

# Package ‘gromovlab’

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**Description** Computes Gromov-Hausdorff type  $l^p$  distances for labeled metric spaces. These distances were introduced in V.Liebscher, Gromov meets Phylogenetics - new Animals for the Zoo of Metrics on Tree Space <[arXiv:1504.05795](https://arxiv.org/abs/1504.05795)> for phylogenetic trees, but may apply to a diversity of scenarios.

**Imports** methods,igraph, ape, glpkAPI , quadprog, cluster, stats

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gromovdist

*Gromov-Hausdorff-type distances of labelled metric spaces*

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## Description

The function `gromovdist` calculates the matched Gromov- $\ell^p$  distances of two metrics on a finite space  $X$ :

$$D_p(\rho_1, \rho_2) = \inf\{\|(|d(\phi_1(x), \phi_2(x))|)_{x \in X}\|_p\}.$$

There, the infimum is taken over all isometric embeddings  $\phi_1$  of  $(X, \rho_1)$ ,  $\phi_2$  of  $(X, \rho_2)$  into a common metric space  $(Y, d)$ . Only  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$  is considered.

At the basis is the reformulation of the metric as value of a convex program, see Liebscher (2015).

Methods for various classes are provided:

- `dist`, `dissimilarity` which are distance matrices.
- `matrix` for matrices containing the individual distances of the elements of  $X$ .
- `igraph` for connected graphs. The metric on the nodes or just the leaves (nodes of degree 1) of the graph is the length of the shortest path.
- `phylo` for phylogenetic trees. Again the metric is induced by the graph.

## Usage

```
gromovdist(d1, d2=NULL, type="l1", p=NULL, ...)

## S3 method for class 'list'
gromovdist(d1, d2=NULL, type="l1", p=NULL, ...)
## S3 method for class 'multiPhylo'
gromovdist(d1, d2=NULL, type="l1", p=NULL, ...)
## S3 method for class 'phylo'
gromovdist(d1, d2=NULL, type="l1", p=NULL, ...)
## S3 method for class 'dist'
gromovdist(d1, d2=NULL, type="l1", p=NULL, ...)
## S3 method for class 'dissimilarity'
gromovdist(d1, d2=NULL, type="l1", p=NULL, ...)
## S3 method for class 'matrix'
gromovdist(d1, d2=NULL, type="l1", p=NULL, ...)
## S3 method for class 'igraph'
gromovdist(d1, d2=NULL, type="l1", p=NULL, leavesonly=TRUE, ...)
```

## Arguments

<code>type</code>	type of metric to use
<code>d1, d2</code>	distance object(s).
<code>p</code>	if <code>type="lp"</code> the value of $p$ . If not supplied, $p = 2$ is used.
<code>leavesonly</code>	compute the distances between the leaves of the graph/tree only?
<code>...</code>	further parameters

**Details**

type="l1" yields  $p = 1$   
type="l2" yields  $p = 2$   
type="linfinity" yields  $p = \infty$   
type="lp" is for (not so efficient) computation using [constrOptim](#) for arbitrary  $1 \leq p < \infty$   
If d1 is a list, the distance matrix between all elements of the list is computed. It is represented as an object of class [dissimilarity.object](#), see [dissimilarity.object](#).  
The distance is only computed for that part of the objects where the labels are present in both objects. If there are no labels the elements are numbered consecutively.

**Value**

The distance (one numeric) or a distance matrix for the list and multiPhylo methods

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**References**

V.Liebscher, Gromov meets Phylogenetics - new Animals for the Zoo of Metrics on Tree Space.  
preprint 2015 arXiv:1504.05795

**See Also**

[dist](#), [dissimilarity.object](#), [phangorn-package](#), [igraph-package](#), [constrOptim](#).

**Examples**

```
library("ape")
tr1<-rtree(n=10)
tr2<-rtree(n=10)
gromovdist(tr1,tr2,"l1")
gromovdist(tr1,tr2,"l2")
#thesame, but slower
gromovdist(d1=tr1,d2=tr2,type="lp",p=2)
gromovdist(tr1,tr2,"linf")
```

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