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**Description** A series of statistical and plotting approaches in microbial community ecology based on the R6 class. The classes are designed for data preprocessing, taxa abundance plotting, alpha diversity analysis, beta diversity analysis, differential abundance test, null model analysis, network analysis, machine learning, environmental data analysis and functional analysis.

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clone	<i>Copy an R6 class object</i>
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### Description

Copy an R6 class object

### Usage

```
clone(x, deep = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

x	R6 class object
deep	default TRUE; TRUE means deep copy, i.e. copied object is unlinked with the original one.

**Value**

identical but unlinked R6 object

**Examples**

```
data("dataset")
clone(dataset)
```

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dataset	<i>The dataset structured with microtable class for the demonstration of examples</i>
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**Description**

The dataset arose from 16S rRNA gene amplicon sequencing of wetland soils in China <doi:10.1016/j.geoderma.2018.09.035>. In dataset\$sample\_table, the 'Group' column means Chinese inland wetlands (IW), coastal wetland (CW) and Tibet plateau wetlands (TW). The column 'Type' denotes the sampling region: northeastern region (NE), northwest region (NW), North China area (NC), middle-lower reaches of the Yangtze River (YML), southern coastal area (SC), upper reaches of the Yangtze River (YU) and Qinghai-Tibet Plateau (QTP). The column 'Saline' represents the saline soils and non-saline soils.

**Usage**

```
data(dataset)
```

**Format**

An R6 class object

**Details**

- sample\_table: sample information table
- otu\_table: species-community abundance table
- tax\_table: taxonomic table
- phylo\_tree: phylogenetic tree
- taxa\_abund: taxa abundance list with several tables for Phylum...Genus
- alpha\_diversity: alpha diversity table
- beta\_diversity: list with several beta diversity distance matrix

dropallfactors	<i>Remove all factors in a data frame</i>
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## Description

Remove all factors in a data frame

## Usage

```
dropallfactors(x, unfac2num = FALSE, char2num = FALSE)
```

## Arguments

x	data.frame object
unfac2num	default FALSE; whether try to convert all character columns to numeric directly; If TRUE, it will attempt to convert each column, including those of character and factor types. First, it tries to convert them to the character type, and then checks if they can be converted to numeric. If the conversion to numeric is possible, it outputs the numeric type; otherwise, it outputs the character type. If FALSE, only columns with the factor attribute will be attempted for conversion. Factors will first be converted to character type, and then an attempt will be made to convert them to numeric. If successful, the numeric type will be output; otherwise, the character type will be output. This process can effectively remove the factor attribute. Note that this can only transform the columns that may be transformed to numeric without using factor.
char2num	default FALSE; whether force all the character to be numeric class by using factor as an intermediate. Therefore, this parameter can enforce the conversion of all character and factor types to numeric. This operation is very useful in some cases that numerical data is required as input.

## Value

data frame without factor

## Examples

```
data("taxonomy_table_16S")
taxonomy_table_16S[, 1] <- as.factor(taxonomy_table_16S[, 1])
str(dropallfactors(taxonomy_table_16S))
```

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env\_data\_16S

*The environmental factors for the 16S example data*

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**Description**

The environmental factors for the 16S example data

**Usage**

```
data(env_data_16S)
```

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## fungi\_func\_FungalTraits

*The FungalTraits database for fungi trait prediction*

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**Description**

The FungalTraits database for fungi trait prediction

**Usage**

```
data(fungi_func_FungalTraits)
```

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## fungi\_func\_FUNGuild

*The FUNGuild database for fungi trait prediction*

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**Description**

The FUNGuild database for fungi trait prediction

**Usage**

```
data(fungi_func_FUNGuild)
```

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<code>microeco</code>	<i>Introduction</i>	<i>to</i>	<code>microeco</code>	<i>package</i>
	(R href="https://github.com/ChiLiubio/microeco")			(https://github.com/ChiLiubio/microeco)

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## Description

For the detailed tutorial on microeco package, please follow the links:

Online tutorial website: [https://chiliubio.github.io/microeco\\_tutorial/](https://chiliubio.github.io/microeco_tutorial/)

Download tutorial: [https://github.com/ChiLiubio/microeco\\_tutorial/releases](https://github.com/ChiLiubio/microeco_tutorial/releases)

For each R6 class, please open the help document by searching the class name. For example, to search microtable class, please run the command `help(microtable)` or `?microtable`.

Another way to open the help document of R6 class is to click the following links collected:

```
microtable
trans_abund
trans_venn
trans_alpha
trans_beta
trans_diff
trans_network
trans_nullmodel
trans_classifier
trans_env
trans_func
trans_norm
```

To report bugs or discuss questions, please use Github Issues (<https://github.com/ChiLiubio/microeco/issues>).

Before creating a new issue, please read the guideline ([https://chiliubio.github.io/microeco\\_tutorial/notes.html#github-issues](https://chiliubio.github.io/microeco_tutorial/notes.html#github-issues)).

To cite microeco package in publications, please run the following command to get the reference:  
`citation("microeco")`

Reference:

Chi Liu, Yaoming Cui, Xiangzhen Li and Minjie Yao. 2021. microeco: an R package for data mining in microbial community ecology. FEMS Microbiology Ecology, 97(2): fiaa255. DOI:10.1093/femsec/fiaa255

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<code>microtable</code>	<i>Create microtable object to store and manage all the basic files.</i>
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## Description

This class is a wrapper for a series of operations on the basic data manipulations, including microtable object creation, data trimming, data filtering, rarefaction based on Paul et al. (2013) <doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0061217>, taxonomic abundance calculation, alpha and beta diversity calculation based on the An et al. (2019) <doi:10.1016/j.geoderma.2018.09.035> and Lozupone et

al. (2005) <doi:10.1128/AEM.71.12.8228-8235.2005> and other basic operations.

Online tutorial: [https://chiliubio.github.io/microeco\\_tutorial/](https://chiliubio.github.io/microeco_tutorial/)

Download tutorial: [https://github.com/ChiLiubio/microeco\\_tutorial/releases](https://github.com/ChiLiubio/microeco_tutorial/releases)

## Format

microtable.

## Methods

### Public methods:

- `microtable$new()`
- `microtable$filter_pollution()`
- `microtable$filter_taxa()`
- `microtable$rarefy_samples()`
- `microtable$tidy_dataset()`
- `microtable$add_rownames2taxonomy()`
- `microtable$sample_sums()`
- `microtable$taxa_sums()`
- `microtable$sample_names()`
- `microtable$taxa_names()`
- `microtable$rename_taxa()`
- `microtable$merge_samples()`
- `microtable$merge_taxa()`
- `microtable$save_table()`
- `microtable$cal_abund()`
- `microtable$save_abund()`
- `microtable$cal_alphaDiv()`
- `microtable$save_alphaDiv()`
- `microtable$cal_betaDiv()`
- `microtable$save_betaDiv()`
- `microtable$print()`
- `microtable$clone()`

### Method new():

*Usage:*

```
microtable$new(  
  otu_table,  
  sample_table = NULL,  
  tax_table = NULL,  
  phylo_tree = NULL,  
  rep_fasta = NULL,  
  auto_tidy = FALSE  
)
```

*Arguments:*

`otu_table` data.frame class; The feature abundance table; rownames are features (e.g. OTUs/ASVs/species/genes); column names are samples.

`sample_table` default NULL; data.frame; The sample information table; rownames are samples; columns are sample metadata; If not provided, the function can generate a table automatically according to the sample names in `otu_table`.

`tax_table` default NULL; data.frame class; The taxonomic information table; rownames are features; column names are taxonomic classes.

`phylo_tree` default NULL; phylo class; The phylogenetic tree that must be read with the `read.tree` function of ape package.

`rep_fasta` default NULL; DNAStringSet, list or DNAAbin class; The representative sequences of OTUs/ASVs. The sequences should be read with the `readDNAStringSet` function in Biostrings package (DNAStringSet class), `read.fasta` function in seqinr package (list class), or `read.FASTA` function in ape package (DNAAbin class).

`auto_tidy` default FALSE; Whether tidy the data in the `microtable` object automatically. If TRUE, the function can invoke the `tidy_dataset` function.

*Returns:* an object of `microtable` class with the following components:

`sample_table` The sample information table.

`otu_table` The feature table.

`tax_table` The taxonomic table.

`phylo_tree` The phylogenetic tree.

`rep_fasta` The sequences.

`taxa_abund` default NULL; use `cal_abund` function to calculate.

`alpha_diversity` default NULL; use `cal_alpha` function to calculate.

`beta_diversity` default NULL; use `cal_beta` function to calculate.

*Examples:*

```
data(otu_table_16S)
data(taxonomy_table_16S)
data(sample_info_16S)
data(phylo_tree_16S)
m1 <- microtable$new(otu_table = otu_table_16S)
m1 <- microtable$new(sample_table = sample_info_16S, otu_table = otu_table_16S,
  tax_table = taxonomy_table_16S, phylo_tree = phylo_tree_16S)
# trim the files in the dataset
m1$tidy_dataset()
```

**Method filter\_pollution():** Filter the features considered pollution in `microtable$tax_table`. This operation will remove any line of the `microtable$tax_table` containing any the word in `taxa` parameter regardless of word case.

*Usage:*

```
microtable$filter_pollution(taxa = c("mitochondria", "chloroplast"))
```

*Arguments:*

`taxa` default c("mitochondria", "chloroplast"); filter mitochondria and chloroplast, or others as needed.

*Returns:* updated microtable object

*Examples:*

```
m1$filter_pollution(taxa = c("mitochondria", "chloroplast"))
```

**Method filter\_taxa():** Filter the features with low abundance and/or low occurrence frequency for otu\_table or taxa\_abund list.

*Usage:*

```
microtable$filter_taxa(
  rel_abund = 0,
  freq = 1,
  include_lowest = TRUE,
  for_taxa_abund = FALSE
)
```

*Arguments:*

rel\_abund default 0; the relative abundance threshold, such as 0.0001.

freq default 1; the occurrence frequency threshold. For example, the number 2 represents filtering the feature that occurs less than 2 times. A number smaller than 1 is also allowable. For instance, the number 0.1 represents filtering the feature that occurs in less than 10% samples.

include\_lowest default TRUE; whether include the feature with the threshold.

for\_taxa\_abund default FALSE; whether apply this function to taxa\_abund list. FALSE means using this function for otu\_table

*Returns:* updated microtable object

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
d1 <- clone(m1)
d1$filter_taxa(rel_abund = 0.0001, freq = 0.2)
}
```

**Method rarefy\_samples():** Rarefy communities to make all samples have same count number.

*Usage:*

```
microtable$rarefy_samples(
  method = c("rarefy", "SRS")[1],
  sample.size = NULL,
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

method default c("rarefy", "SRS")[1]; "rarefy" represents the classical resampling like `rrarefy` function of `vegan` package. "SRS" is scaling with ranked subsampling method based on the `SRS` package provided by Lukas Beule and Petr Karlovsky (2020) <DOI:10.7717/peerj.9593>.

sample.size default NULL; library size. If not provided, use the minimum number across all samples. For "SRS" method, this parameter is passed to `Cmin` parameter of `SRS` function of `SRS` package.

... parameters pass to `norm` function of `trans_norm` class.

*Returns:* rarefied microtable object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
m1$rarefy_samples(sample.size = min(m1$sample_sums()))
}
```

**Method tidy\_dataset():** Trim all the data in the *microtable* object to make taxa and samples consistent. The results are intersections across data.

*Usage:*

```
microtable$tidy_dataset(main_data = FALSE)
```

*Arguments:*

`main_data` default FALSE; if TRUE, only basic data in *microtable* object is trimmed. Otherwise, all data, including `taxa_abund`, `alpha_diversity` and `beta_diversity`, are all trimmed.

*Returns:* None. The data in the object are tidied up. If `tax_table` is in object, its row names are completely same with the row names of `otu_table`.

*Examples:*

```
m1$tidy_dataset(main_data = TRUE)
```

**Method add\_rownames2taxonomy():** Add the row names of `microtable$tax_table` as its last column. This is especially useful when the row names of `microtable$tax_table` are required as a taxonomic level for the taxonomic abundance calculation and biomarker identification.

*Usage:*

```
microtable$add_rownames2taxonomy(use_name = "OTU")
```

*Arguments:*

`use_name` default "OTU"; The name of the column added in the `tax_table`.

*Returns:* `tax_table` updated in the object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
m1$add_rownames2taxonomy()
}
```

**Method sample\_sums():** Sum the abundance for each sample.

*Usage:*

```
microtable$sample_sums()
```

*Returns:* abundance in each sample.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
m1$sample_sums()
}
```

**Method taxa\_sums():** Sum the abundance for each taxon.

*Usage:*

```
microtable$taxa_sums()
```

*Returns:* abundance in each taxon.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{  
m1$taxa_sums()  
}
```

**Method** sample\_names(): Show the sample names.

*Usage:*

```
microtable$sample_names()
```

*Returns:* sample names.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{  
m1$sample_names()  
}
```

**Method** taxa\_names(): Show the taxa names.

*Usage:*

```
microtable$taxa_names()
```

*Returns:* taxa names.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{  
m1$taxa_names()  
}
```

**Method** rename\_taxa(): Rename the features, including the row names of otu\_table, row names of tax\_table, tip labels of phylo\_tree and names in rep\_fasta.

*Usage:*

```
microtable$rename_taxa(newname_prefix = "ASV_")
```

*Arguments:*

newname\_prefix default "ASV\_"; the prefix of new names; new names will be newname\_prefix + numbers according to the order of row names in otu\_table.

*Returns:* renamed object

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{  
m1$rename_taxa()  
}
```

**Method** merge\_samples(): Merge samples according to specific groups to generate a new microtable object.

*Usage:*

```
microtable$merge_samples(group)
```

*Arguments:*

group a column name in sample\_table of microtable object.

*Returns:* a merged microtable object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
m1$merge_samples("Group")
}
```

**Method merge\_taxa():** Merge taxa according to a specific taxonomic rank to generate a new microtable object.

*Usage:*

```
microtable$merge_taxa(taxa = "Genus")
```

*Arguments:*

taxa default "Genus"; the specific rank in tax\_table.

*Returns:* a merged microtable object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
m1$merge_taxa(taxa = "Genus")
}
```

**Method save\_table():** Save each basic data in microtable object as local file.

*Usage:*

```
microtable$save_table(dirpath = "basic_files", sep = ",", ...)
```

*Arguments:*

dirpath default "basic\_files"; directory to save the tables, phylogenetic tree and sequences in microtable object. It will be created if not found.

sep default ","; the field separator string, used to save tables. Same with sep parameter in [write.table](#) function. default ',' correspond to the file name suffix 'csv'. The option '\t' correspond to the file name suffix 'tsv'. For other options, suffix are all 'txt'.

... parameters passed to [write.table](#).

