

# Package ‘SESraster’

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**Description** Randomization of presence/absence species distribution raster data with or without including spatial structure for calculating standardized effect sizes and testing null hypothesis. The randomization algorithms are based on classical algorithms for matrices (Gotelli 2000, <[doi:10.2307/177478](https://doi.org/10.2307/177478)>) implemented for raster data.

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algorithm\_metrics      *Performance of randomization algorithms*

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### Description

Compares the richness and occurrence incidence across species between actual and randomized species distributions

### Usage

```
algorithm_metrics(
  x,
  spat_alg = NULL,
  spat_alg_args = NULL,
  aleats = 10,
  filename = "",
  force_wr_aleat_file = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

### Arguments

- x      SpatRaster. A SpatRaster containing presence-absence data (0 or 1) for a set of species.
- spat\_alg      A function with the algorithm implementing the desired randomization method. It must work with SpatRaster objects. See examples. Example of functions that work are: [bootspat\\_naive](#), [bootspat\\_str](#), [bootspat\\_ff](#).
- spat\_alg\_args      List of arguments passed to the randomization method chosen in 'spat\_alg'. See [bootspat\\_naive](#), [bootspat\\_str](#), [bootspat\\_ff](#)
- aleats      positive integer. A positive integer indicating how many times the calculation should be repeated.
- filename      character. Output filename

```
force_wr_aleat_file
logical. Force writing bootstrapped rasters, even if files fit in memory. Mostly
used for internal test units.
...
additional arguments passed to 'terra::app()' function.
```

**Value**

a list with two components:

- spp\_metrics: a matrix with metrics comparing actual and randomized frequency of species occurrence. Metrics are average, sd, min, and max frequency across randomizations, sp\_reldiff (average difference relative to species frequency), global\_reldiff (average difference relative to the number of available cells), upper and lower confidence intervals for sp\_reldiff and global\_reldiff.
- spat\_rich\_diff: a SpatRaster with summary statistics about differences between actual and bootstrapped site (cell) richness

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**See Also**

[bootspat\\_str](#), [bootspat\\_naive](#), [bootspat\\_ff](#), [SESraster](#), [plot\\_alg\\_metrics](#)

**Examples**

```
library(SESraster)
library(terra)
r <- load_ext_data()
algorithm_metrics(r, spat_alg = "bootspat_naive", spat_alg_args=list(random="species"), aleats = 3)
algorithm_metrics(r, spat_alg = "bootspat_naive", spat_alg_args=list(random="site"), aleats = 3)
# algorithm_metrics(r, spat_alg = "bootspat_naive", spat_alg_args=list(random="both"))
```

bootspat\_ff

*Spatially structured fixed-fixed sample*

**Description**

Randomizes a raster stack with fixed richness and species frequency of incidence. Randomizations are based on frequencies (given or calculated from x) and, optionally, a probability raster stack. The probability raster stack controls the probability that a given species is sampled in each cell raster. Frequency controls the number of cells being sampled for each species.

## Usage

```
bootspat_ff(
  x,
  rprob = NULL,
  rich = NULL,
  fr = NULL,
  glob_fr = NULL,
  cores = 1,
  filename = "",
  overwrite = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

## Arguments

<code>x</code>	SpatRaster. A presence-absence SpatRaster.
<code>rprob</code>	SpatRaster. Stack of probability values. Structures the spatial pattern of each randomized species.
<code>rich</code>	SpatRaster. Richness pattern structuring the sample size of each cell randomization. Calculated if not provided.
<code>fr</code>	The observed frequency of incidence (i.e. number of occupied pixels) of each species is across the study area.
<code>glob_fr</code>	The size (i.e. number of pixels) of the study area.
<code>cores</code>	positive integer. If <code>cores &gt; 1</code> , a 'parallel' package cluster with that many cores is created and used. You can also supply a cluster object. Ignored for functions that are implemented by terra in C++ (see under <code>fun</code> )
<code>filename</code>	character. Output filename
<code>overwrite</code>	logical. If <code>TRUE</code> , <code>filename</code> is overwritten
<code>...</code>	additional parameters for <code>terra::app</code>

