only values adjacent to current constraint are proposed. The default is TRUE. |
| rngseed | Allows the user to set the seed for the simulations. Default is NULL. |
| maxiterrsg | Maximum number of iterations for random seed-and-grow algorithm to generate starting values. Default is 5000. |
| adapt_lambda | Whether to adaptively tune the lambda parameter so that the Metropolis-Hastings acceptance probability falls between 20% and 40%. Default is FALSE. |
| adapt_eprob | Whether to adaptively tune the edgcut probability parameter so that the Metropolis-Hastings acceptance probability falls between 20% and 40%. Default is FALSE. |
| exact_mh | Whether to use the approximate (0) or exact (1) Metropolis-Hastings ratio calculation for accept-reject rule. Default is FALSE. |
| savename | Filename to save simulations. Default is NULL. |
| verbose | Whether to print initialization statement. Default is TRUE. |

Details

This function allows users to simulate redistricting plans using Markov Chain Monte Carlo methods. Several constraints corresponding to substantive requirements in the redistricting process are implemented, including population parity and geographic compactness. In addition, the function includes multiple-swap and simulated tempering functionality to improve the mixing of the Markov Chain.

Value

redist.mcmc returns an object of class "redist". The object redist is a list that contains the following components (the inclusion of some components is dependent on whether tempering techniques are used):

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| plans | Matrix of congressional district assignments generated by the algorithm. Each row corresponds to a geographic unit, and each column corresponds to a simulation. |
| distance_parity | Vector containing the maximum distance from parity for a particular simulated redistricting plan. |
| mhdecisions | A vector specifying whether a proposed redistricting plan was accepted (1) or rejected (0) in a given iteration. |

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| mhprob | A vector containing the Metropolis-Hastings acceptance probability for each iteration of the algorithm. |
| pparam | A vector containing the draw of the p parameter for each simulation, which dictates the number of swaps attempted. |
| constraint_pop | A vector containing the value of the population constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| constraint_compact | A vector containing the value of the compactness constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| constraint_segregation | A vector containing the value of the segregation constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| constraint_vra | A vector containing the value of the vra constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| constraint_similar | A vector containing the value of the similarity constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| constraint_partisan | A vector containing the value of the partisan constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| constraint_minority | A vector containing the value of the minority constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| constraint_hinge | A vector containing the value of the hinge constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| constraint_qps | A vector containing the value of the QPS constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| beta_sequence | A vector containing the value of beta for each iteration of the algorithm. Returned when tempering is being used. |
| mhdecisions_beta | A vector specifying whether a proposed beta value was accepted (1) or rejected (0) in a given iteration of the algorithm. Returned when tempering is being used. |
| mhprob_beta | A vector containing the Metropolis-Hastings acceptance probability for each iteration of the algorithm. Returned when tempering is being used. |

References

Fifield, Benjamin, Michael Higgins, Kosuke Imai and Alexander Tarr. (2016) "A New Automated Redistricting Simulator Using Markov Chain Monte Carlo." Working Paper. Available at <http://imai.princeton.edu/research/files/redist.pdf>.

Examples

```
data(f125)
```

```

data(fl25_enum)
data(fl25_adj)

## Code to run the simulations in Figure 4 in Fifield, Higgins, Imai and Tarr (2015)

## Get an initial partition
init_plan <- fl25_enum$plans[, 5118]

## Run the algorithm
alg_253 <- redist.flip(adj = fl25_adj, total_pop = fl25$pop,
  init_plan = init_plan, nsims = 10000)

## You can also let it find a plan on its own!
sims <- redist.flip(adj = fl25_adj, total_pop = fl25$pop,
  ndists = 3, nsims = 10000)

```

redist.flip.anneal *(Deprecated) Flip MCMC Redistricting Simulator using Simulated Annealing*

Description

redist.flip.anneal simulates congressional redistricting plans using Markov chain Monte Carlo methods coupled with simulated annealing.

Usage

```

redist.flip.anneal(
  adj,
  total_pop,
  ndists = NULL,
  init_plan = NULL,
  constraints = redist_constr(),
  num_hot_steps = 40000,
  num_annealing_steps = 60000,
  num_cold_steps = 20000,
  eprob = 0.05,
  lambda = 0,
  pop_tol = NULL,
  rngseed = NULL,
  maxiterrsg = 5000,
  adapt_lambda = FALSE,
  adapt_eprob = FALSE,
  exact_mh = FALSE,
  savename = NULL,
  verbose = TRUE
)

```

Arguments

| | |
|---------------------|--|
| adj | adjacency matrix, list, or object of class "SpatialPolygonsDataFrame." |
| total_pop | A vector containing the populations of each geographic unit |
| ndists | The number of congressional districts. The default is NULL. |
| init_plan | A vector containing the congressional district labels of each geographic unit. If not provided, random and contiguous congressional district assignments will be generated using <code>redist_smc</code> . To use the old behavior of generating with <code>redist_rsg</code> , provide <code>init_plan = 'rsg'</code> . |
| constraints | A 'redist_constr' list of constraints |
| num_hot_steps | The number of steps to run the simulator at $\beta = 0$. Default is 40000. |
| num_annealing_steps | The number of steps to run the simulator with linearly changing beta schedule. Default is 60000 |
| num_cold_steps | The number of steps to run the simulator at $\beta = 1$. Default is 20000. |
| eprob | The probability of keeping an edge connected. The default is 0.05 . |
| lambda | The parameter determining the number of swaps to attempt each iteration of the algorithm. The number of swaps each iteration is equal to $\text{Pois}(\lambda) + 1$. The default is 0 . |
| pop_tol | The strength of the hard population constraint. <code>pop_tol = 0.05</code> means that any proposed swap that brings a district more than 5% away from population parity will be rejected. The default is NULL. |
| rngseed | Allows the user to set the seed for the simulations. Default is NULL. |
| maxiterrsg | Maximum number of iterations for random seed-and-grow algorithm to generate starting values. Default is 5000. |
| adapt_lambda | Whether to adaptively tune the lambda parameter so that the Metropolis-Hastings acceptance probability falls between 20% and 40%. Default is FALSE. |
| adapt_eprob | Whether to adaptively tune the edgcut probability parameter so that the Metropolis-Hastings acceptance probability falls between 20% and 40%. Default is FALSE. |
| exact_mh | Whether to use the approximate (0) or exact (1) Metropolis-Hastings ratio calculation for accept-reject rule. Default is FALSE. |
| savename | Filename to save simulations. Default is NULL. |
| verbose | Whether to print initialization statement. Default is TRUE. |

Value

list of class `redist`

```
redist.init.enumpart Initialize enumpart
```

Description

This ensures that the enumerate partitions programs is prepared to run. This must be run once per install of the redist package.

Usage

```
redist.init.enumpart()
```

Value

0 on success

References

Benjamin Fifield, Kosuke Imai, Jun Kawahara, and Christopher T Kenny. "The Essential Role of Empirical Validation in Legislative Redistricting Simulation." Forthcoming, *Statistics and Public Policy*.

Examples

```
## Not run:
redist.init.enumpart()

## End(Not run)
```

```
redist.ipw Inverse probability reweighting for MCMC Redistricting
```

Description

redist.ipw properly weights and resamples simulated redistricting plans so that the set of simulated plans resemble a random sample from the underlying distribution. redist.ipw is used to correct the sample when population parity, geographic compactness, or other constraints are implemented.

Usage

```
redist.ipw(
  plans,
  resampleconstraint = c("pop_dev", "edges_removed", "segregation", "status_quo"),
  targetbeta,
  targetpop = NULL,
  temper = 0
)
```


Arguments

| | |
|---------------------------------|--|
| <code>plans</code> | An object of class 'redist_plans' from 'redist_flip()'. |
| <code>resampleconstraint</code> | The constraint implemented in the simulations: one of "pop", "compact", "segregation", or "similar". |
| <code>targetbeta</code> | The target value of the constraint. |
| <code>targetpop</code> | The desired level of population parity. <code>targetpop = 0.01</code> means that the desired distance from population parity is 1%. The default is NULL. |
| <code>temper</code> | A flag for whether simulated tempering was used to improve the mixing of the Markov Chain. The default is 1. |

Details

This function allows users to resample redistricting plans using inverse probability weighting techniques described in Rubin (1987). This techniques reweights and resamples redistricting plans so that the resulting sample is representative of a random sample from the uniform distribution.

Value

`redist.ipw` returns an object of class "redist". The object `redist` is a list that contains the following components (the inclusion of some components is dependent on whether tempering techniques are used):

| | |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| <code>plans</code> | Matrix of congressional district assignments generated by the algorithm. Each row corresponds to a geographic unit, and each column corresponds to a simulation. |
| <code>distance_parity</code> | Vector containing the maximum distance from parity for a particular simulated redistricting plan. |
| <code>mhdecisions</code> | A vector specifying whether a proposed redistricting plan was accepted (1) or rejected (0) in a given iteration. |
| <code>mhprob</code> | A vector containing the Metropolis-Hastings acceptance probability for each iteration of the algorithm. |
| <code>pparam</code> | A vector containing the draw of the p parameter for each simulation, which dictates the number of swaps attempted. |
| <code>constraint_pop</code> | A vector containing the value of the population constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| <code>constraint_compact</code> | A vector containing the value of the compactness constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| <code>constraint_segregation</code> | A vector containing the value of the segregation constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| <code>constraint_similar</code> | A vector containing the value of the similarity constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |

| | |
|----------------------------------|--|
| <code>constraint_vra</code> | A vector containing the value of the vra constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| <code>constraint_partisan</code> | A vector containing the value of the partisan constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| <code>constraint_minority</code> | A vector containing the value of the minority constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| <code>constraint_hinge</code> | A vector containing the value of the hinge constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| <code>constraint_qps</code> | A vector containing the value of the QPS constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| <code>beta_sequence</code> | A vector containing the value of beta for each iteration of the algorithm. Returned when tempering is being used. |
| <code>mhdecisions_beta</code> | A vector specifying whether a proposed beta value was accepted (1) or rejected (0) in a given iteration of the algorithm. Returned when tempering is being used. |
| <code>mhprob_beta</code> | A vector containing the Metropolis-Hastings acceptance probability for each iteration of the algorithm. Returned when tempering is being used. |

References

Fifield, Benjamin, Michael Higgins, Kosuke Imai and Alexander Tarr. (2016) "A New Automated Redistricting Simulator Using Markov Chain Monte Carlo." Working Paper. Available at <http://imai.princeton.edu/research/files/redist.pdf>.

Rubin, Donald. (1987) "Comment: A Noniterative Sampling/Importance Resampling Alternative to the Data Augmentation Algorithm for Creating a Few Imputations when Fractions of Missing Information are Modest: the SIR Algorithm." Journal of the American Statistical Association.

Examples

```
data(iowa)
map_ia <- redist_map(iowa, existing_plan = cd_2010, pop_tol = 0.01)
cons <- redist_constr(map_ia)
cons <- add_constr_pop_dev(cons, strength = 5.4)
alg <- redist_flip(map_ia, nsims = 500, constraints = cons)

alg_ipw <- redist.ipw(plans = alg,
  resampleconstraint = "pop_dev",
  targetbeta = 1,
  targetpop = 0.05)
```

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| redist.mcmc.mpi | <i>MCMC Redistricting Simulator using MPI</i> |
|-----------------|---|

Description

redist.mcmc.mpi is used to simulate Congressional redistricting plans using Markov Chain Monte Carlo methods.

