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## Description

This package presents a set of functions that were formerly included in the *phyloch* package and which wrap popular phylogenetic software for sequence alignment, masking of sequence alignments, and estimation of phylogenies and ancestral character states.

## Details

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There are several functions for reading and writing DNA sequences in FASTA, PHYLIP, and NEXUS format: [read.fas](#), [read.phy](#), [read.nex](#), [write.fas](#), [write.phy](#), and [write.nex](#). Some functions are available for integrating BEAST with R. XML input files for BEAST can be generated with [rbeauti](#). Two functions are designed to read TreeAnnotator output: [read.beast](#) will render an object of class `phylo` with additional node statistics appended as list elements. These additional node statistics will be lost by the subsequent use of [ladderize](#) or [rotate](#) (or similar functions that change the ordering of internal nodes). [read.beast.table](#) also parses the TreeAnnotator output, but returns a matrix of node statistics. This package itself does not implement techniques for phylogenetic analyses, but provides a series of wrappers for commonly used software packages. Sequence alignment can be done with the [mafft](#) and [prank](#); cleaning of sequences with [gblocks](#) and [aliscore](#). The function [raxml](#) and [mrbayes](#) are intended for phylogenetic tree search. Running [mrbayes](#) with argument `run = FALSE` can be used to create MrBayes-executable NEXUS files. Finally, wrappers is provided for Multistate in the BayesTraits package (see [multistateML](#) and [multistateMCMC](#)). Several plotting functions (`HPDbars`, `clade.bars`, `box.clades`, `box.tips`, `tip.color`, `edge.color`) have been moved to the **viper** package.

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## See Also

[ape](#)

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aliscore

*Masking of Sequence Alignments with ALISCORE*

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### Description

Provides a interface to **Aliscore**, in order to remove problematic regions of a DNA sequence alignment.

### Usage

```
aliscore(x, gaps = "5state", w = 6, r, t, l, s, o, exec)
```

### Arguments

x	DNA sequences of class DNABin.
gaps	A vector of mode "character" indicating how gaps shall be treated: as "5state" or as "ambiguous".
w	An integer giving the size of the sliding window.
r	An integer giving the number of random pairwise sequence comparisons; defaults to 4 * N.
t	<i>Not yet implemented.</i>
l	<i>Not yet implemented.</i>
s	<i>Not yet implemented.</i>
o	A vector of mode "character" containing outgroup taxon names.
exec	A character string, giving the path to the Aliscore script.

### Value

A matrix of class "DNABin".

### Note

This function was developed with ALISCORE version 2.

### References

Misof, B. and K. Misof. 2009. A Monte Carlo approach successfully identifies randomness in multiple sequence alignments: a more objective means of data exclusion. *Syst. Biol.* **58**: 21–34.

Kueck, P., K. Meusemann, J. Dambach, B. Thormann, B.M. von Reumont, J.W. Wägele and B. Misof. 2010. Parametric and non-parametric masking of randomness in sequence alignments can be improved and leads to better resolved trees. *Frontiers in Zoology* **7**: 10.

**Aliscore website:** <https://bonn.leibniz-lib.de/en/research/research-centres-and-groups/aliscore>

**See Also**

[mafft](#) and [prank](#) for multiple sequence alignment; [gblocks](#) for another alignment masking algorithm.

**Examples**

```
data(ips.28S)
## Not run: aliscore(ips.28S)
```

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blastn	<i>Nucleotide-Nucleotide BLAST</i>
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**Description**

Provides an interface to BLASTN

**Usage**

```
blastn(query, db)
```

**Arguments**

query	An object of class DNABin containing the sequences which will be blasted against db.
db	An object of class DNABin containing the reference sequences, i.e. the sequences against which query will be blasted.

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code.simple.gaps	<i>Simple Gap/Indel Coding</i>
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**Description**

code.simple.gaps takes an aligned DNA sequence matrix and codes the simple gaps, i.e. gaps that do not overlap with other gaps. The gapped positions are excluded from the matrix and the coded gap characters are appended to the matrix.

**Usage**

```
code.simple.gaps(x, append = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

x	An object of class DNABin.
append	Logical.

**Value**

An object of class [DNABin](#).

**Author(s)**

Christoph Heibl

**References**

Simmons, M.P. & H. Ochoterena. 2000. Gaps as characters in sequence-based phylogenetic analyses. *Systematic Biology* **49(2)**: 369–381.

**See Also**

[deleteGaps](#), [deleteEmptyCells](#), [trimEnds](#)

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collapseUnsupportedEdges

*Collapse Unsupported Edges/Branches in a Phylogeny*

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**Description**

Given a set of node support values (e.g., bootstrap proportions, posterior probabilities) and a certain threshold, all edges receiving less support than the threshold will be collapsed.

**Usage**

```
collapseUnsupportedEdges(phy, value = "node.label", cutoff)
```

**Arguments**

phy	An object of class <a href="#">phylo</a> .
value	A character string giving the name of the list element that contains the support values; default is "node.label".
cutoff	A numeric value giving the threshold below which edges will be collapsed.

**Value**

An object of class [phylo](#).

## Examples

```
## phylogeny of bark beetles
data(ips.tree)
## non-parametric bootstrap proportions (BP)
ips.tree$node.label
## collapse clades with < 70 BP
tr <- collapseUnsupportedEdges(ips.tree, "node.label", 70)
## show new topology
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
plot(ips.tree, no.margin = TRUE)
nodelabels(ips.tree$node.label, cex = .5, frame = "n", adj = c(0, .5))
plot(tr, no.margin = TRUE)
```

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combMyTree

*Graft Polytomies on Tips of Phylogeny*

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## Description

Graft polytomies on the tips of a class `phylo` object.

## Usage

```
combMyTree(phy, data, brlen = 0, annotate = FALSE)
```

## Arguments

<code>phy</code>	An object of class <code>phylo</code> .
<code>data</code>	A data frame containing two columns. The entries of one column must be identical to the tip labels of the phylogeny; the other column contains the new tip labels. The column are matched automatically.
<code>brlen</code>	A numeric giving the branch lengths for the polytomies.
<code>annotate</code>	Logical, if TRUE, the former tip labels will be turned into node labels. Note, that this will overwrite existing node labels.

## Value

An object of class `phylo` with `nrow(data)` tips.

## See Also

[forceEqualTipHeights](#)

**Examples**

```

data(ips.tree)
## Simulate varying number of intraspecific observations
s <- sapply(1:Ntip(ips.tree), sample, x = 1:3, size = 1)
x <- rep(ips.tree$tip.label, times = s)
x <- data.frame(x, paste0(x, unlist(lapply(s, function(z) 1:z))))
## Create polytomies
tre <- combMyTree(ips.tree, x)
plot(tre, no.margin = TRUE, cex =.5)

```

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`del.miss`*Delete Missing Data from DNA Sequences*

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**Description**

Remove gaps ("-") and/or missing and ambiguous data ("N", "?") from a sample of DNA sequences.

**Usage**

```
del.miss(x)
```

**Arguments**

`x` A matrix, a list, or a vector of class `DNAbin` containing the DNA sequences.

**Value**

A list or a vector of class `DNAbin`.

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`deleteGaps`*Remove Gap Positions From DNA Sequences*

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**Description**

Remove indel positions (or gaps) from a DNA sequence alignment. For faster execution, `deleteGaps` handles sequences in **ape**'s bit-level coding scheme.

**Usage**

```
deleteGaps(x, gap.max = nrow(x) - 4)
```

**Arguments**

`x` An object of class `DNAbin`.

`gap.max` An integer, which gives the maximum number of gap characters ("-") that will be tolerated at any given alignment position (column). Only values between 0 and `nrow(x) - 4` make sense phylogenetically.



**Details**

The default, `nmax = nrow(x) - 4`, removes all those positions from the alignment, which contain at least four non-gap characters, which is the minimum number of sequences needed to produce a non-trivial unrooted topology. All gaps will be excluded by selecting `nmax = 0` and half of all gaps with `nmax = nrow(x) / 2`.

In contrast, `del.gaps` removes all gap characters from the alignment, so most probably the result will not be a set of sequences of equal length and the matrix will be coerced to a list.

**Value**

An object of class `DNABin`.

**See Also**

`code.simple.gaps` for coding of simple gaps, `del.gaps` for removal of all gap symbols from an alignment, `gblocks` and `aliscore` for more sophisticated methods of cleaning/masking alignments.

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 descendants

*Descendants of an Internal Node in a Phylogeny*


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**Description**

For any given internal node of a phylogeny, the function returns a vector containing the node numbers descending from that node.

**Usage**

```
descendants(phy, node, type = "t", ignore.tip = TRUE, labels = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

<code>phy</code>	an object of class <code>phylo</code> .
<code>node</code>	an integer giving the number of the internal node.
<code>type</code>	a character string, may be "daughter", "internal", "terminal", "all", or any unambiguous abbreviation of these.
<code>ignore.tip</code>	logical, if <code>ignore.tip = FALSE</code> , the function will issue an error when node is not internal, otherwise the number of the corresponding terminal node will be returned.
<code>labels</code>	logical, determines if node labels are returned instead of node number, currently ignored unless <code>type = "t"</code> .