## Details

The algorithm is based on the algorithm of Connor & Simberloff (1979). It takes each species at a time and placed on  $N_j$  (species frequency of incidence) randomly chosen sites (cells). The original algorithm randomly chooses the sequence of species and fills sites (originally islands) until they reach the observed species richness. However, as sites (cells) are filled with species, some species do not have enough available sites to be placed, and their sampled frequency is smaller than observed. Additionally, some sites cannot be completely filled because duplicated species are not allowed in the same site. Their solution was to increase the number of sites to place the species. Here, we opted to order the sequence of species from the largest  $N_j$  to the smallest. Also, the probability of occupying a site is given by cell expected richness and on each round (i.e. species placement), the expected richness of newly occupied sites is reduced. This ensures that there will be available sites for all species and the randomized frequency of incidence equals the observed frequency of incidence ( $N_j$ ).

**Value**

SpatRaster object

**Author(s)**

Neander Marcel Heming

**References**

Connor, E. F., & Simberloff, D. (1979). The Assembly of Species Communities: Chance or Competition? *Ecology*, 60(6), 1132–1140.

**See Also**

[bootspat\\_str](#), [bootspat\\_naive](#), [SESraster](#), [algorithm\\_metrics](#)

**Examples**

```
# load random species distributions
library(SESraster)
library(terra)
r <- load_ext_data()
plot(r)

# applying the function
rand.str <- bootspat_str(r)
plot(rand.str)

# With null probability raster
rprobnull <- terra::app(r,
                         function(x){
                           ifelse(is.na(x), NA, 1)
                         })
rand.str2 <- bootspat_str(r, rprob = rprobnull)

library(SESraster)
library(terra)
# creating random species distributions
f <- system.file("ex/elev.tif", package="terra")
r <- rast(f)
set.seed(510)
r10 <- rast(lapply(1:8,
                     function(i, r, mn, mx){
                       app(r, function(x, t){
                         sapply(x, function(x, t){
                           x<max(t) & x>min(t)
                         }, t=t)
                       }, t=sample(seq(mn, mx), 2))
                     }, r=r, mn=minmax(r)[1]+10, mx=minmax(r)[2]-10))

names(r10) <- paste("sp", 1:nlyr(r10))
```

```

plot(r10)

rprobnnull <- terra::app(r10,
                           function(x){
                             ifelse(is.na(x), NA, 1
                           }))

# bootstrapping once
randr10 <- bootspat_ff(r10, rprobnnull)
plot(randr10)
plot(c(sum(r10), sum(randr10)), main=c("observed", "randomized"))
plot(sum(r10)-sum(randr10))
cbind(observed=sapply(r10, function(x)freq(x)[2,3]),
      randomized=sapply(randr10, function(x)freq(x)[2,3]))

```

**bootspat\_naive***Randomize a set of rasters according to the observed frequency.***Description**

Randomize a set of rasters according to the observed frequency using the methods: sites (by cells), species (by layer) or both (layers and cells). The randomization not assign values to cells with nodata.

**Usage**

```
bootspat_naive(
  x,
  random = c("site", "species", "both"),
  filename = "",
  memory = NULL,
  cores = 1,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	SpatRaster. A presence-absence SpatRaster.
<code>random</code>	character. Character indicating the type of randomization to be used. The available types are by "site", "specie" or "both". The first method (site) keeps species richness constant within each site (cell)pixel by randomizing the position (presence/absence) of the species within each cell of the stack.
<code>filename</code>	character. Output filename
<code>memory</code>	logical.
<code>cores</code>	positive integer. If <code>cores &gt; 1</code> , a 'parallel' package cluster with that many cores is created and used. You can also supply a cluster object. Ignored for functions that are implemented by terra in C++ (see under fun)
<code>...</code>	additional arguments to be passed down from a calling function.

## Details

The first method (site) is performed within each site (cell) by randomizing the position (presence/absence) of the species within each cell of the stack. This method keeps species richness constant at each cell but the size of the species distribution might change. The second method (species) is performed at each layer (species) of the stack by randomizing the position of species presences in space. This method changes the species richness at each cell but the size of the species distribution is held constant (except if randomization is performed by frequency). The third method (both) combines randomization by site and species at the same time. This method will shuffle all presences across cells and layers, changing site richness and species distribution sizes and location at the same time.

## Value

SpatRaster object

## Author(s)

Neander Marcel Heming and Gabriela Alves-Ferreira

## See Also

[bootspat\\_str](#), [bootspat\\_ff](#), [SESraster](#), [algorithm\\_metrics](#)

## Examples