Usage

```
redist.mcmc.mpi(
  adj,
  total_pop,
  nsims,
  ndists = NA,
  init_plan = NULL,
  loopscompleted = 0,
  nloop = 1,
  nthin = 1,
  eprob = 0.05,
  lambda = 0,
  pop_tol = NA,
  group_pop = NA,
  areasvec = NA,
  counties = NA,
  borderlength_mat = NA,
  ssdmat = NA,
  compactness_metric = "fryer-holden",
  rngseed = NA,
  constraint = NA,
  constraintweights = NA,
  betaseq = "powerlaw",
  betaseqlength = 10,
  adjswaps = TRUE,
  freq = 100,
  savename = NA,
  maxiterrsg = 5000,
  verbose = FALSE,
  cities = NULL
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| adj | An adjacency matrix, list, or object of class "SpatialPolygonsDataFrame." |
| total_pop | A vector containing the populations of each geographic unit. |
| nsims | The number of simulations run before a save point. |

| | |
|--------------------|---|
| ndists | The number of congressional districts. The default is NULL. |
| init_plan | A vector containing the congressional district labels of each geographic unit. The default is NULL. If not provided, random and contiguous congressional district assignments will be generated using <code>redist.rsg</code> . |
| loopscompleted | Number of save points reached by the algorithm. The default is 0. |
| nloop | The total number of save points for the algorithm. The default is 1. Note that the total number of simulations run will be $nsims * nloop$. |
| nthin | The amount by which to thin the Markov Chain. The default is 1. |
| eprob | The probability of keeping an edge connected. The default is 0.05. |
| lambda | The parameter determining the number of swaps to attempt each iteration of the algorithm. The number of swaps each iteration is equal to $Pois(\lambda) + 1$. The default is 0. |
| pop_tol | The strength of the hard population constraint. <code>pop_tol = 0.05</code> means that any proposed swap that brings a district more than 5% away from population parity will be rejected. The default is NULL. |
| group_pop | A vector of populations for some sub-group of interest. The default is NULL. |
| areasvec | A vector of precinct areas for discrete Polsby-Popper. The default is NULL. |
| counties | A vector of county membership assignments. The default is NULL. |
| borderlength_mat | A matrix of border length distances, where the first two columns are the indices of precincts sharing a border and the third column is its distance. Default is NULL. |
| ssdmat | A matrix of squared distances between geographic units. The default is NULL. |
| compactness_metric | The compactness metric to use when constraining on compactness. Default is <code>fryer-holden</code> , the other implemented option is <code>polsby-popper</code> . |
| rngseed | Allows the user to set the seed for the simulations. Default is NULL. |
| constraint | Which constraint to apply. Accepts any combination of <code>compact</code> , <code>vra</code> , <code>population</code> , <code>similarity</code> , or <code>none</code> (no constraint applied). The default is NULL. |
| constraintweights | The weights to apply to each constraint. Should be a vector the same length as <code>constraint</code> . Default is NULL. |
| betaseq | Sequence of beta values for tempering. The default is <code>powerlaw</code> (see Fifield et al (2015) for details). |
| betaseqlength | Length of beta sequence desired for tempering. The default is 10. |
| adjswaps | Flag to restrict swaps of beta so that only values adjacent to current constraint are proposed. The default is TRUE. |
| freq | Frequency of between-chain swaps. Default to once every 100 iterations |
| savename | Filename to save simulations. Default is NULL. |
| maxiterrsg | Maximum number of iterations for random seed-and-grow algorithm to generate starting values. Default is 5000. |
| verbose | Whether to print initialization statement. Default is TRUE. |
| cities | integer vector of cities for QPS constraint. |

Details

This function allows users to simulate redistricting plans using Markov Chain Monte Carlo methods. Several constraints corresponding to substantive requirements in the redistricting process are implemented, including population parity and geographic compactness. In addition, the function includes multiple-swap and parallel tempering functionality in MPI to improve the mixing of the Markov Chain.

Value

`redist.mcmc.mpi` returns an object of class "redist". The object `redist` is a list that contains the following components (the inclusion of some components is dependent on whether tempering techniques are used):

| | |
|---------------------------------|--|
| <code>partitions</code> | Matrix of congressional district assignments generated by the algorithm. Each row corresponds to a geographic unit, and each column corresponds to a simulation. |
| <code>distance_parity</code> | Vector containing the maximum distance from parity for a particular simulated redistricting plan. |
| <code>mhdecisions</code> | A vector specifying whether a proposed redistricting plan was accepted (1) or rejected (0) in a given iteration. |
| <code>mhprob</code> | A vector containing the Metropolis-Hastings acceptance probability for each iteration of the algorithm. |
| <code>pparam</code> | A vector containing the draw of the p parameter for each simulation, which dictates the number of swaps attempted. |
| <code>constraint_pop</code> | A vector containing the value of the population constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| <code>constraint_compact</code> | A vector containing the value of the compactness constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| <code>constraint_vra</code> | A vector containing the value of the vra constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| <code>constraint_similar</code> | A vector containing the value of the similarity constraint for each accepted redistricting plan. |
| <code>beta_sequence</code> | A vector containing the value of beta for each iteration of the algorithm. Returned when tempering is being used. |
| <code>mhdecisions_beta</code> | A vector specifying whether a proposed beta value was accepted (1) or rejected (0) in a given iteration of the algorithm. Returned when tempering is being used. |
| <code>mhprob_beta</code> | A vector containing the Metropolis-Hastings acceptance probability for each iteration of the algorithm. Returned when tempering is being used. |

References

Fifield, Benjamin, Michael Higgins, Kosuke Imai and Alexander Tarr. (2016) "A New Automated Redistricting Simulator Using Markov Chain Monte Carlo." Working Paper. Available at <http://imai.princeton.edu/research/files/redist.pdf>.

Examples

```
## Not run:
# Cannot run on machines without Rmpi
data(fl25)
data(fl25_enum)
data(fl25_adj)

## Code to run the simulations in Figure 4 in Fifield, Higgins, Imai and
## Tarr (2015)

## Get an initial partition
init_plan <- fl25_enum$plans[, 5118]

## Run the algorithm
redist.mcmc.mpi(adj = fl25_adj, total_pop = fl25$pop,
  init_plan = init_plan, nsims = 10000, savename = "test")

## End(Not run)
```

redist.multisplits *Counts the Number of Counties Split Between 3 or More Districts*

Description

Counts the total number of counties that are split across more than 2 districts.

Usage

```
redist.multisplits(plans, counties)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|--|
| plans | A numeric vector (if only one map) or matrix with one row for each precinct and one column for each map. Required. |
| counties | A vector of county names or county ids. |

Value

integer matrix where each district is a

Examples

```
data(iowa)
ia <- redist_map(iowa, existing_plan = cd_2010, total_pop = pop, pop_tol = 0.01)
plans <- redist_smc(ia, 50, silent = TRUE)
splits <- redist.multisplits(plans, ia$region)
```

| | |
|---------------|--|
| redist.parity | <i>Calculates Maximum Deviation from Population Parity</i> |
|---------------|--|

Description

Computes the deviation from population parity from a plan. Higher values indicate that (at least) a single district in the map deviates from population parity. See Details.

Usage

```
redist.parity(plans, total_pop)

plan_parity(map, .data = cur_plans(), ...)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|--|
| plans | A matrix with one row for each precinct and one column for each map. Required. |
| total_pop | A numeric vector with the population for every precinct. |
| map | a redist_map object |
| .data | a redist_plans object |
| ... | passed on to redist.parity |

Details

With a map with pop representing the populations of each district, the deviation from population parity is given as $\max(\text{abs}(\text{pop} - \text{parity}) / \text{parity})$ where $\text{parity} = \text{sum}(\text{pop}) / \text{length}(\text{pop})$ is the population size for the average district. Therefore, the metric can be thought of as the maximum percent deviation from equal population. For example, a value of 0.03 in this metric indicates that all districts are within 3 percent of population parity.

Value

numeric vector with the population parity for each column

| | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|
| redist.plot.adj | <i>Creates a Graph Overlay</i> |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|

Description

Creates a Graph Overlay

Usage

```
redist.plot.adj(
  shp,
  adj = NULL,
  plan = NULL,
  centroids = TRUE,
  drop = FALSE,
  plot_shp = TRUE,
  zoom_to = NULL,
  title = ""
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|--|
| shp | A SpatialPolygonsDataFrame or sf object. Required. |
| adj | A zero-indexed adjacency list. Created with redist.adjacency if not supplied. Default is NULL. |
| plan | A numeric vector with one entry for each precinct in shp. Used to remove edges that cross boundaries. Default is NULL. Optional. |
| centroids | A logical indicating if centroids should be plotted. Default is TRUE. |
| drop | A logical indicating if edges that cross districts should be dropped. Default is FALSE. |
| plot_shp | A logical indicating if the shp should be plotted under the graph. Default is TRUE. |
| zoom_to | <data-masking> An indexing vector of units to zoom the map to. |
| title | A string title of plot. Defaults to empty string. Optional. |

Value

ggplot map

Examples

```
data(iowa)
redist.plot.adj(shp = iowa, plan = iowa$cd_2010)
```

redist.plot.cores *Plot Cores*

Description

Plot Cores

Usage

```
redist.plot.cores(shp, plan = NULL, core = NULL, lwd = 2)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------|--|
| shp | A SpatialPolygonsDataFrame or sf object. Required. |
| plan | A numeric vector with one entry for each precinct in shp. Used to color the districts. Required. |
| core | Required. integer vector produced by redist.identify.cores(). |
| lwd | Line width. Defaults to 2. |

Value

ggplot

```
redist.plot.distr_qtys
```

Plot quantities by district

Description

Plots a boxplot of a quantity of interest across districts, with districts optionally sorted by this quantity. Adds reference points for each reference plan, if applicable.

Usage

```
redist.plot.distr_qtys(
  plans,
  qty,
  sort = "asc",
  geom = "jitter",
  color_thresh = NULL,
  size = 0.1,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------|---|
| plans | the redist_plans object. |
| qty | <data-masking> the quantity of interest. |
| sort | set to "asc" to sort districts in ascending order of qty (the default), "desc" for descending order, or FALSE or "none" for no sorting. |
| geom | the geom to use in plotting the simulated districts: either "jitter" or "boxplot" |

| | |
|--------------|---|
| color_thresh | if a number, the threshold to use in coloring the points. Plans with quantities of interest above the threshold will be colored differently than plans below the threshold. |
| size | The dot size for geom="jitter". |
| ... | passed on to geom_boxplot |

Value

A ggplot

Examples

```
library(dplyr)
data(iowa)

iowa <- redist_map(iowa, existing_plan = cd_2010, pop_tol = 0.05, total_pop = pop)
plans <- redist_smc(iowa, nsims = 100, silent = TRUE)
plans %>%
  mutate(pct_dem = group_frac(iowa, dem_08, tot_08)) %>%
  redist.plot.distr_qtys(pct_dem)
```

| | |
|------------------|--|
| redist.plot.hist | <i>Plot a histogram of a summary statistic</i> |
|------------------|--|

Description

Plots a histogram of a statistic of a [redist_plans](#) object, with a reference line for each reference plan, if applicable.