**Value**

A vector containing terminal node numbers or tip labels.

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**[sister, noi](#)**Examples**

```
# generate a random tree with 12 terminal and 11 internal nodes:
tree <- rtree(12)

# get the descendants of internal node 15:
x <- descendants(tree, 15)
```

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[DNAbin2index](#)*Conversion of DNAbin to Index*

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**Description**

Extract the indices of non-empty positions in a sample of DNA sequences to

**Usage**

```
DNAbin2index(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                    A matrix of class [DNAbin](#).

**See Also**[index2DNAbin](#)

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[EmptyCells](#)*Identify/Delete Spurious Rows and Columns from DNA Alignments*

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**Description**

After subsetting (see e.g. [DNAbin](#)), DNA sequence alignments can contain rows and columns that consist entirely of missing and/or ambiguous character states. `identifyEmptyCells` will identify and `deleteEmptyCells` will delete all such rows (taxa) and columns (characters) from a DNA sequence alignment.

## Usage

```
deleteEmptyCells(  
  DNAbin,  
  margin = c(1, 2),  
  nset = c("-", "n", "?"),  
  quiet = FALSE  
)  
  
identifyEmptyCells(  
  DNAbin,  
  margin = c(1, 2),  
  nset = c("-", "n", "?"),  
  quiet = FALSE  
)
```

## Arguments

DNAbin	An object of class <a href="#">DNAbin</a> .
margin	A vector giving the subscripts the function will be applied over: 1 indicates rows, 2 indicates columns, and c(1, 2) indicates rows and columns.
nset	A vector of mode character; rows or columns that consist <b>only</b> of the characters given in nset will be deleted from the alignment. Allowed are "-", "?", "n", "b", "d", "h", "v", "r", "y", "s", "w", "k", and "m".
quiet	Logical: if set to TRUE, screen output will be suppressed.

## Details

For faster execution, deleteEmptyCells handles sequences in **ape**'s bit-level coding scheme.

## Value

An object of class [DNAbin](#).

## References

Cornish-Bowden, A. 1984. Nomenclature for incompletely specified bases in nucleic acid sequences: recommendations 1984. *Nucleic Acids Res.* **13**: 3021–3030.

## See Also

[trimEnds](#), [deleteGaps](#)

## Examples

```
# COX1 sequences of bark beetles  
data(ips.cox1)  
# introduce completely ambiguous rows and columns  
x <- as.character(ips.cox1[1:6, 1:60])  
x[3, ] <- rep("n", 60)
```

```
x[, 20:24] <- rep("-", 6)
x <- as.DNABin(x)
image(x)
# identify those rows and columns
(id <- identifyEmptyCells(x))
xx <- x[-id$row, -id$col]
# delete those rows and columns
x <- deleteEmptyCells(x)
image(x)
identical(x, xx)
```

eoi

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*Identification of Stem-Lineage-Edges and MRCAs*


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**Description**

**noi** (**n**ode **o**f **i**nterest) identifies the most recent common ancestor (MRCA) and **eoi** (**e**dge **o**f **i**nterest) its subtending stem-lineage edge of one or more sets of taxa/tips.

**Usage**

```
eoi(phy, node, group, regex = FALSE, stem = FALSE, monophyletic = FALSE)
```

```
noi(phy, group, regex = FALSE, stem = FALSE, monophyletic = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

phy	An object of class <a href="#">phylo</a> .
node	A vector of mode "numeric" giving the nodes numbers of the nodes whose subtending stem-lineages will be identified.
group	A vector or list of vectors of mode character specifying the taxon set(s). Will be ignored if node is given.
regex	A logical, if regex = TRUE, taxon sets are matched to the tip labels as regular expressions of the form "taxon1 taxon2"; otherwise strings will be matched exactly (see <a href="#">which</a> ).
stem	Logical, ...
monophyletic	Logical, ...

**Value**

A vector of mode "numeric" containing node numbers.

**See Also**

[mrca](#); [descendants](#) for the contrary operation to noi.

## Examples

```

# molecular phylogeny of Ips bark beetles
# -----
data(ips.tree)
ips.tree <- ladderize(ips.tree)
ips.tree <- fixNodes(ips.tree)
clade1 <- descendants(ips.tree, 44, labels = TRUE)
mrca <- noi(ips.tree, clade1)
stem_lineage <- eoi(ips.tree, mrca)
ecol <- rep("black", Nedge(ips.tree))
ecol[stem_lineage] <- "red"
plot(ips.tree, no.margin = TRUE, edge.color = ecol)
nodeLabels(node = mrca, pch = 22, col = "blue")
#gen <- sapply(viperidae$tip.label, function(x) unlist(strsplit(x, "_"))[1])
#tax <- data.frame(genus = gen, species = viperidae$tip.label, row.names = NULL)

# group can be a list
# -----
#myclades <- split(tax$species, tax$genus)
#nds <- noi(viperidae, myclades)
#plot(viperidae)
#nodeInfo(nds)

# group might contain tip numbers
# -----
#group <- list(c(17, 22), c(13, 1))
#plot(viperidae)
#append2tips(phy, tips = unlist(group), pch = 19)
#nds <- noi(viperidae, myclades)
#nodeInfo(nds)

# the 'group' argument can also take regular expressions
# -----
#rex <- "aspis"
#node <- noi(viperidae, rex, regex = TRUE)
#plot.phylo(viperidae, tip.color = 0, edge.color = 0)
#box.clades(viperidae, nodes = node, col = "#D2A6A7", align = "all")
#plot.phylo.upon(viperidae)
#nodeLabels(node = node, pch = 21, cex = 1.2, col = "red", bg = "#D2A6A7")

# if the 'group' argument is a list of elements of length 2,
# n = length(group) nodes of interest will be returned
# -----
#group <- list(
# c("Vipera_berus", "Vipera_ursinii"),
# c("Vipera_aspis_ssp._aspis", "Vipera_latastei"),
# c("Vipera_ammodytes_ssp._ammodytes",
#   "Vipera_ammodytes_ssp._montandoni"),
# c("Macrovipera_lebetina", "Vipera_wagneri")
#)
#clades <- noi(viperidae, group)
#plot.phylo(viperidae, tip.color = 0, edge.color = 0)

```

```
#box.clades(viperidae, nodes = clades, col = c("#FFFA5", "#D2A6A7",  
# "#A7D2A5", "#A5A6D2"), align = "all")  
#plot.phylo.upon(viperidae)
```

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**fixNodes***Standard Node Numbering in Phylo Objects*

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### Description

The function (re-)establishes the standard numbering of terminal and internal nodes in phylogenies represented as objects of class [phylo](#).

### Usage

```
fixNodes(phy)
```

### Arguments

`phy`                    An object of class [phylo](#).

### Details

When reading phylogenetic trees from a NEXUS file that contains a `translate` section, it can happen that the terminal nodes (tips, leaves) of the corresponding `phylo` object are not numbered consecutively, which can be a problem in some downstream applications. You can use `fixNodes` to get the correct order of terminal node numbers.

`fixNodes` is also intended to re-establish the standard numbering of internal nodes and reorder all node value elements (e.g. `node.label`, `posterior`, ...) if a `phylo` object has been modified by either [root](#), [ladderize](#), or [rotate](#).

### Value

An object of class [phylo](#).

### Note

`fixNodes` has been completely rewritten for **ips** version 1.0-0. It should now run absolutely stable and is much quicker. Nevertheless, I recommend checking carefully the results of `fixNodes`, until the function has been tested by a number of users. Then this comment will be removed.

### Author(s)

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### See Also

[read.tree](#), [read.nexus](#), [read.beast](#) for reading trees in NEWICK and NEXUS format; [ladderize](#) and [rotate](#) for tree manipulation; `node.support` for plotting node support values has been moved to package **viper**.

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forceEqualTipHeights *Equal Tip Heights*

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### Description

Modify terminal edge lengths to create "exactly" (see Details) equal tip heights (sum of edge lengths from root to tip)

### Usage

```
forceEqualTipHeights(phy, baseline = "mean")
```

### Arguments

phy	An object of class <a href="#">phylo</a> .
baseline	A character string giving a function to calculate the baseline tip height, e.g. "min", "max" or "mean".

### Details

What is "exactly" equal depends on the precision of the system ([.Machine](#)); in any case the resulting phylogeny will pass [is.ultrametric](#) with default arguments.

### Value

An object of class [phylo](#) with changed terminal edge lengths.

### Note

forceEqualTipHeights is only intended to correct small rounding errors in edge lengths, not to make an additive phylogeny ultrametric. For the latter, see e.g. [chronos](#).

### See Also

[tipHeights](#)

## Description

Provides a wrapper to Gblocks, a computer program written in ANSI C language that eliminates poorly aligned positions and divergent regions of an alignment of DNA or protein sequences. Gblocks selects conserved blocks from a multiple alignment according to a set of features of the alignment positions.

