

# Package ‘phytclass’

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**Title** Estimate Chla Concentrations of Phytoplankton Groups

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**Description** Determine the chlorophyll a (Chl a) concentrations of different phytoplankton groups based on their pigment biomarkers. The method uses non-negative matrix factorisation and simulated annealing to minimise error between the observed and estimated values of pigment concentrations (Hayward et al. (2023) <[doi:10.1002/lom3.10541](https://doi.org/10.1002/lom3.10541)>). The approach is similar to the widely used 'CHEMTAX' program (Mackey et al. 1996) <[doi:10.3354/meps144265](https://doi.org/10.3354/meps144265)>, but is more straightforward, accurate, and not reliant on initial guesses for the pigment to Chl a ratios for phytoplankton groups.

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Bounded_weights	<i>Add weights to the data, bound at a maximum.</i>
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### Description

Add weights to the data, bound at a maximum.

### Usage

```
Bounded_weights(S, weight.upper.bound = 30)
```

### Arguments

S                    Sample data matrix – a matrix of pigment samples

weight.upper.bound  
                    Upper bound for weights (default is 30)

### Value

A vector with upper bounds for weights

### Examples

```
Bounded_weights(Sm, weight.upper.bound = 30)
```

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Cluster

*Cluster things*

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## Description

Cluster things

## Usage

```
Cluster(  
  Data,  
  minSamplesPerCluster,  
  row_ids = NULL,  
  dist_method = "euclidean",  
  hclust_method = "ward.D2"  
)
```

## Arguments

Data	S (sample) matrix
minSamplesPerCluster	the minimum number of samples required for a cluster
row_ids	A vector of custom row names to be added to dendrogram
dist_method	Distance metric to be used in <code>stats::dist</code> . This should be one of "euclidean", "maximum", "manhattan", "canberra", "binary" or "minkowski".
hclust_method	Cluster method to be used in <code>stats::hclust</code> . This should be one of "ward.D", "ward.D2", "single", "complete", "average" (= UPGMA), "mcquitty" (= WPGMA), "median" (= WPGMC) or "centroid" (= UPGMC).

## Value

A named list of length two. The first element "cluster.list" is a list of clusters, and the second element "cluster.plot" the cluster analysis object (dendrogram) that can be plotted.

## Examples

```
Cluster.result <- Cluster(Sm, 14)  
Cluster.result$cluster.list  
plot(Cluster.result$cluster.plot)
```

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convergence\_figure      *Convergence Figure*

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### Description

A figure to show the pigment ratios for each phytoplankton group for each iteration.

### Usage

```
convergence_figure(fm_iter, niter = NULL)
```

### Arguments

fm_iter	A data.frame with columns of iter, phyto, pigment and ratio
niter	Optional: the number of iterations on the x axis. If NULL, will extract from the iter column of fm_iter.

### Value

A figure with each pigment ratio per iteration per group

### Examples

```
# ADD_EXAMPLES_HERE
```

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Fm                      *Fm data*

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### Description

Fm data

### Usage

```
Fm
```

### Format

```
Fm:
A data frame with 9 rows and 15 columns:
chl_c1 XX
Per XX
X19but XX ...
```

### Source

```
XX
```

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Fp	<i>Fp data</i>
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**Description**

Fp data

**Usage**

Fp

**Format**

Fp:

A data frame with 9 rows and 15 columns:

**chl\_c1** XX**Per** XX**X19but** XX ...**Source**

XX

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Matrix_checks	<i>Remove any column values that average 0. Further to this, also remove phytoplankton groups from the F matrix if their diagnostic pigment isn't present.</i>
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**Description**

Remove any column values that average 0. Further to this, also remove phytoplankton groups from the F matrix if their diagnostic pigment isn't present.