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
m1$save_table()
}
```

**Method cal\_abund():** Calculate the taxonomic abundance at each taxonomic level or selected levels.

*Usage:*

```
microtable$cal_abund(
  select_cols = NULL,
  rel = TRUE,
  merge_by = "|",
  split_group = FALSE,
  split_by = "&",
  split_column = NULL,
  split_special_char = "&&"
)
```

*Arguments:*

`select_cols` default NULL; numeric vector (column sequences) or character vector (column names of `microtable$tax_table`); applied to select columns to calculate abundances according to ordered hierarchical levels. This parameter is very useful when only part of the columns are needed to calculate abundances.

`rel` default TRUE; if TRUE, relative abundance is used; if FALSE, absolute abundance (i.e. raw values) will be summed.

`merge_by` default "|"; the symbol to merge and concatenate taxonomic names of different levels.

`split_group` default FALSE; if TRUE, split the rows to multiple rows according to one or more columns in `tax_table` when there is multiple mapping information.

`split_by` default "&"; Separator delimiting collapsed values; only available when `split_group = TRUE`.

`split_column` default NULL; one column name used for the splitting in `tax_table` for each abundance calculation; only available when `split_group = TRUE`. If not provided, the function will split each column that containing the `split_by` character.

`split_special_char` default "&&"; special character that will be used forcibly to split multiple mapping information in `tax_table` by default no matter `split_group` setting.

*Returns:* `taxa_abund` list in object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
m1$cal_abund()
}
```

**Method** `save_abund()`: Save taxonomic abundance as local file.

*Usage:*

```
microtable$save_abund(
  dirpath = "taxa_abund",
  merge_all = FALSE,
  rm_un = FALSE,
  rm_pattern = "__$",
  sep = ",",
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

`dirpath` default "taxa\_abund"; directory to save the taxonomic abundance files. It will be created if not found.

`merge_all` default FALSE; Whether merge all tables into one. The merged file format is generally called 'mpa' style.

`rm_un` default FALSE; Whether remove unclassified taxa in which the name ends with '\_\_' generally.

`rm_pattern` default "\_\_\$"; The pattern searched through the merged taxonomic names. See also `pattern` parameter in `grep1` function. Only available when `rm_un = TRUE`. The default "\_\_\$" means removing the names end with '\_\_'.

`sep` default ","; the field separator string. Same with `sep` parameter in `write.table` function. default ',' correspond to the file name suffix 'csv'. The option '\t' correspond to the file name suffix 'tsv'. For other options, suffix are all 'txt'.

... parameters passed to `write.table`.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
m1$save_abund(dirpath = "taxa_abund")
m1$save_abund(merge_all = TRUE, rm_un = TRUE, sep = "\t")
}
```

**Method** `cal_alphaDiv()`: Calculate alpha diversity.

*Usage:*

```
microtable$cal_alphaDiv(measures = NULL, PD = FALSE)
```

*Arguments:*

`measures` default `NULL`; one or more indexes in `c("Observed", "Coverage", "Chao1", "ACE", "Shannon", "Simpson", "InvSimpson", "Fisher", "Pielou")`; The default `NULL` represents that all the measures are calculated. `'Shannon'`, `'Simpson'` and `'InvSimpson'` are calculated based on `vegan::diversity` function; `'Chao1'` and `'ACE'` depend on the function `vegan::estimateR`. `'Fisher'` index relies on the function `vegan::fisher.alpha`. `"Observed"` means the observed species number in a community, i.e. richness. `"Coverage"` represents good's coverage. It is defined:

$$\text{Coverage} = 1 - \frac{f_1}{n}$$

where  $n$  is the total abundance of a sample, and  $f_1$  is the number of singleton (species with abundance 1) in the sample. `"Pielou"` denotes the Pielou evenness index. It is defined:

$$J = \frac{H'}{\ln(S)}$$

where  $H'$  is Shannon index, and  $S$  is the species number.

`PD` default `FALSE`; whether Faith's phylogenetic diversity is calculated. The calculation depends on the function `picante::pd`. Note that the phylogenetic tree (`phylo_tree` object in the data) is required for `PD`.

*Returns:* alpha\_diversity stored in the object. The `se.chao1` and `se.ACE` are the standard errors of Chao1 and ACE, respectively.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
m1$cal_alphaDiv(measures = NULL, PD = FALSE)
class(m1$alpha_diversity)
}
```

**Method** `save_alphaDiv()`: Save alpha diversity table to the computer.

*Usage:*

```
microtable$save_alphaDiv(dirpath = "alpha_diversity")
```

*Arguments:*

`dirpath` default `"alpha_diversity"`; directory name to save the `alpha_diversity.csv` file.

**Method cal\_betadiv():** Calculate beta diversity dissimilarity matrix, such as Bray-Curtis, Jaccard, and UniFrac. See An et al. (2019) <doi:10.1016/j.geoderma.2018.09.035> and Lozupone et al. (2005) <doi:10.1128/AEM.71.12.8228–8235.2005>.

*Usage:*

```
microtable$cal_betadiv(
  method = NULL,
  unifrac = FALSE,
  binary = FALSE,
  force_jaccard_binary = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

`method` default `NULL`; a character vector with one or more elements; `c("bray", "jaccard")` is used when `method = NULL`; See the `method` parameter in `vegdist` function for more available options, such as '`aitchison`' and '`robust.ritchison`'.

`unifrac` default `FALSE`; whether UniFrac indexes (weighted and unweighted) are calculated.

`Phylogenetic tree` is necessary when `unifrac = TRUE`.

`binary` default `FALSE`; Whether convert abundance to binary data (presence/absence).

`force_jaccard_binary` default `TRUE`; Whether forcibly convert abundance to binary data (presence/absence) when `method = "jaccard"`. The reason for this setting is that the Jaccard metric is commonly used for binary data. If `force_jaccard_binary = FALSE` is set, the conversion will not be enforced, but will instead be based on the setting of the `binary` parameter.

... parameters passed to `vegdist` function of `vegan` package.

*Returns:* `beta_diversity` list stored in the object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
m1$cal_betadiv(unifrac = FALSE)
class(m1$beta_diversity)
}
```

**Method save\_betadiv():** Save beta diversity matrix to the computer.

*Usage:*

```
microtable$save_betadiv(dirpath = "beta_diversity")
```

*Arguments:*

`dirpath` default "`beta_diversity`"; directory name to save the beta diversity matrix files.

**Method print():** Print the microtable object.

*Usage:*

```
microtable/print()
```

**Method clone():** The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

*Usage:*

```
microtable$clone(deep = FALSE)
```

*Arguments:*

`deep` Whether to make a deep clone.

## Examples

```

## -----
## Method `microtable$new`
## -----


data(otu_table_16S)
data(taxonomy_table_16S)
data(sample_info_16S)
data(phylo_tree_16S)
m1 <- microtable$new(otu_table = otu_table_16S)
m1 <- microtable$new(sample_table = sample_info_16S, otu_table = otu_table_16S,
tax_table = taxonomy_table_16S, phylo_tree = phylo_tree_16S)
# trim the files in the dataset
m1$tidy_dataset()

## -----
## Method `microtable$filter_pollution`
## -----


m1$filter_pollution(taxa = c("mitochondria", "chloroplast"))

## -----
## Method `microtable$filter_taxa`
## -----


d1 <- clone(m1)
d1$filter_taxa(rel_abund = 0.0001, freq = 0.2)

## -----
## Method `microtable$rarefy_samples`
## -----


m1$rarefy_samples(sample.size = min(m1$sample_sums()))

## -----
## Method `microtable$tidy_dataset`
## -----


m1$tidy_dataset(main_data = TRUE)

## -----
## Method `microtable$add_rownames2taxonomy`
## -----


m1$add_rownames2taxonomy()

```

```
## -----
## Method `microtable$sample_sums`
## -----



m1$sample_sums()



## -----
## Method `microtable$taxa_sums`
## -----



m1$taxa_sums()



## -----
## Method `microtable$sample_names`
## -----



m1$sample_names()



## -----
## Method `microtable$taxa_names`
## -----



m1$taxa_names()



## -----
## Method `microtable$rename_taxa`
## -----



m1$rename_taxa()



## -----
## Method `microtable$merge_samples`
## -----



m1$merge_samples("Group")



## -----
## Method `microtable$merge_taxa`
## -----
```

```

m1$merge_taxa(taxa = "Genus")

## -----
## Method `microtable$save_table`
## -----


## Not run:
m1$save_table()

## End(Not run)

## -----
## Method `microtable$cal_abund`
## -----


m1$cal_abund()

## -----
## Method `microtable$save_abund`
## -----


## Not run:
m1$save_abund(dirpath = "taxa_abund")
m1$save_abund(merge_all = TRUE, rm_un = TRUE, sep = "\t")

## End(Not run)

## -----
## Method `microtable$cal_alpha_div`
## -----


m1$cal_alpha_div(measures = NULL, PD = FALSE)
class(m1$alpha_diversity)

## -----
## Method `microtable$cal_beta_div`
## -----


m1$cal_beta_div(unifrac = FALSE)
class(m1$beta_diversity)

```

**Description**

The OTU table of the 16S example data

**Usage**

```
data(otu_table_16S)
```

---

otu\_table\_ITS

*The OTU table of the ITS example data*

---

**Description**

The OTU table of the ITS example data

**Usage**

```
data(otu_table_ITS)
```

---

phylo\_tree\_16S

*The phylogenetic tree of 16S example data*

---

**Description**

The phylogenetic tree of 16S example data

**Usage**

```
data(phylo_tree_16S)
```

---

prok\_func\_FAPROTAX

*The modified FAPROTAX trait database*

---

**Description**

The modified FAPROTAX trait database

**Usage**

```
data(prok_func_FAPROTAX)
```

---

prok\_func\_NJC19\_list    *The modified NJC19 database*

---

**Description**

The modified NJC19 database

**Usage**

```
data(prok_func_NJC19_list)
```

---

sample\_info\_16S        *The sample information of 16S example data*

---

**Description**

The sample information of 16S example data

**Usage**

```
data(sample_info_16S)
```

---

sample\_info\_ITS        *The sample information of ITS example data*

---

**Description**

The sample information of ITS example data

**Usage**

```
data(sample_info_ITS)
```

---

Tax4Fun2\_KEGG        *The KEGG data files used in the trans\_func class*

---

**Description**

The KEGG data files used in the trans\_func class

**Usage**

```
data(Tax4Fun2_KEGG)
```

---

taxonomy\_table\_16S      *The taxonomic information of 16S example data*

---

**Description**

The taxonomic information of 16S example data

**Usage**

```
data(taxonomy_table_16S)
```

---

---

taxonomy\_table\_ITS      *The taxonomic information of ITS example data*

---

**Description**

The taxonomic information of ITS example data

**Usage**

```
data(taxonomy_table_ITS)
```

---

---

tidy\_taxonomy      *Clean up the taxonomic table to make taxonomic assignments consistent.*

---

**Description**

Clean up the taxonomic table to make taxonomic assignments consistent.

**Usage**

```
tidy_taxonomy(  
  taxonomy_table,  
  column = "all",  
  pattern = c(".*unassigned.*", ".*uncultur.*", ".*unknown.*", ".*unidentif.*",  
            ".*unclassified.*", ".*No blast hit.*", ".*Incertae.sedis.*"),  
  replacement = "",  
  ignore.case = TRUE,  
  na_fill = ""  
)
```

## Arguments

<code>taxonomy_table</code>	a data.frame with taxonomic information (rows are features; columns are taxonomic levels); or a micratable object with <code>tax_table</code> in it.
<code>column</code>	default "all"; "all" or a number; 'all' represents cleaning up all the columns; a number represents cleaning up this specific column.
<code>pattern</code>	default c(".*unassigned.*", ".*uncultur.*", ".*unknown.*", ".*unidentif.*", ".*unclassified.*", ".*No blast hit.*", ".*Incertae.sedis.*"); the characters (regular expressions) to be removed or replaced; removed when parameter <code>replacement</code> = "", replaced when parameter <code>replacement</code> has something; Note that the capital and small letters are not distinguished when <code>ignore.case</code> = TRUE.
<code>replacement</code>	default ""; the characters used to replace the character in <code>pattern</code> parameter.
<code>ignore.case</code>	default TRUE; if FALSE, the pattern matching is case sensitive and if TRUE, case is ignored during matching.
<code>na_fill</code>	default ""; used to replace NA.

## Format

`data.frame` object.

## Value

`data.frame`

## Examples

```
data("taxonomy_table_16S")
tidy_taxonomy(taxonomy_table_16S)
```

`trans_abund`

*Create trans\_abund object for taxonomic abundance visualization.*

## Description

This class is a wrapper for the taxonomic abundance transformations and visualization (e.g., bar plot, boxplot, heatmap, pie chart and line chart). The converted data style is the long-format for ggplot2 plot.

## Methods

### Public methods:

- `trans_abund$new()`
- `trans_abund$plot_bar()`
- `trans_abund$plot_heatmap()`
- `trans_abund$plot_box()`
- `trans_abund$plot_line()`

- `trans_abund$plot_pie()`
- `trans_abund$plot_donut()`
- `trans_abund$plot_radar()`
- `trans_abund$plot_tern()`
- `trans_abund$print()`
- `trans_abund$clone()`

**Method new():***Usage:*

```
trans_abund$new(
  dataset = NULL,
  taxrank = "Phylum",
  show = 0,
  ntaxa = 10,
  groupmean = NULL,
  group_morestats = FALSE,
  delete_taxonomy_lineage = TRUE,
  delete_taxonomy_prefix = TRUE,
  prefix = NULL,
  use_percentage = TRUE,
  input_taxaname = NULL,
  high_level = NULL,
  high_level_fix_nsub = NULL
)
```

*Arguments:*

`dataset` default NULL; the object of `microtable` class.

`taxrank` default "Phylum"; taxonomic level, i.e. a column name in `tax_table` of the input object. The function extracts the abundance from the `taxa_abund` list according to the names in the list. If the `taxa_abund` list is NULL, the function can automatically calculate the relative abundance to generate `taxa_abund` list.

`show` default 0; the mean relative abundance threshold for filtering the taxa with low abundance.

`ntaxa` default 10; how many taxa are selected to use. Taxa are ordered by abundance from high to low. This parameter does not conflict with the parameter `show`. Both can be used. `ntaxa = NULL` means the parameter will be invalid.

`groupmean` default NULL; calculate mean abundance for each group. Select a column name in `microtable$sample_table`.

`group_morestats` default FALSE; only available when `groupmean` parameter is provided; Whether output more statistics for each group, including min, max, median and quantile; Thereinto, `quantile25` and `quantile75` denote 25% and 75% quantiles, respectively.

`delete_taxonomy_lineage` default TRUE; whether delete the taxonomy lineage in front of the target level.

`delete_taxonomy_prefix` default TRUE; whether delete the prefix of taxonomy, such as "g\_\_".

`prefix` default NULL; character string; available when `delete_taxonomy_prefix = T`; default NULL represents using the "letter+\_\_", e.g. "k\_\_" for Phylum level; Please provide the customized prefix when it is not standard, otherwise the program can not correctly recognize it.

`use_percentage` default TRUE; whether show the abundance percentage. If TRUE, the abundance data will be multiplied by 100.

`input_taxaname` default NULL; character vector; input taxa names to select some taxa.

`high_level` default NULL; a taxonomic rank, such as "Phylum", used to add the taxonomic information of higher level. It is required for the legend with nested taxonomic levels in the bar plot or the higher taxonomic level in facets of y axis in the heatmap.

`high_level_fix_nsub` default NULL; an integer, used to fix the number of selected abundant taxa in each taxon from higher taxonomic level. If the total number under one taxon of higher level is less than the `high_level_fix_nsub`, the total number will be used. When `high_level_fix_nsub` is provided, the taxa number of higher level is calculated as: `ceiling(ntaxa/high_level_fix_nsub)`. Note that `ntaxa` means either the parameter `ntaxa` or the taxonomic number obtained by filtering according to the `show` parameter.

*Returns:* `data_abund` stored in the object. The column 'all\_mean\_abund' represents mean relative abundance across all the samples. So the values in one taxon are all same across all the samples. If the sum of column 'Abundance' in one sample is larger than 1, the 'Abundance', 'SD' and 'SE' has been multiplied by 100.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
data(dataset)
t1 <- trans_abund$new(dataset = dataset, taxrank = "Phylum", ntaxa = 10)
}
```