## Usage

```
gblocks(
  x,
  b1 = 0.5,
  b2 = b1,
  b3 = ncol(x),
  b4 = 2,
  b5 = "a",
  target = "alignment",
  exec
)
```

## Arguments

- |    |   |
|----|---|
| x  | A matrix of DNA sequences of classes <a href="#">DNABin</a> .   |
| b1 | A real number, the <b>minimum number of sequences for a conserved position</b> given as a fraction. Values between 0.5 and 1.0 are allowed. <i>Larger</i> values will <i>decrease</i> the number of selected positions, i.e. are more <i>conservative</i> . Defaults to 0.5   |
| b2 | A real number, the <b>minimum number of sequences for a flank position</b> given as a fraction. Values must be equal or larger than b1. <i>Larger</i> values will <i>decrease</i> the number of selected positions, i.e. are <i>more conservative</i> . Defaults to 0.5   |
| b3 | An integer, the <b>maximum number of contiguous nonconserved positions</b> ; any integer is allowed. <i>Larger</i> values will <i>increase</i> the number of selected position, i.e. are <i>less conservative</i> . Defaults to the number of positions in the alignment.   |
| b4 | An integer, the <b>minimum length of a block</b> , any integer equal to or bigger than 2 is allowed. <i>Larger</i> values will <i>decrease</i> the number of selected positions, i.e. are <i>more conservative</i> . Defaults to 2.   |
| b5 | A character string indicating the <b>treatment of gap positions</b> . Three choices are possible. 1. "n": <i>No</i> gap positions are allowed in the final alignment. All positions with a single gap or more are treated as a gap position for the block selection procedure, and they and the adjacent nonconserved positions are eliminated. 2. "h": Only positions where <i>50% or more</i> of the sequences have a gap are treated as a gap position. Thus, positions with a gap in less than 50% of the |



sequences can be selected in the final alignment if they are within an appropriate block. 3. "a": All gap positions can be selected. Positions with gaps are not treated differently from other positions (default).

target	A vector of mode "character" giving the output format: "alignment" will return the alignment with only the selected positions, "index" will return the indices of the selected position, and "score" will provide a score for every position in the original alignment (0 for excluded, 1 for included).
exec	A character string indicating the path to the GBLOCKS executable.

### Details

Explanation of the routine taken from the Online Documentation: First, the degree of conservation of every positions of the multiple alignment is evaluated and classified as *nonconserved*, *conserved*, or *highly conserved*. All stretches of contiguous nonconserved positions bigger than a certain value (**b3**) are rejected. In such stretches, alignments are normally ambiguous and, even when in some cases a unique alignment could be given, multiple hidden substitutions make them inadequate for phylogenetic analysis. In the remaining blocks, flanks are examined and positions are removed until blocks are surrounded by highly conserved positions at both flanks. This way, selected blocks are anchored by positions that can be aligned with high confidence. Then, all gap positions -that can be defined in three different ways (**b5**)- are removed. Furthermore, nonconserved positions adjacent to a gap position are also eliminated until a conserved position is reached, because regions adjacent to a gap are the most difficult to align. Finally, small blocks (falling below the limit of **b4**) remaining after gap cleaning are also removed.

### Value

A matrix of class "DNAbin"

### Note

gblocks was last updated and tested to work with Gblocks 0.91b. If you have problems getting the function to work with a newer version of Gblocks, please contact the package maintainer.

### References

- Castresana, J. 2000. Selection of conserved blocks from multiple alignments for their use in phylogenetic analysis. *Molecular Biology and Evolution* **17**, 540-552.
- Talavera, G., and J. Castresana. 2007. Improvement of phylogenies after removing divergent and ambiguously aligned blocks from protein sequence alignments. *Systematic Biology* **56**, 564-577.

**Gblocks website:** <https://www.biologiaevolutiva.org/jcastresana/Gblocks.html>

### See Also

[mafft](#) and [prank](#) for multiple sequence alignment; [aliscore](#) for another alignment masking algorithm.

**Examples**

```
data(ips.28S)
## Not run: gblocks(ips.28S)
```

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index2DNAbin	<i>Conversion of Index to DNAbin</i>
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**Description**

Use indices of non-empty positions to convert a list of DNA sequences into a matrix.

**Usage**

```
index2DNAbin(DNAbin, index)
```

**Arguments**

DNAbin	A list of class <a href="#">DNAbin</a> .
index	A list of integers containing the indices of base positions.

**See Also**

[DNAbin2index](#)

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ips.16S	<i>Bark Beetle 16S Sequences</i>
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**Description**

This DNA alignment contains 376 positions of 42 sequences of 16S ribosomal DNA of the bark beetle genera *Ips*, *Orthotomicus*, and *Pityogenes* (Scolytinae, Curculionidae, Coleoptera).

**Usage**

```
data(ips.16S)
```

**Format**

The sequences are stored in binary format (see [DNAbin](#)).

**Source**

The sequences were downloaded and assembled from the Nucleotide repository at GenBank on February 8, 2014.

**References**

The nucleotide database on the NCBI website: <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nucleotide>

**Examples**

```
data(ips.16S)
```

---

ips.28S

*Bark Beetle 28S Sequences*

---

**Description**

This DNA alignment contains 562 positions of 28 sequences of 28S ribosomal DNA of the bark beetle genus *Ips* (Scolytinae, Curculionidae, Coleoptera).

**Usage**

```
data(ips.28S)
```

**Format**

The sequences are stored in binary format (see [DNABin](#)).

**Source**

The sequences were downloaded and assembled from the Nucleotide repository at GenBank on February 8, 2014.

**References**

The nucleotide database on the NCBI website: <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nucleotide>

**Examples**

```
data(ips.28S)
```

---

 ips.cox1

*Bark Beetle COX1 Sequences*


---

**Description**

This DNA alignment contains 770 positions of 26 sequences of cox1 of the bark beetle genera *Ips*, *Orthotomicus*, and *Pityogenes* (Scolytinae, Curculionidae, Coleoptera).

**Usage**

```
data(ips.cox1)
```

**Format**

The sequences are stored in binary format (see [DNABin](#)).

**Source**

The sequences were downloaded and assembled from the Nucleotide repository at GenBank on February 8, 2014.

**References**

The nucleotide database on the NCBI website: <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nucleotide>

**Examples**

```
data(ips.cox1)
```

---

 ips.tree

*Ips Phylogeny*


---

**Description**

Phylogenetic tree of bark beetles (genus *Ips*).

**Usage**

```
data(ips.tree)
```

**Format**

The format is: List of 5 \$ edge : int [1:72, 1:2] 38 39 39 40 41 42 42 43 44 45 ... \$ Nnode : int 36 \$ tip.label : chr [1:37] "Ips\_acuminatus" "Ips\_duplicatus" "Ips\_integer" "Ips\_plastographus" ... \$ edge.length: num [1:72] 0.2806 0.0727 0.0295 0.0097 0.021 ... \$ node.label : chr [1:36] "" "100" "21" "12" ... - attr(\*, "class")= chr "phylo" - attr(\*, "order")= chr "cladewise"

**Examples**

```
data(ips.tree)
plot(ips.tree)
```

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mafft

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*Sequence Alignment with MAFFT*


---

**Description**

This function is a wrapper for MAFFT and can be used for (profile) aligning of DNA and amino acid sequences.

**Usage**

```
mafft(
  x,
  y,
  add,
  method = "auto",
  maxiterate = 0,
  op = 1.53,
  ep = 0,
  gt = NULL,
  options,
  thread = -1,
  exec,
  quiet,
  file
)
```

**Arguments**

x	An object of class DNABin or AABin.
y	An object of class DNABin or AABin, if given both x and y are preserved and aligned to each other ("profile alignment").
add	A character string giving the method used for adding y to x: "add", "addprofile" (default), or any unambiguous abbreviation of these.
method	A character string giving the alignment method. Available accuracy-oriented methods for less than 200 sequences are "localpair", "globalpair", and "genafpair"; "retree 1" and "retree 2" are for speed-oriented alignment. The default is "auto", which lets MAFFT choose an appropriate alignment method.
maxiterate	An integer giving the number of cycles of iterative refinement to perform. Possible choices are 0: progressive method, no iterative refinement (default); 2: two cycles of iterative refinement; 1000: at most 1000 cycles of iterative refinement.

op	A numeric giving the gap opening penalty at group-to-group alignment; default 1.53.
ep	A numeric giving the offset value, which works like gap extension penalty, for group-to-group alignment; default 0.0, but 0.123 is recommended if no long indels are expected.
gt	An object of class <code>phylo</code> that is to be used as a guide tree during alignment. The default is to let MAFFT use its own internal guide tree
options	A vector of mode character specifying additional arguments to MAFFT, that are not included in mafft such as, e.g., <code>--adjustdirection</code> .
thread	Integer giving the number of physical cores MAFFT should use; with <code>thread = -1</code> the number of cores is determined automatically.
exec	A character string giving the path to the MAFFT executable including its name, e.g. something like <code>/user/local/bin/mafft</code> under UNIX-alikes.
quiet	Logical, if set to TRUE, mafft progress is printed out on the screen.
file	A character string indicating the filename of the output FASTA file; if this is missing the the alignment will be returned as matrix of class DNABin or AABin.

