

# Package ‘MorphSim’

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combine.morpho	<i>Combine Two Morpho Objects</i>
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## Description

This function merges two ‘morpho’ objects, combining their sequences, model parameters, and transition histories, while ensuring tree and fossil consistency.

## Usage

```
combine.morpho(x, y)
```

## Arguments

x	A ‘morpho’ object.
y	A ‘morpho’ object.

## Value

A combined ‘morpho’ object.

## Examples

```
phy <- ape::rtree(10)

# simulate characters along the branches of the tree
morpho1 <- sim.morpho(tree = phy,
                      k = c(2,3,4),
                      trait.num = 20,
                      ancestral = TRUE,
```

```

      partition = c(10,5,5),
      ACRV = "gamma",
      variable = TRUE,
      ACRV.ncats = 4,
      define.Q = NULL)

morpho2 <- sim.morpho(tree = phy,
  k = c(2,3,4),
  trait.num = 20,
  ancestral = TRUE,
  partition = c(10,5,5),
  ACRV = "gamma",
  variable = TRUE,
  ACRV.ncats = 4,
  define.Q = NULL)

combined <- combine.morpho(morpho1, morpho2)

```

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convergent_evol	<i>Determines the number of convergently evolved traits</i>
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### Description

Identifies which traits have evolved independently multiple times (convergent evolution) in a morpho object.

### Usage

```
convergent_evol(data = NULL)
```

### Arguments

data            A morpho object

### Value

A data.frame listing convergent traits, their state, and number of transitions

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find_path_to_tip	<i>Determines the route (nodes and branches) for a tip in a phylogenetic tree</i>
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### Description

Traverses the tree to determine the evolutionary path (branches) from root to a given tip.

**Usage**

```
find_path_to_tip(tree, tip)
```

**Arguments**

tree	A phylogenetic tree of class phylo
tip	Tip label (character)

**Value**

A matrix with columns parent and child representing the path

**Examples**

```
phy <- ape::rtree(10)
route_n <- find_path_to_tip(phy, "t2")
```

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get.reconstructed      *Add reconstructed tree and matrix to morpho object*

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**Description**

Function to add the reconstructed tree and corresponding reconstructed matrix to an existing morpho object

**Usage**

```
get.reconstructed(data)
```

**Arguments**

data	‘morpho object‘ containing a fossil object
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**Value**

a ‘morpho object‘

**Examples**

```
# simulate tree
lambda = 0.1
mu = 0.05
tips = 10
t = TreeSim::sim.bd.taxa(n = tips, numbsim = 1, lambda = lambda, mu = mu)[[1]]

# Simulate fossils and extant taxa
rate = 0.1 # poisson sampling rate
f = FossilSim::sim.fossils.poisson(rate = rate, tree = t, root.edge = FALSE)
```

```
rho = 0.5
f2 = FossilSim::sim.extant.samples(fossils = f, tree = t, rho = rho)
morpho_data <- sim.morpho(k = c(2,3),
                          time.tree = t,
                          trait.num = 6,
                          ancestral = TRUE,
                          br.rates = 0.1,
                          partition = c(4,2),
                          ACRV = "gamma",
                          variable = TRUE,
                          ACRV.ncats = 4,
                          fossil = f2)

re <- get.reconstructed(morpho_data)
```

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get_gamma_rates	<i>Get discrete gamma rates</i>
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## Description

Computes a set of discrete gamma rates for rate variation across sites or characters. This function is adapted from the phangorn package.

## Usage

```
get_gamma_rates(alpha, k)
```

## Arguments

alpha	Numeric. The shape parameter of the gamma distribution.
k	Integer. The number of rate categories.

## Value

Numeric vector of length k representing the discrete gamma rates.

## Examples

```
get_gamma_rates(alpha = 0.5, k = 4)
```

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`get_lognormal_rates`     *Get discrete log-normal rates*

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### Description

Computes a set of discrete log-normal rates for rate variation across sites or characters. The rates are normalized so that the mean rate equals 1.

### Usage

```
get_lognormal_rates(meanlog, sdlog, k)
```

### Arguments

<code>meanlog</code>	Numeric. Mean on the log scale.
<code>sdlog</code>	Numeric. Standard deviation on the log scale.
<code>k</code>	Integer. Number of rate categories.

### Value

Numeric vector of length `k` representing the discrete log-normal rates.