**Method** `plot_bar()`: Bar plot.

*Usage:*

```
trans_abund$plot_bar(
  color_values = RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"),
  bar_full = TRUE,
  others_color = "grey90",
  facet = NULL,
  order_x = NULL,
  x_axis_name = NULL,
  barwidth = NULL,
  use_alluvium = FALSE,
  clustering = FALSE,
  clustering_plot = FALSE,
  cluster_plot_width = 0.2,
  facet_color = "grey95",
  strip_text = 11,
  legend_text_italic = FALSE,
  xtext_angle = 0,
  xtext_size = 10,
  xtext_keep = TRUE,
  xtitle_keep = TRUE,
  ytitle_size = 17,
  coord_flip = FALSE,
  ggnested = FALSE,
  high_level_add_other = FALSE,
```

```
    bar_type = deprecated()
)
```

*Arguments:*

color\_values default RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"); colors palette for the bars.

bar\_full default TRUE; Whether the bar shows all the features (including 'Others'). Default TRUE means total abundance are summed to 1 or 100 (percentage). FALSE means 'Others' will not be shown.

others\_color default "grey90"; the color for "Others" taxa.

facet default NULL; a character vector for the facet; group column name of sample\_table, such as, "Group"; If multiple facets are needed, please provide ordered names, such as c("Group", "Type"). The latter should have a finer scale than the former one; Please adjust the facet orders in the plot by assigning factors in sample\_table before creating trans\_abund object or assigning factors in the data\_abund table of trans\_abund object. When multiple facets are used, please first install package ggh4x using the command install.packages("ggh4x").

order\_x default NULL; vector; used to order the sample names in x axis; must be the samples vector, such as c("S1", "S3", "S2").

x\_axis\_name NULL; a character string; a column name of sample\_table in dataset; used to show the sample names in x axis.

barwidth default NULL; bar width, see width in geom\_bar.

use\_alluvium default FALSE; whether add alluvium plot. If TRUE, please first install ggalluvial package.

clustering default FALSE; whether order samples by the clustering.

clustering\_plot default FALSE; whether add clustering plot. If clustering\_plot = TRUE, clustering will be also TRUE in any case for the clustering.

cluster\_plot\_width default 0.2, the dendrogram plot width; available when clustering\_plot = TRUE.

facet\_color default "grey95"; facet background color.

strip\_text default 11; facet text size.

legend\_text\_italic default FALSE; whether use italic in legend.

xtext\_angle default 0; number ranging from 0 to 90; used to adjust x axis text angle to reduce text overlap;

xtext\_size default 10; x axis text size.

xtext\_keep default TRUE; whether retain x text.

xtitle\_keep default TRUE; whether retain x title.

ytitle\_size default 17; y axis title size.

coord\_flip default FALSE; whether flip cartesian coordinates so that horizontal becomes vertical, and vertical becomes horizontal.

ggnested default FALSE; whether use nested legend. Need ggnested package to be installed (<https://github.com/gmteunisse/ggnested>). To make it available, please assign high\_level parameter when creating the object.

high\_level\_add\_other default FALSE; whether add 'Others' (all the unknown taxa) in each taxon of higher taxonomic level. Only available when ggnested = TRUE.

bar\_type deprecated. Please use bar\_full argument instead.

*Returns:* ggplot2 object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$plot_bar(facet = "Group", xtext_keep = FALSE)
}
```

**Method plot\_heatmap():** Plot the heatmap.

*Usage:*

```
trans_abund$plot_heatmap(
  color_values = rev(RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(n = 11, name = "RdYlBu")),
  facet = NULL,
  facet_switch = "y",
  x_axis_name = NULL,
  order_x = NULL,
  withmargin = TRUE,
  plot_numbers = FALSE,
  plot_text_size = 4,
  plot_breaks = NULL,
  margincolor = "white",
  plot_colorscale = "log10",
  min_abundance = 0.01,
  max_abundance = NULL,
  strip_text = 11,
  xtext_keep = TRUE,
  xtext_angle = 0,
  xtext_size = 10,
  ytext_size = 11,
  xtitle_keep = TRUE,
  grid_clean = TRUE,
  legend_title = "% Relative\nAbundance",
  pheatmap = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

`color_values` default `rev(RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(n = 11, name = "RdYlBu"))`; colors palette for the plotting.

`facet` default `NULL`; a character vector for the facet; a group column name of `sample_table`, such as, "Group"; If multiple facets are needed, please provide ordered names, such as `c("Group", "Type")`. The latter should have a finer scale than the former one; Please adjust the facet orders in the plot by assigning factors in `sample_table` before creating `trans_abund` object or assigning factors in the `data_abund` table of `trans_abund` object. When multiple facets are used, please first install package `ggh4x` using the command `install.packages("ggh4x")`.

`facet_switch` default "y"; By default, the labels in facets are displayed on the top and right of the plot. If "x", the top labels will be displayed to the bottom. If "y", the right-hand side labels will be displayed to the left. Can also be set to "both". When the `high_level` is found in the object, the function will generate facets for the higher taxonomy in y axis.

So the default "y" of the parameter is to make the visualization better when `high_level` is found. This parameter will be passed to the `switch` parameter in `ggplot2::facet_grid` or `ggh4x::facet_nested` function.

```
x_axis_name NULL; a character string; a column name of sample_table used to show the sample names in x axis.
order_x default NULL; vector; used to order the sample names in x axis; must be the samples vector, such as, c("S1", "S3", "S2").
withmargin default TRUE; whether retain the tile margin.
plot_numbers default FALSE; whether plot the number in heatmap.
plot_text_size default 4; If plot_numbers TRUE, text size in plot.
plot_breaks default NULL; The legend breaks.
margincolor default "white"; If withmargin TRUE, use this as the margin color.
plot_colorscale default "log10"; color scale.
min_abundance default .01; the minimum abundance percentage in plot.
max_abundance default NULL; the maximum abundance percentage in plot, NULL represent the max percentage.
strip_text default 11; facet text size.
xtext_keep default TRUE; whether retain x text.
xtext_angle default 0; number ranging from 0 to 90; used to adjust x axis text angle to reduce text overlap;
xtext_size default 10; x axis text size.
ytext_size default 11; y axis text size.
xtitle_keep default TRUE; whether retain x title.
grid_clean default TRUE; whether remove grid lines.
legend_title default "% Relative\nAbundance"; legend title text.
pheatmap default FALSE; whether use pheatmap package to plot the heatmap.
... parameters pass to pheatmap when pheatmap = TRUE.
```

*Returns:* ggplot2 object or grid object based on pheatmap.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1 <- trans_abund$new(dataset = dataset, taxrank = "Genus", ntaxa = 40)
t1$plot_heatmap(facet = "Group", xtext_keep = FALSE, withmargin = FALSE)
}
```

**Method** `plot_box()`: Box plot.

*Usage:*

```
trans_abund$plot_box(
  color_values = RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"),
  group = NULL,
  show_point = FALSE,
  point_color = "black",
  point_size = 3,
  point_alpha = 0.3,
  plot_flip = FALSE,
```

```

  boxfill = TRUE,
  middlecolor = "grey95",
  middlesize = 1,
  xtext_angle = 0,
  xtext_size = 10,
  ytitle_size = 17,
  ...
)

```

*Arguments:*

`color_values` default `RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2")`; colors palette for the box.  
`group` default `NULL`; a column name of sample table to show abundance across groups.  
`show_point` default `FALSE`; whether show points in plot.  
`point_color` default `"black"`; If `show_point` `TRUE`; use the color  
`point_size` default `3`; If `show_point` `TRUE`; use the size  
`point_alpha` default `.3`; If `show_point` `TRUE`; use the transparency.  
`plot_flip` default `FALSE`; Whether rotate plot.  
`boxfill` default `TRUE`; Whether fill the box with colors.  
`middlecolor` default `"grey95"`; The middle line color.  
`middlesize` default `1`; The middle line size.  
`xtext_angle` default `0`; number ranging from `0` to `90`; used to adjust x axis text angle to reduce  
 text overlap;  
`xtext_size` default `10`; x axis text size.  
`ytitle_size` default `17`; y axis title size.  
`...` parameters pass to `geom_boxplot` function.

*Returns:* `ggplot2` object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$plot_box(group = "Group")
}
```

**Method** `plot_line()`: Plot the line chart.

*Usage:*

```
trans_abund$plot_line(
  color_values = RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"),
  plot_SE = TRUE,
  position = position_dodge(0.1),
  errorbar_size = 1,
  errorbar_width = 0.1,
  point_size = 3,
  point_alpha = 0.8,
  line_size = 0.8,
  line_alpha = 0.8,
  line_type = 1,
  xtext_angle = 0,
  xtext_size = 10,
```

```
    ytitle_size = 17
)
```

*Arguments:*

color\_values default RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"); colors palette for the points and lines.

plot\_SE default TRUE; TRUE: the errorbar is *meanse*; FALSE: the errorbar is *meansd*.

position default position\_dodge(0.1); Position adjustment, either as a string (such as "identity"), or the result of a call to a position adjustment function.

errorbar\_size default 1; errorbar line size.

errorbar\_width default 0.1; errorbar width.

point\_size default 3; point size for taxa.

point\_alpha default 0.8; point transparency.

line\_size default 0.8; line size.

line\_alpha default 0.8; line transparency.

line\_type default 1; an integer; line type.

xtext\_angle default 0; number ranging from 0 to 90; used to adjust x axis text angle to reduce text overlap;

xtext\_size default 10; x axis text size.

ytitle\_size default 17; y axis title size.

*Returns:* ggplot2 object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1 <- trans_abund$new(dataset = dataset, taxrank = "Genus", ntaxa = 5)
t1$plot_line(point_size = 3)
t1 <- trans_abund$new(dataset = dataset, taxrank = "Genus", ntaxa = 5, groupmean = "Group")
t1$plot_line(point_size = 5, errorbar_size = 1, xtext_angle = 30)
}
```

**Method plot\_pie():** Pie chart.

*Usage:*

```
trans_abund$plot_pie(
  color_values = RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"),
  facet_nrow = 1,
  strip_text = 11,
  add_label = FALSE,
  legend_text_italic = FALSE
)
```

*Arguments:*

color\_values default RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"); colors palette for each section.

facet\_nrow default 1; how many rows in the plot.

strip\_text default 11; sample title size.

add\_label default FALSE; Whether add the percentage label in each section of pie chart.

legend\_text\_italic default FALSE; whether use italic in legend.

*Returns:* ggplot2 object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1 <- trans_abund$new(dataset = dataset, taxrank = "Phylum", ntaxa = 6, groupmean = "Group")
t1$plot_pie(facet_nrow = 1)
}
```

**Method** `plot_donut()`: Donut chart based on the `ggpubr::ggdonutchart` function.

*Usage:*

```
trans_abund$plot_donut(
  color_values = RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"),
  label = TRUE,
  facet_nrow = 1,
  legend_text_italic = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

`color_values` default `RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2")`; colors palette for the donut.  
`label` default `TRUE`; whether show the percentage label.  
`facet_nrow` default `1`; how many rows in the plot.  
`legend_text_italic` default `FALSE`; whether use italic in legend.  
`...` parameters passed to `ggpubr::ggdonutchart`.

*Returns:* combined ggplot2 objects list, generated by `ggpubr::ggarrange` function.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
t1 <- trans_abund$new(dataset = dataset, taxrank = "Phylum", ntaxa = 6, groupmean = "Group")
t1$plot_donut(label = TRUE)
}
```

**Method** `plot_radar()`: Radar chart based on the `ggradar` package (<https://github.com/ricardobion/ggradar>).

*Usage:*

```
trans_abund$plot_radar(
  color_values = RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"),
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

`color_values` default `RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2")`; colors palette for samples.  
`...` parameters passed to `ggradar::ggradar` function except `group.colours` parameter.

*Returns:* ggplot2 object.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
t1 <- trans_abund$new(dataset = dataset, taxrank = "Phylum", ntaxa = 6, groupmean = "Group")
t1$plot_radar()
}
```

**Method** `plot_tern()`: Ternary diagrams based on the `ggtern` package.

*Usage:*

```
trans_abund$plot_tern(
  color_values = RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"),
  color_legend_guide_size = 4
)
```

*Arguments:*

`color_values` default `RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2")`; colors palette for the samples.

`color_legend_guide_size` default 4; The size of legend guide for color.