### Details

"localpair" selects the **L-INS-i** algorithm, probably most accurate; recommended for <200 sequences; iterative refinement method incorporating local pairwise alignment information.

"globalpair" selects the **G-INS-i** algorithm suitable for sequences of similar lengths; recommended for <200 sequences; iterative refinement method incorporating global pairwise alignment information.

"genafpair" selects the **E-INS-i** algorithm suitable for sequences containing large unalignable regions; recommended for <200 sequences.

"retree 1" selects the **FFT-NS-1** algorithm, the simplest progressive option in MAFFT; recommended for >200 sequences.

"retree 2" selects the **FFT-NS-2** algorithm that uses a second iteration of alignment based on a guide tree computed from an FFT-NS-1 alignment; this is the default in MAFFT; recommended for >200 sequences.

### Value

A matrix of class "DNABin" or "AABin".

### Note

mafft was last updated and tested to work with MAFFT 7.205. If you have problems getting the function to work with a newer version of MAFFT, please contact the package maintainer.

### References

Katoh, K. and H. Toh. 2008. Recent developments in the MAFFT multiple sequence alignment program. *Briefings in Bioinformatics* **9**: 286-298.

Katoh, K., K.-i. Kuma, H. Toh, and T. Miyata. 2005. Mafft version 5: improvement in accuracy of multiple sequence alignment. *Nucleic Acids Research* **33**: 511–518.

Katoh, K., K. Misawa, K.-i. Kuma, and T. Miyata. 2002. Mafft: a novel method for rapid multiple sequence alignment based on fast Fourier transform. *Nucleic Acids Research* **30**: 3059–3066.

<https://mafft.cbrc.jp/alignment/software/index.html>

### See Also

[read.fas](#) to import DNA sequences; [prank](#) for another alignment algorithm; [gblocks](#) and [aliscore](#) for alignment cleaning.

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mafft.merge

*Profile Alignment with MAFFT*

---

### Description

Merge two or more DNA or amino acid sequence alignments by profile alignment with MAFFT.

### Usage

```
mafft.merge(subMSA, method = "auto", gt, thread = -1, exec, quiet = TRUE)
```

### Arguments

subMSA	A list of objects of class "DNABin" or "AABin".
method	A character string giving the alignment method. Available accuracy-oriented methods for less than 200 sequences are "localpair", "globalpair", and "genafpair"; "retree 1" and "retree 2" are for speed-oriented alignment. The default is "auto", which lets MAFFT choose an appropriate alignment method.
gt	An object of class <a href="#">phylo</a> that is to be used as a guide tree during alignment.
thread	Integer giving the number of physical cores MAFFT should use; with thread = -1 the number of cores is determined automatically.
exec	A character string giving the path to the MAFFT executable including its name, e.g. something like /user/local/bin/mafft under UNIX-alikes.
quiet	Logical, if set to TRUE, mafft progress is printed out on the screen.

### Value

An object of class "DNABin" or "AABin".

mrbayes

*Bayesian MCMC Tree Search with MrBayes***Description**

Provides a wrapper for Bayesian phylogenetic tree search through MrBayes (Huelsenbeck & Ronquist, 2001; Ronquist & Huelsenbeck, 2003).

**Usage**

```
mrbayes(
  x,
  file = "",
  lset,
  prset,
  mcmc,
  unlink,
  constraint,
  burnin = 10,
  contype = "allcompat",
  exec,
  run = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

x	An object of class <code>DNABin</code> in the case of <code>mrbayes</code> or a matrix of mode character in the case of <code>mrbayes.mixed</code> .
file	A character string, giving the name of the MrBayes input file.
lset	A list as returned by <code>mrbayes.prset</code> containing the parameter setting for the prior distributions.
prset	A list as returned by <code>mrbayes.prset</code> containing the parameter setting for the prior distributions.
mcmc	A list as returned by <code>mrbayes.mcmc</code> containing the parameter setting for the Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC).
unlink	xxx
constraint	xxx
burnin	An integer; the number of samples from the MCMC to be discarded prior to further analysis.
contype	A character string; the type of consensus tree calculated from the posterior distribution of trees: either "halfcompat" (majority-rule consensus tree) or "allcombat" (strict consensus tree).
exec	A character string giving the full path of the MrBayes program.
run	Logical; <code>run = FALSE</code> will only print the NEXUS file, <code>run = TRUE</code> will also start the MCMC runs, if <code>exec</code> is correctly specified.



## Details

mrbayes was last updated and tested with MrBayes **v3.2.2** under R 3.1.0 on a x86\_64-apple-darwin10.8.0 (64-bit) platform. It is intended to offer a simply parameterized building block for larger scripts.

## Value

None; a NEXUS file with MrBayes block is written to a file and, if run = TRUE, the MCMC runs in MrBayes are started.

## References

J. P. Huelsenbeck & Ronquist F. 2001. MrBayes: Bayesian inference of phylogenetic trees. *Bioinformatics* **17**: 754-755. Ronquist F. & J. P. Huelsenbeck. 2003. MrBayes 3: Bayesian phylogenetic inference under mixed models. *Biometrics* **19**: 1572-1574. MrBayes website: <https://mrbayes.sourceforge.net/>.

## See Also

[mafft](#) and [prank](#) for sequence alignment; [raxml](#) for maximum likelihood tree search.

## Examples

```
data(ips.cox1)
x <- ips.cox1[, 100:140] # tiny alignment
mrbayes(x, file = "", mcmc = mrbayes.mcmc(nngen = 100), run = FALSE)
## Not run:
library(phangorn)
tree <- rtree(10)
Y1 <- simSeq(tree, l = 20)
Y2 <- simSeq(tree, l = 20, type = "USER", levels=c("0", "1"))
Y <- cbind(as.character(Y1), as.character(Y2))

## End(Not run)
```

---

mrbayes.lset

*Model Settings for MrBayes*

---

## Description

Set model parameters for [mrbayes](#).

## Usage

```
mrbayes.lset(..., partition)
```

**Arguments**

- ... arguments in tag = value form, or a list of tagged values. The tags must come from the names of model parameters described in the 'Model Parameters' section.
- partition a character string giving the labelling for a partion.

**Value**

a list containing a subset (including the empty and the full set) of model parameters.

**Model Parameters**

- nucmodel** "4by4", "doublet", "codon", or "protein".
- nst** 1, 2, 6, or "mixed".
- code** "universal", "vertmt", "mycoplasma", "yeast", "ciliates", or "metmt".
- ploidy** "haploid", "diploid", or "zlinked".
- rates** "equal", "gamma", "propinv", "invgamma", or "adgamma".
- ngammacat** 1-24
- nbetacat** 1-24
- omegavar** "equal", "ny98", or "m3".
- covarion** "no" or "yes".
- coding** "all", "variable", "noabsencesites", or "nopresencesites".
- parsmodel** "no" or "yes".

**Author(s)**

Christoph Heibl

**References**

- J.P. Huelsenbeck & Ronquist F. 2001. MrBayes: Bayesian inference of phylogenetic trees. *Bioinformatics* **17**: 754-755.
- Ronquist F. & J.P. Huelsenbeck. 2003. MrBayes 3: Bayesian phylogenetic inference under mixed models. *Biometrics* **19**: 1572-1574.
- MrBayes website: <https://mrbayes.sourceforge.net/>.

**See Also**

[mrbayes.prset](#) to set prior distributions, [mrbayes.mcmc](#) to set parameters of the Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC), and [mrbayes](#) to run MrBayes locally or prepare input files for a computer cluster.

## Examples

```
## F81
mrbayes.lset(nst = 2)

## GTR + Gamma
mrbayes.lset(nst = 6, rates = "gamma")

## GTR + Gamma + I
mrbayes.lset(nst = 6, rates = "invgamma")
```

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mrbayes.mcmc

*MCMC Settings for MrBayes*

---

## Description

Set Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) parameters for [mrbayes](#).

## Usage