```
library(terra)
# load random species distributions
r <- load_ext_data()
plot(r)

# randomize pres/abs data by site
rn <- bootspat_naive(r, "site")
plot(rn)

library(SESraster)
library(terra)
# creating random species distributions
f <- system.file("ex/elev.tif", package="terra")
r <- rast(f)
set.seed(510)
r10 <- rast(lapply(1:18,
  function(i, r, mn, mx){
    app(r, function(x, t){
      sapply(x, function(x, t){
        x<max(t) & x>min(t)
      }, t=t)
    }, t=sample(seq(mn, mx), 2))
  }, r=r, mn=minmax(r)[1]+10, mx=minmax(r)[2]-10))

names(r10) <- paste("sp", 1:nlyr(r10))
```

```

plot(r10)

# bootstrapping once
randr10 <- bootspat_naive(r10, "site")
plot(randr10)

plot(c(sum(r10), sum(randr10)), main=c("observed", "randomized"))
cbind(observed=sapply(r10, function(x)freq(x)[2,3]),
      randomized=sapply(randr10, function(x)freq(x)[2,3]))

```

bootspat\_str

*Spatially structured sample*

## Description

Randomizes a raster stack with fixed richness. Randomizations are based on frequencies (given or calculated from x) and, optionally, a probability raster stack. Both, frequencies and probability raster stack, control the probability that a given species is sampled in each cell raster. Frequency controls the probability of each species being sampled compared to all others. Probability raster stack controls the probability that each species is sampled in a given raster cell.

## Usage

```

bootspat_str(
  x,
  rprob = NULL,
  rich = NULL,
  fr_prob = NULL,
  cores = 1,
  filename = "",
  memory = NULL,
  overwrite = FALSE,
  ...
)

```

## Arguments

<b>x</b>	SpatRaster. A presence-absence SpatRaster.
<b>rprob</b>	SpatRaster. Stack of probability values. Structures the spatial pattern of each randomized species.
<b>rich</b>	SpatRaster. Richness pattern structuring the sample size of each cell randomization. Calculated if not provided.
<b>fr_prob</b>	Either frequency of pixels or probability that a species is observed across the whole layer.

cores	positive integer. If cores > 1, a 'parallel' package cluster with that many cores is created and used. You can also supply a cluster object. Ignored for functions that are implemented by terra in C++ (see under fun)
filename	character. Output filename
memory	logical. Checks if there is enough available RAM memory. Calculated if NULL
overwrite	logical. If TRUE, filename is overwritten
...	additional parameters for terra::app

**Value**

SpatRaster object

**Author(s)**

Neander Marcel Heming

**See Also**

[bootspat\\_naive](#), [bootspat\\_ff](#), [SESraster](#), [algorithm\\_metrics](#)

**Examples**

```
# load random species distributions
library(SESraster)
library(terra)
r <- load_ext_data()
plot(r)

# applying the function
rand.str <- bootspat_str(r)
plot(rand.str)

# With null probability raster
rprobnull <- terra::app(r,
                         function(x){
                           ifelse(is.na(x), NA, 1)
                         })
rand.str2 <- bootspat_str(r, rprob = rprobnull)

library(SESraster)
library(terra)
# creating random species distributions
f <- system.file("ex/elev.tif", package="terra")
r <- rast(f)
set.seed(510)
r10 <- rast(lapply(1:18,
                    function(i, r, mn, mx){
                      app(r, function(x, t){
                        sapply(x, function(x, t){
                          x<max(t) & x>min(t)
                        })
                      })
                    })
                  )
```

```

        }, t=t)
}, t=sample(seq(mn, mx), 2))
}, r=r, mn=minmax(r)[1]+10, mx=minmax(r)[2]-10))

names(r10) <- paste("sp", 1:nlyr(r10))
plot(r10)

rprobnull <- terra::app(r10,
                         function(x){
                           ifelse(is.na(x), NA, 1)
                         })