*Returns:* `ggplot2` object.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
t1 <- trans_abund$new(dataset = dataset, taxrank = "Phylum", ntaxa = 6, groupmean = "Group")
t1$plot_tern()
}
```

**Method** `print()`: Print the `trans_abund` object.

*Usage:*

```
trans_abund$print()
```

**Method** `clone()`: The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

*Usage:*

```
trans_abund$clone(deep = FALSE)
```

*Arguments:*

`deep` Whether to make a deep clone.

## Examples

```
## -----
## Method `trans_abund$new`
## -----
```

  

```
data(dataset)
t1 <- trans_abund$new(dataset = dataset, taxrank = "Phylum", ntaxa = 10)
```

  

```
## -----
## Method `trans_abund$plot_bar`
## -----
```

  

```
t1$plot_bar(facet = "Group", xtext_keep = FALSE)
```

  

```
## -----
```

```
## Method `trans_abund$plot_heatmap`  
## -----  
  
t1 <- trans_abund$new(dataset = dataset, taxrank = "Genus", ntaxa = 40)  
t1$plot_heatmap(facet = "Group", xtext_keep = FALSE, withmargin = FALSE)  
  
## -----  
## Method `trans_abund$plot_box`  
## -----  
  
t1$plot_box(group = "Group")  
  
## -----  
## Method `trans_abund$plot_line`  
## -----  
  
t1 <- trans_abund$new(dataset = dataset, taxrank = "Genus", ntaxa = 5)  
t1$plot_line(point_size = 3)  
t1 <- trans_abund$new(dataset = dataset, taxrank = "Genus", ntaxa = 5, groupmean = "Group")  
t1$plot_line(point_size = 5, errorbar_size = 1, xtext_angle = 30)  
  
## -----  
## Method `trans_abund$plot_pie`  
## -----  
  
t1 <- trans_abund$new(dataset = dataset, taxrank = "Phylum", ntaxa = 6, groupmean = "Group")  
t1$plot_pie(facet_nrow = 1)  
  
## -----  
## Method `trans_abund$plot_donut`  
## -----  
  
## Not run:  
t1 <- trans_abund$new(dataset = dataset, taxrank = "Phylum", ntaxa = 6, groupmean = "Group")  
t1$plot_donut(label = TRUE)  
  
## End(Not run)  
  
## -----  
## Method `trans_abund$plot_radar`  
## -----  
  
## Not run:  
t1 <- trans_abund$new(dataset = dataset, taxrank = "Phylum", ntaxa = 6, groupmean = "Group")  
t1$plot_radar()
```

```
## End(Not run)

## -----
## Method `trans_abund$plot_tern`
## -----

## Not run:
t1 <- trans_abund$new(dataset = dataset, taxrank = "Phylum", ntaxa = 6, groupmean = "Group")
t1$plot_tern()

## End(Not run)
```

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**trans\_alpha**

*Create trans\_alpha object for alpha diversity statistics and visualization.*

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**Description**

This class is a wrapper for a series of alpha diversity analysis, including the statistics and visualization.

**Methods****Public methods:**

- `trans_alpha$new()`
- `trans_alpha$cal_diff()`
- `trans_alpha$plot_alpha()`
- `trans_alpha$print()`
- `trans_alpha$clone()`

**Method new():**

*Usage:*

```
trans_alpha$new(
  dataset = NULL,
  group = NULL,
  by_group = NULL,
  by_ID = NULL,
  order_x = NULL
)
```

*Arguments:*

`dataset` `microtable` object.

`group` default `NULL`; a column name of `sample_table` in the input `microtable` object used for the statistics across groups.

`by_group` default `NULL`; a column name of `sample_table` used to perform the differential test among groups (from `group` parameter) for each group (from `by_group` parameter) separately.

`by_ID` default NULL; a column name of `sample_table` used to perform paired T test or paired Wilcoxon test for the paired data, such as continuous sampling of individual animals or plant compartments for different plant species (ID). So `by_ID` in `sample_table` should be the smallest unit of sample collection without any repetition in it. When the `by_ID` parameter is provided, the function can automatically perform paired test, and no more parameters is required.

`order_x` default NULL; a column name of `sample_table` or a vector with sample names. If provided, sort samples using factor.

*Returns:* `data_alpha` and `data_stat` stored in the object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
data(dataset)
t1 <- trans_alpha$new(dataset = dataset, group = "Group")
}
```

**Method** `cal_diff()`: Differential test on alpha diversity.

*Usage:*

```
trans_alpha$cal_diff(
  measure = NULL,
  method = c("KW", "KW_dunn", "wilcox", "t.test", "anova", "scheirerRayHare", "lme",
            "lme", "betareg", "glmm", "glmm_beta")[1],
  formula = NULL,
  p_adjust_method = "fdr",
  KW_dunn_letter = TRUE,
  alpha = 0.05,
  anova_post_test = "duncan.test",
  anova_varequal_test = FALSE,
  return_model = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

`measure` default NULL; character vector; If NULL, all indexes will be used; see names of `microtable$alpha_diversity`, e.g. `c("Observed", "Chao1", "Shannon")`.

`method` default "KW"; see the following available options:

**'KW'** Kruskal-Wallis Rank Sum Test for all groups ( $\geq 2$ )

**'KW\_dunn'** Dunn's Kruskal-Wallis Multiple Comparisons <10.1080/00401706.1964.10490181>  
based on `dunnTest` function in `FSA` package

**'wilcox'** Wilcoxon Rank Sum Test for all paired groups When `by_ID` parameter is provided  
in creating the object of the class, paired Wilcoxon test will be performed.

**'t.test'** Student's t-Test for all paired groups. When `by_ID` parameter is provided in creating  
the object of the class, paired t-test will be performed.

**'anova'** Variance analysis. For one-way anova, the default post hoc test is Duncan's new  
multiple range test. Please use `anova_post_test` parameter to change the post hoc  
method. For multi-way anova, Please use `formula` parameter to specify the model and  
see `aov` for more details

**'scheirerRayHare'** Scheirer-Ray-Hare test (nonparametric test) for a two-way factorial experiment; see scheirerRayHare function of rcompanion package

**'lm'** Linear Model based on the lm function

**'lme'** Linear Mixed Effect Model based on the lmerTest package

**'betareg'** Beta Regression for Rates and Proportions based on the betareg package

**'glmm'** Generalized linear mixed model (GLMM) based on the glmmTMB package. A family function can be provided using parameter passing, such as: family = glmmTMB::lognormal(link = "log")

**'glmm\_beta'** Generalized linear mixed model (GLMM) with a family function of beta distribution. This is an extension of the GLMM model in 'glmm' option. The only difference is in glmm\_beta the family function is fixed with the beta distribution function, facilitating the fitting for proportional data (ranging from 0 to 1). The link function is fixed with "logit".

formula default NULL; applied to two-way or multi-factor analysis when method is "anova", "scheirerRayHare", "lm", "lme", "betareg" or "glmm"; specified set for independent variables, i.e. the latter part of a general formula, such as 'block + N\*P\*K'.

p\_adjust\_method default "fdr" (for "KW", "wilcox", "t.test" methods) or "holm" (for "KW\_dunn"); P value adjustment method; For method = 'KW', 'wilcox' or 't.test', please see method parameter of p.adjust function for available options; For method = 'KW\_dunn', please see dunn.test::p.adjustment.methods for available options.

KW\_dunn\_letter default TRUE; For method = 'KW\_dunn', TRUE denotes significances are presented by letters; FALSE means significances are shown by asterisk for paired comparison.

alpha default 0.05; Significant level; used for generating significance letters when method is 'anova' or 'KW\_dunn'.

anova\_post\_test default "duncan.test". The post hoc test method for one-way anova. The default option represents the Duncan's new multiple range test. Other available options include "LSD.test" (LSD post hoc test) and "HSD.test" (HSD post hoc test). All those are the function names from agricolae package.

anova\_varequal\_test default FALSE; whether conduct Levene's Test for equality of variances. Only available for one-way anova. Significant P value means the variance among groups is not equal.

return\_model default FALSE; whether return the original "lm", "lmer" or "glmm" model list in the object.

... parameters passed to kruskal.test (when method = "KW") or wilcox.test function (when method = "wilcox") or dunnTest function of FSA package (when method = "KW\_dunn") or agricolae::duncan.test/agricolae::LSD.test/agricolae::HSD.test (when method = "anova", one-way anova) or rcompanion::scheirerRayHare (when method = "scheirerRayHare") or stats::lm (when method = "lm") or lmerTest::lmer (when method = "lme") or betareg::betareg (when method = "betareg") or glmmTMB::glmmTMB (when method = "glmm").

*Returns:* res\_diff, stored in object with the format data.frame.

When method is "betareg", "lm", "lme" or "glmm", "Estimate" and "Std.Error" columns represent the fitted coefficient and its standard error, respectively.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$cal_diff(method = "KW")
t1$cal_diff(method = "anova")
```

```
t1 <- trans_alpha$new(dataset = dataset, group = "Type", by_group = "Group")
t1$cal_diff(method = "anova")
}
```

**Method** `plot_alpha()`: Plot the alpha diversity. Box plot (and others for visualizing data in groups of single factor) is used for the visualization of alpha diversity when the group is found in the object. When the formula is found in the `res_diff` table in the object, heatmap is employed automatically to show the significances of differential test for multiple indexes, and errorbar (coefficient and standard errors) can be used for single index.

*Usage:*

```
trans_alpha$plot_alpha(
  plot_type = "ggboxplot",
  color_values = RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"),
  measure = "Shannon",
  group = NULL,
  add = NULL,
  add_sig = TRUE,
  add_sig_label = "Significance",
  add_sig_text_size = 3.88,
  add_sig_label_num_dec = 4,
  order_x_mean = FALSE,
  y_start = 0.1,
  y_increase = 0.05,
  xtext_angle = 30,
  xtext_size = 13,
  ytitle_size = 17,
  bar_width = 0.9,
  bar_alpha = 0.8,
  dodge_width = 0.9,
  plot_SE = TRUE,
  errorbar_size = 1,
  errorbar_width = 0.2,
  errorbar_addpoint = TRUE,
  errorbar_color_black = FALSE,
  point_size = 3,
  point_alpha = 0.8,
  add_line = FALSE,
  line_size = 0.8,
  line_type = 2,
  line_color = "grey50",
  line_alpha = 0.5,
  heatmap_cell = "P.unadj",
  heatmap_sig = "Significance",
  heatmap_x = "Factors",
  heatmap_y = "Measure",
  heatmap_lab_fill = "P value",
  coefplot_sig_pos = 2,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments:**

**plot\_type** default "ggboxplot"; plot type; available options include "ggboxplot", "ggeddotplot", "ggviolin", "ggstripchart", "ggerrorplot", "errorbar" and "barerrorbar". The options starting with "gg" are function names coming from ggpubr package. All those methods with ggpubr package use the `data_alpha` table in the object. "errorbar" represents Mean±SD or Mean±SE plot based on ggplot2 package by invoking the `data_stat` table in the object. "barerrorbar" denotes "bar plot + error bar". It is similar with "errorbar" and has a bar plot.

**color\_values** default RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"); color palette for groups.

**measure** default "Shannon"; one alpha diversity index in the object.

**group** default NULL; group name used for the plot.

**add** default NULL; add another plot element; passed to the `add` parameter of the function (e.g., `ggboxplot`) from ggpubr package when `plot_type` starts with "gg" (functions coming from ggpubr package).

**add\_sig** default TRUE; whether add significance label using the result of `cal_diff` function, i.e. `object$res_diff`; This is mainly designed to add post hoc test of anova or other significances to make the label mapping easy.

**add\_sig\_label** default "Significance"; select a colname of `object$res_diff` for the label text when 'Letter' is not in the table, such as 'P.adj' or 'Significance'.

**add\_sig\_text\_size** default 3.88; the size of text in added label.

**add\_sig\_label\_num\_dec** default 4; reserved decimal places when the parameter `add_sig_label` use numeric column, like 'P.adj'.

**order\_x\_mean** default FALSE; whether order x axis by the means of groups from large to small.

**y\_start** default 0.1; the y axis value from which to add the significance asterisk label; the default 0.1 means  $\max(\text{values}) + 0.1 * (\max(\text{values}) - \min(\text{values}))$ .

**y\_increase** default 0.05; the increasing y axis space to add the label (asterisk or letter); the default 0.05 means  $0.05 * (\max(\text{values}) - \min(\text{values}))$ ; this parameter is also used to label the letters of anova result with the fixed space.

**xtext\_angle** default 30; number (e.g. 30). Angle of text in x axis.

**xtext\_size** default 13; x axis text size. NULL means the default size in ggplot2.

**ytitle\_size** default 17; y axis title size.

**bar\_width** default 0.9; the bar width when `plot_type` = "barerrorbar".

**bar\_alpha** default 0.8; the alpha of bar color when `plot_type` = "barerrorbar".

**dodge\_width** default 0.9; the dodge width used in `position_dodge` function of ggplot2 package when `plot_type` is "errorbar" or "barerrorbar".

**plot\_SE** default TRUE; TRUE: the errorbar is `meanse`; FALSE: the errorbar is `meansd`. Available when `plot_type` is "errorbar" or "barerrorbar".

**errorbar\_size** default 1; errorbar size. Available when `plot_type` is "errorbar" or "barerrorbar".

**errorbar\_width** default 0.2; errorbar width. Available when `plot_type` is "errorbar" or "barerrorbar" and `by_group` is NULL.

**errorbar\_addpoint** default TRUE; whether add point for mean. Available when `plot_type` is "errorbar" or "barerrorbar" and `by_group` is NULL.

**errorbar\_color\_black** default FALSE; whether use black for the color of errorbar when `plot_type` is "errorbar" or "barerrorbar".

`point_size` default 3; point size for taxa. Available when `plot_type` is "errorbar" or "bar-errorbar".

`point_alpha` default 0.8; point transparency. Available when `plot_type` is "errorbar" or "bar-errorbar".

`add_line` default FALSE; whether add line. Available when `plot_type` is "errorbar" or "bar-errorbar".

`line_size` default 0.8; line size when `add_line` = TRUE. Available when `plot_type` is "errorbar" or "barerrorbar".

`line_type` default 2; an integer; line type when `add_line` = TRUE. The available case is same with `line_size`.

`line_color` default "grey50"; line color when `add_line` = TRUE. Available when `by_group` is NULL. Other available case is same with `line_size`.

`line_alpha` default 0.5; line transparency when `add_line` = TRUE. The available case is same with `line_size`.

`heatmap_cell` default "P.unadj"; the column of `res_diff` table for the cell of heatmap when formula with multiple factors is found in the method.

`heatmap_sig` default "Significance"; the column of `res_diff` for the significance label of heatmap.

`heatmap_x` default "Factors"; the column of `res_diff` for the x axis of heatmap.

`heatmap_y` default "Taxa"; the column of `res_diff` for the y axis of heatmap.

`heatmap_lab_fill` default "P value"; legend title of heatmap.

`coefplot_sig_pos` default 2; Significance label position in the coefficient point and errorbar plot. The formula is `Estimate + coefplot_sig_pos * Std.Error`. This plot is used when there is only one measure found in the table, and 'Estimate' and 'Std.Error' are both in the column names (such as for `lm` and `lme` methods). The x axis is 'Estimate', and y axis denotes 'Factors'. When `coefplot_sig_pos` is a negative value, the label is in the left of the errorbar. Errorbar size and width in the coefficient point plot can be adjusted with the parameters `errorbar_size` and `errorbar_width`. Point size and alpha can be adjusted with parameters `point_size` and `point_alpha`. The significance label size can be adjusted with parameter `add_sig_text_size`. Furthermore, the vertical line around 0 can be adjusted with parameters `line_size`, `line_type`, `line_color` and `line_alpha`.

... parameters passing to `ggpubr::ggbboxplot` function (or other functions shown by `plot_type` parameter when it starts with "gg") or `plot_cor` function in `trans_env` class for the heatmap of multiple factors when formula is found in the `res_diff` of the object.

*Returns:* ggplot.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1 <- trans_alpha$new(dataset = dataset, group = "Group")
t1$cal_diff(method = "wilcox")
t1$plot_alpha(measure = "Shannon", add_sig = TRUE)
t1 <- trans_alpha$new(dataset = dataset, group = "Type", by_group = "Group")
t1$cal_diff(method = "wilcox")
t1$plot_alpha(measure = "Shannon", add_sig = TRUE)
}
```

**Method print():** Print the `trans_alpha` object.

*Usage:*

```
trans_alpha$print()
```

**Method clone():** The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

*Usage:*

```
trans_alpha$clone(deep = FALSE)
```

*Arguments:*

deep Whether to make a deep clone.