```
mrbayes.mcmc(...)
```

## Arguments

... arguments in tag = value form, or a list of tagged values. The tags must come from the names of MCMC parameters described in the ‘MCMC Parameters’ section.

## Value

a list containing a subset (including the empty and the full set) of model parameters.

## MCMC Parameters

**ngen** "NUMERIC"  
**nruns** "NUMERIC"  
**nchains** "NUMERIC"  
**temp** "NUMERIC"  
**swapfreq** "NUMERIC"  
**nswaps** "NUMERIC"  
**samplefreq** "NUMERIC"  
**printfreq** "NUMERIC"  
**printall** "yes" or "no"  
**printmax** "NUMERIC"  
**mcmcdiag** "yes" or "no"

**diagnfreq** "NUMERIC"  
**diagnstat** "avgstddev" or "maxstddev"  
**minpartfreq** "NUMERIC"  
**allchains** "yes" or "no"  
**allcomps** "yes" or "no"  
**relburnin** "yes" or "no"  
**burnin** "NUMERIC"  
**burninfrac** "NUMERIC"  
**stoprule** "yes" or "no"  
**stopval** "NUMERIC"  
**savetrees** "yes" or "no"  
**checkpoint** "yes" or "no"  
**checkfreq** "NUMERIC"  
**startparams** "current" or "reset"  
**starttree** "current", "random", or "parsimony"  
**nperts** "NUMERIC"  
**data** "yes" or "no"  
**ordertaxa** "yes" or "no"  
**append** "yes" or "no"  
**autotune** "yes" or "no"  
**tunefreq** "NUMERIC"

### Note

The parameters **reweight** and **filename** cannot be set via `mrbayes.mcmc`.

### Author(s)

Christoph Heibl

### References

J.P. Huelsenbeck & Ronquist F. 2001. MrBayes: Bayesian inference of phylogenetic trees. *Bioinformatics* **17**: 754-755.

Ronquist F. & J.P. Huelsenbeck. 2003. MrBayes 3: Bayesian phylogenetic inference under mixed models. *Biometrics* **19**: 1572-1574.

MrBayes website: <https://mrbayes.sourceforge.net/>.

### See Also

[mrbayes.lset](#) to set model parameters, [mrbayes.prset](#) to set prior distributions, and [mrbayes](#) to run MrBayes locally or prepare input files for a computer cluster.

### Examples

```
mrbayes.mcmc()
```

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mrbayes.prset	<i>Set Priors for MrBayes</i>
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**Description**

Set prior distributions for [mrbayes](#).

**Usage**

```
mrbayes.prset(...)
```

**Arguments**

... arguments in tag = value form, or a list of tagged values. The tags must come from the names of prior distribution parameters described in the 'Prior Distribution Parameters' section.

**Value**

a list of length zero (see 'Note')

**Prior Distribution Parameters**

**traitiopr**

**revmatpr**

**aamodelpr**

**aarevmatpr**

**omegapr**

**ny98omega1pr**

**ny98omega3pr**

**m3omegapr**

**codoncatfreqs**

**statefreqpr**

**shapepr**

**ratecorrpr**

**pinvarpr**

**covswitchpr**

**symdirihyperpr**

**topologypr**

**brlenspr**

**clockvarpr**

**igrvarpr**

**Note**

This function currently returns an empty set of prior distribution parameters, i.e., you cannot change the MrBayes default parameters.

**Author(s)**

Christoph Heibl

**References**

J.P. Huelsenbeck & Ronquist F. 2001. MrBayes: Bayesian inference of phylogenetic trees. *Bioinformatics* **17**: 754-755.

Ronquist F. & J.P. Huelsenbeck. 2003. MrBayes 3: Bayesian phylogenetic inference under mixed models. *Biometrics* **19**: 1572-1574.

MrBayes website: <https://mrbayes.sourceforge.net/>.

**See Also**

[mrbayes.lset](#) to set model parameters, [mrbayes.mcmc](#) to set parameters of the Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC), and [mrbayes](#) to run MrBayes locally or prepare input files for a computer cluster.

**Examples**

```
mrbayes.prset()
```

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multistate

*MULTISTATE*

---

**Description**

These functions provide wrappers to BayesMultiState in the BayesTraits package written by Mark Pagel and Andrew Meade.

**Usage**

```
multistateML(phy, traits, model = "ARD", anc.states = TRUE,  
  path = "/Applications/BayesTraits", dir = NULL)
```

```
multistateMCMC(phy, traits, model = "ARD", anc.states = TRUE,  
  rd = 2, rjhp = NULL, fixNodes = NULL, it = 1e+05, bi = 10000,  
  sa = 1000, path = "/Applications/BayesTraits", dir = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

phy	an object of class phylo.
traits	a data.frame with two columns. The first column contains the taxon labels, the second column contains the character states.
model	a character string to select a model of rate evolution. One of "ER" (equal rates), "FB", "ROW", "SYM", or "ARD" (all rates different).
anc.states	either logical or a list, the latter containing the tip labels of those internal nodes, for which the likelihood of ancestral character states should be estimated.
rd	a real number, giving the RateDev parameter, i.e., the deviation of the normal distribution, that changes to the rates are drawn from. Should be set such that acceptance of the rate parameters is about 0.2.
rjhp	a character string giving the details of priors and hyperpriors for the reversible jump MCMC (rjMCMC). If left NULL, a conventional MCMC is used. In order to use the rjMCMC, you must specify the distribution of the prior and the interval of the uniform hyperprior distribution that seeds it. For example, exp 0 30 specifies an exponential distribution seeded from a uniform distribution on the interval 0 to 30, and gamma 0 10 0 10 specifies a gamma prior with its mean and standard deviation seeded from uniform distributions on the interval 0 to 10.
fixNodes	a list giving fixed character states of certain internal nodes. This argument corresponds to the fossil command in the MultiState manual.
it	numeric, sets the number of iterations to run the MCMC for.
bi	numeric, sets the number of iterations of the MCMC that will be discarded as burn-in.
sa	numeric, sets the the sample period in the MCMC.
path	a character string giving the path to executables in the BayesTraits package.
dir	a character string giving a directory name where the input and output files will be stored. The directory will be created by multistateML and must not exist already. If dir = NULL (default) input and output is written to the working directory (thereby overwriting existing output).

**Author(s)**

Christoph Heibl

**References**

- The BayesTraits manual: <http://www.evolution.reading.ac.uk/BayesTraitsV4.1.1/Files/BayesTraitsV4.1.1-Manual.pdf>.
- Pagel, M., A. Meade, and D. Barker. 2004. Bayesian estimation of ancestral character states on phylogenies. *Syst. Biol.* **53**: 673-684.
- Pagel, M. and A. Meade. 2006. Bayesian analysis of correlated evolution of discrete characters by reversible-jump Markov chain Monte Carlo. *Am. Nat.* **167**: 808-825.

**See Also**

[ace](#)

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neighboringPairs	<i>Neighboring Nodes in a Minimum Spanning Tree</i>
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**Description**

Finds all pairs of adjacent nodes, i.e. nodes separated by only one edge, in a minimum spanning tree

**Usage**

```
neighboringPairs(mst)
```

**Arguments**

mst	An object of class <code>mst</code> .
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ntip	<i>Numbers of Tips of (Sub)trees</i>
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**Description**

Counts the number of tips of a given clade of a phylogenetic tree.

**Usage**

```
ntip(phy, node)
```

**Arguments**

phy	An object of class <code>phylo</code> .
node	An integer given the number of an internal node.

**Value**

An integer giving the number of tips.

**Examples**

```
set.seed(1234)
tr <- rtree(12)
plot(tr); nodelabels()
ntip(tr, 16)
```



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partitionfinder	<i>PartitionFinder</i>
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## Description

Provides a wrapper to the PartitionFinder software.

## Usage

```
partitionfinder(  
    alignment,  
    user.tree,  
    branchlengths = "linked",  
    models = "all",  
    model.selection = "BIC",  
    search = "greedy",  
    exec = "/Applications/PartitionFinderV1.1.1_Mac/PartitionFinder.py"  
)
```

## Arguments

alignment	A
user.tree	A
branchlengths	A
models	A
model.selection	A
search	A
exec	A character string giving the path to the executable (python script).

## References

Lanfear, R., B. Calcott, S.Y.W. Ho, and S. Guindon. 2012. PartitionFinder: combined selection of partitioning schemes and substitution models for phylogenetic analyses. *Molecular Biology and Evolution* **29**: 1695-1701.

Lanfear, R., B. Calcott, K. David, C. Mayer, and A. Stamatakis. 2014. Selecting optimal partitioning schemes for phylogenomic datasets. *BMC Evolutionary Biology* **14**: 82.

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pathd8                      *PATHd8*

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### Description

This function is a wrapper for PATHd8 and can be used for phylogenetic dating, especially of large trees

### Usage

```
pathd8(phy, exec = "/Applications/PATHd8/PATHd8", seq1, calibration)
```

### Arguments

phy	An object of class <a href="#">phylo</a> .
exec	A character string giving the path to the PATHd8 program.
seq1	sequence length of alignment
calibration	A data frame with 4 columns and as many rows as calibration points. Columns are: taxon 1; taxon 2; one of c("minage", "maxage", "fixage"); age.

### Value

tree list of ultrametric trees returned from PATHd8 of class [phylo](#). First tree is PATHd8 chronogram, which is a calibrated ultrametric tree. Second is a PATH tree, which is a ultrametric tree without calibration.