# bootstrapping once
randr10 <- bootspat_str(r10, rprobnull)
plot(randr10)
plot(c(sum(r10), sum(randr10)), main=c("observed", "randomized"))
cbind(observed=sapply(r10, function(x)freq(x)[2,3]),
      randomized=sapply(randr10, function(x)freq(x)[2,3]))

```

**fit.memory**

*Function to evaluate if the rasters generated in the function fit on RAM memory*

**Description**

Function to evaluate if the rasters generated in the function fit on RAM memory

**Usage**

```
fit.memory(x, n = 1)
```

**Arguments**

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| x | SpatRaster  |
| n | positive integer. The number of copies of x that are needed |

**Value**

logical

**Author(s)**

Neander Marcel Heming and Gabriela Alves-Ferreira

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**fr2prob***Adjust probability of sampling based on frequency of occurrences.*

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**Description**

This function is used to adjust the probability of a species to be sampled across the raster, so that the sampled frequency of occurrence of the species is closer to the observed

**Usage**

```
fr2prob(x, rprob = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

x	SpatRaster. A presence-absence raster (stack).
rprob	SpatRaster. A raster (stack) of probabilities.

**Value**

numeric vector

**Examples**

```
library(SEraster)
library(terra)
# load random species distributions
r <- load_ext_data()

# applying the function
fr2prob(r)

f <- system.file("ex/elev.tif", package="terra")
r <- rast(f)
set.seed(510)
r10 <- rast(lapply(1:18,
  function(i, r, mn, mx){
    app(r, function(x, t){
      sapply(x, function(x, t){
        x<max(t) & x>min(t)
      }, t=t)
    }, t=sample(seq(mn, mx), 2))
  }, r=r, mn=minmax(r)[1]+10, mx=minmax(r)[2]-10))

names(r10) <- paste("sp", 1:nlyr(r10))
fr2prob(r10)
# raw frequencies
unlist(terra::global(r10, function(x)sum(x, na.rm=TRUE)))
```

load_ext_data	<i>Load SESraster external datasets</i>
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### Description

This function loads external datasets available at extdata package folder

### Usage

```
load_ext_data(x = "spp_sites")
```

### Arguments

x	dataset to be loaded
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### Details

These are the available datasets:

- spp\_sites: a SpatRaster with randomly generated presence-absence data for five species.

### Value

SpatRaster object

### Examples

```
# load random species distributions
library(SERaster)
library(terra)

r <- load_ext_data()

plot(r)
```

plot_alg_metrics	<i>Plot performance of randomization algorithms</i>
------------------	---

### Description

Plots objects returned by [algorithm\\_metrics](#)

### Usage

```
plot_alg_metrics(x, what = "spp", ...)
```

**Arguments**

- |      |  |
|------|--|
| x    | list. Object returned by <a href="#">algorithm_metrics</a> |
| what | What should be plotted, "species" or "site" metrics?       |
| ...  | Additional parameters passed to <a href="#">plot</a>       |

**Author(s)**

Neander M. Heming

**See Also**

[algorithm\\_metrics](#)

**Examples**

```
library(SESraster)
library(terra)
r <- load_ext_data()
am1 <- algorithm_metrics(r, spat_alg = "bootspat_naive", spat_alg_args=list(random="species"))
am2 <- algorithm_metrics(r, spat_alg = "bootspat_naive", spat_alg_args=list(random="site"))
plot_alg_metrics(am1)
plot_alg_metrics(am2)
plot_alg_metrics(am1, "site")
```

**Description**

Calculates the standardized effect sizes using a custom function and a null model algorithm.