## Examples

```
## -----
## Method `trans_alpha$new`
## -----


data(dataset)
t1 <- trans_alpha$new(dataset = dataset, group = "Group")

## -----
## Method `trans_alpha$cal_diff`
## -----


t1$cal_diff(method = "KW")
t1$cal_diff(method = "anova")
t1 <- trans_alpha$new(dataset = dataset, group = "Type", by_group = "Group")
t1$cal_diff(method = "anova")

## -----
## Method `trans_alpha$plot_alpha`
## -----


t1 <- trans_alpha$new(dataset = dataset, group = "Group")
t1$cal_diff(method = "wilcox")
t1$plot_alpha(measure = "Shannon", add_sig = TRUE)
t1 <- trans_alpha$new(dataset = dataset, group = "Type", by_group = "Group")
t1$cal_diff(method = "wilcox")
t1$plot_alpha(measure = "Shannon", add_sig = TRUE)
```

## Description

This class is a wrapper for a series of beta-diversity related analysis, including ordination analysis based on An et al. (2019) <doi:10.1016/j.geoderma.2018.09.035>, group distance comparision, clustering, perMANOVA based on Anderson al. (2008) <doi:10.1111/j.1442-9993.2001.01070.pp.x>, ANOSIM and PERMDISP. Note that the beta diversity analysis methods related with environmental variables are encapsulated within the `trans_env` class.

## Methods

### Public methods:

- `trans_beta$new()`
- `trans_beta$cal_ordination()`
- `trans_beta$plot_ordination()`
- `trans_beta$cal_manova()`
- `trans_beta$cal_anosim()`
- `trans_beta$cal_betadisper()`
- `trans_beta$cal_group_distance()`
- `trans_beta$cal_group_distance_diff()`
- `trans_beta$plot_group_distance()`
- `trans_beta$plot_clustering()`
- `trans_beta$clone()`

### Method `new()`:

*Usage:*

```
trans_beta$new(dataset = NULL, measure = NULL, group = NULL)
```

*Arguments:*

`dataset` an object of `microtable` class.

`measure` default NULL; a matrix name stored in `microtable$beta_diversity` list, such as "bray" or "jaccard", or a customized matrix; used for ordination, manova, group distance comparision, etc.; Please see `cal_betadiv` function of `microtable` class for more details.

`group` default NULL; a column name of `sample_table` in the input dataset; group information will be used for manova, betadisper or distance comparision.

*Returns:* `measure`, `group` and `dataset` stored in the object.

*Examples:*

```
data(dataset)
t1 <- trans_beta$new(dataset = dataset, measure = "bray", group = "Group")
```

### Method `cal_ordination()`: Unconstrained ordination.

*Usage:*

```
trans_beta$cal_ordination(
  method = "PCoA",
  ncomp = 2,
  taxa_level = NULL,
  NMDS_matrix = TRUE,
```

```

  trans = FALSE,
  scale_species = FALSE,
  scale_species_ratio = 0.8,
  orthoI = NA,
  ordination = deprecated(),
  ...
)

```

*Arguments:*

**method** default "PCoA"; "PCoA", "NMDS", "PCA", "DCA", "PLS-DA" or "OPLS-DA". PCoA: principal coordinates analysis; NMDS: non-metric multidimensional scaling, PCA: principal component analysis; DCA: detrended correspondence analysis; PLS-DA: partial least squares discriminant analysis; OPLS-DA: orthogonal partial least squares discriminant analysis. For the methods details, please refer to the papers <doi:10.1111/j.1574-6941.2007.00375.x> (for PCoA, NMDS, PCA and DCA) and <doi:10.1186/s12859-019-3310-7> (for PLS-DA or OPLS-DA).

**ncomp** default 2; dimensions in the result. For the method option "PCA", "PCoA" or "DCA", the corresponding dimension information will be selected from the original model based on this parameter.. For all the dimension information, please refer to **model** in the results. For the method option "NMDS", this argument will be passed to the **k** parameter in the **vegan::metaMDS** function.

**taxa\_level** default NULL; available for PCA, DCA or NMDS (**NMDS\_matrix** = TRUE). Default NULL means using the **otu\_table** in the **microtable** object. For other options, please provide the taxonomic rank names in **tax\_table**, such as "Phylum" or "Genus". In such cases, the data will be merged according to the provided taxonomic levels to generated a new abundance table.

**NMDS\_matrix** default TRUE; For the NMDS method, whether use a distance matrix as input like PCoA. If it is FALSE, the input will be the abundance table like PCA.

**trans** default FALSE; whether species abundance will be square root transformed; only available when **method** is "PCA" or "DCA". For method "NMDS" and **NMDS\_matrix** = FALSE, please set the **autotransform** parameter, which will be passed to **vegan::metaMDS** function directly.

**scale\_species** default FALSE; whether species loading in PCA, DCA or NMDS (**NMDS\_matrix** = FALSE) is scaled.

**scale\_species\_ratio** default 0.8; the ratio to scale up the loading; multiply by the maximum distance between samples and origin. Only available when **scale\_species** = TRUE.

**orthoI** default NA; number of orthogonal components (for OPLS-DA only). Default NA means the number of orthogonal components is automatically computed. Please also see **orthoI** parameter in **opls** function of **roppls** package.

**ordination** deprecated. Please use **method** argument instead.

... parameters passed to **vegan::rda** function when **method** = "PCA", or **vegan::decorana** function when **method** = "DCA", or **ape::pcoa** function when **method** = "PCoA", or **vegan::metaMDS** function when **method** = "NMDS", or **roppls::opls** function when **method** = "PLS-DA" or **method** = "OPLS-DA".

**Returns:** **res\_ordination** list stored in the object. In the list, **model** is the original analysis results; **scores** is the sample scores table; **loading** is the feature loading table.

*Examples:*

```
t1$cal_ordination(method = "PCoA")
```

**Method** `plot_ordination()`: Plot the ordination result.

*Usage:*

```
trans_beta$plot_ordination(
  plot_type = "point",
  choices = c(1, 2),
  color_values = RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"),
  shape_values = c(16, 17, 7, 8, 15, 18, 11, 10, 12, 13, 9, 3, 4, 0, 1, 2, 14),
  plot_color = NULL,
  plot_shape = NULL,
  plot_group_order = NULL,
  add_sample_label = NULL,
  point_size = 3,
  point_alpha = 0.8,
  centroid_segment_alpha = 0.6,
  centroid_segment_size = 1,
  centroid_segment_linetype = 3,
  ellipse_chull_fill = TRUE,
  ellipse_chull_alpha = 0.1,
  ellipse_level = 0.9,
  ellipse_type = "t",
  NMDS_stress_pos = c(1, 1),
  NMDS_stress_text_prefix = "",
  loading_arrow = FALSE,
  loading_taxa_num = 10,
  loading_text_taxlevel = NULL,
  loading_text_color = "black",
  loading_arrow_color = "grey30",
  loading_text_size = 3,
  loading_text_prefix = FALSE,
  loading_text_italic = FALSE
)
```

*Arguments:*

`plot_type` default "point"; one or more elements of "point", "ellipse", "chull" and "centroid".

'**point**' add sample points

'**ellipse**' add confidence ellipse for points of each group

'**chull**' add convex hull for points of each group

'**centroid**' add centroid line for points in each group

`choices` default `c(1, 2)`; selected axis for the visualization; must be numeric vector. The maximum value must not exceed the parameter `ncomp` in the `cal_ordination` function.

`color_values` default `RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2")`; colors palette for different groups.

`shape_values` default `c(16, 17, 7, 8, 15, 18, 11, 10, 12, 13, 9, 3, 4, 0, 1, 2, 14)`; a vector for point shape types of groups, see `ggplot2` tutorial.

`plot_color` default `NULL`; a colname of `sample_table` to assign colors to different groups in plot.

plot\_shape default NULL; a colname of sample\_table to assign shapes to different groups in plot.

plot\_group\_order default NULL; a vector used to order the groups in the legend of plot.

add\_sample\_label default NULL; a column name in sample\_table; If provided, show the point name in plot.

point\_size default 3; point size when "point" is in plot\_type parameter. point\_size can also be a variable name in sample\_table, such as "pH".

point\_alpha default .8; point transparency in plot when "point" is in plot\_type parameter.

centroid\_segment\_alpha default 0.6; segment transparency in plot when "centroid" is in plot\_type parameter.

centroid\_segment\_size default 1; segment size in plot when "centroid" is in plot\_type parameter.

centroid\_segment\_linetype default 3; the line type related with centroid in plot when "centroid" is in plot\_type parameter.

ellipse\_chull\_fill default TRUE; whether fill colors to the area of ellipse or chull.

ellipse\_chull\_alpha default 0.1; color transparency in the ellipse or convex hull depending on whether "ellipse" or "centroid" is in plot\_type parameter.

ellipse\_level default .9; confidence level of ellipse when "ellipse" is in plot\_type parameter.

ellipse\_type default "t"; ellipse type when "ellipse" is in plot\_type parameter; see type in stat\_ellipse.

NMDS\_stress\_pos default c(1, 1); a numerical vector with two values used to represent the insertion position of the stress text. The first one denotes the x-axis, while the second one corresponds to the y-axis. The assigned position is determined by multiplying the respective value with the maximum point on the corresponding coordinate axis. Thus, the x-axis position is equal to max(points of x axis) \* NMDS\_stress\_pos[1], and the y-axis position is equal to max(points of y axis) \* NMDS\_stress\_pos[2]. Negative values can also be utilized for the negative part of the axis. NMDS\_stress\_pos = NULL denotes no stress text to show.

NMDS\_stress\_text\_prefix default ""; If NMDS\_stress\_pos is not NULL, this parameter can be used to add text in front of the stress value.

loading\_arrow default FALSE; whether show the loading using arrow.

loading\_taxa\_num default 10; the number of taxa used for the loading. Only available when loading\_arrow = TRUE.

loading\_text\_taxlevel default NULL; which level of taxonomic table will be used. Default NULL means using the taxa\_level parameter in the previous cal\_ordination function.

loading\_text\_color default "black"; the color of taxa text. Only available when loading\_arrow = TRUE.

loading\_arrow\_color default "grey30"; the color of taxa arrow. Only available when loading\_arrow = TRUE.

loading\_text\_size default 3; the size of taxa text. Only available when loading\_arrow = TRUE.

loading\_text\_prefix default FALSE; whether show the prefix (e.g., g\_) in the taxa text. Only available when loading\_arrow = TRUE.

loading\_text\_italic default FALSE; whether using italic for the taxa text. Only available when loading\_arrow = TRUE.

*Returns:* ggplot.

*Examples:*

```
t1$plot_ordination(plot_type = "point")
t1$plot_ordination(plot_color = "Group", plot_shape = "Group", plot_type = "point")
t1$plot_ordination(plot_color = "Group", plot_type = c("point", "ellipse"))
t1$plot_ordination(plot_color = "Group", plot_type = c("point", "centroid"),
    centroid_segment_linetype = 1)
```

**Method** cal\_manova(): Calculate perMANOVA (Permutational Multivariate Analysis of Variance) based on the adonis2 function of vegan package <doi:10.1111/j.1442-9993.2001.01070.pp.x>.

*Usage:*

```
trans_beta$cal_manova(
  manova_all = TRUE,
  manova_set = NULL,
  group = NULL,
  by_group = NULL,
  p_adjust_method = "fdr",
  by = "terms",
  by_auto_set = TRUE,
  permutations = 999,
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

manova\_all default TRUE; TRUE represents test for all the groups, i.e. the overall test; FALSE represents test for all the paired groups.

manova\_set default NULL; other specified group set for manova, such as "Group + Type" and "Group\*Type". Please also see the formula parameter (only right-hand side) in adonis2 function of vegan package. The parameter manova\_set has higher priority than manova\_all parameter. If manova\_set is provided; manova\_all is disabled.

group default NULL; a column name of sample\_table used for manova. If NULL, search group variable stored in the object. Available when manova\_set is not provided.

by\_group default NULL; one column name in sample\_table; used to perform paired comparisons within each group. Only available when manova\_all = FALSE and manova\_set is not provided.

p\_adjust\_method default "fdr"; p.adjust method; available when manova\_all = FALSE; see method parameter of p.adjust function for available options.

by default "terms"; same with the by parameter in adonis2 function of vegan package.

by\_auto\_set default TRUE; Whether automatically set the options for by parameter ("marginal" or "terms") when manova\_set is provided. The primary reason for setting this parameter is that using marginal effects (also known as "Type III" effects) is more robust for unbalanced experimental designs. Since the option by = "margin" in the adonis2 function ignores main effects when interaction effects are present, we automatically set by = "margin" when there are no interaction effects, and set by = "terms" when interaction effects exist. If the user wants to use parameter by, please set by\_auto\_set = FALSE. Note that this parameter is only available when manova\_set is provided.

permutations default 999; same with the permutations parameter in adonis2 function of vegan package.

... parameters passed to adonis2 function of vegan package.

*Returns:* res\_manova stored in object with data.frame class.

*Examples:*

```
t1$cal_manova(manova_all = TRUE)
```

**Method cal\_anosim():** Analysis of similarities (ANOSIM) based on the anosim function of vegan package.

*Usage:*

```
trans_beta$cal_anosim(  
  paired = FALSE,  
  group = NULL,  
  by_group = NULL,  
  p_adjust_method = "fdr",  
  permutations = 999,  
  ...  
)
```

*Arguments:*

paired default FALSE; whether perform paired test between any two combined groups from all the input groups.

group default NULL; a column name of sample\_table. If NULL, search group variable stored in the object.

by\_group default NULL; one column name in sample\_table; used to perform paired comparisons within each group. Only available when paired = TRUE.

p\_adjust\_method default "fdr"; p.adjust method; available when paired = TRUE; see method parameter of p.adjust function for available options.

permutations default 999; same with the permutations parameter in anosim function of vegan package.

... parameters passed to anosim function of vegan package.

*Returns:* res\_anosim stored in object with data.frame class.

*Examples:*

```
t1$cal_anosim()
```

**Method cal\_betadisper():** Multivariate homogeneity test of groups dispersions (PERMDISP) based on betadisper function in vegan package.

*Usage:*

```
trans_beta$cal_betadisper(...)
```

*Arguments:*

... parameters passed to betadisper function.

*Returns:* res\_betadisper stored in object.

*Examples:*

```
t1$cal_betadisper()
```

**Method cal\_group\_distance():** Convert symmetric distance matrix to distance table of paired samples that are within groups or between groups.

*Usage:*

```
trans_beta$cal_group_distance(
  within_group = TRUE,
  by_group = NULL,
  ordered_group = NULL,
  sep = " vs "
)
```

*Arguments:*

`within_group` default TRUE; whether obtain distance table of paired samples within groups;  
if FALSE, obtain distances of paired samples between any two groups.

`by_group` default NULL; one colname name of `sample_table` in `microtable` object. If provided, transform distances by the provided `by_group` parameter. This is especially useful for ordering and filtering values further. When `within_group` = TRUE, the result of `by_group` parameter is the format of paired groups. When `within_group` = FALSE, the result of `by_group` parameter is the format same with the group information in `sample_table`.

`ordered_group` default NULL; a vector representing the ordered elements of `group` parameter;  
only useful when `within_group` = FALSE.

`sep` default TRUE; a character string to separate the group names after merging them into a new name.

*Returns:* `res_group_distance` stored in object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$cal_group_distance(within_group = TRUE)
}
```

**Method** `cal_group_distance_diff()`: Differential test of converted distances across groups.

*Usage:*

```
trans_beta$cal_group_distance_diff(
  group = NULL,
  by_group = NULL,
  by_ID = NULL,
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

`group` default NULL; a column name of `object$res_group_distance` used for the statistics;  
If NULL, use the group inside the object.

`by_group` default NULL; a column of `object$res_group_distance` used to perform the differential test among elements in `group` parameter for each element in `by_group` parameter.  
So `by_group` has a larger scale than `group` parameter. This `by_group` is very different from the `by_group` parameter in the `cal_group_distance` function.

`by_ID` default NULL; a column of `object$res_group_distance` used to perform paired t test or paired wilcox test for the paired data, such as the data of plant compartments for different plant species (ID). So `by_ID` should be the smallest unit of sample collection without any repetition in it.

... parameters passed to `cal_diff` function of `trans_alpha` class.

*Returns:* res\_group\_distance\_diff stored in object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$cal_group_distance_diff()
}
```

**Method** plot\_group\_distance(): Plot the distances of paired groups within or between groups.

*Usage:*

```
trans_beta$plot_group_distance(plot_group_order = NULL, ...)
```

*Arguments:*

plot\_group\_order default NULL; a vector used to order the groups in the plot.