### Author(s)

Franz-Sebastian Krahe

### References

Britton et al (2006). PATHd8—a new method for estimating divergence times in large phylogenetic trees without a molecular clock. Available from the authors ([www.math.su.se/PATHd8](http://www.math.su.se/PATHd8))

Britton et al. (2007). Estimating divergence times in large phylogenetic trees. *Systematic biology*. 56:741–752

### Examples

```
## Not run:
## This example is taken from the PATHD8 manual
cal <- rbind(cal1 = c("Rat", "Ostrich", "minage", 260),
cal2 = c("Human", "Platypus", "fixage", 125),
cal3 = c("Alligator", "Ostrich", "minage", 150))
colnames(cal) = c("tax1", "tax2", "age_type", "age")
phy <- read.tree(text = paste0("(((Rat:0.007148,Human:0.001808):0.024345,",
"Platypus:0.016588):0.012920,(Ostrich:0.018119,"
```

```
                                "Alligator:0.006232):0.004708):0.028037,Frog:0);")
seq1 <- 1823
pathd8(phy, exec = "/Applications/PATHd8/PATHd8", seq1 = seq1, calibration = cal)

## End(Not run)
```

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phylo2mafft

*Convert Trees for MAFFT*

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## Description

Converts a phylogenetic tree of class "phylo" to a format usable as a guide tree by MAFFT. This function is called internally by [mafft](#).

## Usage

```
phylo2mafft(phy, file)
```

## Arguments

phy	A phylogenetic tree of class <a href="#">phylo</a> .
file	A character string giving a filename. May be missing, in which case the results are only printed on the screen.

## Value

A matrix coding the MAFFT-formatted tree, as a side effect the same matrix is written to file.

## References

The MAFFT website: <https://mafft.cbrc.jp/alignment/software/index.html>

## See Also

[mafft](#) for an interface to MAFFT.

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phylo2mst                      *Conversion from PHYLO to MST Object*

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### Description

Converts a phylogenetic tree (class `phylo`) into a minimum spanning tree (class `mst`).

### Usage

```
phylo2mst(phy)
```

### Arguments

`phy`                      An object of class `phylo`.

### Details

The current version of `phylo2mst` does not handle polytomies and does not incorporate branch length information. Note that topological information is lost during the conversion.

### Examples

```
phy <- rtree(12)
plot(phy)
mst <- phylo2mst(phy)
plot(mst)
```

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pis                              *Number of Potentially-Informative Sites*

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### Description

Returns the number or positions of potentially-informative (parsimony-informative, phylogenetically-informative) sites in DNA sequence alignment.

### Usage

```
pis(x, what = "fraction", use.ambiguities = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

`x`                              An object of class `DNAbin`.

`what`                         Either of "absolute", "fraction", or "index", which will return the absolute number, the relative number or the indices of the potentially-informative sites.

`use.ambiguities`             *Not yet available.*

**Value**

Numeric (depending on what, the number, fraction, or indices of potentially-informative nucleotide sites).

**Examples**

```
data(ips.16S)

# number of potentially-informative sites:
pis(ips.16S, what = "abs")

# proportion of potentially-informative sites:
pis(ips.16S, what = "frac")

# indices of potentially-informative sites:
pis(ips.16S, what = "ind")
```

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prank	<i>PRANK</i>
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**Description**

DNA sequence Alignment Using the program PRANK.

**Usage**

```
prank(x, outfile, guidetree = NULL, gaprate = 0.025,
      gapext = 0.75, path)
```

**Arguments**

x	an object of class DNABin.
outfile	a character string giving a name for the output file.
guidetree	an object of class phylo to be used as guidetree in alignment.
gaprate	numeric giving the gap opening rate; defaults to 0.025.
gapext	numeric giving the gap extension penalty; defaults to 0.75.
path	a character string indicating the path to the PRANK executable.

**Value**

matrix of class "DNABin"

**Note**

prank was last updated and tested to work with PRANK v. 120814 on Windows XP. If you have problems getting the function to work with a newer version of PRANK, contact the package maintainer.

## References

<http://wasabiapp.org/software/prank/>

## See Also

[read.fas](#) to import DNA sequences; [mafft](#) for another alignment algorithm; [gblocks](#) and [aliscore](#) for alignment cleaning.

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raxml

*Maximum Likelihood Tree Estimation with RAxML*

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## Description

Provides an interface to the C program **RAxML** (see Reference section) for maximum likelihood estimation of tree topology and/or branch lengths, rapid and conventional non-parametric bootstrapping, mapping splits onto individual topologies, and a lot more. See the RAxML manual for details, especially if you are a new user of RAxML.

## Usage

```
raxml(  
  DNAbin,  
  m = "GTRCAT",  
  f,  
  N,  
  p,  
  b,  
  x,  
  k,  
  weights,  
  partitions,  
  outgroup,  
  backbone = NULL,  
  file = paste0("fromR_", Sys.Date()),  
  exec,  
  threads  
)
```

## Arguments

DNAbin	A matrix of DNA sequences of class <a href="#">DNAbin</a> .
m	A vector of mode "character" defining a model of molecular evolution; currently only GTR model available.
f	A vector of mode "character" selecting an RAxML algorithm analogous to the <code>-f</code> flag (see Detail section and RAxML manual).

N	Either of mode "integer" or "character". Integers give the number of independent searches on different starting tree or replicates in bootstrapping. Alternatively, one of four bootstopping criteria can be chosen: "autoFC", "autoMR", "autoMRE", or "autoMRE_IGN".
p	Integer, setting a random seed for the parsimony starting trees.
b	Integer, setting a random seed for bootstrapping.
x	Integer, setting a random seed for rapid bootstrapping.
k	Logical, if TRUE, the branch lengths of bootstrapped trees are recorded.
weights	A vector of mode "numeric" giving integers to assign individual weights to each column of the alignment. (-a)
partitions	A data frame giving the partitions of the alignment.
outgroup	A vector of mode "character" containing the names of the outgroup taxa.
backbone	A <a href="#">phylo</a> object representing a backbone tree.
file	A vector of mode "character" giving a name for the output files.
exec	A vector of mode "character" giving the path to the directory containing the RAxML executable. The default value will work on Mac OS X if the folder containing the executable is renamed to "RAxML-8.0.3".
threads	Integer, giving the number of parallel threads to use (PTHREADS only).

### Details

There are some limitations of this wrapper compared to RAxML run directly from the command line.

1. Only DNA is allowed as data type.
2. Option f can only take a limited number of values (d, a).

RAxML needs the specification of random seeds for parsimony estimation of starting trees and for bootstrap resampling. The corresponding argument names in raxml are identical to the flags used by RAxML (-p, -b, and -x). If you choose not to give any values, raxml will generate a (different) value for each required random seed every time it is called. Be aware that [set.seed](#) will work only for p, but not for b or x.

### Value

A list with a variable number of elements, depending on the analysis chosen:

"info"	RAxML log file as character string
"bestTree"	MLE of tree
"bipartitions"	MLE of tree annotated with bootstrap proportions
"bootstrap"	bootstrapped trees

**Note**

RAxML is a C program and the source code is not contained in this package. This means that in order to run this function you will need to install RAxML yourself. See <https://cme.h-its.org/exelixis/web/software/raxml/> for the most recent documentation and source code of RAxML. Depending on where you chose to install RAxML, you need to adjust the exec argument.

`raxml` was last tested and running fine on Mac OS X with RAxML 8.0.29. Please be aware that calling third-party software from within R is a platform-specific process and I cannot guarantee that `raxml` will behave properly on any system.

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Stamatakis, A. 2014. RAxML Version 8: A tool for phylogenetic analysis and post-analysis of large phylogenies. *Bioinformatics Advance Access*.

**See Also**

[raxml.partitions](#) to store partitioning information in a data frame suitable for input as `partitions` argument in `raxml`.

**Examples**

```
## bark beetle sequences
data(ips.cox1)
data(ips.16S)
data(ips.28S)

ips <- cbind(ips.cox1, ips.16S, ips.28S,
            fill.with.gaps = TRUE)

exec <- "/Applications/RAxML-code/standard-RAxML/raxmlHPC-PTHREADS-AVX"
w <- sample(1:5, ncol(ips.cox1), replace = TRUE)

## Not run:

# Simple tree search with GTRCAT and GTRGAMMA
tr <- raxml(ips.cox1, f = "d", N = 2, p = 1234,
           exec = exec) # -1743.528461
tr <- raxml(ips.cox1, m = "GTRGAMMA", f = "d", N = 2, p = 1234,
           exec = exec)
```



```
# Applying weights to columns
tr <- raxml(ips.cox1, f = "d", N = 2, p = 1234,
           weights = w, exec = exec) # -1743.528461

# Rapid bootstrap
tr <- raxml(ips.cox1, m = "GTRGAMMA",
           f = "a", N = 10, p = 1234, x = 1234,
           exec = exec)

# Rapid bootstrap with automatic halt
tr <- raxml(ips.cox1, m = "GTRGAMMA",
           f = "a", N = "autoMRE", p = 1234, x = 1234,
           exec = exec)