Usage

```
redist.plot.hist(plans, qty, bins = NULL, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'redist_plans'
hist(x, qty, ...)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------|---|
| plans | the redist_plans object. |
| qty | <data-masking> the statistic. |
| bins | the number of bins to use in the histogram. Defaults to Freedman-Diaconis rule. |
| ... | passed on to geom_histogram |
| x | <data-masking> the statistic. |

Value

A ggplot

Examples

```
library(dplyr)
data(iowa)

iowa <- redist_map(iowa, existing_plan = cd_2010, pop_tol = 0.05)
plans <- redist_smc(iowa, nsims = 100, silent = TRUE)
group_by(plans, draw) %>%
  summarize(pop_dev = max(abs(total_pop/mean(total_pop) - 1))) %>%
  redist.plot.hist(pop_dev)
```

```
redist.plot.interactive
```

Display an interactive map

Description

Plots an interactive Leaflet map of a `redist_map` object, optionally colored by a quantity of interest. May also be accessed by setting `interactive=TRUE` in `plot.redist_map`.

Usage

```
redist.plot.interactive(
  map,
  fill = NULL,
  scale = ggplot2::scale_fill_viridis_c,
  limits = NULL,
  useGL = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------------------|---|
| <code>map</code> | the <code>redist_map</code> object |
| <code>fill</code> | <code><data-masking></code> If present, will be used to color the map units. |
| <code>scale</code> | the color scale to use, for numeric fill. |
| <code>limits</code> | the color scale limits. Defaults to the range of the data. |
| <code>useGL</code> | if <code>TRUE</code> and <code>leafgl</code> is installed, use WebGL for faster plotting. |

Details

If `leafgl` is installed, will use its faster rendering functions to plot the map, which may be useful for larger maps.

Value

a Leaflet object

redist.plot.majmin *Majority Minority Plots*

Description

Majority Minority Plots

Usage

```
redist.plot.majmin(grouppercent, type = "hist", title = "")
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------------|--------------------------------------|
| grouppercent | output from redist.group.percent |
| type | string in 'hist', 'toptwo', or 'box' |
| title | ggplot title |

Value

ggplot

redist.plot.map *Plot a Map*

Description

Create a ggplot map. It fills by plan or argument fill. If both are supplied, plan is used as the color and fill as the alpha parameter.

Usage

```
redist.plot.map(
  shp,
  adj,
  plan = NULL,
  fill = NULL,
  fill_label = "",
  zoom_to = NULL,
  boundaries = is.null(fill),
  title = ""
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------|--|
| shp | A SpatialPolygonsDataFrame, sf object, or redist_map. Required. |
| adj | A zero-indexed adjacency list. Created with redist.adjacency if not supplied and needed for coloring. Default is NULL. |
| plan | <data-masking> A numeric vector with one entry for each precinct in shp. Used to color the districts. Default is NULL. Optional. |
| fill | <data-masking> A numeric/integer vector with values to color the plot with. Optional. |
| fill_label | A string title of plot. Defaults to the empty string |
| zoom_to | <data-masking> An indexing vector of units to zoom the map to. |
| boundaries | A logical indicating if precinct boundaries should be plotted. |
| title | A string title of plot. Defaults to empty string. Optional. |

Value

ggplot map

Examples

```
data(iowa)
redist.plot.map(shp = iowa, plan = iowa$cd_2010)

iowa_map <- redist_map(iowa, existing_plan = cd_2010)
redist.plot.map(iowa_map, fill = dem_08/tot_08, zoom_to = (cd_2010 == 1))
```

redist.plot.penalty *(Deprecated) Visualize Group Power Penalty*

Description

Plots the shape of the [add_constr_grp_pow()] penalty.

Usage

```
redist.plot.penalty(
  tgt_min = 0.55,
  tgt_other = 0.25,
  strength_vra = 2500,
  pow_vra = 1.5,
  limits = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------------|--|
| tgt_min | double, defaults to 0.55. The minority target percent. |
| tgt_other | double, defaults to 0.25. The other group target percent. |
| strength_vra | double, strength of the VRA constraint. |
| pow_vra | double, exponent of the VRA constraint. |
| limits | Whether to limit y axis to 0,500. Default is TRUE for comparability across values. |

Details

This function allows you to plot the un-exponentiated penalty implemented as [add_constr_grp_pow()]. The function takes two key inputs, 'tgt_min' and 'tgt_other' which center the minimum penalty spots. A higher y-value indicates a higher penalty and incentivizes moving towards a spot with a lower y-value. The x-axis indicates the group population proportion in a given district.

Value

ggplot

redist.plot.plans *Plot a district assignment*

Description

Plot a district assignment

Usage

```
redist.plot.plans(
  plans,
  draws,
  shp,
  qty = NULL,
  interactive = FALSE,
  ...,
  geom = NULL
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------|---|
| plans | a redist_plans object. |
| draws | the plan(s) to plot. Will match the draw column of x. |
| qty | the quantity to plot. Defaults to the district assignment. |
| interactive | if TRUE, show an interactive map in the viewer rather than a static map. Only uses the first element of draws |
| ... | additional arguments passed to the plotting functions. |
| geom, shp | the redist_map geometry to use ('geom' is deprecated). |

Value

A ggplot

Examples

```
library(dplyr)
data(iowa)

iowa <- redist_map(iowa, existing_plan = cd_2010, pop_tol = 0.05, total_pop = pop)
plans <- redist_smc(iowa, nsims = 100, silent = TRUE)
redist.plot.plans(plans, c(1, 2, 3, 4), iowa)
```

redist.plot.scatter *Scatter plot of plan summary statistics*

Description

Makes a scatterplot of two quantities of interest across districts or plans.

Usage

```
redist.plot.scatter(plans, x, y, ..., bigger = TRUE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------|---|
| plans | the redist_plans object. |
| x | <data-masking> the quantity to plot on the horizontal axis. |
| y | <data-masking> the quantity to plot on the vertical axis. |
| ... | passed on to <code>geom_point</code> . |
| bigger | if TRUE, make the point corresponding to the reference plan larger. |

Value

A ggplot

Examples

```
library(dplyr)
data(iowa)

iowa <- redist_map(iowa, existing_plan = cd_2010, pop_tol = 0.05, total_pop = pop)
plans <- redist_smc(iowa, nsims = 100, silent = TRUE)
plans %>%
  mutate(comp = distr_compactness(iowa)) %>%
  group_by(draw) %>%
  summarize(pop_dev = max(abs(total_pop/mean(total_pop) - 1)),
```

```
comp = comp[1]) %>%
redist.plot.scatter(pop_dev, comp)
```

redist.plot.trace *Make a traceplot for a summary statistic*

Description

For a statistic in a [redist_plans](#) object, make a traceplot showing the evolution of the statistic over MCMC iterations.

Usage

```
redist.plot.trace(plans, qty, district = 1L, ...)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|---|
| plans | the redist_plans object. |
| qty | <data-masking> the statistic. |
| district | for redist_plans objects with multiple districts, which district to subset to for plotting. Set to NULL to perform no subsetting. |
| ... | passed on to geom_line |

Value

A ggplot

Examples

```
library(dplyr)
data(iowa)

iowa_map <- redist_map(iowa, existing_plan = cd_2010, pop_tol = 0.05)
plans <- redist_mergesplit_parallel(iowa_map, nsims = 200, chains = 2, silent = TRUE) %>%
  mutate(dem = group_frac(iowa_map, dem_08, dem_08 + rep_08)) %>%
  number_by(dem)
redist.plot.trace(plans, dem, district = 1)
```

redist.plot.varinfo *Static Variation of Information Plot*

Description

Static Variation of Information Plot

Usage

```
redist.plot.varinfo(plans, group_pop, total_pop, shp)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| plans | matrix of district assignments |
| group_pop | Required Population of subgroup being studied in each precinct. |
| total_pop | Required. Population of each precinct. |
| shp | sf dataframe |

Value

patchworked ggplot

redist.plot.wted.adj *Plot Weighted Border Adjacency*

Description

Plots the weighted adjacency graph by how often precincts cocur. If an argument to counties is provided, it subsets the edges to plot to those that cross over the county boundary.

Usage

```
redist.plot.wted.adj(  
  shp,  
  plans,  
  counties = NULL,  
  ref = TRUE,  
  adj = NULL,  
  plot_shp = TRUE  
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|---|
| shp | A SpatialPolygonsDataFrame, sf object, or redist_map. Required. |
| plans | A 'redist_plans' object or matrix of redistricting plans, where each column indicates a plan and each |
| counties | unquoted name of a column in 'shp' or a vector of county assignments. Subsets to edges which cross this boundary if supplied. |
| ref | Plot reference map? Defaults to TRUE which gets the existing plan from |
| adj | A zero-indexed adjacency list. Extracted from 'shp' if 'shp' is a 'redist_map'. Otherwise created with redist.adjacency if not supplied. Default is NULL. |
| plot_shp | Should the shapes be plotted? Default is TRUE. |

Value

ggplot

Examples

```
data(iowa)
shp <- redist_map(iowa, existing_plan = cd_2010, pop_tol = 0.01)
plans <- redist_smc(shp, 100)
redist.plot.wted.adj(shp, plans = plans, counties = region)
```

redist.prec.pop.overlap

Compare the Population Overlap Across Plans at the Precinct Level

Description

Compare the Population Overlap Across Plans at the Precinct Level

Usage

```
redist.prec.pop.overlap(
  plan_old,
  plan_new,
  total_pop,
  weighting = "s",
  normalize = TRUE,
  index_only = FALSE,
  return_mat = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------------------|--|
| <code>plan_old</code> | The reference plan to compare against |
| <code>plan_new</code> | The new plan to compare to the reference plan |
| <code>total_pop</code> | The total population by precinct This can also take a <code>redist_map</code> object and will use the population in that object. If nothing is provided, it weights all entries in plan equally. |
| <code>weighting</code> | Should weighting be done by sum of populations ‘s’, mean of populations ‘m’, geometric mean of populations ‘g’, or none ‘n’ |
| <code>normalize</code> | Should entries be normalized by the total population |
| <code>index_only</code> | Default is FALSE. TRUE returns only one numeric index, the mean of the upper triangle of the matrix, under the weighting and normalization chosen. |
| <code>return_mat</code> | Defaults to FALSE, where it returns the summary by row. If TRUE returns matrix with <code>length(plan_old)</code> rows and columns. Ignored if <code>index_only = TRUE</code> . |

Value

numeric vector with `length(plan_old)` entries

Examples

```
set.seed(5)
data(iowa)
iowa_map <- redist_map(iowa, total_pop = pop, pop_tol = 0.01, ndists = 4)
plans <- redist_smc(iowa_map, 2, silent = TRUE)
plans_mat <- get_plans_matrix(plans)
ov_vec <- redist_prec_pop_overlap(plans_mat[, 1], plans_mat[, 2], iowa_map)
redist_prec_pop_overlap(plans_mat[, 1], plans_mat[, 2], iowa_map, weighting = "s",
  normalize = FALSE, index_only = TRUE)
```

`redist.prep.enumpart` *Prepares a run of the enumpart algorithm by ordering edges*

Description

Prepares a run of the enumpart algorithm by ordering edges

Usage

```
redist.prep.enumpart(
  adj,
  unordered_path,
  ordered_path,
  weight_path = NULL,
  total_pop = NULL
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------------|--|
| adj | zero indexed adjacency list |
| unordered_path | valid path to output the unordered adjacency map to |
| ordered_path | valid path to output the ordered adjacency map to |
| weight_path | A path (not including ".dat") to store a space-delimited file containing a vector of vertex weights. Only supply with total_pop. |
| total_pop | the vector of precinct populations. Only supply with weight_path |

Value

0 on success

References

Benjamin Fifield, Kosuke Imai, Jun Kawahara, and Christopher T Kenny. "The Essential Role of Empirical Validation in Legislative Redistricting Simulation." Forthcoming, Statistics and Public Policy.

