

Package ‘phyloseqGraphTest’

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Description Provides functions for graph-based multiple-sample testing and visualization of microbiome data, in particular data stored in 'phyloseq' objects. The tests are based on those described in Friedman and Rafsky (1979) <<http://www.jstor.org/stable/2958919>>, and the tests are described in more detail in Callahan et al. (2016) <[doi:10.12688/f1000research.8986.1](https://doi.org/10.12688/f1000research.8986.1)>.

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phyloseqGraphTest-package

phyloseqGraphTest: Non-parametric graph-based testing for microbiome data.

Description

This package lets you test for differences between groups of samples with a graph-based permutation test.

Details

The main function in the package is `graph_perm_test`, which takes a `phyloseq` object.

The graph used in the test can be visualized using `plot_test_network`. The permutation distribution and the test statistic can be visualized with `plot_permutations`.

graph_perm_test

Performs graph-based permutation tests

Description

Performs graph-based tests for one-way designs.

Usage

```
graph_perm_test(  
  physeq,  
  samplotype,  
  grouping = 1:nsamples(physeq),  
  distance = "jaccard",  
  type = c("mst", "knn", "threshold.value", "threshold.nedges"),  
  max.dist = 0.4,  
  knn = 1,  
  nedges = nsamples(physeq),  
  keep.isolates = TRUE,  
  nperm = 499  
)
```

Arguments

physeq	A phyloseq object.
sampletype	A string giving the column name of the sample to be tested. This should be a factor with two or more levels.
grouping	Either a string with the name of a sample data column or a factor of length equal to the number of samples in physeq. These are the groups of samples whose labels should be permuted and are used for repeated measures designs. Default is no grouping (each group is of size 1).
distance	A distance, see distance for a list of the possible methods.
type	One of "mst", "knn", "threshold". If "mst", forms the minimum spanning tree of the sample points. If "knn", forms a directed graph with links from each node to its k nearest neighbors. If "threshold", forms a graph with edges between every pair of samples within a certain distance.
max.dist	For type "threshold", the maximum distance between two samples such that we put an edge between them.
knn	For type "knn", the number of nearest neighbors.
nedges	If using "threshold.nedges", the number of edges to use.
keep.isolates	In the returned network, keep the unconnected points?
nperm	The number of permutations to perform.

Value

A list with the observed number of pure edges, the vector containing the number of pure edges in each permutation, the permutation p-value, the graph used for testing, and a vector with the sample types used for the test.

Examples

```
library(phyloseq)
data(enterotype)
gt = graph_perm_test(enterotype, sampletype = "SeqTech", type = "mst")
gt
```

new_fortify.igraph *Fortify method for networks of class [igraph](#)*

Description

This is copied with very slight modification from <https://github.com/briatte/ggnetwork/blob/master/R/fortify-igraph.R>, as that version is not on CRAN yet.

Usage

```

new_fortify.igraph(
  model,
  data = NULL,
  layout = igraph::nicely(),
  arrow.gap = ifelse(igraph::is.directed(model), 0.025, 0),
  by = NULL,
  scale = TRUE,
  stringsAsFactors = getOption("stringsAsFactors", FALSE),
  ...
)

```

Arguments

model	an object of class igraph .
data	not used by this method.
layout	a function call to an igraph layout function, such as layout_nicely (the default), or a 2 column matrix giving the x and y coordinates for the vertices. See layout_ for details.
arrow.gap	a parameter that will shorten the network edges in order to avoid overplotting edge arrows and nodes; defaults to 0 when the network is undirected (no edge shortening), or to 0.025 when the network is directed. Small values near 0.025 will generally achieve good results when the size of the nodes is reasonably small.
by	a character vector that matches an edge attribute, which will be used to generate a data frame that can be plotted with facet_wrap or facet_grid . The nodes of the network will appear in all facets, at the same coordinates. Defaults to NULL (no faceting).
scale	whether to (re)scale the layout coordinates. Defaults to TRUE, but should be set to FALSE if layout contains meaningful spatial coordinates, such as latitude and longitude.
stringsAsFactors	whether vertex and edge attributes should be converted to factors if they are of class character. Defaults to the value of <code>getOption("stringsAsFactors")</code> , which is FALSE by default: see data.frame .
...	additional parameters for the layout_ function

Value

a [data.frame](#) object.

plot_permutations *Plots the permutation distribution*

Description

Plots a histogram of the permutation distribution of the number of pure edges and a mark showing the observed number of pure edges.

Usage

```
plot_permutations(graphtest, bins = 30)
```

Arguments

graphtest The output from graph_perm_test.
bins The number of bins to use for the histogram.

Value

A ggplot object.

Examples

```
library(phyloseq)  
data(enterotype)  
gt = graph_perm_test(enterotype, samplotype = "SeqTech")  
plot_permutations(gt)
```

plot_test_network *Plots the graph used for testing*

Description

When using the graph_perm_test function, a graph is created. This function will plot the graph used for testing with nodes colored by sample type and edges marked as pure or mixed.

Usage

```
plot_test_network(graphtest)
```

Arguments

graphtest The output from graph_perm_test.

Value

A ggplot object created by ggnetwork.

Examples

```
library(phyloseq)
data(enterotype)
gt = graph_perm_test(enterotype, samplotype = "SeqTech")
plot_test_network(gt)
```

```
print.psgraphtest      Print psgraphtest objects
```

Description

Print psgraphtest objects

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'psgraphtest'
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x	psgraphtest object.
...	Not used

```
scale_safely          Rescale x to (0, 1), except if x is constant
```

Description

Copied from <https://github.com/briatte/ggnetwork/blob/f3b8b84d28a65620a94f7aec769c0ea939466e3/R/utilities.R> so as to fix a problem with the cran version of ggnetwork.

Usage

```
scale_safely(x, scale = diff(range(x)))
```

Arguments

x	a vector to rescale
scale	the scale on which to rescale the vector

Value

The rescaled vector, coerced to a vector if necessary. If the original vector was constant, all of its values are replaced by 0.5.

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