**Usage**

```
SESraster(
  x,
  FUN = NULL,
  FUN_args = list(),
  spat_alg = NULL,
  spat_alg_args = list(),
  Fa_sample = NULL,
  Fa_alg = NULL,
  Fa_alg_args = list(),
  aleats = 10,
  cores = 1,
  filename = "",
  overwrite = FALSE,
```

```

  force_wr_aleat_file = FALSE,
  ...
)

```

## Arguments

x	SpatRaster. A SpatRaster containing presence-absence data (0 or 1) for a set of species.
FUN	The function to be applied. It must work with SpatRaster objects. See examples.
FUN_args	Named list of arguments passed to the FUN
spat_alg	A function with the algorithm implementing the desired randomization method. It must work with SpatRaster objects. See examples. Example of functions that work are: <a href="#">bootspat_naive</a> , <a href="#">bootspat_str</a> , <a href="#">bootspat_ff</a> .
spat_alg_args	List of arguments passed to the randomization method chosen in 'spat_alg'. See <a href="#">bootspat_naive</a> , <a href="#">bootspat_str</a> , <a href="#">bootspat_ff</a>
Fa_sample	Named list of length 1 with a FUN argument (e.g. a vector) to be randomized
Fa_alg	function to randomize any non spatial argument to be passed to 'FUN'.
Fa_alg_args	Named list of arguments passed to the function in 'Fa_alg'
aleats	positive integer. A positive integer indicating how many times the calculation should be repeated.
cores	positive integer. If cores > 1, a 'parallel' package cluster with that many cores is created and used. You can also supply a cluster object. Ignored for functions that are implemented by terra in C++ (see under fun)
filename	character. Output filename
overwrite	logical. If TRUE, filename is overwritten
force_wr_aleat_file	logical. Force writing bootstrapped rasters, even if files fit in memory. Mostly used for internal test units.
...	additional arguments passed to 'terra::app()' function.

## Details

Perform n=aleats spatial randomizations based on the randomization method defined in 'spat\_alg' argument and calculates the metric defined in 'FUN' argument. The function (FUN) to calculate the desired metric must work with any of [app](#), [focal](#), [focal3D](#) family of functions.

## Value

SpatRaster. The function returns the observed metric, the mean of the simulations calculated over n=aleats times, the standard deviation of the simulations, the standardized effect size (SES) for the metric defined in FUN, and p values for the upper and lower tails.

## Author(s)

Neander M. Heming and Gabriela Alves-Ferreira

## References

Gotelli 2000

## See Also

[bootspat\\_str](#), [bootspat\\_naive](#), [bootspat\\_ff](#), [algorithm\\_metrics](#)

## Examples

```
library(SESraster)
library(terra)
r <- load_ext_data()
appmean <- function(x, ...){
  terra::app(x, "mean", ...)
}
ses <- SESraster(r, FUN=appmean, spat_alg = "bootspat_naive", spat_alg_args=list(random="species"),
                 aleats = 4)
plot(ses)
ses <- SESraster(r, FUN=appmean, spat_alg = "bootspat_naive", spat_alg_args=list(random="site"),
                 aleats = 4)
plot(ses)

## example of how to use 'FUN_args'
r[7][1] <- NA
plot(r)
set.seed(10)
sesNA <- SESraster(r, FUN=appmean, FUN_args = list(na.rm = FALSE),
                    spat_alg = "bootspat_naive", spat_alg_args=list(random = "species"),
                    aleats = 4)
plot(sesNA)

set.seed(10)
ses <- SESraster(r, FUN=appmean, FUN_args = list(na.rm = TRUE),
                 spat_alg = "bootspat_naive", spat_alg_args=list(random = "species"),
                 aleats = 4)
plot(ses)

## example with 'Fa_alg'
appsv <- function(x, lyrv, na.rm = FALSE, ...){
  sumw <- function(x, lyrv, na.rm, ...){
    ifelse(all(is.na(x)), NA,
           sum(x*lyrv, na.rm=na.rm, ...))
  }
  stats::setNames(terra::app(x, sumw, lyrv = lyrv, na.rm=na.rm, ...), "sumw")
}
set.seed(10)
ses <- SESraster(r, FUN=appsv,
                 FUN_args = list(lyrv = seq_len(nlyr(r)), na.rm = TRUE),
                 Fa_sample = "lyrv",
                 Fa_alg = "sample", Fa_alg_args = list(replace=FALSE),
                 aleats = 4)
plot(ses)
```

```
set.seed(10)
ses <- SESraster(r, FUN=appsv,
                  FUN_args = list(lyrv = seq_len(nlyr(r)), na.rm = TRUE),
                  Fa_sample = "lyrv",
                  Fa_alg = "sample", Fa_alg_args = list(replace=TRUE),
                  aleats = 4)
plot(ses)
```

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