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angle2slope	<i>Angle to slope</i>
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**Description**

Converts angle values to slope values.

**Usage**

```
angle2slope(angle, angleUnit = c("deg", "rad"))
```

**Arguments**

angle	numeric vector of angle to be converted to slope.
angleUnit	The unit of angle. Either "deg", "rad". Default is "deg".

**Value**

Returns a vector of slope values.

**See Also**

[slope2angle](#), the the complement of angle2slope.

**Examples**

```
angle2slope(10)
angle2slope(angle = 45)
angle2slope(angle = 50, angleUnit = "deg")
angle2slope(1.047198, "rad")
angle2slope(0.2617994, angleUnit = "rad")
```

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basal_i	<i>Individual basal area</i>
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**Description**

Individual basal area

**Usage**

```
basal_i(dbh)
```

**Arguments**

dbh                    numeric vector of diameter.

**Value**

Vector of individual basal area.

**Examples**

```
basal_i(dbh = 0.1)
```

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blackman	<i>Index of Blackman</i>
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**Description**

Index of Blackman

**Usage**

```
blackman(density)
```

**Arguments**

density          numeric vector of the density.

**Value**

Index of Blackman.

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dbh

*Diameter or DBH*

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**Description**

Computes diameter based on circumference. If circumference (perimeter) at breast height is given, then Diameter at Breast Height (DBH) is obtained. Used in dendrometry for trees' DBH calculation.

**Usage**

```
dbh(perimeter)
```

**Arguments**

perimeter          numeric vector of circumference.

**Value**

Diameter or DBH vector.

**See Also**

[height](#)

**Examples**

```
x = seq(1, 5, .4)
dbh(x)
```

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decrease	<i>The decrease coefficient</i>
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**Description**

This coefficient expresses the ratio between the diameter (or circumference) at mid-height of the bole and the diameter (or circumference) measured at breast height.

**Usage**

```
decrease(middle, breast)
```

**Arguments**

middle	numeric, the diameter or circumference at middle height.
breast	numeric, the diameter or circumference at breast height.

**Details**

Both middle and breast arguments should be of the same type (either diameter or circumference). Don't mix.

**Value**

The decrease coefficient

**Examples**

```
decrease(30, 120)
decrease(middle = 40, breast = 90)
```

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decreaseMetric	<i>Metric scrolling or decay</i>
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**Description**

The average metric decay expresses the difference, in centimeters per meter, between the diameter (or circumference) at breast height and its diameter at mid-height of a stem related to the difference between the height at mid-height and that at breast height.

**Usage**

```
decreaseMetric(dmh, dbh, mh, bh = 1.3)
```

**Arguments**

dmh	numeric, the diameter at middle height.
dbh	numeric, the diameter at breast height.
mh	numeric, the middle (or cut) height.
bh	Either a numeric value standing for the breast height of all trees or a numeric vector standing for the breast height of each tree. Default is 1.3.

**Value**

Metric decay

**Examples**

```
decreaseMetric(dmh = 40, dbh = 90, mh = 7)
decreaseMetric(45, 85, 9)
```

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deg	<i>Radians to degrees</i>
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**Description**

Converts angle values from radian to degree.

**Usage**

```
deg(radian)
```

**Arguments**

radian	A vector of degree values to be converted
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**Value**

Returns a vector of radian values.

**See Also**

[rad](#), the complement of deg

**Examples**

```
deg(pi/2)
```

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densityTree	<i>Tree density</i>
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**Description**

Density per plot.

**Usage**

```
densityTree(number, area, overall = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

number	numeric vector, individual count.
area	numeric, area of a plot.
overall	a logical value. If TRUE, an overall density is computed; if FALSE, density is computed for each plot. Default is TRUE.

**Value**

Vector of density.

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diameterMean	<i>Mean diameter</i>
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**Description**

Mean diameter of a species.

**Usage**

```
diameterMean(dbh)
```

**Arguments**

dbh	numeric vector of diameter (DBH).
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**Value**

Mean diameter of a species.

**See Also**

[dbh](#), [basal\\_i](#)

**Examples**

```
set.seed(1)
diameter = rnorm(10, 100, 20)
diameterMean(dbh = diameter)
```

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distanceH	<i>Horizontal distance</i>
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**Description**

Horizontal distance calculation for sloping area.

**Usage**

```
distanceH(
  distance,
  angle,
  type = c("angle", "slope"),
  angleUnit = c("deg", "rad")
)
```

**Arguments**

distance	numeric vector of the distance measured on sloping area.
angle	numeric vector of angle values.
type	the type of angle. Either "angle" or "slope". Default is "slope".
angleUnit	the unit of angle measures when type = "angle". Either "deg" for degree or "rad" for radian. Default is "deg".

**Value**

The horizontal distance.

**Examples**

```
distanceH(20, 30)
distanceH(20, angle = 30, type = "slope")
distanceH(20, angle = 25, type = "angle")
```



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factorize	<i>Making factor vectors</i>
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**Description**

Changes character vectors to factor vectors

**Usage**

```
factorize(data, binary = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

data	A data set containing ....
binary	Logical indicating if binary data should be considered as factor

**Value**

Data frame with all character vectors changed to factor vectors

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fibonacci	<i>Fibonacci series</i>
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**Description**

Generates numbers from Fibonacci series.

