

Package ‘dyntaper’

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Title Dynamic Stem Profile Models, AKA Tree Taper Equations

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Description Performs calculations with tree taper (or stem profile) equations, including model fitting. The package implements the methods from García, O. (2015) “Dynamic modelling of tree form”
<http://mcfns.net/index.php/Journal/article/view/MCFNS7.1_2>. The models are parsimonious, describe well the tree bole shape over its full length, and are consistent with wood formation mechanisms through time.

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brink	<i>Small taper dataset from Brink and von Gadow (1986).</i>
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Description

Taper measurements on 10 *Eucalyptus cloeziana* trees.

Usage

brink

Format

A data frame with 108 rows and 5 variables:

Tree tree identification number (factor)

h height level, meters

dib diameter inside bark, centimeters

Dob dbh outside bark, cm (breast height is 1.35 m)

H total height, meters

Source

Brink, C. and von Gadow, K. (1986) "On the use of growth and decay functions for modelling stem profiles". *EDV in Medizin und Biologi* 17, 20-27

decay	<i>Decay function delta</i>
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Description

Calculates $(1 - p * x)_+^{1/p}$, or its limit $exp(-x)$ when p tends to 0.

Usage

decay(x, p)

Arguments

x	Input value(s), possibly a vector.
p	Parameter.

Details

Perhaps overkill, but uses $\log_{10} p()$ function for better accuracy than the more obvious formula.

Value

Decay function value(s).

Examples

```
decay(2, 0) == exp(-2)
decay(1.5, 0.5)
decay(2.5, 0.5)
decay(2.5, -0.5)
for(p in seq(1, -1, -0.5)) curve(decay(x, p), 0, 3, add=(p != 1))
```

hlevel	<i>Height level for given diameter or area.</i>
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Description

Find the height level at which the tree reaches a given diameter (if `area == FALSE`, default) or a given cross-sectional area (if `area == TRUE`). That is, the inverse of `taper()`, except that a vector argument is not allowed.

Usage

```
hlevel(ds, H, D, b, bh, area = FALSE)
```

Arguments

ds	The given diameter or area.
H	Tree total height.
D	Tree diameter at breast height.
b	Vector with the 5 parameters.
bh	Breast height. Typically 1.2, 1.3 or 1.4 m, or 4.5 ft.
area	If TRUE, 'ds' is a cross-sectional area, otherwise a diameter. Default is FALSE.

Value

Height level corresponding to 'ds' if any, otherwise NA.

Examples

```
b <- c(2.569, 0, 1.042, 0.3012, -1) # parameters
Dib <- 0.956 * 24 # convert dbh outside bark to inside bark
hlevel(15, 32, Dib, b, 1.3) # height where the diameter is 15
hlevel(24, 32, Dib, b, 1.3) # breast height
hlevel(35, 32, Dib, b, 1.3) # height where the diameter is 35
```

Id	<i>Integral of decay function.</i>
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Description

Integral of decay function.

Usage

```
Id(x, p)
```

Arguments

x	Input value(s), possibly a vector.
p	Parameter.

Value

Integral of the decay function between 0 and x.

Examples

```
Id(2, 0)
Id(1.5, 0.5)
Id(2.5, 0.5)
Id(2.5, -0.5)
for(p in seq(1, -1, -0.5)) curve(Id(x, p), 0, 3, add=(p != 1))
```

Idd *Double integral of decay function.*

Description

Double integral of decay function.

Usage

Idd(x, p)

Arguments

x	Input value(s), possibly a vector.
p	Parameter.

Value

Iterated integral of the decay function between 0 and x, that is, the integral of Id(x, p).

Examples

```
Idd(2, 0)
Idd(1.5, 0.5)
Idd(2.5, -1)
Idd(2.5, -0.5)
for(p in seq(1, -1, -0.5)) curve(Idd(x, p), 0, 3, add=(p != 1))
```

taper *Tree taper (or profile) equation.*

Description

Returns the diameter or cross-sectional area at one or more high levels.

Usage

taper(h, H, D, b, bh, area = FALSE)

Arguments

h	Height level(s), possibly a vector.
H	Tree total height.
D	Tree diameter at breast height (dbh).
b	Vector with the 5 parameters.
bh	Breast height. Typically 1.2, 1.3 or 1.4 m, or 4.5 ft.
area	If TRUE, returns cross-sectional areas, otherwise returns diameters. Default is FALSE.

Value

Diameter(s) at level(s) 'h' if 'area' is FALSE, otherwise cross-sectional area(s).

Note

Diameters or areas are either all outside bark, or all inside bark. A dbh outside bark can be used with an inside-bark taper equation through a substitution $D \rightarrow k * D$, where k is an outside to inside bark conversion factor.

Examples

```
curve(taper(x, 32, 0.956*24, c(2.569, 0, 1.042, 0.3012, -1), 1.3), 0, 32)
```

tbase

Unscaled base taper curve of cross-sectional area vs height level.

Description

Unscaled base taper curve of cross-sectional area vs height level.

Usage

```
tbase(h, H, b)
```

Arguments

h	Height level(s), possibly a vector.
H	Tree total height.
b	Vector with the 5 parameters.

Value

Value(s) proportional to the area(s) at the level(s) h.

Examples

```
tbase(16, 32, c(2.569, 0, 1.042, 0.3012, -1))
```

volume	<i>Volume between two height levels.</i>
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Description

Volume between two height levels.

Usage

```
volume(h1, h2, H, D, b, bh, rhd)
```

Arguments

h1, h2	The two height levels.
H	Tree total height.
D	Tree diameter at breast height.
b	Vector with the 5 parameters.
bh	Breast height. Typically 1.2, 1.3 or 1.4 m, or 4.5 ft.
rhd	Ratio between the height and diameter units. E.g., 100 for m and cm, or 12 for feet and inches.

Value

Volume between h1 and h2.

Examples

```
b <- c(2.569, 0, 1.042, 0.3012, -1) # parameters
Dib <- 0.956 * 24 # convert dbh outside bark to inside bark
volume(0, 32, 32, Dib, b, 1.3, 100) # total volume
h15 <- hlevel(15, 32, Dib, b, 1.3) # height for diameter 15
volume(0.3, h15, 32, Dib, b, 1.3, 100) # volume between stump and h15
```

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