## End(Not run)
```

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raxml.partitions	<i>Partition scheme for RAxML</i>
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### Description

Given a set of DNA sequence alignments, `raxml.partitions` creates a data frame with partition boundaries that can be input into `raxml`.

### Usage

```
raxml.partitions(...)
```

### Arguments

... Two or more DNA sequence alignments of class `DNABin`.

### Details

For `raxml.partitions` to make sense, the DNA sequence alignments must be given exactly in the same order in which they are concatenated into a supermatrix (see Examples section). Without any testing, the type of sequences is supposed to be DNA.

### Value

A data frame with four columns (`type`, `locus`, `begin`, and `end`) and number of rows corresponding to the number of partitions.

### See Also

`cbind.DNABin` to concatenate multiple alignments; `raxml` for an interface to RAxML.

## Examples

```
## bark beetle sequences
data(ips.cox1)
data(ips.16S)
data(ips.28S)

## Note the same order of individual
## alignments in both functions:
## -----
raxml.partitions(cox1 = ips.cox1,
                 r16S = ips.16S,
                 r28S = ips.28S)

cbind(ips.cox1, ips.16S, ips.28S,
      fill.with.gaps = TRUE)
```

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rbeauti

*XML Input Files for BEAST*


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## Description

Prepare XML files for BEAST with R. BEAST uses an MCMC approach to estimate rooted phylogenies from molecular data (Drummond & Rambaut, 2007).

## Usage

```
rbeauti(
  ...,
  file,
  template = "standard",
  link.clocks = TRUE,
  link.trees = TRUE,
  subst.model,
  clock,
  tree,
  taxonset,
  chain.length = 1e+07,
  log.every = 1000
)
```

## Arguments

...	One or more object(s) of class <a href="#">DNABin</a> .
file	A connection, or a character string naming the file to write to. If left empty the XML tree will be printed to the screen (see Examples).
template	<i>Currently unused.</i>
link.clocks	Logical, indicating if clock models should be linked over partitions.

link.trees	Logical, indicating if tree models should be linked over partitions.
subst.model	A character string defining a substitution model, either "JC69", "HKY", "TN93", or "GTR".
clock	A character string defining a clock model, either "Strict Clock", "Relaxed Clock Exponential", "Relaxed Clock Log Normal", or "Random Local Clock".
tree	A character string defining a tree model.
taxonset	A list containing one or more taxon sets.
chain.length	Integer, the number of generations to run the MCMC.
log.every	Integer, defining how often samples from the posterior will be written to log files and shown on screen.

## Details

rbeauti has been completely rewritten to work with **BEAST 2**. Currently rbeauti offers few options, because the idea is not to create ready-to-use XML file. That can be done conveniently with **BEAUti** (the BEAST package's genuine XML generator). Instead, rbeauti is intended to make the definition of large numbers of taxon sets easy. The creation of taxon sets can be done via R scripts and the resulting XML files can be further modified with BEAUti.

## References

The XML reference at the BEAST 2 website: [http://beast.community/xml\\_reference](http://beast.community/xml_reference) Drummond, A.J. & A. Rambaut. 2007. BEAST: Bayesian evolutionary analysis by sampling trees. *BMC Evolutionary Biology* 7: 240.

## See Also

[read.beast](#), [read.beast.table](#)

## Examples

```
data(ips.16S)

## define taxon sets
spec <- rownames(ips.16S)
ingroup <- spec[grepl("Ips|Orthomotomicus", spec)]
outgroup <- spec[grepl("Pityogenes", spec)]
ts <- list(list(id = "ingroup", taxon = ingroup),
           list(id = "outgroup", taxon = outgroup))

## print XML file to screen
# rbeauti(ips.16S, taxonset = ts)
```

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 rc *Reverse-Complement of DNA sequences*


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**Description**

Reverse, complement or reverse-complement of DNA sequences.

**Usage**

```
rc(seqs, i, complement = TRUE, reverse = TRUE, delete.gaps = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

seqs	An object of class DNABin.
i	Logical or numeric index to indicate a subset of sequences to manipulate. If not given the entire set of sequences will be manipulated.
complement	Logical, indicating if sequences will be turned into their complement.
reverse	Logical, indication if sequences will be reversed.
delete.gaps	Logical, indicating if gap character will be removed prior to sequence manipulation.

**Value**

An object of the same class and dimension as seqs.

**Examples**

```
## A minimal sequence alignment:
x <- list(
  seqA = c("a", "a", "c", "c", "g", "t"),
  seqB = c("n", "-", "r", "y", "g", "t"))
x <- as.DNABin(x)

## Three choices of manipulation:
as.character(x)
as.character(rc(x))                ## reverse-complement
as.character(rc(x, complement = FALSE)) ## only reverse
as.character(rc(x, reverse = FALSE))  ## only complement

## You can remove gaps:
as.character(rc(x, delete.gaps = TRUE)) ## gaps/indels removed
```

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read	<i>Reading Sequence Files</i>
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**Description**

Read DNA and amino acid sequences from FASTA, PHILIP, and NEXUS formatted files.

**Usage**

```
read.fas(x, text)
```

```
read.nex(x)
```

```
read.phy(x)
```

**Arguments**

x	A character string, giving the file name.
text	A character string in FASTA format.

**Value**

An matrix (aligned sequences) or list (unaligned sequences) of class DNABin or AABin.

**References**

Maddison, D.R., D.L. Swofford, and W.P. Maddison. 1997. NEXUS: an extensible file format for systematic information. *Syst. Biol.* **46**: 590-621.

**See Also**

[mafft](#) and [prank](#) for sequence alignment, [gblocks](#) and [aliscore](#) for quality check and cleaning of sequence alignments, [cbind.DNABin](#) for concatenation of sequence alignments.

**Examples**

```
## bark beetle COX1 sequences
data(ips.cox1)
## create temporary file names
format <- c(".fas", ".phy", ".nex")
fn <- sapply(format, tempfile,
             pattern = "ips", tmpdir = tempdir())
## write sequences files
write.fas(ips.cox1, fn[".fas"])
write.phy(ips.cox1, fn[".phy"])
write.nex(ips.cox1, fn[".nex"])
## read sequence files
fas <- read.fas(fn[".fas"])
```

```
phy <- read.phy(fn[".phy"])
nex <- read.nex(fn[".nex"])
## remove sequence files
unlink(fn)
```

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read.beast	<i>Read Bayesian Trees</i>
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### Description

These functions parse chronograms in NEXUS format as produced by TreeAnnotator or output by MrBayes.

### Usage

```
read.mrbayes(file, digits = NULL)
```

```
read.beast(file, digits = NULL)
```

```
read.starbeast(file)
```

### Arguments

file	A character string giving the input file, which must be a TreeAnnotator-generated chronogram in NEXUS format.
digits	NULL or integer, if <code>!is.null(digits)</code> values are rounded to the given integer.

### Value

An object of class `phylo`.

### Note

`read.starbeast` currently parses only scalars and ranges; node statistics with more than two values will be deleted and a warning message will be issued. Future version of `read.starbeast` will hopefully be able to append list or data frames to `phylo` objects. If you have any opinion or wishes regarding the question of how this exactly should be managed, send me a message.

`read.mrbayes` is intended to read single trees with annotated nodes. For reading tree samples from the posterior distribution there is a collection of perl script written by Johan Nylander (<https://github.com/nylander/Burntrees>).

### Author(s)

Christoph Heibl

## References

TreeAnnotator: <http://beast.community/treeannotator>

Metacomments in NEXUS: <https://code.google.com/archive/p/beast-mcmc/wikis/NexusMetacommentFormat.wiki>

## See Also

[read.beast.table](#) to extract internal node data from NEXUS file, [rbeauti](#) to create XML input for BEAST. HPDbars for plotting highest posterior densities on phylogenies has been moved to package [viper](#).

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read.beast.table	<i>Extract node data from BEAST chronogram</i>
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## Description

This function reads a BEAST chronogram such as produced by TreeAnnotator and extracts time, rate, and support values for internal and external nodes. Nodes in the resulting data frame are ordered exactly like in the NEXUS file.

## Usage

```
read.beast.table(file, digits = 2)
```

## Arguments

file	character string giving the input file, which must be a TreeAnnotator-generated chronogram in NEXUS format
digits	NULL or integer, if <code>!is.null(digits)</code> values are rounded to the given integer

## Value

A matrix; each row corresponds to an internal node, the (ape!)number of which is given in the first column; the remaining columns list the node values extracted from the chronogram.

## Author(s)

Christoph Heibl

## See Also

[read.beast](#) to parse TreeAnnotator output, [rbeauti](#) to create XML input for BEAST. HPDbars for plotting highest posterior densities on phylogenies has been moved to package [viper](#).

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 sister

*Identification of Sister Nodes and Clades*


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## Description

For any given internal node in a phylogeny, this function returns the sister clade.