Examples

```
## Not run:
temp <- tempdir()
data(fl25)
adj <- redist.adjacency(fl25)
redist.prep.enumpart(adj = adj, unordered_path = paste0(temp, "/unordered"),
  ordered_path = paste0(temp, "/ordered"))

## End(Not run)
```

redist.prep.polsbypopper

Prep Polsby Popper Perimeter Dataframe

Description

Prep Polsby Popper Perimeter Dataframe

Usage

```
redist.prep.polsbypopper(shp, planarize = 3857, perim_path, ncores = 1)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------|--|
| shp | A SpatialPolygonsDataFrame or sf object. Required unless "EdgesRemoved" and "logSpanningTree" with adjacency provided. |
| planarize | a number, indicating the CRS to project the shapefile to if it is latitude-longitude based. Set to FALSE to avoid planarizing. |
| perim_path | A path to save an Rds |
| ncores | the number of cores to parallelize over |

Value

A perimeter dataframe

Examples

```
data(f125)
perim_df <- redistmetrics::prep_perims(shp = f125)
```

redist.random.subgraph

Return a random subgraph of a shape

Description

'random.subgraph' returns a random subset of the shp provided

Usage

```
redist.random.subgraph(shp, n, adj = NULL)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----|--|
| shp | sf object or SpatialPolygonsDataFrame |
| n | number of edges to sample. n must be a positive integer. |
| adj | Optional. zero indexed adjacency list. |

Details

Snowball sampling with backtracking

Value

sf dataframe with n rows

redist.read.enumpart *Read Results from enumpart*

Description

Read Results from enumpart

Usage

```
redist.read.enumpart(out_path, skip = 0, n_max = -1L)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|---|
| out_path | out_path specified in redist.run.enumpart |
| skip | number of lines to skip |
| n_max | max number of lines to read |

Value

district_membership matrix

References

Benjamin Fifield, Kosuke Imai, Jun Kawahara, and Christopher T Kenny. "The Essential Role of Empirical Validation in Legislative Redistricting Simulation." Forthcoming, *Statistics and Public Policy*.

Examples

```
## Not run:  
temp <- tempdir()  
cds <- redist.read.enumpart(out_path = paste0(temp, "/enumerated"))  
  
## End(Not run)
```

redist.reduce.adjacency
Reduce Adjacency List

Description

Tool to help reduce adjacency lists for analyzing subsets of maps.

Usage

```
redist.reduce.adjacency(adj, keep_rows)
```

Arguments

`adj` A zero-indexed adjacency list. Required.
`keep_rows` row numbers of precincts to keep

Value

zero indexed adjacency list with max value length(keep_rows) - 1

Examples

```
data(fl25_adj)
redist.reduce.adjacency(fl25_adj, c(2, 3, 4, 6, 21))
```

| | |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| <code>redist.reorder</code> | <i>Reorders district numbers</i> |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|

Description

Ensures that for each column in the plans object, the first district listed is 1, the second is 2, up to n districts. Assumes that all columns have the same number of districts as the first.

Usage

```
redist.reorder(plans)
```

Arguments

`plans` A numeric vector (if only one map) or matrix with one row for each precinct and one column for each map.

Value

integer matrix

Examples

```
cds <- matrix(c(rep(c(4L, 5L, 2L, 1L, 3L), 5),
  rep(c(5L, 4L, 3L, 2L, 1L), 2), rep(c(4L, 5L, 2L, 1L, 3L), 3)), nrow = 25)
redist.reorder(cds)
```

redist.rsg

Redistricting via Random Seed and Grow Algorithm

Description

redist.rsg generates redistricting plans using a random seed a grow algorithm. This is the non-compact districting algorithm described in Chen and Rodden (2013). The algorithm can provide start values for the other redistricting routines in this package.

Usage

```
redist.rsg(adj, total_pop, ndists, pop_tol, verbose = TRUE, maxiter = 5000)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|--|
| adj | List of length N, where N is the number of precincts. Each list element is an integer vector indicating which precincts that precinct is adjacent to. It is assumed that precinct numbers start at 0. |
| total_pop | numeric vector of length N, where N is the number of precincts. Each element lists the population total of the corresponding precinct, and is used to enforce population constraints. |
| ndists | integer, the number of districts we want to partition the precincts into. |
| pop_tol | numeric, indicating how close district population targets have to be to the target population before algorithm converges. thresh=0.05 for example means that all districts must be between 0.95 and 1.05 times the size of target.pop in population size. |
| verbose | boolean, indicating whether the time to run the algorithm is printed. |
| maxiter | integer, indicating maximum number of iterations to attempt before convergence to population constraint fails. If it fails once, it will use a different set of start values and try again. If it fails again, redist.rsg() returns an object of all NAs, indicating that use of more iterations may be advised. |

Value

list, containing three objects containing the completed redistricting plan.

- plan A vector of length N, indicating the district membership of each precinct.
- district_list A list of length Ndistrict. Each list contains a vector of the precincts in the respective district.
- district_pop A vector of length Ndistrict, containing the population totals of the respective districts.

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References

Jowei Chen and Jonathan Rodden (2013) “Unintentional Gerrymandering: Political Geography and Electoral Bias in Legislatures.” *Quarterly Journal of Political Science*. 8(3): 239-269.

Examples

```
### Real data example from test set
data(f125)
data(f125_adj)

res <- redist.rsg(adj = f125_adj, total_pop = f125$pop,
  ndists = 3, pop_tol = 0.05)
```

redist.run.enumpart *Runs the enumpart algorithm*

Description

Runs the enumpart algorithm

Usage

```
redist.run.enumpart(
  ordered_path,
  out_path,
  ndists = 2,
  all = TRUE,
  n = NULL,
  weight_path = NULL,
  lower = NULL,
  upper = NULL,
  options = NULL
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------------|---|
| ordered_path | Path used in redist.prep.enumpart (not including ".dat") |
| out_path | Valid path to output the enumerated districts |
| ndists | number of districts to enumerate |
| all | boolean. TRUE outputs all districts. FALSE samples n districts. |
| n | integer. Number of districts to output if all is FALSE. Returns districts selected from uniform random distribution. |
| weight_path | A path (not including ".dat") to a space-delimited file containing a vector of vertex weights, to be used along with lower and upper. |
| lower | A lower bound on each partition's total weight, implemented by rejection sampling. |
| upper | An upper bound on each partition's total weight. |
| options | Additional enumpart arguments. Not recommended for use. |

Value

0 on success

References

Benjamin Fifield, Kosuke Imai, Jun Kawahara, and Christopher T Kenny. "The Essential Role of Empirical Validation in Legislative Redistricting Simulation." Forthcoming, Statistics and Public Policy.

Examples

```
## Not run:
temp <- tempdir()
redist.run.enumpart(ordered_path = paste0(temp, "/ordered"),
  out_path = paste0(temp, "/enumerated"))

## End(Not run)
```

redist.sink.plan *Sink Plans to 1:ndists*

Description

Takes a plan and renumbers it to be from 1:ndists

Usage

```
redist.sink.plan(plan)
```

Arguments

plan vector of assignments, required.

Value

A vector with an ID that corresponds from 1:ndists

Examples

```
data(fl25_enum)
plan <- fl25_enum$plans[, 5118]
# Subset based on something:
plan <- plan[plan != 2]
plan <- redist.sink.plan(plan)
# Now plan can be used with redist.flip()
plan
```

redist.smc_is_ci *(Deprecated) Confidence Intervals for Importance Sampling Estimates*

Description

Builds a confidence interval for a quantity of interest, given importance sampling weights.

Usage

```
redist.smc_is_ci(x, wgt, conf = 0.99)
```

Arguments

x A numeric vector containing the quantity of interest

wgt A numeric vector containing the nonnegative importance weights. Will be normalized automatically.

conf The confidence level for the interval.

Value

A two-element vector of the form [lower, upper] containing the importance sampling confidence interval.

| | |
|---------------|---------------------|
| redist.subset | <i>Subset a shp</i> |
|---------------|---------------------|

Description

Subsets a shp object along with its adjacency. Useful for running smaller analyses on pairs of districts. Provide population, ndists, pop_tol, and sub_ndists to get proper population parity constraints on subsets.

Usage

```
redist.subset(shp, adj, keep_rows, total_pop, ndists, pop_tol, sub_ndists)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------|---|
| shp | An sf object |
| adj | A zero-indexed adjacency list. Created with redist.adjacency if not supplied. |
| keep_rows | row numbers of precincts to keep. Random submap selected if not supplied. |
| total_pop | numeric vector with one entry for the population of each precinct. |
| ndists | integer, number of districts in whole map |
| pop_tol | The strength of the hard population constraint. |
| sub_ndists | integer, number of districts in subset map |

Value

a list containing the following components:

| | |
|-------------|---|
| shp | The subsetted shp object |
| adj | The subsetted adjacency list for shp |
| keep_rows | The indices of the rows kept. |
| sub_ndists | The number of districts in the subset. |
| sub_pop_tol | The new parity constraint for a subset. |

| | |
|------------------|------------------------------------|
| redist.uncoarsen | <i>Uncoarsen a District Matrix</i> |
|------------------|------------------------------------|

Description

After a cores analysis or other form of coarsening, sometimes you need to be at the original geography level to be comparable. This takes in a coarsened matrix and uncoarsens it to the original level

Usage

```
redist.uncoarsen(plans, group_index)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------|--------------------------------------|
| plans | A coarsened matrix of plans. |
| group_index | The index used to coarsen the shape. |

Value

matrix

| | |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------|
| redist.wted.adj | <i>Create Weighted Adjacency Data</i> |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------|

Description

Create Weighted Adjacency Data

Usage

```
redist.wted.adj(map = NULL, plans = NULL)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------|--------------|
| map | redist_map |
| plans | redist_plans |

Value

tibble

Examples

```
data(iowa)
shp <- redist_map(iowa, existing_plan = cd_2010, pop_tol = 0.01)
plans <- redist_smc(shp, 100)
redist.wted.adj(shp, plans = plans)
```

`redist_constr`*Set up constraints for sampling*

Description

`redist_constr` objects are used to specify constraints when sampling redistricting plans with `redist_smc()` and `redist_mergesplit()`. Each constraint is specified as a function which scores a given plan. Higher scores are penalized and sampled less frequently.

