## Package 'TreeDimensionTest'

July 21, 2025

```
Type Package
Title Trajectory Presence and Heterogeneity in Multivariate Data
Version 0.0.2
Date 2022-03-11
Author Lovemore Tenha [aut] (ORCID: <a href="https://orcid.org/0000-0001-9705-2023">https://orcid.org/0000-0001-9705-2023</a>),
      Joe Song [aut, cre] (ORCID: <a href="https://orcid.org/0000-0002-6883-6547">https://orcid.org/0000-0002-6883-6547</a>)
Maintainer Joe Song <joemsong@cs.nmsu.edu>
Description Testing for trajectory presence and heterogeneity on
      multivariate data. Two statistical methods (Tenha & Song 2022)
      <doi:10.1371/journal.pcbi.1009829> are implemented. The tree dimension
      test quantifies the statistical evidence for trajectory presence. The
      subset specificity measure summarizes pattern heterogeneity using the
      minimum subtree cover. There is no user tunable parameters for either
      method. Examples are included to illustrate how to use the methods on
      single-cell data for studying gene and pathway expression dynamics and
      pathway expression specificity.
License LGPL (>= 3)
Imports fitdistrplus, igraph, nFactors, Rcpp (>= 1.0.2), RColorBrewer,
      Rdpack
LinkingTo Rcpp
RoxygenNote 7.1.2
Encoding UTF-8
Suggests knitr, rmarkdown, testthat
VignetteBuilder knitr
NeedsCompilation yes
RdMacros Rdpack
Depends mlpack
Repository CRAN
```

**Date/Publication** 2022-03-12 10:30:07 UTC

2 compute.stats

## **Contents**

compute.stats	. 2
empirical.distributions	. 3
plot.treedim	. 3
separability	. 4
test.trajectory	. 5

7

compute.stats

Tree Dimension Test Related Statistics

#### **Description**

Index

Computes tree dimension measure, tree dimension test effect, number leafs and tree diameter from MST of a given dataset

## Usage

```
compute.stats(x, MST = c("boruvka", "exact"), dim.reduction = c("pca", "none"))
```

## **Arguments**

X	matrix of input data. Rows as observations and columns as features
MST	name of MST to be used in test. There are 2 options; "exact" MST and "boruvka" which is faster for large samples
dim.reduction	string parameter with value "pca" to perform dimensionality reduction or "none" to not perform dimensionality reduction

#### Value

A list with the following components:

- tdt\_measure The tree dimension value for the given input data
- tdt\_effect Effect size for tree dimension
- leaves Number of leaf/degree1 vertices in the MST of the data
- diameter The tree diameter of MST, where each edge is of unit length
- original\_dimension If "pca" is selected, the number of dimensions in the original dataset
- pca\_components If "pca" is selected, the number of pca components selected after dimensionality reduction
- mst A vector of edges of the mst computed on x. Length of vector is always even.

empirical.distributions 3

```
empirical.distributions
```

Empirical Null Distribution of Tree Dimension Test

## Description

Computes empirical null distribution of S statistic and parameters for lognormal approximation for input of size rows \* columns using multivariate normal randomization

## Usage

```
empirical.distributions(rows, cols, perm = 100, MST = c("boruvka", "exact"))
```

## **Arguments**

rows	number of rows for data representing null case. Rows represent sample size.
cols	number of columns for data representing null case. Columns represent variables.
perm	number of simulations to compute null distribution. Default is 100.
MST	name of MST to be used in computing distribution. There are two options; "exact" MST and "boruvka" which is faster for large samples

## Value

A list with the following components:

- dist A vector with null distribution of s statistic
- meanlog The meanlog parameter estimation for the lognormal distribution on empirical null distribution S.
- sdlog The sdlog parameter estimation for lognormal distribution on empirical null distribution of S.

plot.treedim Visualizing Euclidean Minimum Spanning Trees
---

## Description

Plots an Euclidean minimum spanning tree from given input data.

4 separability

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'treedim'
plot(
    x,
    ...,
    node.col = "orange",
    node.size = 5,
    main = "MST plot",
    legend.cord = c(-1.2, 1.1)
)
```

### **Arguments**

An object of type "treedim"; returned from test.trajectory, compute.stats or separability

... ignore

node.col vector of colors for the observations in x (vertices)

node.size numerical value to represent size of nodes in the plot

title for the plot

legend.cord vector of the xy coordinates for the legend c(x,y)

#### Value

result plots a minimum spanning tree for input data x

separability Separability of Labeled Data Points

## Description

Computes homogeneity of labeled observations with multiple label types.

## Usage

```
separability(x, labels)
```

#### **Arguments**

x input data matrix, with rows as observations and columns as features

labels a vector of labels for the observations. A label could be a type of the observation

e.g cell type in single-cell data

test.trajectory 5

#### Value

A list with the following components:

label\_separability A vector of separability scores for each of the label types. A high score
denotes high separability

• overall\_separability Overall average separability score for all the labels

test.trajectory

Tree Dimension Test

#### **Description**

Computes the statistical significance for the presence of trajectory in multivariate data.

## Usage

```
test.trajectory(
   x,
   perm = 100,
   MST = c("boruvka", "exact"),
   dim.reduction = c("pca", "none")
)
```

## **Arguments**

x matrix of input data. Rows as observations and columns as features.

perm number of simulations to compute null distribution parameters by maximum likelihood estimation.

MST the MST algorithm to be used in test. There are two options: "exact" MST and "boruvka" which is approximate but faster for large samples.

dim.reduction string parameter with value "pca" to perform dimensionality reduction or "none" to not perform dimensionality reduction before the test.

## Details

If the input data is already after dimension reduction, use dim.reduction="none". The method is described in (Tenha and Song 2022).

#### Value

A list with the following components:

- tdt\_measure The tree dimension value for the given input data
- statistic The S statistic calculated on the input data. S statistic is derived from tree dimension
- tdt\_effect Effect size for tree dimension
- leaves Number of leaf/degree1 vertices in the MST of the data

6 test.trajectory

- diameter The tree diameter of MST, where each edge is of unit length
- p.value The pvalue for the S statistic. Pvalue measures presence of trajectory in input x.
- original\_dimension If "pca" is selected, the number of dimensions in the original dataset
- pca\_components If "pca" is selected, the number of pca components selected after dimensionality reduction
- mst A vector of edges of the mst computed on x. Length of vector is always even.

## References

Tenha L, Song M (2022). "Inference of trajectory presence by tree dimension and subset specificity by subtree cover." *PLOS Computational Biology*, **18**(2), e1009829. doi: 10.1371/journal.pcbi.1009829.

# **Index**

```
compute.stats, 2
empirical.distributions, 3
plot.treedim, 3
separability, 4
test.trajectory, 5
```