## Usage

```
sister(phy, node, type = "terminal", label = FALSE)
```

## Arguments

phy	An object of class <a href="#">phylo</a> .
node	A vector of mode "numeric" or "character" giving the number(s) or name(s) of the tiplabel(s); these must be monophyletic.
type	A character string, may be "terminal", "internal", "daughter", "all", or any unambiguous abbreviation of these; "daughter" will return the MRCA of the sister clade of "node".
label	Logical, determining if tip number or tip labels will be returned.

## Value

A vector of mode "numeric" or "character", containing either tip numbers or labels, respectively.

## See Also

[descendants](#), [noi](#).

## Examples

```
# A phylogeny of bark beetles ...
data(ips.tree)
tcol <- rep("black", Ntip(ips.tree))
tcol[ips.tree$tip.label %in% c("Ips_typographus", "Ips_nitidus")] <- "blue"
tcol[ips.tree$tip.label %in% c("Ips_duplicatus")] <- "red"
plot(ips.tree, no.margin = TRUE, tip.color = tcol)
# What is the sister species of Ips typographus?
sister(ips.tree, "Ips_typographus", label = TRUE)
# Return the MRCA of the sister clade of Ips duplicatus
x <- sister(ips.tree, "Ips_duplicatus", "daughter")
nodelabels(node = x, pch = 21, bg = "red")
```



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splitIntoClades	<i>Find Monophyletic Subsets in Species Lists</i>
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**Description**

Takes a phylogeny and a subset of its tiplabels and splits the list of tiplabels into monophyletic groups (clades).

**Usage**

```
splitIntoClades(phy, tips)
```

**Arguments**

phy	An object of class <code>phylo</code> .
tips	A vector of mode "character" containing any subset of the tiplabels in phy.

**Value**

A list.

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terminalSisters	<i>Find Pairs of Sister Species</i>
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**Description**

Finds pairs of sister species in a phylogenetic tree.

**Usage**

```
terminalSisters(phy, labels = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

phy	An object of class <code>phylo</code> .
labels	Logical, indicating whether to return tip labels or tip numbers.

**Value**

A list of which each element contains the tip labels of a sister species pair.

**Examples**

```
set.seed(1234)
tr <- rtree(12)
plot(tr)
terminalSisters(tr)
```

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**tipHeights***Tip Heights in a Phylogenetic Tree*

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**Description**

For each tip (leave, terminal node) in the phylogenetic tree the edge lengths (branch lengths) from root to tip, be it units of time or divergence, is summed up.

**Usage**

```
tipHeights(phy)
```

**Arguments**

phy                    an object of class [phylo](#).

**Value**

a numeric vector with distances from root to tip for each tip in the phylogenetic tree.

**Author(s)**

Christoph Heibl

**See Also**

[branching.times](#)

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**traitRate***Trait-Dependent Shifts in Molecular Rate*

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**Description**

Detection of trait-dependent shifts in the rate of molecular evolution with **traitRate** (Mayrose & Otto, 2011).

**Usage**

```
traitRate(phy, seq, x, mainType = "Optimize_Model",  
          n, charModelParam1 = 0.5, charModelParam2 = 1,  
          gammaParam = 0.5, seqModelParam1 = 2,  
          exec = "/Applications/traitRate-1.1/programs/traitRate")
```

**Arguments**

phy	a ultrametric phylogenetic tree of class <a href="#">phylo</a> .
seq	a multiple sequence alignment of class <a href="#">DNABin</a> .
x	data frame containing a binary character in the first column.
mainType	character string giving the type of analysis; two choices are possible: "Optimize_Model" will produce MLE of parameters and "runTraitBootstrap" will perform a parametric bootstrap analysis.
n	numeric, the number of bootstrap replicates. Will be ignored if mainType = "Optimize_Model".
charModelParam1	numeric, giving an initial value for the rate of transitions of character state 0 to 1.
charModelParam2	numeric, giving an initial value for the rate of transitions of character state 1 to 0.
gammaParam	numeric, giving an initial value for the <b>alpha</b> parameter of the model of sequence evolution.
seqModelParam1	numeric, giving an initial value for the <b>kappa</b> parameter of the model of sequence evolution.
exec	character string giving the path to the program directory.

**Value**

Currently none, but look for the output files in the 'RESULTS' subdirectory in the current working directory.

**Note**

This function is under development!

**Author(s)**

Christoph Heibl

**References**

Mayrose, I. & S.P. Otto. 2011. A likelihood method for detecting trait-dependent shifts in the rate of molecular evolution. *Mol. Biol. Evol.* **28**: 759-770

**See Also**

[read.tree](#) for reading phylogenetic trees, [read.fas](#) for reading multiple sequence alignments in FASTA format.

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trimEnds	<i>Trim Alignment Ends</i>
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### Description

Trims both ends of a DNA sequence alignment to the first and last alignment positions that contain a minimum number of IUPAC base characters ("a", "c", "g", "t", "r", "y", "s", "w", "k", "m", "b", "d", "h", "v"). In addition, all gap characters ("-") beyond the first and last base characters of each sequence are replaced by the character "n".

### Usage

```
trimEnds(x, min.n.seq = 4)
```

### Arguments

x	An object of class DNABin.
min.n.seq	A numeric giving the required minimum number of sequences having an non-ambiguous base character (a, c, g, t) in the first and last position of the alignment; defaults to 4, which is the minimum number of sequences needed to produce a non-trivial unrooted topology. Can also be given as a fraction.

### Value

An object of class DNABin.

### See Also

[deleteEmptyCells](#), [deleteGaps](#)

### Examples

```
# simple example alignment:
x <- structure(list(nb = 5, seq = c("acaaggtaca", "-caaggtac-",
"acaaggtaca", "aca--gtaca", "-ccaggta--"), nam = LETTERS[1:5]),
.Names = c("nb", "seq", "nam"), class = "alignment")
# convert to DNABin:
x <- as.DNABin(x)
# fill missing nucleotides:
x <- trimEnds(x)
# show results:
as.character(x[2, ])
```

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unlistFirstLevel	<i>Unlist To First Level Only</i>
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**Description**

Does the same as unlist, but recurses only one level.

**Usage**

```
unlistFirstLevel(z, use.names = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

z	A list of lists.
use.names	Logical, indicating if element names from the element should be preserved.

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write.fas	<i>Write DNA Sequences to File</i>
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**Description**

Write DNA sequences and morphological data to FASTA, PHYLIP, or NEXUS formatted files.

**Usage**

```
write.fas(x, file, block.width = FALSE,
          truncate = FALSE, append = FALSE)
```

```
write.phy(x, file, block.width = FALSE,
          strict = FALSE)
```

```
write.nex(x, file, block.width = 60,
          taxblock = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

x	an object of class <a href="#">DNABin</a> (usually as matrix, but write.fas also accepts lists) or a list of objects of class <a href="#">DNABin</a> (only write.nex) or a data frame containing standard (morphological, etc.) data (only write.nex).
file	a character string giving the filename; a special case is file = "", which causes the file content to be written on the standard output connection (i.e. the console). If file is left unspecified (default), the file content is returned as a vector of mode "character" and can be used as a building block for more complex data files.

block.width	an integer, giving the number of characters per line.
truncate	truncation of taxon names to the number of characters given as a integer, otherwise (default) taxon names will not be changed.
append	logical, if TRUE the sequences will be appended to file (if it exists).
strict	logical, if TRUE the names of the sequences will be truncated to 10 strings.
taxblock	logical, if TRUE, a tax block will be added to the NEXUS file.

### Details

write.nex can handle multiple DNA sequence alignments, which are handed over as a list of objects of class DNAbin. Correct matching of the rows in the alignments is cared for automatically, hence the individual alignments can contain different numbers of samples and samples need not be in the same order.

### Value

None, except when called with file left unspecified, which causes the file content to be returned as a vector of mode "character". This is particularly useful for constructing special types of input files, e.g. for MrBayes ([mrbayes](#)).

### Author(s)

Christoph Heibl

### References

Maddison, D.R., D.L. Swofford, and W.P. Maddison. 1997. NEXUS: an extensible file format for systematic information. *Syst. Biol.* **46**: 590-621.

### See Also

[read.fas](#), [read.phy](#), and [read.nex](#) for reading of DNA sequence files.

### Examples

```
data(ips.cox1)
data(ips.28S)

## Examples for FASTA files
## -----
write.fas(ips.cox1[1:5, 1:120], block.width = 60)

## Examples for PHYLIP files
## -----
write.phy(ips.cox1[1:5, 1:20], block.width = 40)

## Examples for NEXUS files
## -----
x <- list(cox1 = ips.cox1[1:5, 1:10],
         rna28S = ips.28S[1:5, 1:30])
```

```
write.nex(x, block.width = 20)

# Truncation of taxonnames:
# -----
rownames(ips.cox1)[1] <- "AVeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeryLongName"
write.fas(ips.cox1, truncate = 10)

# If truncation leads to identical taxonnames,
# a warning will be issued:
# -----
rownames(ips.cox1)[1:2] <- "AVeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeryLongName"
write.fas(ips.cox1, truncate = 10)
```

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