Usage

```
redist_constr(map = tibble())
```

Arguments

`map` a `redist_map()` object; the map that will be used in sampling

Details

The `redist_constr` object keeps track of sampling constraints in a nested list. You can view the exact structure of this list by calling `str()`. Constraints may be added by using one of the following functions:

- `add_constr_compet()`
- `add_constr_custom()`
- `add_constr_edges_rem()`
- `add_constr_fry_hold()`
- `add_constr_grp_hinge()`
- `add_constr_grp_inv_hinge()`
- `add_constr_grp_pow()`
- `add_constr_incumbency()`
- `add_constr_log_st()`
- `add_constr_multisplits()`
- `add_constr_polsby()`
- `add_constr_pop_dev()`
- `add_constr_segregation()`
- `add_constr_splits()`
- `add_constr_status_quo()`
- `add_constr_total_splits()`

More information about each constraint can be found on the relevant constraint page.

Value

a `redist_constr` object, which is just a list with a certain nested structure.

Examples

```
data(iowa)
map_ia <- redist_map(iowa, existing_plan = cd_2010, pop_tol = 0.01)
constr <- redist_constr(map_ia)
constr <- add_constr_splits(constr, strength = 1.5, admin = region)
print(constr)
```

redist_flip

'Flip' Markov Chain Monte Carlo Redistricting Simulation

Description

`redist_flip` provides a tidy interface to the methods in [redist.flip](#).

Usage

```
redist_flip(
  map,
  nsims,
  warmup = 0,
  init_plan,
  constraints = redist_constr(map) %>% add_constr_edges_rem(0.4),
  nthin = 1,
  eprob = 0.05,
  lambda = 0,
  temper = FALSE,
  betaseq = "powerlaw",
  betaseqlength = 10,
  betaweights = NULL,
  adapt_lambda = FALSE,
  adapt_eprob = FALSE,
  exact_mh = FALSE,
  adjswaps = TRUE,
  init_name = NULL,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------------------|--|
| <code>map</code> | A redist_map object. |
| <code>nsims</code> | The number of samples to draw, not including warmup. |
| <code>warmup</code> | The number of warmup samples to discard. |

| | |
|---------------|---|
| init_plan | A vector containing the congressional district labels of each geographic unit. The default is NULL. If not provided, a random initial plan will be generated using redist_smc. You can also request to initialize using redist.rsg by supplying 'rsg', though this is not recommended behavior. |
| constraints | A redist_constr object. |
| nthin | The amount by which to thin the Markov Chain. The default is 1. |
| eprob | The probability of keeping an edge connected. The default is 0.05. |
| lambda | lambda The parameter determining the number of swaps to attempt each iteration of the algorithm. The number of swaps each iteration is equal to $\text{Pois}(\lambda) + 1$. The default is 0. |
| temper | Whether to use simulated tempering algorithm. Default is FALSE. |
| betaseq | Sequence of beta values for tempering. The default is powerlaw (see Fifield et al (2020) for details). |
| betaseqlength | Length of beta sequence desired for tempering. The default is 10. |
| betaweights | betaweights Sequence of weights for different values of beta. Allows the user to upweight certain values of beta over others. The default is NULL (equal weighting). |
| adapt_lambda | adapt_lambda Whether to adaptively tune the lambda parameter so that the Metropolis-Hastings acceptance probability falls between 20% and 40%. Default is FALSE. |
| adapt_eprob | eprob Whether to adaptively tune the edgcut probability parameter so that the Metropolis-Hastings acceptance probability falls between 20% and 40%. Default is FALSE. |
| exact_mh | Whether to use the approximate (FALSE) or exact (TRUE) Metropolis-Hastings ratio calculation for accept-reject rule. Default is FALSE. |
| adjswaps | Flag to restrict swaps of beta so that only values adjacent to current constraint are proposed. The default is TRUE. |
| init_name | a name for the initial plan, or FALSE to not include the initial plan in the output. Defaults to the column name of the existing plan, or "<init>" if the initial plan is sampled. |
| verbose | Whether to print initialization statement. Default is TRUE. |

Details

This function allows users to simulate redistricting plans using the Markov Chain Monte Carlo methods of Fifield et al. Several constraints corresponding to substantive requirements in the redistricting process are implemented, including population parity and geographic compactness. In addition, the function includes multiple-swap and simulated tempering functionality to improve the mixing of the Markov Chain.

redist_flip allows for Gibbs constraints to be supplied via a list object passed to constraints. This is a change from the original redist.flip behavior to allow for a more straightforward function call when used within a pipe. A key difference between redist_flip and redist.flip is that redist_flip uses a small compactness constraint by default, as this improves the realism of the maps greatly and also leads to large speed improvements. (One of the most time consuming

aspects of the flip MCMC backend is checking for district shattering, which is slowed down even further by non-compact districts. As such, it is recommended that all flip simulations use at least a minimal compactness constraint, even if you weaken it from the default settings.) The default is a compact constraint using the edges-removed metric with a weight of 0.6. For very small maps (< 100 precincts), you will likely want to weaken (lower) this constraint, while for very large maps (> 5000 precincts), you will likely want to strengthen (increase) this constraint. Otherwise, for most maps, the default constraint should be a good starting place.

redist_flip samples from a known target distribution which can be described using the constraints. The following describes the constraints available. The general advice is to set weights in a way that gets between 20% on average, though more tuning advice is available in the vignette on using MCMC methods. Having too small of an acceptance rate indicates that the weights within constraints are too large and will impact sampling efficiency. If the Metropolis Hastings acceptance rate is too large, this may impact the target distribution, but may be fine for general exploration of possible maps.

There are currently 9 implemented constraint types, though 'compact and partisan have sub-types which are specified via a character metric within their respective list objects. The constraints are as follows:

- compact - biases the algorithm towards drawing more compact districts.
- weight - the coefficient to put on the Gibbs constraint
- metric - which metric to use. Must be one of edges-removed (the default), polsby-popper, fryer-holden, or log-st. Using Polsby Popper is generally not recommended, as edges-removed is faster and highly correlated. log-st can be used to match the target distribution of redist_smc or redist_mergesplit.
- areas - Only used with polsby-popper - A vector of precinct areas.
- borderlength_mat - Only used with polsby-popper - A matrix of precinct border lengths.
- ssdmat - Only used with fryer-holden - A matrix of squared distances between precinct centroids.
- ssd_denom - Only used with fryer-holden - a positive integer to use as the normalizing constant for the Relative Proximity Index.
- population - A Gibbs constraint to complement the hard population constraint set by pop_tol. This penalizes moves which move away from smaller population parity deviations. It is very useful when an init_plan sits outside of the desired pop_tol but there are substantive reasons to use that plan. This constraint uses the input to total_pop.
- weight - the coefficient to put on the Gibbs constraint
- countysplit This is a Gibbs constraint to minimize county splits. Unlike SMC's county constraint, this allows for more than ndists - 1 splits and does not require that counties are contiguous.
- weight - the coefficient to put on the Gibbs constraint
- hinge This uses the proportion of a group in a district and matches to the nearest target proportion, and then creates a penalty of $\sqrt{\max(0, \text{nearest.target} - \text{group.pct})}$.
- weight - the coefficient to put on the Gibbs constraint
- minorityprop - A numeric vector of minority proportions (between 0 and 1) which districts should aim to have

- `vra` This takes two target proportions of the presence of a minority group within a district. $(|target.min - group.pct| |target.other - group.pct|)^{1.5}$
- `weight` - the coefficient to put on the Gibbs constraint
- `target_min` - the target minority percentage. Often, this is set to 0.55 to encourage minority majority districts.
- `target_other` - the target minority percentage for non majority minority districts.
- `minority` This constraint sorts the districts by the proportion of a group in a district and compares the highest districts to the entries of `minorityprop`. This takes the form $\sum_{i=1}^n \sqrt{|group.pct(i) - minorityprop(i)|}$ where `n` is the length of `minorityprop` input.
- `weight` - the coefficient to put on the Gibbs constraint
- `minorityprop` - A numeric vector of minority proportions (between 0 and 1) which districts should aim to have
- `similarity` This is a status-quo constraint which penalizes plans which are very different from the starting place. It is useful for local exploration.
- `weight` - the coefficient to put on the Gibbs constraint
- `partisan` This is a constraint which minimizes partisan bias, either as measured as the difference from proportional representation or as the magnitude of the efficiency gap.
- `weight` - the coefficient to put on the Gibbs constraint
- `rvote` - An integer vector of votes for Republicans or other party
- `dvote` - An integer vector of votes for Democrats or other party
- `metric` - which metric to use. Must be one of `proportional-representation` or `efficiency-gap`.
- `segregation` This constraint attempts to minimize the degree of dissimilarity between districts by group population.
- `weight` - the coefficient to put on the Gibbs constraint

Value

A `redist_plans` object containing the simulated plans.

References

Fifield, Benjamin, Michael Higgins, Kosuke Imai and Alexander Tarr. (2016) "A New Automated Redistricting Simulator Using Markov Chain Monte Carlo." Working Paper. Available at <http://imai.princeton.edu/research/files/redist.pdf>.

Examples

```
data(iowa)
iowa_map <- redist_map(iowa, ndists = 4, existing_plan = cd_2010, total_pop = pop,
  pop_tol = 0.05)
sims <- redist_flip(map = iowa_map, nsims = 100)
```

 redist_flip_anneal *Flip MCMC Redistricting Simulator using Simulated Annealing*

Description

redist_flip_anneal simulates congressional redistricting plans using Markov chain Monte Carlo methods coupled with simulated annealing.

Usage

```
redist_flip_anneal(
  map,
  nsims,
  warmup = 0,
  init_plan = NULL,
  constraints = redist_constr(),
  num_hot_steps = 40000,
  num_annealing_steps = 60000,
  num_cold_steps = 20000,
  eprob = 0.05,
  lambda = 0,
  adapt_lambda = FALSE,
  adapt_eprob = FALSE,
  exact_mh = FALSE,
  maxiterrsg = 5000,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------------------|--|
| map | A redist_map object. |
| nsims | The number of samples to draw, not including warmup. |
| warmup | The number of warmup samples to discard. |
| init_plan | A vector containing the congressional district labels of each geographic unit. The default is NULL. If not provided, a random initial plan will be generated using <code>redist_smc</code> . You can also request to initialize using <code>redist.rsg</code> by supplying 'rsg', though this is not recommended behavior. |
| constraints | A 'redist_constr' object. |
| num_hot_steps | The number of steps to run the simulator at $\beta = 0$. Default is 40000. |
| num_annealing_steps | The number of steps to run the simulator with linearly changing β schedule. Default is 60000. |
| num_cold_steps | The number of steps to run the simulator at $\beta = 1$. Default is 20000. |
| eprob | The probability of keeping an edge connected. The default is 0.05. |

| | |
|--------------|---|
| lambda | The parameter determining the number of swaps to attempt each iteration of the algorithm. The number of swaps each iteration is equal to $\text{Pois}(\text{lambda}) + 1$. The default is 0. |
| adapt_lambda | Whether to adaptively tune the lambda parameter so that the Metropolis-Hastings acceptance probability falls between 20% and 40%. Default is FALSE. |
| adapt_eprob | Whether to adaptively tune the edgcut probability parameter so that the Metropolis-Hastings acceptance probability falls between 20% and 40%. Default is FALSE. |
| exact_mh | Whether to use the approximate (0) or exact (1) Metropolis-Hastings ratio calculation for accept-reject rule. Default is FALSE. |
| maxiterrsg | Maximum number of iterations for random seed-and-grow algorithm to generate starting values. Default is 5000. |
| verbose | Whether to print initialization statement. Default is TRUE. |

Value

redist_plans

redist_map *Create a redist_map object.*

Description

Sets up a redistricting problem.