### Examples

```
get_lognormal_rates(meanlog = 0, sdlog = 1, k = 4)
```

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`morpho`     *Morpho object*

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### Description

Create a morpho object.

### Usage

```
morpho(
  sequences = NULL,
  trees = NULL,
  model = NULL,
  transition_history = NULL,
  root.states = NULL,
  fossil = NULL
)

as.morpho(
```

```

    sequences,
    trees,
    model = NULL,
    transition_history = NULL,
    root.states = NULL,
    fossil = NULL
)

is.morpho(sequences)

```

### Arguments

sequences	A list containing all of the sequences simulated. This can contain sequences for taxa at the tips or the tree, along the nodes, and if present, for sampled ancestors (SA)
trees	A list containing the trees and branch lengths used for the simulation. <code>EvolTree</code> contains a phylogenetic tree with branch lengths representing evolutionary distance. <code>TimeTree</code> (if present) contains the same tree with branch lengths in unit of time. <code>BrRates</code> can either be a single value, when simulating under a strict clock, or a vector of values representing the rate/branch
model	A list containing all model attributes. <code>Model</code> specifies the components specified to simulate under. <code>RateVar</code> contains the relative values drawn from the specified distribution. <code>RateVarTrait</code> species the rate used to simulate each trait
transition_history	The constant character transitions along the branches
root.states	A vector supplying the root state for each character
fossil	Fossil object used to simulate data

### Value

An object of class "morpho" containing the simulated morphological data and associated information. The object includes the simulated sequences, phylogenetic trees and branch rates used for the simulation, model parameters, root states, fossil information (if provided), and the character transition history.

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morpho\_data

*Example morpho dataset*

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### Description

Small example dataset for testing morpho functions.

### Usage

```
data(morpho_data)
```

**Format**

A list with components:

**sequences** List of sequences for each taxon

**trees** List containing the evolutionary tree

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morphsim\_fossilsim      *Match sampled ancestor labels*

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**Description**

Match the sampled ancestor labels from Morphsim and Fossilsim

**Usage**

```
morphsim_fossilsim(data = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

data                      Morpho object containing fossils

**Value**

A character matrix mapping sampled ancestor labels between the naming conventions used by Morphsim and Fossilsim

**Examples**

```
data(morpho_data)
morphsim_fossilsim <- function(data = morpho_data)
```

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plot.morpho                      *Plot full evolutionary history*

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**Description**

This function creates a plot showing continuous evolution of discrete traits.



**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'morpho'
plot(
  x = NULL,
  trait = NULL,
  timetree = FALSE,
  show.fossil = FALSE,
  reconstructed = FALSE,
  root.edge = FALSE,
  edge.width = 1,
  label.offset = 0.05,
  e.cex = 0.5,
  f.cex = 1,
  box.cex = 4,
  col = c("#fdfdfd", "lightgray", "lightblue", "pink", "yellow", "green", "orange"),
  col.timescale = "darkgrey",
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	A morpho object
<code>trait</code>	The trait number to plot.
<code>timetree</code>	TRUE or FALSE. Indicate whether you want to plot a time tree or not. Default = FALSE (uses distance tree if FALSE).
<code>show.fossil</code>	Plot the fossil along the tree. Default = FALSE.
<code>reconstructed</code>	Plot the reconstructed tree. Default = FALSE.
<code>root.edge</code>	If TRUE plot the root edge. Default = FALSE.
<code>edge.width</code>	Width of the branches.
<code>label.offset</code>	Distance of tip label to tree tips.
<code>e.cex</code>	Size of extant taxa.
<code>f.cex</code>	Size of fossils.
<code>box.cex</code>	Size of traits on plot
<code>col</code>	A vector of colors that should be the same length or longer than the number of different character states (k). If not specified, the traits from 0 to 6 can be differentiated.
<code>col.timescale</code>	A single color for the timescale. Default = "darkgrey".
<code>...</code>	Other arguments to be passed to methods, such as graphical parameters.

**Value**

No return value, called for its side effect of producing a plot.

**Examples**

```
# simulate a phylogenetic tree
data(morpho_data)
plot(morpho_data, trait = 4, timetree = FALSE, show.fossil = FALSE,
      root.edge = FALSE, reconstructed = FALSE)
```

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plotMorphoGrid      *Plots morphological matrix*

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**Description**

This function plots the full morphological matrix associated with the character data at the tips of a tree. Requires a morpho object as input.

**Usage**