**Usage**

```
fibonacci(n, PrintFib = FALSE, Uo = 0, U1 = 1)
```

**Arguments**

n	integer, the size of the series.
PrintFib	Logical, indicating if the series should be printed.
Uo, U1	integer, the first number of the series.

**Value**

Either a real number, result of the function or a vector of all the series.

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**[fiborate](#)**Examples**

```

fibonacci(n = 10, PrintFib = TRUE)
fibonacci(n = 10, Uo = 1, U1 = 3, PrintFib = FALSE)
#' @details The series equation is  $U_n = U_{(n-2)} / U_{(n-1)}$ .

```

fiborate

*Fibonacci series ratio***Description**

Computes rates from Fibonacci series.

**Usage**

```
fiborate(n = 10, PrintSer = FALSE, Uo = 0, U1 = 1)
```

**Arguments**

n	integer, the size of the series.
PrintSer	Logical, indicating if the series should be printed.
Uo, U1	integer, the first number of the series.

**Details**

The series equation is  $U_n = U_{(n-2)} / U_{(n-1)}$ . The function returns golden number when  $Uo = 0$ , and  $U1 = 1$ . Larger n is, more precise the number (result) is.

**Value**

Either a real number, result of the rate of nth and (n-1)th numbers in Fibonacci series.

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**[fibonacci](#)**Examples**

```

##Golden number (Le Nombre d'Or)
fiborate(n = 18, PrintSer = FALSE, Uo = 0, U1 = 1)
##(1+sqrt(5))/2
fiborate(n = 10, PrintSer = TRUE, Uo = 0, U1 = 1)

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green	<i>Index of Green</i>
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**Description**

Index of Green

**Usage**

```
green(density)
```

**Arguments**

density          numeric vector of the density.

**Value**

Index of Green.

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height	<i>Height of tree or vertical object.</i>
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**Description**

Computes the height of tree, pillar, girder, mast or any vertical object. Allows both slope (in per cent) and angle measures (in degree or radian) . No matter the relative position of the persons who measures angle/slope.

**Usage**

```
height(distance, top, base, type = c("angle", "slope"),
        angleUnit = c("deg", "rad"))
```

**Arguments**

distance          a numeric vector of the horizontal distance between object and the person who measures angle.

top, base          numeric vector of top angle and ground angle respectively (readings from a clinometer).

type                the type of top and base measures. Either "angle" or "slope". Default is "slope".

angleUnit         the unit of top and base measures when type = "angle". Either "deg" for degree or "rad" for radian. Default is "deg".

**Value**

Returns a vector of heights.

**Author(s)**

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**Examples**

```
height(10, 80, 17)
height(17, top = -18, base = -113)
height(distance = 18, top = 42, base = -12, type = "angle", angleUnit = "deg")
height(distance = 18:21, top = 42:45, base = -12:-15, type = "angle", angleUnit = "deg")
## Bellow shows warning messages
height(distance = 18:21, top = -42:-45, base = -12:-15, type = "angle", angleUnit = "deg")
```

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Logging

*Tree metrics for logging (in progress)*

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**Description**

Data frame of 24 rows and 8 columns containing tree measures.

**Usage**

```
data(Logging)
```

**Format**

Data frame with twenty five observations and eight variables:

**tree** Tree name

**hauteur** Stem length in meter (m).

**diametreMedian** Tree median diameter in centimeter (cm).

**perimetreMedian** Tree median circumference in centimeter (cm).

**diametreSection** Tree diameter at the end in centimeter (cm).

**perimetreSection** Tree circumference at the end in centimeter (cm).

**diametreBase** Tree diameter at the base in centimeter (cm).

**perimetreBase** Tree circumference at the base in centimeter (cm).

**Author(s)**

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**Source**

Fake data simulated for tutorial purposes.

**Examples**

```
#demo(dendro)
```

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loreHeight	<i>Lorey's mean height</i>
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**Description**

The average height of the trees in a plot, weighted by their basal area.

**Usage**

```
loreHeight(basal, height)
```

**Arguments**

basal	numeric, individual basal areas.
height	numeric vector of individual heights.

**Value**

Average Lorey height of a species.

**See Also**

[height](#), [basal\\_i](#)

**Examples**

```
set.seed(1)
donnees <- data.frame(hauteur = rnorm(10, 12, 3), area = basal_i(rnorm(10, 100, 20)))
loreHeight(basal = donnees$area, height = donnees$hauteur)
```

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principal	<i>Principal measure</i>
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**Description**

`principal` returns the principal measure of an angle value. Principal measure ranges from  $-\pi$  to  $\pi$  for radian unit while it ranges from  $-180$  to  $180$  for degree unit.

**Usage**

```
principal(angle, angleUnit = c("deg", "rad"))
```

**Arguments**

angle            numeric vector of angle.  
 angleUnit      The unit of angle. Either "deg", "rad". Default is "deg".

**Value**

A matrix of principal measure of angle in radian and in degree units.

**Note**

Use `principal` in position computations, not distance computations.

**See Also**

[rad](#) for radian, [deg](#) for degree, [slope2angle](#) for slope to angle conversion, [angle2slope](#) for angle to slope conversion.

**Examples**