Usage

```
redist_map(
  ...,
  existing_plan = NULL,
  pop_tol = NULL,
  total_pop = c("pop", "population", "total_pop", "POP100"),
  ndists = NULL,
  pop_bounds = NULL,
  adj = NULL,
  adj_col = "adj",
  planarize = 3857
)

as_redist_map(x)
```

Arguments

... column elements to be bound into a redist_map object or a single list or data.frame. These will be passed on to the `tibble` constructor.

existing_plan `<tidy-select>` the existing district assignment. Must be numeric or convertible to numeric.

| | |
|------------|--|
| pop_tol | <data-masking> the population tolerance. The percentage deviation from the average population will be constrained to be no more than this number. If <code>existing_plan</code> is provided, defaults to the parity of that plan; otherwise, defaults to 0.01. |
| total_pop | <tidy-select> the vector of precinct populations. Defaults to the <code>pop</code> , <code>population</code> , or <code>total_pop</code> columns, if one exists. |
| ndists | <data-masking> the integer number of districts to partition the map into. Must be specified if <code>existing_plan</code> is not supplied. |
| pop_bounds | <data-masking> more specific population bounds, in the form of <code>c(lower, target, upper)</code> . |
| adj | the adjacency graph for the object. Defaults to being computed from the data if it is coercible to a shapefile. |
| adj_col | the name of the adjacency graph column |
| planarize | a number, indicating the CRS to project the shapefile to if it is latitude-longitude based. Set to <code>NULL</code> or <code>FALSE</code> to avoid planarizing. |
| x | an object to be coerced |

Details

A `redist_map` object is a [tibble](#) which contains an adjacency list and additional information about the number of districts and population bounds. It supports all of the `dplyr` generics, and will adjust the adjacency list and attributes according to these functions; i.e., if we `filter` to a subset of units, the graph will change to subset to these units, and the population bounds will adjust accordingly. If an existing map is also attached to the object, the number of districts will also adjust. Subsetting with ``[`` and ``[[`` does not recompute graphs or attributes.

Other useful methods for `redist_map` objects:

- [merge_by](#)
- [get_adj](#)
- [plot.redist_map](#)

Value

A `redist_map` object

Examples

```
data(f125)
d <- redist_map(f125, ndists = 3, pop_tol = 0.05, total_pop = pop)
dplyr::filter(d, pop >= 10e3)
```

redist_mergesplit *Merge-Split/Recombination MCMC Redistricting Sampler*

Description

redist_mergesplit uses a Markov Chain Monte Carlo algorithm to generate congressional or legislative redistricting plans according to contiguity, population, compactness, and administrative boundary constraints. The MCMC proposal is the same as is used in the SMC sampler; it is similar but not identical to those used in the references. 1-level hierarchical Merge-split is supported through the `counties` parameter; unlike in the SMC algorithm, this does not guarantee a maximum number of county splits.

Usage

```
redist_mergesplit(
  map,
  nsims,
  warmup = max(100, nsims%/%2),
  thin = 1L,
  init_plan = NULL,
  counties = NULL,
  compactness = 1,
  constraints = list(),
  constraint_fn = function(m) rep(0, ncol(m)),
  adapt_k_thresh = 0.98,
  k = NULL,
  init_name = NULL,
  verbose = FALSE,
  silent = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| <code>map</code> | A redist_map object. |
| <code>nsims</code> | The number of samples to draw, including warmup. |
| <code>warmup</code> | The number of warmup samples to discard. Recommended to be at least the first 20% of samples, and in any case no less than around 100 samples. |
| <code>thin</code> | Save every thin-th sample. Defaults to no thinning (1). |
| <code>init_plan</code> | The initial state of the map. If not provided, will default to the reference map of the map object, or if none exists, will sample a random initial state using redist_smc . You can also request a random initial state by setting <code>init_plan="sample"</code> . |
| <code>counties</code> | A vector containing county (or other administrative or geographic unit) labels for each unit, which may be integers ranging from 1 to the number of counties, or a factor or character vector. If provided, the algorithm will generate maps tend to follow county lines. There is no strength parameter associated with |

| | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| | this constraint. To adjust the number of county splits further, or to constrain a second type of administrative split, consider using <code>add_constr_splits()</code> , <code>add_constr_multisplits()</code> , and <code>add_constr_total_splits()</code> . |
| <code>compactness</code> | Controls the compactness of the generated districts, with higher values preferring more compact districts. Must be nonnegative. See the 'Details' section for more information, and computational considerations. |
| <code>constraints</code> | A list containing information on constraints to implement. See the 'Details' section for more information. |
| <code>constraint_fn</code> | A function which takes in a matrix where each column is a redistricting plan and outputs a vector of log-weights, which will be added to the final weights. |
| <code>adapt_k_thresh</code> | The threshold value used in the heuristic to select a value k_i for each splitting iteration. Set to 0.9999 or 1 if the algorithm does not appear to be sampling from the target distribution. Must be between 0 and 1. |
| <code>k</code> | The number of edges to consider cutting after drawing a spanning tree. Should be selected automatically in nearly all cases. |
| <code>init_name</code> | a name for the initial plan, or FALSE to not include the initial plan in the output. Defaults to the column name of the existing plan, or "<init>" if the initial plan is sampled. |
| <code>verbose</code> | Whether to print out intermediate information while sampling. Recommended. |
| <code>silent</code> | Whether to suppress all diagnostic information. |

Details

This function draws samples from a specific target measure, controlled by the `map`, `compactness`, and `constraints` parameters.

Key to ensuring good performance is monitoring the acceptance rate, which is reported at the sample level in the output. Users should also check diagnostics of the sample by running `summary.redist_plans()`.

Higher values of `compactness` sample more compact districts; setting this parameter to 1 is computationally efficient and generates nicely compact districts.

Value

`redist_mergesplit` returns an object of class `redist_plans` containing the simulated plans.

References

Carter, D., Herschlag, G., Hunter, Z., and Mattingly, J. (2019). A merge-split proposal for reversible Monte Carlo Markov chain sampling of redistricting plans. arXiv preprint arXiv:1911.01503.

DeFord, D., Duchin, M., and Solomon, J. (2019). Recombination: A family of Markov chains for redistricting. arXiv preprint arXiv:1911.05725.

Examples

```
data(f125)
```

```

fl_map <- redist_map(fl25, ndists = 3, pop_tol = 0.1)

sampled_basic <- redist_mergesplit(fl_map, 10000)

sampled_constr <- redist_mergesplit(fl_map, 10000, constraints = list(
  incumbency = list(strength = 1000, incumbents = c(3, 6, 25))
))

```

```
redist_mergesplit_parallel
```

Parallel Merge-Split/Recombination MCMC Redistricting Sampler

Description

`redist_mergesplit_parallel()` runs `redist_mergesplit()` on several chains in parallel.

Usage

```

redist_mergesplit_parallel(
  map,
  nsims,
  chains = 1,
  warmup = max(100, nsims%%2),
  thin = 1L,
  init_plan = NULL,
  counties = NULL,
  compactness = 1,
  constraints = list(),
  constraint_fn = function(m) rep(0, ncol(m)),
  adapt_k_thresh = 0.98,
  k = NULL,
  ncores = NULL,
  cl_type = "PSOCK",
  return_all = TRUE,
  init_name = NULL,
  verbose = FALSE,
  silent = FALSE
)

```

Arguments

| | |
|---------------------|--|
| <code>map</code> | A <code>redist_map</code> object. |
| <code>nsims</code> | The number of samples to draw, including warmup. |
| <code>chains</code> | the number of parallel chains to run. Each chain will have <code>nsims</code> draws. If <code>init_plan</code> is sampled, each chain will be initialized with its own sampled plan. |

| | |
|----------------|--|
| warmup | The number of warmup samples to discard. Recommended to be at least the first 20% of samples, and in any case no less than around 100 samples. |
| thin | Save every thin-th sample. Defaults to no thinning (1). |
| init_plan | The initial state of the map, provided as a single vector to be shared across all chains, or a matrix with chains columns. If not provided, will default to the reference map of the map object, or if none exists, will sample a random initial state using <code>redist_smc</code> . You can also request a random initial state for each chain by setting <code>init_plan="sample"</code> . |
| counties | A vector containing county (or other administrative or geographic unit) labels for each unit, which may be integers ranging from 1 to the number of counties, or a factor or character vector. If provided, the algorithm will generate maps tend to follow county lines. There is no strength parameter associated with this constraint. To adjust the number of county splits further, or to constrain a second type of administrative split, consider using <code>add_constr_splits()</code> , <code>add_constr_multisplits()</code> , and <code>add_constr_total_splits()</code> . |
| compactness | Controls the compactness of the generated districts, with higher values preferring more compact districts. Must be nonnegative. See the 'Details' section for more information, and computational considerations. |
| constraints | A list containing information on constraints to implement. See the 'Details' section for more information. |
| constraint_fn | A function which takes in a matrix where each column is a redistricting plan and outputs a vector of log-weights, which will be added to the final weights. |
| adapt_k_thresh | The threshold value used in the heuristic to select a value k_i for each splitting iteration. Set to 0.9999 or 1 if the algorithm does not appear to be sampling from the target distribution. Must be between 0 and 1. |
| k | The number of edges to consider cutting after drawing a spanning tree. Should be selected automatically in nearly all cases. |
| ncores | the number of parallel processes to run. Defaults to the maximum available. |
| cl_type | the cluster type (see <code>makeCluster()</code>). Safest is "PSOCK", but "FORK" may be appropriate in some settings. |
| return_all | if TRUE return all sampled plans; otherwise, just return the final plan from each chain. |
| init_name | a name for the initial plan, or FALSE to not include the initial plan in the output. Defaults to the column name of the existing plan, or "<init>" if the initial plan is sampled. |
| verbose | Whether to print out intermediate information while sampling. Recommended. |
| silent | Whether to suppress all diagnostic information. |

Details

This function draws samples from a specific target measure, controlled by the `map`, `compactness`, and `constraints` parameters.

Key to ensuring good performance is monitoring the acceptance rate, which is reported at the sample level in the output. Users should also check diagnostics of the sample by running `summary.redist_plans()`.

Higher values of `compactness` sample more compact districts; setting this parameter to 1 is computationally efficient and generates nicely compact districts.

Value

A `redist_plans` object with all of the simulated plans, and an additional chain column indicating the chain the plan was drawn from.

References

Carter, D., Herschlag, G., Hunter, Z., and Mattingly, J. (2019). A merge-split proposal for reversible Monte Carlo Markov chain sampling of redistricting plans. arXiv preprint arXiv:1911.01503.

DeFord, D., Duchin, M., and Solomon, J. (2019). Recombination: A family of Markov chains for redistricting. arXiv preprint arXiv:1911.05725.

Examples

```
## Not run:
data(fl25)
fl_map <- redist_map(fl25, ndists = 3, pop_tol = 0.1)
sampled <- redist_mergesplit_parallel(fl_map, nsims = 100, chains = 100)

## End(Not run)
```

| | |
|--------------|-------------------------------------|
| redist_plans | <i>A set of redistricting plans</i> |
|--------------|-------------------------------------|

Description

A `redist_plans` object is essentially a data frame of summary information on each district and each plan, along with the matrix of district assignments and information about the simulation process used to generate the plans.

Usage

```
redist_plans(plans, map, algorithm, wgt = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| plans | a matrix with <code>n_precinct</code> columns and <code>n_sims</code> rows, or a single vector of precinct assignments. |
| map | a <code>redist_map</code> object |
| algorithm | the algorithm used to generate the plans (usually "smc" or "mcmc") |
| wgt | the weights to use, if any. |
| ... | Other named attributes to set |

Details

The first two columns of the data frame will be `draw`, a factor indexing the simulation draw, and `district`, an integer indexing the districts within a plan. The data frame will therefore have `n_sims*ndists` rows. As a data frame, the usual `dplyr` methods will work.