```
plotMorphoGrid(
  data = NULL,
  timetree = FALSE,
  seq = "tips",
  num.trait = "all",
  col = c("lavender", "white", "lightskyblue1", "pink", "gold2", "forestgreen", "coral")
)
```

**Arguments**

data	A morpho object
timetree	TRUE or FALSE Indicate whether you want to plot a time tree or not. default FALSE, uses distance tree if FALSE
seq	the sequence data to plot: "tips", "nodes", "SA", or "recon"
num.trait	default is set to "all" which plots all traits in black font. If you want to focus on a specific trait set it here, e.g. num.trait = 1 and this trait will be highlighted
col	A vector of colors that should be the same length or longer than the number of different character states (k). if not specified, the traits from 0 to 6 can be differentiated

**Value**

No return value, called for its side effect of producing a plot.

**Examples**

```
data(morpho_data)
# plot the character matrix
plotMorphoGrid(data = morpho_data, seq = "tips", num.trait = "all")
```

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reconstruct.matrix	<i>Get reconstructed matrix</i>
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**Description**

This function returns the morphological matrix for tips in the reconstructed tree.

**Usage**

```
reconstruct.matrix(data)
```

**Arguments**

data	A 'morpho' object with fossil data
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reconstruct.tree	<i>Color branches for plotting a reconstructed tree</i>
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**Description**

This function generates colors for branches when plotting a reconstructed tree from a morpho object containing fossil data. Branches that are part of the reconstructed tree or have fossils along them are colored black; all others are grey.

**Usage**

```
reconstruct.tree(data)
```

**Arguments**

data	A morpho object which contains fossil data and a time-calibrated tree.
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**Value**

A list of length 2:

b.colours	Vector of branch colors for plotting.
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rem	Indices of branches with fossils.
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sim.missing.data      *Remove morphological character data*

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### Description

This function removes characters from a morphological matrix simulated using morphsim

### Usage

```
sim.missing.data(
  data = NULL,
  seq = NULL,
  method = NULL,
  probability = NULL,
  traits = NULL,
  taxa = NULL
)
```

### Arguments

data	A 'morpho' object with sequence data.
seq	Character. Which sequence data to use: "tips", "nodes", or "SA".
method	Character. Method for removing data. Options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>"random": removes characters randomly across the matrix.</li> <li>"partition": removes characters by partition (probabilities per partition).</li> <li>"rate": removes characters by rate category (probabilities per rate category).</li> <li>"trait": removes characters from specific traits.</li> <li>"taxa": removes characters from specific taxa.</li> <li>"extinct": removes data from extinct taxa only. Note: This refers to characters from the tips.</li> </ul>
probability	Numeric. Probability of missing data (single value or vector depending on method).
traits	When method = "trait", indices of traits to remove.
taxa	When method = "taxa", indices of taxa to remove.

### Value

An object of class morpho.

### Examples

```
#' # simulate a phylogenetic tree
phy <- ape::rtree(10)

# simulate characters along the branches of the tree
```

```

morpho_data <- sim.morpho(tree = phy,
                          k = c(2,3,4),
                          trait.num = 20,
                          ancestral = TRUE,
                          partition = c(10,5,5),
                          ACRV = "gamma",
                          variable = TRUE,
                          ACRV.ncats = 4,
                          define.Q = NULL)

# randomly remove data
missing.data <- sim.missing.data(data = morpho_data,
                                 method = "random",
                                 seq = "tips",
                                 probability = 0.5)

# remove data based on the partition
missing.data <- sim.missing.data(data = morpho_data,
                                 method = "partition",
                                 seq = "tips",
                                 probability = c(0.7, 0, 0.5))

# remove data based on the rate it was simulated under
missing.data <- sim.missing.data(data = morpho_data,
                                 method = "rate",
                                 seq = "tips",
                                 probability = c(0,0,0.2,1))

# remove characters from specific traits
missing.data <- sim.missing.data(data = morpho_data,
                                 method = "trait",
                                 seq = "tips",
                                 probability = 1,
                                 traits = c(1,2,5))