... parameters (except measure) passed to plot\_alpha function of [trans\\_alpha](#) class.

*Returns:* ggplot.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$plot_group_distance()
}
```

**Method** plot\_clustering(): Plot clustering result based on the ggdendro package.

*Usage:*

```
trans_beta$plot_clustering(
  color_values = RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"),
  measure = NULL,
  group = NULL,
  replace_name = NULL
)
```

*Arguments:*

color\_values default RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"); color palette for the text.

measure default NULL; beta diversity index; If NULL, using the measure when creating object

group default NULL; if provided, use this group to assign color.

replace\_name default NULL; if provided, use this as label.

*Returns:* ggplot.

*Examples:*

```
t1$plot_clustering(group = "Group", replace_name = c("Saline", "Type"))
```

**Method** clone(): The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

*Usage:*

```
trans_beta$clone(deep = FALSE)
```

*Arguments:*

deep Whether to make a deep clone.

## Examples

```

## -----
## Method `trans_beta$new`
## -----


data(dataset)
t1 <- trans_beta$new(dataset = dataset, measure = "bray", group = "Group")

## -----
## Method `trans_beta$cal_ordination`
## -----


t1$cal_ordination(method = "PCoA")

## -----
## Method `trans_beta$plot_ordination`
## -----


t1$plot_ordination(plot_type = "point")
t1$plot_ordination(plot_color = "Group", plot_shape = "Group", plot_type = "point")
t1$plot_ordination(plot_color = "Group", plot_type = c("point", "ellipse"))
t1$plot_ordination(plot_color = "Group", plot_type = c("point", "centroid"),
                    centroid_segment_linetype = 1)

## -----
## Method `trans_beta$cal_manova`
## -----


t1$cal_manova(manova_all = TRUE)

## -----
## Method `trans_beta$cal_anosim`
## -----


t1$cal_anosim()

## -----
## Method `trans_beta$cal_betadisper`
## -----


t1$cal_betadisper()

## -----
## Method `trans_beta$cal_group_distance`
## -----


t1$cal_group_distance(within_group = TRUE)

## -----
## Method `trans_beta$cal_group_distance_diff`
```

```
## -----  
  
t1$cal_group_distance_diff()  
  
## -----  
## Method `trans_beta$plot_group_distance`  
## -----  
  
t1$plot_group_distance()  
  
## -----  
## Method `trans_beta$plot_clustering`  
## -----  
  
t1$plot_clustering(group = "Group", replace_name = c("Saline", "Type"))
```

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trans\_classifier      *Create trans\_classifier object for machine-learning-based model prediction.*

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## Description

This class is a wrapper for methods of machine-learning-based classification or regression models, including data pre-processing, feature selection, data split, model training, prediction, confusion-Matrix and ROC (Receiver Operator Characteristic) or PR (Precision-Recall) curve.

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## Methods

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- `trans_classifier$cal_caretList()`
- `trans_classifier$cal_caretList_resamples()`
- `trans_classifier$plot_caretList_resamples()`
- `trans_classifier$clone()`

**Method** `new()`: Create a `trans_classifier` object.

*Usage:*

```
trans_classifier$new(
  dataset,
  x.predictors = "Genus",
  y.response = NULL,
  n.cores = 1
)
```

*Arguments:*

`dataset` an object of `microtable` class.

`x.predictors` default "Genus"; character string or data.frame; a character string represents selecting the corresponding data from `microtable$taxa_abund`; data.frame denotes other customized input. See the following available options:

**'Genus'** use Genus level table in `microtable$taxa_abund`, or other specific taxonomic rank, e.g., 'Phylum'. If an input level (e.g., ASV) is not found in the names of `taxa_abund` list, the function will use `otu_table` to calculate relative abundance of features.

**'all'** use all the levels stored in `microtable$taxa_abund`.

**other input** must be a data.frame object. It should have the same format with the tables in `microtable$taxa_abund`, i.e. rows are features; columns are samples with same names in `sample_table`.

`y.response` default NULL; the response variable in `sample_table` of input `microtable` object.

`n.cores` default 1; the CPU thread used.

*Returns:* `data_feature` and `data_response` stored in the object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
data(dataset)
t1 <- trans_classifier$new(
  dataset = dataset,
  x.predictors = "Genus",
  y.response = "Group")
}
```

**Method** `cal_split()`: Split data for training and testing.

*Usage:*

```
trans_classifier$cal_split(prop.train = 3/4)
```

*Arguments:*

`prop.train` default 3/4; the ratio of the data used for the training.

*Returns:* `data_train` and `data_test` in the object.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
t1$cal_split(prop.train = 3/4)
}
```

**Method cal\_preProcess():** Pre-process (centering, scaling etc.) of features based on the caret::preProcess function. See <https://topepo.github.io/caret/pre-processing.html> for more details.

*Usage:*

```
trans_classifier$cal_preProcess(...)
```

*Arguments:*

... parameters pass to preProcess function of caret package.

*Returns:* data\_preProcess, data\_train and data\_test in the object. data\_preProcess is the return data generated by the preProcess function of caret package based on the training data. data\_train and data\_test are preprocessed training and testing data based on the data\_preProcess.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
# "nzv" removes near zero variance predictors
t1$cal_preProcess(method = c("center", "scale", "nzv"))
}
```

**Method cal\_feature\_sel():** Perform feature selection. See <https://topepo.github.io/caret/feature-selection-overview.html> for more details.

*Usage:*

```
trans_classifier$cal_feature_sel(
  boruta.maxRuns = 300,
  boruta.pValue = 0.01,
  boruta.repetitions = 4,
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

boruta.maxRuns default 300; maximal number of importance source runs; passed to the maxRuns parameter in Boruta function of Boruta package.

boruta.pValue default 0.01; p value passed to the pValue parameter in Boruta function of Boruta package.

boruta.repetitions default 4; repetition runs for the feature selection.

... parameters pass to Boruta function of Boruta package.

*Returns:* optimized data\_train and data\_test in the object.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
t1$cal_feature_sel(boruta.maxRuns = 300, boruta.pValue = 0.01)
}
```

**Method set\_trainControl():** Control parameters for the following training. Please see `trainControl` function of `caret` package for details.

*Usage:*

```
trans_classifier$set_trainControl(
  method = "repeatedcv",
  classProbs = TRUE,
  savePredictions = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

`method` default 'repeatedcv'; 'repeatedcv': Repeated k-Fold cross validation; see `method` parameter in `trainControl` function of `caret` package for available options.

`classProbs` default TRUE; should class probabilities be computed for classification models?; see `classProbs` parameter in `caret::trainControl` function.

`savePredictions` default TRUE; see `savePredictions` parameter in `caret::trainControl` function.

... parameters pass to `trainControl` function of `caret` package.

*Returns:* `trainControl` in the object.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
t1$set_trainControl(method = 'repeatedcv')
}
```

**Method cal\_train():** Run the model training. Please see <https://topepo.github.io/caret/available-models.html> for available models.

*Usage:*

```
trans_classifier$cal_train(method = "rf", max.mtry = 2, ntree = 500, ...)
```

*Arguments:*

`method` default "rf"; "rf": random forest; see `method` in `train` function of `caret` package for other options. For `method = "rf"`, the `tuneGrid` is set: `expand.grid(mtry = seq(from = 1, to = max.mtry))`

`max.mtry` default 2; for `method = "rf"`; maximum `mtry` used in the `tuneGrid` to do hyperparameter tuning to optimize the model.

`ntree` default 500; for `method = "rf"`; Number of trees to grow. The default 500 is same with the `ntree` parameter in `randomForest` function in `randomForest` package. When it is a vector with more than one element, the function will try to optimize the model to select a best one, such as `c(100, 500, 1000)`.

... parameters pass to `caret::train` function.

*Returns:* `res_train` in the object.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
# random forest
t1$cal_train(method = "rf")
# Support Vector Machines with Radial Basis Function Kernel
t1$cal_train(method = "svmRadial", tuneLength = 15)
}
```

**Method** cal\_feature\_imp(): Get feature importance from the training model.

*Usage:*

```
trans_classifier$cal_feature_imp(rf_feature_sig = FALSE, ...)
```

*Arguments:*

rf\_feature\_sig default FALSE; whether calculate feature significance in 'rf' model using rfPermute package; only available for method = "rf" in cal\_train function.

... parameters pass to varImp function of caret package. If rf\_feature\_sig is TRUE and train\_method is "rf", the parameters will be passed to rfPermute function of rfPermute package.

*Returns:* res\_feature\_imp in the object. One row for each predictor variable. The column(s) are different importance measures. For the method 'rf', it is MeanDecreaseGini (classification) or IncNodePurity (regression) when rf\_feature\_sig = FALSE.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
t1$cal_feature_imp()
}
```

**Method** plot\_feature\_imp(): Bar plot for feature importance.

*Usage:*

```
trans_classifier$plot_feature_imp(
  rf_sig_show = NULL,
  show_sig_group = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

rf\_sig\_show default NULL; "MeanDecreaseAccuracy" (Default) or "MeanDecreaseGini" for random forest classification; "%IncMSE" (Default) or "IncNodePurity" for random forest regression; Only available when rf\_feature\_sig = TRUE in function cal\_feature\_imp, which generate "MeanDecreaseGini" (and "MeanDecreaseAccuracy") or "%IncMSE" (and "IncNodePurity") in the column names of res\_feature\_imp; Function can also generate "Significance" according to the p value.

show\_sig\_group default FALSE; whether show the features with different significant groups; Only available when "Significance" is found in the data.

... parameters pass to plot\_diff\_bar function of trans\_diff package.

*Returns:* ggplot2 object.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
t1$plot_feature_imp(use_number = 1:20, coord_flip = FALSE)
}
```

**Method** cal\_predict(): Run the prediction.

*Usage:*

```
trans_classifier$cal_predict(positive_class = NULL)
```

*Arguments:*

`positive_class` default NULL; see positive parameter in `confusionMatrix` function of caret package; If `positive_class` is NULL, use the first group in data as the positive class automatically.

*Returns:* `res_predict`, `res_confusion_fit` and `res_confusion_stats` stored in the object. The `res_predict` is the predicted result for `data_test`. Several evaluation metrics in `res_confusion_fit` are defined as follows:

$$\text{Accuracy} = \frac{TP + TN}{TP + TN + FP + FN}$$

$$\text{Sensitivity} = \text{Recall} = TPR = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

$$\text{Specificity} = TNR = 1 - FPR = \frac{TN}{TN + FP}$$

$$\text{Precision} = \frac{TP}{TP + FP}$$

$$\text{Prevalence} = \frac{TP + FN}{TP + TN + FP + FN}$$

$$F1 - \text{Score} = \frac{2 * \text{Precision} * \text{Recall}}{\text{Precision} + \text{Recall}}$$

$$Kappa = \frac{\text{Accuracy} - Pe}{1 - Pe}$$

where TP is true positive; TN is ture negative; FP is false positive; and FN is false negative; FPR is False Positive Rate; TPR is True Positive Rate; TNR is True Negative Rate; Pe is the hypothetical probability of chance agreement on the classes for reference and prediction in the confusion matrix. Accuracy represents the ratio of correct predictions. Precision identifies how the model accurately predicted the positive classes. Recall (sensitivity) measures the ratio of actual positives that are correctly identified by the model. F1-score is the weighted average score of recall and precision. The value at 1 is the best performance and at 0 is the worst. Prevalence represents how often positive events occurred. Kappa identifies how well the model is predicting.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
t1$cal_predict()
}
```

**Method** `plot_confusionMatrix()`: Plot the cross-tabulation of observed and predicted classes with associated statistics based on the results of function `cal_predict`.

*Usage:*

```
trans_classifier$plot_confusionMatrix(
  plot_confusion = TRUE,
  plot_statistics = TRUE
)
```

*Arguments:*

`plot_confusion` default TRUE; whether plot the confusion matrix.

`plot_statistics` default TRUE; whether plot the statistics.

*Returns:* ggplot object.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
t1$plot_confusionMatrix()
}
```

**Method cal\_ROC():** Get ROC (Receiver Operator Characteristic) curve data and the performance data.

*Usage:*

```
trans_classifier$cal_ROC(input = "pred")
```

*Arguments:*

`input` default "pred"; 'pred' or 'train'; 'pred' represents using prediction results; 'train' represents using training results.

*Returns:* a list `res_ROC` stored in the object. It has two tables: `res_roc` and `res_pr`. AUC: Area Under the ROC Curve. For the definition of metrics, please refer to the return part of function `cal_predict`.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
t1$cal_ROC()
}
```

**Method plot\_ROC():** Plot ROC curve.

*Usage:*

```
trans_classifier$plot_ROC(
  plot_type = c("ROC", "PR")[1],
  plot_group = "all",
  color_values = RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"),
  add_AUC = TRUE,
  plot_method = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

`plot_type` default c("ROC", "PR")[1]; 'ROC' represents ROC (Receiver Operator Characteristic) curve; 'PR' represents PR (Precision-Recall) curve.

`plot_group` default "all"; 'all' represents all the classes in the model; 'add' represents all adding micro-average and macro-average results, see [https://scikit-learn.org/stable/auto\\_examples/model\\_selection/p](https://scikit-learn.org/stable/auto_examples/model_selection/p) other options should be one or more class names, same with the names in Group column of `res_ROC$res_roc` from `cal_ROC` function.

`color_values` default RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"); colors used in the plot.

`add_AUC` default TRUE; whether add AUC in the legend.

`plot_method` default FALSE; If TRUE, show the method in the legend though only one method is found.

... parameters pass to geom\_path function of ggplot2 package.

*Returns:* ggplot2 object.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
t1$plot_ROC(size = 1, alpha = 0.7)
}
```

**Method** cal\_caretList(): Use caretList function of caretEnsemble package to run multiple models. For the available models, please run names(getModelInfo()).

*Usage:*

```
trans_classifier$cal_caretList(...)
```

*Arguments:*

... parameters pass to caretList function of caretEnsemble package.

*Returns:* res\_caretList\_models in the object.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
t1$cal_caretList(methodList = c('rf', 'svmRadial'))
}
```

**Method** cal\_caretList\_resamples(): Use resamples function of caret package to collect the metric values based on the res\_caretList\_models data.