Other useful methods for `redist_plans` objects:

- `summary.redist_plans`
- `add_reference`
- `subset_sampled`
- `subset_ref`
- `pullback`
- `number_by`
- `match_numbers`
- `is_county_split`
- `prec_assignment`
- `plan_distances`
- `get_plans_matrix`
- `get_plans_weights`
- `get_sampling_info`
- `as.matrix.redist_plans`
- `plot.redist_plans`

Value

a new `redist_plans` object.

Examples

```
data(iowa)
```

```
iowa <- redist_map(iowa, existing_plan = cd_2010, pop_tol = 0.05, total_pop = pop)
rsg_plan <- redist.rsg(iowa$adj, iowa$pop, ndists = 4, pop_tol = 0.05)$plan
redist_plans(rsg_plan, iowa, "rsg")
```

redist_quantile_trunc *Helper function to truncate importance weights*

Description

Defined as `pmin(x, quantile(x, 1 - length(x)^(-0.5)))`

Usage

```
redist_quantile_trunc(x)
```

Arguments

x the weights

Value

numeric vector

Examples

```
redist_quantile_trunc(c(1, 2, 3, 4))
```

redist_shortburst *Redistricting Optimization through Short Bursts*

Description

This function uses [redist_mergesplit\(\)](#) or [redist_flip\(\)](#) to optimize a redistrict plan according to a user-provided criteria. It does so by running the Markov chain for "short bursts" of usually 10 iterations, and then starting the chain anew from the best plan in the burst, according to the criteria. This implements the ideas in the below-referenced paper, "Voting Rights, Markov Chains, and Optimization by Short Bursts."

Usage

```
redist_shortburst(
  map,
  score_fn = NULL,
  stop_at = NULL,
  burst_size = ifelse(backend == "mergesplit", 10L, 50L),
  max_bursts = 500L,
  maximize = TRUE,
  init_plan = NULL,
  counties = NULL,
```

```

constraints = redist_constr(map),
compactness = 1,
adapt_k_thresh = 0.95,
return_all = TRUE,
thin = 1L,
backend = "mergesplit",
flip_lambda = 0,
flip_eprob = 0.05,
verbose = TRUE
)

```

Arguments

| | |
|----------------|--|
| map | A redist_map object. |
| score_fn | A function which takes a matrix of plans and returns a score for each plan. Can also be a purrr-style anonymous function. See ?scorers for some function factories for common scoring rules. |
| stop_at | A threshold to stop optimization at. |
| burst_size | The size of each burst. 10 is recommended for mergesplit and 50 for flip. |
| max_bursts | The maximum number of bursts to run before returning. |
| maximize | If TRUE, try to maximize the score; otherwise, try to minimize it. |
| init_plan | The initial state of the map. If not provided, will default to the reference map of the map object, or if none exists, will sample a random initial state using redist_smc . You can also request a random initial state by setting <code>init_plan="sample"</code> . |
| counties | A vector containing county (or other administrative or geographic unit) labels for each unit, which may be integers ranging from 1 to the number of counties, or a factor or character vector. If provided, the algorithm will only generate maps which split up to <code>ndists-1</code> counties. If no county-split constraint is desired, this parameter should be left blank. |
| constraints | A redist_constr with Gibbs constraints. |
| compactness | Controls the compactness of the generated districts, with higher values preferring more compact districts. Must be non-negative. See redist_mergesplit for more information. |
| adapt_k_thresh | The threshold value used in the heuristic to select a value k_i for each splitting iteration. Set to 0.9999 or 1 if the algorithm does not appear to be sampling from the target distribution. Must be between 0 and 1. |
| return_all | Whether to return all the Recommended for monitoring purposes. |
| thin | Save every thin-th sample. Defaults to no thinning (1). Ignored if <code>return_all=TRUE</code> . |
| backend | the MCMC algorithm to use within each burst, either "mergesplit" or "flip". |
| flip_lambda | The parameter determining the number of swaps to attempt each iteration of flip mcmc. The number of swaps each iteration is equal to $\text{Pois}(\text{lambda}) + 1$. The default is 0. |
| flip_eprob | The probability of keeping an edge connected in flip mcmc. The default is 0.05. |
| verbose | Whether to print out intermediate information while sampling. Recommended for monitoring purposes. |

Value

a `redist_plans` object containing the final best plan (or the best plans after each burst, if `return_all=TRUE`).

References

Cannon, S., Goldbloom-Helzner, A., Gupta, V., Matthews, J. N., & Suwal, B. (2020). Voting Rights, Markov Chains, and Optimization by Short Bursts. arXiv preprint arXiv:2011.02288.

Examples

```
data(iowa)

iowa_map <- redist_map(iowa, existing_plan = cd_2010, pop_tol = 0.01)
redist_shortburst(iowa_map, scorer_frac_kept(iowa_map), max_bursts = 50)
redist_shortburst(iowa_map, ~ 1 - scorer_frac_kept(iowa_map)(.), max_bursts = 50)
```

redist_smc

SMC Redistricting Sampler

Description

`redist_smc` uses a Sequential Monte Carlo algorithm to generate nearly independent congressional or legislative redistricting plans according to contiguity, population, compactness, and administrative boundary constraints.

Usage

```
redist_smc(
  map,
  nsims,
  counties = NULL,
  compactness = 1,
  constraints = list(),
  resample = TRUE,
  runs = 1L,
  ncores = 0L,
  init_particles = NULL,
  n_steps = NULL,
  adapt_k_thresh = 0.985,
  seq_alpha = 0.5,
  truncate = (compactness != 1),
  trunc_fn = redist_quantile_trunc,
  pop_temper = 0,
  final_infl = 1,
```

```

    est_label_mult = 1,
    ref_name = NULL,
    verbose = FALSE,
    silent = FALSE
  )

```

Arguments

| | |
|----------------|--|
| map | A <code>redist_map()</code> object. |
| nsims | The number of samples to draw. |
| counties | A vector containing county (or other administrative or geographic unit) labels for each unit, which may be integers ranging from 1 to the number of counties, or a factor or character vector. If provided, the algorithm will only generate maps which split up to <code>ndists-1</code> counties. Even there are fewer counties than <code>ndists - 1</code> , the spanning trees will change the results of the simulations. There is no strength parameter associated with this constraint. To adjust the number of county splits further, or to constrain a second type of administrative split, consider using <code>add_constr_splits()</code> , <code>add_constr_multisplits()</code> , and <code>add_constr_total_splits()</code> . |
| compactness | Controls the compactness of the generated districts, with higher values preferring more compact districts. Must be nonnegative. See the 'Details' section for more information, and computational considerations. |
| constraints | A <code>redist_constr()</code> object or a list containing information on sampling constraints. See <code>constraints</code> for more information. |
| resample | Whether to perform a final resampling step so that the generated plans can be used immediately. Set this to <code>FALSE</code> to perform direct importance sampling estimates, or to adjust the weights manually. |
| runs | How many independent parallel runs to conduct. Each run will have <code>nsims</code> simulations. Multiple runs allows for estimation of simulation standard errors. Output will only be shown for the first run. For compatibility with MCMC methods, runs are identified with the <code>chain</code> column in the output. |
| ncores | How many cores to use to parallelize plan generation within each run. The default, 0, will use the number of available cores on the machine as long as <code>nsims</code> and the number of units is large enough. If <code>runs>1</code> you will need to set this manually. If more than one core is used, the sampler output will not be fully reproducible with <code>set.seed()</code> . If full reproducibility is desired, set <code>ncores=1</code> . |
| init_particles | A matrix of partial plans to begin sampling from. For advanced use only. The matrix must have <code>nsims</code> columns and a row for every precinct. It is important to ensure that the existing districts meet contiguity and population constraints, or there may be major issues when sampling. |
| n_steps | How many steps to run the SMC algorithm for. Each step splits off a new district. Defaults to all remaining districts. If fewer than the number of remaining splits, reference plans are disabled. |
| adapt_k_thresh | The threshold value used in the heuristic to select a value <code>k_i</code> for each splitting iteration. Higher values are more accurate but may require more computation. Set to 1 for the most conservative sampling. Must be between 0 and 1. |

| | |
|----------------|---|
| seq_alpha | The amount to adjust the weights by at each resampling step; higher values prefer exploitation, while lower values prefer exploration. Must be between 0 and 1. |
| truncate | Whether to truncate the importance sampling weights at the final step by trunc_fn. Recommended if compactness is not 1. Truncation only applied if resample=TRUE. |
| trunc_fn | A function which takes in a vector of weights and returns a truncated vector. If the <code>loo</code> package is installed (strongly recommended), will default to Pareto-smoothed Importance Sampling (PSIS) rather than naive truncation. |
| pop_temper | The strength of the automatic population tempering. Try values of 0.01-0.05 to start if the algorithm gets stuck on the final few splits. |
| final_infl | A multiplier for the population constraint on the final iteration. Used to loosen the constraint when the sampler is getting stuck on the final split. pop_temper should be tried first, since using final_infl will actually change the target distribution. |
| est_label_mult | A multiplier for the number of importance samples to use in estimating the number of ways to sequentially label the districts. Lower values increase speed at the cost of accuracy. Only applied when there are more than 13 districts. |
| ref_name | a name for the existing plan, which will be added as a reference plan, or FALSE to not include the initial plan in the output. Defaults to the column name of the existing plan. |
| verbose | Whether to print out intermediate information while sampling. Recommended. |
| silent | Whether to suppress all diagnostic information. |

Details

This function draws nearly-independent samples from a specific target measure, controlled by the `map`, `compactness`, and `constraints` parameters.

Key to ensuring good performance is monitoring the efficiency of the resampling process at each SMC stage. Unless `silent=FALSE`, this function will print out the effective sample size of each resampling step to allow the user to monitor the efficiency. If `verbose=TRUE` the function will also print out information on the k_i values automatically chosen and the acceptance rate (based on the population constraint) at each step. Users should also check diagnostics of the sample by running `summary.redist_plans()`.

Higher values of `compactness` sample more compact districts; setting this parameter to 1 is computationally efficient and generates nicely compact districts. Values of other than 1 may lead to highly variable importance sampling weights. In these cases, these weights are by default truncated using `redist_quantile_trunc()` to stabilize the resulting estimates, but if truncation is used, a specific truncation function should probably be chosen by the user.

Value

`redist_smc` returns a `redist_plans` object containing the simulated plans.

References

McCartan, C., & Imai, K. (2020). Sequential Monte Carlo for Sampling Balanced and Compact Redistricting Plans. Available at <https://imai.fas.harvard.edu/research/files/SMCredist.pdf>.