# remove characters from specific taxa
missing.data <- sim.missing.data(data = morpho_data,
                                 method = "taxa",
                                 seq = "tips",
                                 probability = 1,
                                 taxa = c("t1", "t2"))

```

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sim.morpho

*Simulate characters along branches in a tree*


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### Description

This function simulates discrete character data along the branches of a phylogenetic tree. It can be used with either a time tree or a tree with branch lengths in evolutionary distance. If using a time

tree branch rates can be specified, either as one values for all branches or as a vector with different rates per branch. If no branch rates are specified a default of 0.1 is applied to all branches.

### Usage

```
sim.morpho(
  tree = NULL,
  time.tree = NULL,
  k = 2,
  trait.num,
  partition = NULL,
  br.rates = NULL,
  ACRV = NULL,
  alpha.gamma = 1,
  ACRV.ncats = 4,
  meanlog = NULL,
  sdlog = NULL,
  define.ACRV.rates = NULL,
  variable = FALSE,
  ancestral = TRUE,
  fossil = NULL,
  define.Q = NULL
)
```

### Arguments

tree	A phylogenetic tree (class "phylo") with branches representing genetic distance.
time.tree	A phylogenetic tree (class "phylo") with branches representing time.
k	Number of trait states (integer $\geq 2$ ). Can be a vector if using partitions.
trait.num	The total number of traits to simulate (integer $> 0$ ).
partition	Vector specifying the number of traits per partition.
br.rates	Clock rates per branch. Can be a single value (strict clock) or a vector of rates.
ACRV	Among character rate variation using either 'gamma', 'lgn', 'user', or 'NULL'. When 'gamma' specified, rates will be drawn from the discretized gamma distribution. Must define number of categories (ACRV.ncats) and the shape of the distribution (alpha.gamma). When 'lgn' specified, rates will be drawn from the discretized lognormal distribution. Must specify the mean (meanlog) and standard deviation (sdlog) of the distribution as well as the number of categories (ACRV.ncats). When 'user' specified, the user can provide their own rates of evolution (define.ACRV.rates). When 'NULL' specified all traits are simulated under the same rate. Default is 'NULL'.
alpha.gamma	Shape parameter $\alpha$ for the gamma distribution. Default set to 1.
ACRV.ncats	Number of rate categories for among character rate variation.
meanlog	mean of the distribution on the log scale.
sdlog	standard deviation of the distribution on the log scale

define.ACRV.rates	Vector of gamma rate categories for the simulation.
variable	If 'TRUE', simulate only varying characters. Default is 'FALSE'.
ancestral	If 'TRUE', return the states at all ancestral nodes. Default is 'TRUE'.
fossil	Fossil object (from 'FossilSim') to simulate morphological characters.
define.Q	Q matrix for simulation. Must be a square matrix and rows must sum to zero.

## Value

An object of class 'morpho', with the following components:

**sequences** A list containing up to 3 elements: morphological data for the 'tips' of the tree, the 'nodes', and, if provided, the sampled ancestors ('SA'). For 'SA', the naming scheme differs from that of 'FossilSim': the morphological data are named using the specimen number ('data\$fossil\$specimen') and the branch number along which the fossil was sampled.

**tree** A list containing up to 3 elements: the 'EvolTree' (branch lengths in genetic distance), the 'TimeTree' (branch lengths in time units), and 'BrRates' (the evolutionary rate per branch).

**model** Information about the model used to simulate the data. 'Specified' states the exact model used per partition, as well as the number of traits and character states respectively. 'RateVar' contains the relative rates used to simulate the data, and 'RateVarTrait' contains information about which rate category was used to simulate each trait. These values are listed from lowest rate (1) to highest.

**transition\_history** A list containing \*n\* data frames, where \*n\* is the number of simulated traits. Each data frame contains information about transitions that occurred for that trait, including the branch number ('edge'), the new state number ('state'), and the point along the branch where the transition occurred ('hmin').

**root.states** A vector of root states for each trait.

**fossil** The fossil object provided to 'morphsim' from 'FossilSim'. The naming scheme therefore matches that of 'FossilSim'.

## Examples

```
# simulated tree
phy <- ape::rtree(10)

# simulate characters along the branches of the tree
morpho_data <- sim.morpho(tree = phy,
                          k = c(2,3,4),
                          trait.num = 20,
                          partition = c(10,5,5),
                          ACRV = "gamma",
                          ACRV.ncats = 4,
                          variable = TRUE,
                          ancestral = TRUE,
                          define.Q = NULL)