**Usage**

Matrix\_checks(S, Fmat)

**Arguments**

S                    Sample data matrix – a matrix of pigment samples

Fmat                Pigment to Chl a matrix

**Value**

Named list with new S and Fmat matrices

**Examples**

```
MC <- Matrix_checks(Sm, Fm)
Snew <- MC$Snew
```

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min_max	<i>min_max data</i>
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**Description**

min\_max data

**Usage**

```
min_max
```

**Format**

```
min_max:
A data frame with 51 rows and 4 columns:
class XX
Pig_Abbrev XX
min XX
max max ...
```

**Source**

```
XX
```

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NNLS_MF	<i>Performs the non-negative matrix factorisation for given phytoplankton pigments and pigment ratios, to attain an estimate of phytoplankton class abundances.</i>
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**Description**

Performs the non-negative matrix factorisation for given phytoplankton pigments and pigment ratios, to attain an estimate of phytoplankton class abundances.

**Usage**

```
NNLS_MF(Fn, S, S_weights = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

Fn	Pigment to Chl <i>a</i> matrix
S	Sample data matrix – a matrix of pigment samples
S_weights	Weights for each column

**Value**

A list containing

1. The F matrix (pigment: Chl *a*) ratios
2. The root mean square error (RMSE)
3. The C matrix (class abundances for each group)

**Examples**

```
Fmat <- as.matrix(phyto::Fm)
S <- as.matrix(phyto::Sm)
S_weights <- as.numeric(phyto::Bounded_weights(S))
place <- which(Fmat[, seq(ncol(Fmat) - 2)] > 0)
num.loops <- 2
# Run Steepest_Descent
result <- phyto::Steepest_Descent(Fmat, place, S, S_weights, num.loops)
```

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phyto\_figure

*Phytoplankton Class Abundance Figure*

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**Description**

This function plots the class abundances as output by `simulated_annealing`.

**Usage**

```
phyto_figure(c_matrix)
```

**Arguments**

c_matrix	C matrix of class abundance concentrations
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**Value**

A stacked line plot with sample number on x axis, chl *a* concentrations on y axis, and phytoplankton groups as colors

**Examples**

```
# ADD_EXAMPLES_HERE
```

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`simulated_annealing` *This is the main phyto class algorithm. It performs simulated annealing algorithm for S and F matrices. See the examples (Fm, Sm) for how to set up matrices, and the vignette for more detailed instructions. Different pigments and phytoplankton groups may be used.*

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### Description

This is the main phyto class algorithm. It performs simulated annealing algorithm for S and F matrices. See the examples (Fm, Sm) for how to set up matrices, and the vignette for more detailed instructions. Different pigments and phytoplankton groups may be used.

### Usage

```
simulated_annealing(
  S,
  Fmat = NULL,
  user_defined_min_max = NULL,
  do_matrix_checks = TRUE,
  niter = 500,
  step = 0.009,
  weight.upper.bound = 30,
  verbose = TRUE,
  seed = NULL,
  check_converge = 100,
  alt_pro_name = NULL
)
```

### Arguments

<code>S</code>	Sample data matrix – a matrix of pigment samples
<code>Fmat</code>	Pigment to Chl a matrix
<code>user_defined_min_max</code>	data frame with some format as <code>min_max</code> built-in data
<code>do_matrix_checks</code>	This should only be set to <code>TRUE</code> when using the default values. This will remove pigment columns that have column sums of 0. Set to <code>FALSE</code> if using customised names for pigments and phytoplankton groups
<code>niter</code>	Number of iterations (default is 500)
<code>step</code>	Step ratio used (default is 0.009)
<code>weight.upper.bound</code>	Upper limit of the weights applied (default value is 30).
<code>verbose</code>	Logical value. Output error and temperature at each iteration. Default value of <code>TRUE</code>
<code>seed</code>	Set number to reproduce the same results

check\_converge TRUE/FALSE/integer; set the number of F matrices to for convergence checking  
 alt\_pro\_name Optional: additional alternate versions of divinyl-chlorophyll-a spellings used to detect prochlorococcus (Default: "dvchl", "dvchla", "dv\_chla")

### Value

A list containing

1. Fmat matrix
2. RMSE (Root Mean Square Error)
3. condition number
4. Class abundances
5. Figure (plot of results)
6. MAE (Mean Absolute Error)
7. Error
8. F\_mat\_iter
9. converge\_plot

### Examples