Examples

```
data(fl25)

fl_map <- redist_map(fl25, ndists = 3, pop_tol = 0.1)

sampled_basic <- redist_smc(fl_map, 5000)

constr <- redist_constr(fl_map)
constr <- add_constr_incumbency(constr, strength = 100, incumbents = c(3, 6, 25))
sampled_constr <- redist_smc(fl_map, 5000, constraints = constr)

# Multiple parallel independent runs
redist_smc(fl_map, 1000, runs = 2)

# One run with multiple cores
redist_smc(fl_map, 1000, ncores = 2)
```

redist_smc_ci

Confidence Intervals for SMC Estimates

Description

Builds a confidence interval for a quantity of interest. If multiple runs are available, uses the between-run variation to estimate the standard error. If only one run is available, uses information on the SMC particle/plan genealogy to estimate the standard error, using a variant of the method of Olson & Douc (2019). The multiple-run estimator is more reliable, especially for situations with many districts, and should be used when parallelism is available. All reference plans are ignored.

Usage

```
redist_smc_ci(plans, x, district = 1L, conf = 0.9)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|--|
| plans | a redist_plans object. |
| x | the quantity to build an interval for. Tidy-evaluated within plans. |
| district | for redist_plans objects with multiple districts, which district to subset to. Set to NULL to perform no subsetting. |
| conf | the desired confidence level. |

Value

A tibble with three columns: X , X_{lower} , and X_{upper} , where X is the name of the vector of interest, containing the mean and confidence interval. When used inside `summarize()` this will create three columns in the output data.

References

Lee, A., & Whiteley, N. (2018). Variance estimation in the particle filter. *Biometrika*, 105(3), 609-625. Olsson, J., & Douc, R. (2019). Numerically stable online estimation of variance in particle filters. *Bernoulli*, 25(2), 1504-1535. H. P. Chan and T. L. Lai. A general theory of particle filters in hidden Markov models and some applications. *Ann. Statist.*, 41(6):2877–2904, 2013.

Examples

```
library(dplyr)
data(iowa)

iowa_map <- redist_map(iowa, existing_plan = cd_2010, pop_tol = 0.05)
plans <- redist_mergesplit_parallel(iowa_map, nsims = 200, chains = 2, silent = TRUE) %>%
  mutate(dem = group_frac(iowa_map, dem_08, dem_08 + rep_08)) %>%
  number_by(dem)
redist_smc_ci(plans, dem)
```

 scorer-arith

Scoring function arithmetic

Description

`redist_scorer` functions may be multiplied by constants and/or added together to form linear combinations.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'redist_scorer'
x * fn2

## S3 method for class 'redist_scorer'
fn1 + fn2

## S3 method for class 'redist_scorer'
fn1 - fn2
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------------|--|
| <code>x</code> | a numeric or a ‘ <code>redist_scorer</code> ’ function, from [‘scorers’] |
| <code>fn2</code> | a ‘ <code>redist_scorer</code> ’ function, from [‘scorers’] |
| <code>fn1</code> | a ‘ <code>redist_scorer</code> ’ function, from [‘scorers’] |

Value

function of class `redist_scorer`

| | |
|------------------|--|
| scorer_group_pct | <i>Scoring functions for redist_shortburst</i> |
|------------------|--|

Description

The output of these functions may be passed into `redist_shortburst()` as `score_fn`. Scoring functions have type `redist_scorer` and may be combined together using basic arithmetic operations.

Usage

```
scorer_group_pct(map, group_pop, total_pop, k = 1)
scorer_pop_dev(map)
scorer_splits(map, counties)
scorer_multisplits(map, counties)
scorer_frac_kept(map)
scorer_polsby_popper(map, perim_df = NULL, areas = NULL, m = 1)
scorer_status_quo(map, existing_plan = get_existing(map))
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------------------------|---|
| <code>map</code> | A redist_map object. |
| <code>group_pop</code> | A numeric vector with the population of the group for every precinct. |
| <code>total_pop</code> | A numeric vector with the population for every precinct. |
| <code>k</code> | the k-th from the top group fraction to return as the score. |
| <code>counties</code> | A numeric vector with an integer from 1:n_counties |
| <code>perim_df</code> | perimeter distance dataframe from redist.prep.polsbypopper |
| <code>areas</code> | area of each precinct (ie <code>st_area(map)</code>) |
| <code>m</code> | the m-th from the bottom Polsby Popper to return as the score. Defaults to 1, the minimum Polsby Popper score |
| <code>existing_plan</code> | A vector containing the current plan. |

Details

Function details:

- `scorer_group_pct` returns the k-th top group percentage across districts. For example, if the group is Democratic voters and k=3, then the function returns the 3rd-highest fraction of Democratic voters across all districts. Can be used to target k VRA districts or partisan gerrymanders.
- `scorer_pop_dev` returns the maximum population deviation within a plan. Smaller values are closer to population parity, so use `maximize=FALSE` with this scorer.
- `scorer_splits` returns the fraction of counties that are split within a plan. Higher values have more county splits, so use `maximize=FALSE` with this scorer.
- `scorer_frac_kept` returns the fraction of edges kept in each district. Higher values mean more compactness.
- `scorer_polsby_popper` returns the m-th Polsby Popper score within a plan. Higher scores correspond to more compact districts. Use `m=ndists/2` to target the median compactness, `m=1` to target the minimum compactness.
- `scorer_status_quo` returns 1 - the rescaled variation of information distance between the plan and the `existing_plan`. Larger values indicate the plan is closer to the existing plan.

Value

A scoring function of class `redist_scorer`. single numeric value, where larger values are better for `frac_kept`, `group_pct`, and `polsby_popper` and smaller values are better for `splits` and `pop_dev`.

Examples

```
data(iowa)
iowa_map <- redist_map(iowa, existing_plan = cd_2010, pop_tol = 0.05, total_pop = pop)

scorer_frac_kept(iowa_map)
scorer_status_quo(iowa_map)
scorer_group_pct(iowa_map, dem_08, tot_08, k = 2)
1.5*scorer_frac_kept(iowa_map) + 0.4*scorer_status_quo(iowa_map)
1.5*scorer_frac_kept(iowa_map) + scorer_frac_kept(iowa_map)*scorer_status_quo(iowa_map)
```

segregation_index

Segregation index calculation for MCMC redistricting.

Description

`redist.segcalc` calculates the dissimilarity index of segregation (see Massey & Denton 1987 for more details) for a specified subgroup under any redistricting plan.

Usage

```
segregation_index(
  map,
  group_pop,
  total_pop = map[[attr(map, "pop_col")]],
  .data = cur_plans()
)

redist.segcalc(plans, group_pop, total_pop)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|--|
| map | a redist_map object |
| group_pop | A vector of populations for some subgroup of interest. |
| total_pop | A vector containing the populations of each geographic unit. |
| .data | a redist_plans object |
| plans | A matrix of congressional district assignments or a redist object. |

Value

`redist.segcalc` returns a vector where each entry is the dissimilarity index of segregation (Massey & Denton 1987) for each redistricting plan in `algot`.

References

Fifield, Benjamin, Michael Higgins, Kosuke Imai and Alexander Tarr. (2016) "A New Automated Redistricting Simulator Using Markov Chain Monte Carlo." Working Paper. Available at <http://imai.princeton.edu/research/files/redist.pdf>.

Massey, Douglas and Nancy Denton. (1987) "The Dimensions of Social Segregation". Social Forces.

Examples

```
data(f125)
data(f125_enum)
data(f125_adj)

## Get an initial partition
init_plan <- f125_enum$plans[, 5118]

## 25 precinct, three districts - no pop constraint ##
alg_253 <- redist.flip(
  adj = f125_adj, total_pop = f125$pop,
  init_plan = init_plan, nsims = 10000
)

## Get Republican Dissimilarity Index from simulations
rep_dmi_253 <- redist.segcalc(alg_253, f125$mccain, f125$pop)
```

| | |
|----------------|---|
| subset_sampled | <i>Subset to sampled or reference draws</i> |
|----------------|---|

Description

Subset to sampled or reference draws

Usage

```
subset_sampled(plans, matrix = TRUE)
```

```
subset_ref(plans, matrix = TRUE)
```

Arguments

plans the redist_plans object

matrix if TRUE, the default, also subset the plans matrix. If the plans matrix is not needed, turning this off may save some time.

Value

a redist_plans object, with only rows corresponding to simulated (or reference) draws remaining.

| | |
|----------------------|--|
| summary.redist_plans | <i>Diagnostic information on sampled plans</i> |
|----------------------|--|

Description

Prints diagnostic information, which varies by algorithm. All algorithms compute the [plans_diversity\(\)](#) of the samples.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'redist_plans'
summary(object, district = 1L, all_runs = TRUE, vi_max = 100, ...)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|---|
| object | a redist_plans object |
| district | For R-hat values, which district to use for district-level summary statistics. We strongly recommend calling <code>match_numbers()</code> or <code>number_by()</code> before examining these district-level statistics. |
| all_runs | When there are multiple SMC runs, show detailed summary statistics for all runs (the default), or only the first run? |
| vi_max | The maximum number of plans to sample in computing the pairwise variation of information distance (sample diversity). |
| ... | additional arguments (ignored) |

Details

For SMC and MCMC, if there are multiple runs/chains, R-hat values will be computed for each summary statistic. These values should be close to 1. If they are not, then there is too much between-chain variation, indicating that there are not enough samples. R-hat values are calculated after rank-normalization and folding. MCMC chains are split in half before R-hat is computed. For summary statistics that vary across districts, R-hat is calculated for the first district only.

For SMC, diagnostics statistics include:

- **Effective samples:** the effective sample size at each iteration, computed using the SMC weights. Larger is better. The percentage in parentheses is the ratio of the effective samples to the total samples.
- **Acceptance rate:** the fraction of drawn spanning trees which yield a valid redistricting plan within the population tolerance. Very small values (< 1%) can indicate a bottleneck and may lead to a lack of diversity.
- **Standard deviation of the log weights:** More variable weights (larger s.d.) indicate less efficient sampling. Values greater than 3 are likely problematic.
- **Maximum unique plans:** an upper bound on the number of unique redistricting plans that survive each stage. The percentage in parentheses is the ratio of this number to expected number of unique plans under equal-probability multinomial resampling. Small values (< 100) indicate a bottleneck, which leads to a loss of sample diversity and a higher variance.
- **Estimated k parameter:** How many spanning tree edges were considered for cutting at each split. Mostly informational, though large jumps may indicate a need to increase `adapt_k_thresh`.
- **Bottleneck:** An asterisk will appear in the right column if a bottleneck appears likely, based on the values of the other statistics.

In the event of problematic diagnostics, the function will provide suggestions for improvement.

Value

A data frame containing diagnostic information, invisibly.

Examples

```
data(iowa)
iowa_map <- redist_map(iowa, ndists = 4, pop_tol = 0.1)
plans <- redist_smc(iowa_map, 100)
summary(plans)
```

tally_var*Tally a variable by district*

Description

Tally a variable by district

Usage

```
tally_var(map, x, .data = redist:::cur_plans())
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------|--------------------------------------|
| map | a 'redist_map' object |
| x | a variable to tally. Tidy-evaluated. |
| .data | a 'redist_plans' object |

Value

a vector containing the tallied values by district and plan (column-major)

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