# To simulate ordered characters:
# First define a Q-matrix. The following is for ordered characters where transitions can only occur
```

```
# between states 0 and 1 and 1 and 2

ord_Q <- matrix(c(
  -0.5, 0.5, 0.0,
  0.3333333, -0.6666667, 0.3333333,
  0.0, 0.5, -0.5
), nrow = 3, byrow = TRUE)

# This Q matrix can be then used to simulate character data.

morpho_data <- sim.morpho(tree = phy,
  k = 3,
  trait.num = 20,
  ancestral = TRUE,
  ACRV = "gamma",
  variable = TRUE,
  ACRV.ncats = 4,
  define.Q = ord_Q)
```

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stats.morpho

*Calculates statistics for a morpho object*

---

### Description

Computes three key pieces of information for a morpho object: 1. The Consistency Index (CI) and Retention Index (RI) based on the tip sequence data. 2. Convergent traits, identifying traits that have evolved independently multiple times. 3. Summary information about the size and structure of the tree.

### Usage

```
stats.morpho(data)
```

### Arguments

data            A morpho object

### Value

A list with three elements: - Statistics: data.frame with CI and RI - Convergent\_Traits: data.frame listing convergent traits - Tree: data.frame summarizing extant/extinct tips and sampled ancestors

### Examples

```
data(morpho_data)
summary <- stats.morpho(data = morpho_data)
```



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symmetric.Q.matrix      *Generate a symmetric Q matrix*

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**Description**

Creates a  $K \times K$  symmetric rate matrix (Q matrix) with equal transition rates between states. The diagonal elements are set such that each row sums to zero.

**Usage**

```
symmetric.Q.matrix(K)
```

**Arguments**

K                      Integer. The number of states.

**Value**

A  $K \times K$  numeric matrix representing the symmetric Q matrix.

**Examples**

```
symmetric.Q.matrix(4)
```

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write.recon.matrix      *Write reconstructed character matrix to file*

---

**Description**

Write the character matrix for the reconstructed tree to a nexus file

**Usage**

```
write.recon.matrix(data, file = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

data                    Morpho object

file                    File name

**Value**

No return value, called for its side effect of writing data to a file.

**Examples**

```
data(morpho_data)
tmp <- tempfile(fileext = ".nex")
write.recon.matrix(data = morpho_data, file = tmp)
```

---

write.recon.tree      *Write reconstructed tree to file*

---

**Description**

Write the reconstructed tree to Newick string

**Usage**

```
write.recon.tree(data = NULL, file = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

data	Morpho object
file	File name

**Value**

No return value, called for its side effect of writing data to a file.

**Examples**

```
data(morpho_data)
tmp <- tempfile(fileext = ".tre")
write.recon.tree(data = morpho_data, file = tmp)
```

---

write.recon.tsv      *Write the taxa ages of reconstructed tree*

---

**Description**

Writes the ages of the specimen in the reconstructed tree to a file. The tsv format used here is directly compatible with RevBayes

**Usage**

```
write.recon.tsv(data, file, uncertainty = 0)
```

**Arguments**

data	Morpho object
file	File name
uncertainty	Numeric. Adds uncertainty to fossil ages in the morpho object. The ages in the object are point estimates by default; setting 'uncertainty' will create an age range of $\pm$ this value (in millions of years).

**Value**

No return value, called for its side effect of writing data to a file.

**Examples**

```
data(morpho_data)
tmp <- tempfile(fileext = ".tsv")
write.recon.tsv(data = morpho_data, file = tmp)
```

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write.tsv	<i>Write the taxa ages</i>
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**Description**

Writes the ages of the specimens in the true tree to a file. The tsv format used here is directly compatible with RevBayes

**Usage**

```
write.tsv(data, file, uncertainty = 0)
```

**Arguments**

data	Morpho object
file	File name
uncertainty	Numeric. Adds uncertainty to fossil ages in the morpho object. The ages in the object are point estimates by default; setting 'uncertainty' will create an age range of $\pm$ this value (in millions of years).

**Value**

No return value, called for its side effect of writing data to a file.

**Examples**

```
data(morpho_data)
tmp <- tempfile(fileext = ".tsv")
write.tsv(data = morpho_data, file = tmp)
```

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