```
principal(303)
principal(23 * pi/8, "rad")
```

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 rad

*Degrees to radians*


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**Description**

Converts angle values from degree to radian.

**Usage**

```
rad(degree)
```

**Arguments**

degree            A numeric vector of radian values to be converted

**Value**

Returns a vector of radian values.

**See Also**

[deg](#), the the complement of rad

**Examples**

```
rad(180)
```

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reducecoef	<i>The reduction coefficient</i>
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### Description

The reduction coefficient is the ratio between the difference in size at breast height and mid-height on the one hand, and the size at breast height on the other. . It is thus the complement to 1 of the coefficient of decrease.

### Usage

```
reducecoef(middle, breast)
```

### Arguments

middle	numeric, the diameter or circumference at middle height.
breast	numeric, the diameter or circumference at breast height.

### Details

Both middle and breast arguments should be of the same type (either diameter or circumference). Don't mix.

### Value

The reduction coefficient.

### Examples

```
reducecoef(30, 120)
reducecoef(middle = 40, breast = 90)
```

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shape	<i>The shape coefficient</i>
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### Description

The shape coefficient of the tree is the ratio of the actual volume of the tree to the volume of a cylinder having as base the surface of the section at 1.3 m (or a given breast height) and as length, the height of the tree.

### Usage

```
shape(volume, height, dbh, basal = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

volume            numeric, tree real volume.  
height            numeric, tree height.  
dbh                numeric, diameter at breast height (DBH).  
basal              numeric, basal area. Is used when dbh is not specified.

**Value**

The shape coefficient.

**See Also**

[volume](#), for tree real volume.

**Examples**

```
shape(volume = 10000, 11, dbh = 40)
shape(volume = 10000, 11, 40)
shape(volume = 10000, 11, basal = 2256.637)
## Bellow gives warning
shape(volume = 10000, height = 11, dbh = 40, basal = 2256.637)
```

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skewness

*Skewness coefficient*

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**Description**

Skewness coefficient

**Usage**

```
skewness(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                  numeric vector. The skewness.

**Value**

The skewness coefficient.

**Examples**

```
data("Logging")
skewness(Logging$hauteur)
hist(Logging$hauteur,3)
```



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slope2angle	<i>Slope to angle</i>
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**Description**

Converts slope values to angle values.

**Usage**

```
slope2angle(slope, angleUnit = c("deg", "rad"))
```

**Arguments**

slope	numeric vector of slope to be converted to angle.
angleUnit	The desired unit for the returned angle value. Either "deg", "rad". Default is "deg".

**Value**

A vector of angle values in specified unit.

**See Also**

[angle2slope](#), the the complement of slope2angle

**Examples**

```
slope2angle(100)
slope2angle(17.6327)
slope2angle(angle2slope(30))
```

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Tree	<i>Dendrometric measures on tree</i>
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**Description**

Data frame of 10 rows and 5 columns containing tree measures.

**Usage**

```
data(Tree)
```

**Format**

Data frame with ten observations and five variables:

**circum** Tree circumference in centimeter (cm).

**dist** Horizontal distance between the observer (person who measure angles) and the tree circumference in centimeter (cm).

**up** Up angle measure in degree (°).

**down** Down angle measure in degree (°).

**fut** Bole angle measure in degree (°); Fut is where the first branch occurs on the trunk. This measure is usually useful for timber estimation on wood market.

**Author(s)**

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**Source**

Fake data simulated for tutorial purposes.

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volume

*Tree stem and log Volume*

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**Description**

Determining the volume of the log or of the tree.

**Usage**

```
volume(height, dm, do, ds, circum, circumo, circums,
        method = "huber", successive = FALSE, log)
```

**Arguments**

height	numeric, stem (whole bole) length. When successive is "TRUE", it stands for log length.
do, dm, ds	numeric, respectively base, median and end diameter.
circumo, circum, circums	numeric, respectively base, median and end circumference.
method	character string, the method of volume computation. Can be one of "huber", "smalian", "cone", or "newton". Default is "huber".
successive	logical. If TRUE, Successive method is applied. is applied. Default is FALSE.
log	a vector indicating tree to which belongs each log. Is used only when successive is "TRUE".

**Details**

Using method = cone refers to truncated cone method.

**Value**

A numeric vector of logs or trees volume.

**See Also**

[shape](#), for tree real volume.

**Examples**

```
## huber method
volume(height = 10, dm = 35)
volume(height = 10, circum = 100)

## smalian method
volume(height = 10, do = 45, ds = 15, method = "smalian")
volume(height = 10, circumo = 200, circums = 110, method = "smalian")

## cone method
volume(height = 10, do = 45, ds = 15, method = "cone")
volume(height = 10, circumo = 200, circums = 110, method = "cone")

## newton method
volume(height = 10, dm = 35, do = 45, ds = 15, method = "newton")
volume(height = 10, circum = 100, circumo = 200, circums = 110, method = "newton")
```

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