```
# Using the built-in matrices Sm and Fm
set.seed(5326)
sa.example <- simulated_annealing(Sm, Fm, niter = 5)
sa.example$Figure
```

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simulated\_annealing\_Prochloro

*Perform simulated annealing algorithm for samples with divinyl chlorophyll and prochlorococcus. Chlorophyll must be the final column of both S and F matrices, with Divinyl Chlorophyll a the 2nd to last column. See how the example Sp and Fp matrices are organised.*

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### Description

Perform simulated annealing algorithm for samples with divinyl chlorophyll and prochlorococcus. Chlorophyll must be the final column of both S and F matrices, with Divinyl Chlorophyll a the 2nd to last column. See how the example Sp and Fp matrices are organised.

### Usage

```
simulated_annealing_Prochloro(
  S,
  Fmat = NULL,
  user_defined_min_max = NULL,
  do_matrix_checks = TRUE,
```

```

niter = 500,
step = 0.009,
weight.upper.bound = 30,
verbose = TRUE,
seed = NULL,
check_converge = 100
)

```

### Arguments

S	Sample data matrix – a matrix of pigment samples
Fmat	Pigment to Chl a matrix
user_defined_min_max	data frame with some format as min_max built-in data
do_matrix_checks	This should only be set to TRUE when using the default values. This will remove pigment columns that have column sums of 0. Set to FALSE if using customised names for pigments and phytoplankton groups
niter	Number of iterations (default is 500)
step	Step ratio used (default is 0.009)
weight.upper.bound	Upper limit of the weights applied (default value is 30).
verbose	Logical value. Output error and temperature at each iteration. Default value of TRUE
seed	Set seed number to reproduce the same results
check_converge	TRUE/FALSE/integer; set the number of F matrices to for convergence checking

### Value

A list containing

1. Fmat matrix
2. RMSE (Root Mean Square Error)
3. condition number
4. Class abundances
5. Figure (plot of results)
6. MAE (Mean Absolute Error)
7. Error

### Examples

```

# Using the built-in matrices Sp and Fp.
set.seed(5326)
sa.example <- simulated_annealing_Prochloro(Sp, Fp, niter = 1)
sa.example$Figure

```

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Sm	<i>Sm data</i>
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**Description**

Sm data

**Usage**

Sm

**Format**

Sm:  
A data frame with 29 rows and 15 columns:  
**chl\_c1** XX  
**Per** XX  
**X19but** XX ...

**Source**

XX

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Sp	<i>Sp data</i>
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**Description**

Sp data

**Usage**

Sp

**Format**

Sp:  
A data frame with 29 rows and 15 columns:  
**chl\_c1** XX  
**Per** XX  
**X19but** XX ...

**Source**

XX

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Steepest_Desc	<i>Stand-alone version of steepest descent algorithm. This is similar to the CHEMTAX steepest descent algorithm. It is not required to use this function, and as results are not bound by minimum and maximum, results may be unrealistic.</i>
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### Description

Stand-alone version of steepest descent algorithm. This is similar to the CHEMTAX steepest descent algorithm. It is not required to use this function, and as results are not bound by minimum and maximum, results may be unrealistic.

### Usage

```
Steepest_Desc(Fmat, S, num.loops)
```

### Arguments

Fmat	Pigment to Chl <i>a</i> matrix
S	Sample data matrix – a matrix of pigment samples
num.loops	Number of loops/iterations to perform (no default)

### Value

A list containing

1. The F matrix (pigment: Chl *a*) ratios
2. RMSE (Root Mean Square Error)
3. Condition number
4. class abundances
5. Figure (plot of results)
6. MAE (Mean Absolute Error)

### Examples

```
MC <- Matrix_checks(Sm,Fm)
Snew <- MC$Snew
Fnew <- MC$Fnew
SDRes <- Steepest_Desc(Fnew,Snew, num.loops = 20)
```

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