*Usage:*

```
trans_classifier$cal_caretList_resamples(...)
```

*Arguments:*

... parameters pass to resamples function of caret package.

*Returns:* res\_caretList\_resamples list and res\_caretList\_resamples\_reshaped table in the object.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
t1$cal_caretList_resamples()
}
```

**Method** plot\_caretList\_resamples(): Visualize the metric values based on the res\_caretList\_resamples\_reshape data.

*Usage:*

```
trans_classifier$plot_caretList_resamples(
  color_values = RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"),
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

color\_values default RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"); colors palette for the box.

... parameters pass to geom\_boxplot function of ggplot2 package.

*Returns:* ggplot object.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
t1$plot_caretList_resamples()
}
```

**Method clone():** The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

*Usage:*

```
trans_classifier$clone(deep = FALSE)
```

*Arguments:*

deep Whether to make a deep clone.

## Examples

```
## -----
## Method `trans_classifier$new`
## -----


data(dataset)
t1 <- trans_classifier$new(
dataset = dataset,
x.predictors = "Genus",
y.response = "Group")


## -----
## Method `trans_classifier$cal_split`
## -----


## Not run:
t1$cal_split(prop.train = 3/4)

## End(Not run)

## -----
## Method `trans_classifier$cal_preProcess`
## -----


## Not run:
# "nzv" removes near zero variance predictors
t1$cal_preProcess(method = c("center", "scale", "nzv"))

## End(Not run)

## -----
## Method `trans_classifier$cal_feature_sel`
## -----


## Not run:
```

```
t1$cal_feature_sel(boruta.maxRuns = 300, boruta.pValue = 0.01)

## End(Not run)

## -----
## Method `trans_classifier$set_trainControl`
## -----


## Not run:
t1$set_trainControl(method = 'repeatedcv')

## End(Not run)

## -----
## Method `trans_classifier$cal_train`
## -----


## Not run:
# random forest
t1$cal_train(method = "rf")
# Support Vector Machines with Radial Basis Function Kernel
t1$cal_train(method = "svmRadial", tuneLength = 15)

## End(Not run)

## -----
## Method `trans_classifier$cal_feature_imp`
## -----


## Not run:
t1$cal_feature_imp()

## End(Not run)

## -----
## Method `trans_classifier$plot_feature_imp`
## -----


## Not run:
t1$plot_feature_imp(use_number = 1:20, coord_flip = FALSE)

## End(Not run)

## -----
## Method `trans_classifier$cal_predict`
## -----


## Not run:
t1$cal_predict()

## End(Not run)

## -----
```

```
## Method `trans_classifier$plot_confusionMatrix`  
## -----  
  
## Not run:  
t1$plot_confusionMatrix()  
  
## End(Not run)  
  
## -----  
## Method `trans_classifier$cal_ROC`  
## -----  
  
## Not run:  
t1$cal_ROC()  
  
## End(Not run)  
  
## -----  
## Method `trans_classifier$plot_ROC`  
## -----  
  
## Not run:  
t1$plot_ROC(size = 1, alpha = 0.7)  
  
## End(Not run)  
  
## -----  
## Method `trans_classifier$cal_caretList`  
## -----  
  
## Not run:  
t1$cal_caretList(methodList = c('rf', 'svmRadial'))  
  
## End(Not run)  
  
## -----  
## Method `trans_classifier$cal_caretList_resamples`  
## -----  
  
## Not run:  
t1$cal_caretList_resamples()  
  
## End(Not run)  
  
## -----  
## Method `trans_classifier$plot_caretList_resamples`  
## -----  
  
## Not run:  
t1$plot_caretList_resamples()  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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**trans\_diff***Create trans\_diff object for the differential analysis on the taxonomic abundance*

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## Description

This class is a wrapper for a series of differential abundance test and indicator analysis methods, including LEfSe based on the Segata et al. (2011) <doi:10.1186/gb-2011-12-6-r60>, random forest <doi:10.1016/j.geoderma.2018.09.035>, metastat based on White et al. (2009) <doi:10.1371/journal.pcbi.1000352>, non-parametric Kruskal-Wallis Rank Sum Test, Dunn's Kruskal-Wallis Multiple Comparisons based on the FSA package, Wilcoxon Rank Sum and Signed Rank Tests, t-test, anova, Scheirer Ray Hare test, R package metagenomeSeq Paulson et al. (2013) <doi:10.1038/nmeth.2658>, R package ANCOMBC <doi:10.1038/s41467-020-17041-7>, R package ALDEx2 <doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0067019; 10.1186/2049-2618-2-15>, R package MicrobiomeStat <doi:10.1186/s13059-022-02655-5>, beta regression <doi:10.18637/jss.v034.i02>, R package maaslin2, linear mixed-effects model and generalized linear mixed model.

## Methods

### Public methods:

- `trans_diff$new()`
- `trans_diff$plot_diff_abund()`
- `trans_diff$plot_diff_bar()`
- `trans_diff$plot_diff_cladogram()`
- `trans_diff$clone()`

### Method new():

*Usage:*

```
trans_diff$new(
  dataset = NULL,
  method = c("lefse", "rf", "metastat", "metagenomeSeq", "KW", "KW_dunn", "wilcox",
            "t.test", "anova", "scheirerRayHare", "lme", "ancombc2", "ALDEx2_t", "ALDEx2_kw",
            "DESeq2", "edgeR", "linda", "maaslin2", "betareg", "lme", "glmm", "glmm_beta")[1],
  group = NULL,
  taxa_level = "all",
  filter_thres = 0,
  alpha = 0.05,
  p_adjust_method = "fdr",
  transformation = NULL,
  remove_unknown = TRUE,
  lefse_subgroup = NULL,
  lefse_min_subsam = 10,
  lefse_sub_strict = FALSE,
  lefse_sub_alpha = NULL,
  lefse_norm = 1e+06,
  nresam = 0.6667,
```

```

  boots = 30,
  rf_imp_type = 2,
  group_choose_paired = NULL,
  metagenomeSeq_count = 1,
  ALDEx2_sig = c("wi.eBH", "kw.eBH"),
  by_group = NULL,
  by_ID = NULL,
  beta_pseudo = .Machine$double.eps,
  ...
)

```

*Arguments:*

**dataset** default NULL; **microtable** object.

**method** default "lefse". Some methods (e.g., "lefse", "KW", "wilcox", "anova", "lm", "betareg", "glmm" and "glmm\_beta") invoke the **taxa\_abund** list (generally relative abundance data) of input **microtable** object for the analysis. Some (e.g., "metastat", "metagenomeSeq", "ALDEx2\_t", "DESeq2", "edgeR", "ancombc2" and "linda") use the **otu\_table** of input **microtable** object for the analysis. Available options include:

**'lefse'** LEfSe method based on Segata et al. (2011) <doi:10.1186/gb-2011-12-6-r60>

**'rf'** random forest and non-parametric test method based on An et al. (2019) <doi:10.1016/j.geoderma.2018.09.035>

**'metastat'** Metastat method for all paired groups based on White et al. (2009) <doi:10.1371/journal.pcbi.1000352>

**'metagenomeSeq'** zero-inflated log-normal model-based differential test method from **metagenomeSeq** package.

**'KW'** KW: Kruskal-Wallis Rank Sum Test for all groups (>= 2)

**'KW\_dunn'** Dunn's Kruskal-Wallis Multiple Comparisons when group number > 2; see **dunnTest** function in **FSA** package

**'wilcox'** Wilcoxon Rank Sum and Signed Rank Tests for all paired groups

**'t.test'** Student's t-Test for all paired groups

**'anova'** ANOVA for one-way or multi-factor analysis; see **cal\_diff** function of **trans\_alpha** class

**'scheirerRayHare'** Scheirer Ray Hare test for nonparametric test used for a two-way factorial experiment; see **scheirerRayHare** function of **rcompanion** package

**'lm'** Linear Model based on the **lm** function

**'ALDEx2\_t'** runs Welch's t and Wilcoxon tests with **ALDEx2** package; see also the test parameter in **ALDEx2::aldex** function; **ALDEx2** uses the centred log-ratio (clr) transformation and estimates per-feature technical variation within each sample using Monte-Carlo instances drawn from the Dirichlet distribution; Reference: <doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0067019> and <doi:10.1186/2049-2618-2-15>; require **ALDEx2** package to be installed (<https://bioconductor.org/packages/release/>)

**'ALDEx2\_kw'** runs Kruskal-Wallace and generalized linear model (glm) test with **ALDEx2** package; see also the test parameter in **ALDEx2::aldex** function.

**'DESeq2'** Differential expression analysis based on the Negative Binomial (a.k.a. Gamma-Poisson) distribution based on the **DESeq2** package.

**'edgeR'** The **exactTest** method of **edgeR** package is implemented.

**'ancombc2'** Analysis of Compositions of Microbiomes with Bias Correction (ANCOMBC) based on the **ancombc2** function from **ANCOMBC** package. If the **fix\_formula** parameter is not provided, the function can automatically assign it by using group parameter. For this method, the group parameter is directly passed to the group parameter of

`ancombc2` function. Reference: <doi:10.1038/s41467-020-17041-7><10.1038/s41592-023-02092-7>; Require ANCOMBC package to be installed (<https://bioconductor.org/packages/release/bioc/html/ANCOMBC.html>)

**'linda'** Linear Model for Differential Abundance Analysis of High-dimensional Compositional Data based on the `linda` function of `MicrobiomeStat` package. For `linda` method, please provide either the group parameter or the formula parameter. When the formula parameter is provided, it should start with '`~`' as it is directly used by the `linda` function. If the group parameter is used, the prefix '`~`' is not necessary as the function can automatically add it. The parameter `feature.dat.type = 'count'` has been fixed. Other parameters can be passed to the `linda` function. Reference: <doi:10.1186/s13059-022-02655-5>

**'maaslin2'** finding associations between metadata and potentially high-dimensional microbial multi-omics data based on the `Maaslin2` package. Using this option can invoke the `trans_env$cal_cor` function with `method = "maaslin2"`.

**'betareg'** Beta Regression based on the `betareg` package. Please see the `beta_pseudo` parameter for the use of pseudo value when there is 0 or 1 in the data

**'lme'** Linear Mixed Effect Model based on the `lmerTest` package. In the return table, the significance of fixed factors are tested by function `anova`. The significance of 'Estimate' in each term of fixed factors comes from the model.

**'glmm'** Generalized linear mixed model (GLMM) based on the `glmmTMB` package. The `formula` and `family` parameters are needed. Please refer to `glmmTMB` package to select the `family` function, e.g. `family = glmmTMB::lognormal(link = "log")`. The usage of `formula` is similar with that in '`lme`' method. For more available parameters, please see `glmmTMB::glmmTMB` function and use parameter passing. In the result, Conditional R2 and Marginal R2 represent the variance explained by both fixed and random effects and the variance explained by fixed effects, respectively. For more details on R2 calculation, please refer to the article <doi: 10.1098/rsif.2017.0213>. The significance of fixed factors are tested by Chi-square test from function `car::Anova`. The significance of 'Estimate' in each term of fixed factors comes from the model.

**'glmm\_beta'** Generalized linear mixed model with a family function of beta distribution, developed for the relative abundance (ranging from 0 to 1) of taxa specifically. This is an extension of the GLMM model in '`glmm`' option. The only difference is in `glmm_beta` the family function is fixed with the beta distribution function, i.e. `family = glmmTMB::beta_family(link = "logit")`. Please see the `beta_pseudo` parameter for the use of pseudo value when there is 0 or 1 in the data

`group` default `NULL`; sample group used for the comparision; a colname of input `microtable$sample_table`;

It is necessary when `method` is not "`anova`" or `method` is "`anova`" but `formula` is not provided.

Once `group` is provided, the return `res_abund` will have mean and `sd` values for `group`.

`taxa_level` default "all"; 'all' represents using abundance data of all taxonomic ranks; For testing at a specific rank, provide taxonomic rank name, such as "Genus". If the provided taxonomic name is neither 'all' nor a colname in `tax_table` of input dataset (e.g., "ASV"), the function will use the features in input `microtable$otu_table` automatically. Note that a specific level (e.g., "ASV") should be provided for `method`: "metastat", "metagenomeSeq", "ALDEx2\_t", "DESeq2", "edgeR", "ancombc2", "linda", "maaslin2".

`filter_thres` default 0; the abundance threshold, such as 0.0005 when the input is relative abundance; only available when `method != "metastat"`. The features with abundances lower than `filter_thres` will be filtered.

`alpha` default 0.05; significance threshold to select taxa when `method` is "lefs" or "rf"; or

used to generate significance letters when method is 'anova' or 'KW\_dunn' like the alpha parameter in cal\_diff of trans\_alpha class.

p\_adjust\_method default "fdr"; p.adjust method; see method parameter of p.adjust function for other available options; "none" means disable p value adjustment; So when p\_adjust\_method = "none", P.adj is same with P.unadj.

transformation default NULL; feature abundance transformation method in the class [trans\\_norm](#), such as 'AST' for the arc sine square root transformation. Only available when method is one of "KW", "KW\_dunn", "wilcox", "t.test", "anova", "scheirerRayHare", "betareg" and "lme".

remove\_unknown default TRUE; whether remove unknown features that do not have clear classification information.

lefse\_subgroup default NULL; sample sub group used for sub-comparison in lefse; Segata et al. (2011) <doi:10.1186/gb-2011-12-6-r60>.

lefse\_min\_subsam default 10; sample numbers required in the subgroup test.

lefse\_sub\_strict default FALSE; whether remove the features strictly in the sub-checking. FALSE means only removing the features that have different orders of medians across sub-groups with those across groups and the statistics are also significant. TRUE means removing the features that are not significant in one (or more) sub-test or have different orders of medians across sub-groups with those across groups.

lefse\_sub\_alpha default NULL; The significance threshold in the test for lefse sub-groups. NULL means it is same with alpha.

lefse\_norm default 1000000; normalization value used in lefse to scale abundances for each level. A lefse\_norm value < 0 (e.g., -1) means no normalization same with the LEfSe python version.

nresam default 0.6667; sample number ratio used in each bootstrap for method = "lefse" or "rf".

boots default 30; bootstrap test number for method = "lefse" or "rf".

rf\_imp\_type default 2; the type of feature importance in random forest when method = "rf". Same with type parameter in importance function of randomForest package. 1=mean decrease in accuracy (MeanDecreaseAccuracy), 2=mean decrease in node impurity (MeanDecreaseGini).

group\_choose\_paired default NULL; a vector used for selecting the required groups for paired testing instead of all paired combinations across groups; Available when method is "metastat", "metagenomeSeq", "ALDEx2\_t" or "edgeR".

metagenomeSeq\_count default 1; Filter features to have at least 'counts' counts.; see the count parameter in MRcoefs function of metagenomeSeq package.

ALDEx2\_sig default c("wi.eBH", "kw.eBH"); which column of the final result is used as the significance asterisk assignment; applied to method = "ALDEx2\_t" or "ALDEx2\_kw"; the first element is provided to "ALDEx2\_t"; the second is provided to "ALDEx2\_kw"; for "ALDEx2\_t", the available choice is "wi.eBH" (Expected Benjamini-Hochberg corrected P value of Wilcoxon test) and "we.eBH" (Expected BH corrected P value of Welch's t test); for "ALDEx2\_kw"; for "ALDEx2\_t", the available choice is "kw.eBH" (Expected BH corrected P value of Kruskal-Wallace test) and "glm.eBH" (Expected BH corrected P value of glm test).

by\_group default NULL; a column of sample\_table used to perform the differential test among groups (group parameter) for each group (by\_group parameter). So by\_group has a higher

level than group parameter. Same with the by\_group parameter in trans\_alpha class. Only available when method is one of c("KW", "KW\_dunn", "wilcox", "t.test", "anova", "scheirerRayHare").

by\_ID default NULL; a column of sample\_table used to perform paired t test or paired wilcox test for the paired data, such as the data of plant compartments for different plant species (ID). So by\_ID in sample\_table should be the smallest unit of sample collection without any repetition in it. Same with the by\_ID parameter in trans\_alpha class.

beta\_pseudo default .Machine\$double.eps; the pseudo value used when the parameter method is 'betareg' or 'glmm\_beta'. As the beta distribution function limits  $0 < \text{response value} < 1$ , a pseudo value will be added for the data that equal to 0. The data that equal to 1 will be replaced by  $1/(1 + \text{beta\_pseudo})$ .

... parameters passed to cal\_diff function of trans\_alpha class when method is one of "KW", "KW\_dunn", "wilcox", "t.test", "anova", "betareg", "lme", "glmm" or "glmm\_beta"; passed to randomForest::randomForest function when method = "rf"; passed to ANCOMBC::ancombc2 function when method is "ancombc2" (except tax\_level, global and fix\_formula parameters); passed to ALDEx2::aldex function when method = "ALDEx2\_t" or "ALDEx2\_kw"; passed to DESeq2::DESeq function when method = "DESeq2"; passed to MicrobiomeStat::linda function when method = "linda"; passed to trans\_env\$cal\_cor function when method = "maaslin2".

*Returns:* res\_diff and res\_abund.

**res\_abund** includes mean abundance of each taxa (Mean), standard deviation (SD), standard error (SE) and sample number (N) in the group (Group).

**res\_diff** is the detailed differential test result depending on the method choice, may containing:

**"Comparison"**: The groups for the comparision, maybe all groups or paired groups. If this column is not found, all groups are used;

**"Group"**: Which group has the maximum median or mean value across the test groups; For non-parametric methods, median value; For t.test, mean value;

**"Taxa"**: which taxa is used in this comparision;

**"Method"**: Test method used in the analysis depending on the method input;

**"LDA" or others**: LDA: linear discriminant score in LEfSe; MeanDecreaseAccuracy and MeanDecreaseGini: mean decreasing in accuracy or in node impurity (gini index) in random forest;

**"P.unadj"**: original p value;

**"P.adj"**: adjusted p value;

**"Estimate" and "Std.Error"**: When method is "betareg", "lm", "lme" or "glmm", "Estimate" and "Std.Error" represent fitted coefficient and its standard error, respectively;

**Others**: qvalue: qvalue in metatable analysis.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
data(dataset)
t1 <- trans_diff$new(dataset = dataset, method = "lefs", group = "Group")
t1 <- trans_diff$new(dataset = dataset, method = "rf", group = "Group")
t1 <- trans_diff$new(dataset = dataset, method = "metastat", group = "Group", taxa_level = "Genus")
t1 <- trans_diff$new(dataset = dataset, method = "wilcox", group = "Group")
}
```

**Method** plot\_diff\_abund(): Plot the abundance of taxa.

The significance can be optionally added in the plot. The taxa displayed are based on the taxa in

the 'res\_diff' table, selected using parameters. If the user filters out the non-significant taxa from the 'res\_diff' table, these taxa will also be filtered from the plot.

*Usage:*

```
trans_diff$plot_diff_abund(
  use_number = 1:10,
  color_values = RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"),
  select_taxa = NULL,
  simplify_names = TRUE,
  keep_prefix = TRUE,
  group_order = NULL,
  order_x_mean = FALSE,
  coord_flip = TRUE,
  add_sig = TRUE,
  xtext_angle = 45,
  xtext_size = 13,
  ytitle_size = 17,
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

`use_number` default 1:10; numeric vector; the sequences of taxa (1:n) selected in the plot; If n is larger than the number of total significant taxa, automatically use the total number as n.  
`color_values` default RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"); color pallete for groups.  
`select_taxa` default NULL; character vector to provide taxa names. The taxa names should be same with the names shown in the plot, not the 'Taxa' column names in object\$res\_diff\$Taxa.  
`simplify_names` default TRUE; whether use the simplified taxonomic name.  
`keep_prefix` default TRUE; whether retain the taxonomic prefix.  
`group_order` default NULL; a vector to order groups, i.e. reorder the legend and colors in plot;  
 If NULL, the function can first check whether the group column of sample\_table is factor.  
 If yes, use the levels in it. If provided, overlook the levels in the group of sample\_table.  
`order_x_mean` default FALSE; whether order the taxa in x axis by the means of abundances from large to small. If TRUE, all other factors in the data will become invalid.  
`coord_flip` default TRUE; whether flip cartesian coordinates so that horizontal becomes vertical, and vertical becomes horizontal.  
`add_sig` default TRUE; whether add the significance label to the plot.  
`xtext_angle` default 45; number (e.g. 45). Angle of text in x axis.  
`xtext_size` default 13; x axis text size. NULL means the default size in ggplot2. If `coord_flip` = TRUE, it represents the text size of the y axis.  
`ytitle_size` default 17; y axis title size. If `coord_flip` = TRUE, it represents the title size of the x axis (i.e. "Relative abundance").  
... parameters passed to plot\_alpha function of `trans_alpha` class.

*Returns:* ggplot.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1 <- trans_diff$new(dataset = dataset, method = "anova", group = "Group", taxa_level = "Genus")
t1$plot_diff_abund(use_number = 1:10)
```

```
t1$plot_diff_abund(use_number = 1:10, add_sig = TRUE)
t1 <- trans_diff$new(dataset = dataset, method = "wilcox", group = "Group")
t1$plot_diff_abund(use_number = 1:20)
t1$plot_diff_abund(use_number = 1:20, add_sig = TRUE)
t1 <- trans_diff$new(dataset = dataset, method = "lefse", group = "Group")
t1$plot_diff_abund(use_number = 1:20)
t1$plot_diff_abund(use_number = 1:20, add_sig = TRUE)
}
```

**Method** `plot_diff_bar()`: Bar plot for indicator index, such as LDA score and P value.

*Usage:*

```
trans_diff$plot_diff_bar(
  color_values = RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"),
  color_group_map = FALSE,
  use_number = 1:10,
  threshold = NULL,
  select_group = NULL,
  keep_full_name = FALSE,
  keep_prefix = TRUE,
  group_order = NULL,
  group_aggre = TRUE,
  group_two_sep = TRUE,
  coord_flip = TRUE,
  add_sig = FALSE,
  add_sig_increase = 0.1,
  add_sig_text_size = 5,
  xtext_angle = 45,
  xtext_size = 10,
  ytext_size = NULL,
  axis_text_y = deprecated(),
  heatmap_cell = "P.unadj",
  heatmap_sig = "Significance",
  heatmap_x = "Factors",
  heatmap_y = "Taxa",
  heatmap_lab_fill = "P value",
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

`color_values` default `RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2")`; colors palette for different groups.  
`color_group_map` default `FALSE`; whether match the colors to groups in order to fix the color in each group when part of groups are not shown in the plot. When `color_group_map = TRUE`, the `group_order` inside the object will be used as full groups set to guide the color extraction.  
`use_number` default `1:10`; numeric vector; the taxa numbers used in the plot, i.e. `1:n`.  
`threshold` default `NULL`; threshold value of indicators for selecting taxa, such as `3` for LDA score of LEfSe.

select\_group default NULL; this is used to select the paired group when multiple comparisons are generated; The input select\_group must be one of object\$res\_diff\$Comparison.  
 keep\_full\_name default FALSE; whether keep the taxonomic full lineage names.  
 keep\_prefix default TRUE; whether retain the taxonomic prefix, such as "g\_\_".  
 group\_order default NULL; a vector to order the legend and colors in plot; If NULL, the function can first determine whether the group column of microtable\$sample\_table is factor. If yes, use the levels in it. If provided, this parameter can overwrite the levels in the group of microtable\$sample\_table.  
 group\_aggre default TRUE; whether aggregate the features for each group.  
 group\_two\_sep default TRUE; whether display the features of two groups on opposite sides of the coordinate axes when there are only two groups in total.  
 coord\_flip default TRUE; whether flip cartesian coordinates so that horizontal becomes vertical, and vertical becomes horizontal.  
 add\_sig default FALSE; whether add significance label (asterisk) above the bar.  
 add\_sig\_increase default 0.1; the axis position (Value + add\_sig\_increase \* max(Value)) from which to add the significance label; only available when add\_sig = TRUE.  
 add\_sig\_text\_size default 5; the size of added significance label; only available when add\_sig = TRUE.  
 xtext\_angle default 45; number ranging from 0 to 90; used to make x axis text generate angle to reduce text overlap; only available when coord\_flip = FALSE.  
 xtext\_size default 10; text size of x axis.  
 ytext\_size default NULL; text size of y axis. NULL means default ggplot2 value.  
 axis\_text\_y deprecated. Please use ytext\_size argument instead.  
 heatmap\_cell default "P.unadj"; the column of data for the cell of heatmap when formula with multiple factors is found in the method.  
 heatmap\_sig default "Significance"; the column of data for the significance label of heatmap.  
 heatmap\_x default "Factors"; the column of data for the x axis of heatmap.  
 heatmap\_y default "Taxa"; the column of data for the y axis of heatmap.  
 heatmap\_lab\_fill default "P value"; legend title of heatmap.  
 ... parameters passing to geom\_bar for the bar plot or plot\_cor function in [trans\\_env](#) class for the heatmap of multiple factors when formula is found in the method.

*Returns:* ggplot.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$plot_diff_bar(use_number = 1:20)
}
```

**Method** `plot_diff_cladogram()`: Plot the cladogram using taxa with significant difference.

*Usage:*

```
trans_diff$plot_diff_cladogram(
  color = RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"),
  group_order = NULL,
  use_taxa_num = 200,
  filter_taxa = NULL,
```

```

use_feature_num = NULL,
clade_label_level = 4,
select_show_labels = NULL,
only_select_show = FALSE,
sep = "|",
branch_size = 0.2,
alpha = 0.2,
clade_label_size = 2,
clade_label_size_add = 5,
clade_label_size_log = exp(1),
node_size_scale = 1,
node_size_offset = 1,
annotation_shape = 22,
annotation_shape_size = 5
)

```

*Arguments:*

color default RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"); color palette used in the plot.

group\_order default NULL; a vector to order the legend in plot; If NULL, the function can first check whether the group column of sample\_table is factor. If yes, use the levels in it. If provided, this parameter can overwrite the levels in the group of sample\_table. If the number of provided group\_order is less than the number of groups in res\_diff\$Group, the function will select the groups of group\_order automatically.

use\_taxa\_num default 200; integer; The taxa number used in the background tree plot; select the taxa according to the mean abundance .

filter\_taxa default NULL; The mean relative abundance used to filter the taxa with low abundance.

use\_feature\_num default NULL; integer; The feature number used in the plot; select the features according to the metric (method = "lefs" or "rf") from high to low.

clade\_label\_level default 4; the taxonomic level for marking the label with letters, root is the largest.

select\_show\_labels default NULL; character vector; The features to show in the plot with full label names, not the letters.

only\_select\_show default FALSE; whether only use the the select features in the parameter select\_show\_labels.

sep default "|"; the seperate character in the taxonomic information.

branch\_size default 0.2; numeric, size of branch.

alpha default 0.2; shading of the color.

clade\_label\_size default 2; basic size for the clade label; please also see clade\_label\_size\_add and clade\_label\_size\_log.

clade\_label\_size\_add default 5; added basic size for the clade label; see the formula in clade\_label\_size\_log parameter.

clade\_label\_size\_log default exp(1); the base of log function for added size of the clade label; the size formula: clade\_label\_size + log(clade\_label\_level + clade\_label\_size\_add, base = clade\_label\_size\_log); so use clade\_label\_size\_log, clade\_label\_size\_add and clade\_label\_size can totally control the label size for different taxonomic levels.

node\_size\_scale default 1; scale for the node size.

node\_size\_offset default 1; offset for the node size.  
 annotation\_shape default 22; shape used in the annotation legend.  
 annotation\_shape\_size default 5; size used in the annotation legend.

*Returns:* ggplot.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
t1$plot_diff_cladogram(use_taxa_num = 100, use_feature_num = 30, select_show_labels = NULL)
}
```

**Method clone():** The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

*Usage:*

```
trans_diff$clone(deep = FALSE)
```

*Arguments:*

deep Whether to make a deep clone.

## Examples

```
## -----
## Method `trans_diff$new`
## -----


data(dataset)
t1 <- trans_diff$new(dataset = dataset, method = "lefse", group = "Group")
t1 <- trans_diff$new(dataset = dataset, method = "rf", group = "Group")
t1 <- trans_diff$new(dataset = dataset, method = "metastat", group = "Group", taxa_level = "Genus")
t1 <- trans_diff$new(dataset = dataset, method = "wilcox", group = "Group")

## -----
## Method `trans_diff$plot_diff_abund`
## -----


t1 <- trans_diff$new(dataset = dataset, method = "anova", group = "Group", taxa_level = "Genus")
t1$plot_diff_abund(use_number = 1:10)
t1$plot_diff_abund(use_number = 1:10, add_sig = TRUE)
t1 <- trans_diff$new(dataset = dataset, method = "wilcox", group = "Group")
t1$plot_diff_abund(use_number = 1:20)
t1$plot_diff_abund(use_number = 1:20, add_sig = TRUE)
t1 <- trans_diff$new(dataset = dataset, method = "lefse", group = "Group")
t1$plot_diff_abund(use_number = 1:20)
t1$plot_diff_abund(use_number = 1:20, add_sig = TRUE)

## -----
## Method `trans_diff$plot_diff_bar`
## -----
```

```
t1$plot_diff_bar(use_number = 1:20)

## -----
## Method `trans_diff$plot_diff_cladogram`
## -----


## Not run:
t1$plot_diff_cladogram(use_taxa_num = 100, use_feature_num = 30, select_show_labels = NULL)

## End(Not run)
```

**trans\_env**

*Create trans\_env object to analyze the association between environmental factor and microbial community.*

**Description**

This class is a wrapper for a series of operations associated with environmental measurements, including redundancy analysis, mantel test, correlation analysis and linear fitting.

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**Method new():**

*Usage:*

```
trans_env$new(
  dataset = NULL,
  env_cols = NULL,
  add_data = NULL,
  character2numeric = FALSE,
  standardize = FALSE,
  complete_na = FALSE
)
```

*Arguments:*

dataset the object of `microtable` Class.

env\_cols default NULL; either numeric vector or character vector to select columns in `microtable$sample_table`, i.e. `dataset$sample_table`. This parameter should be used in the case that all the required environmental data is in `sample_table` of your `microtable` object. Otherwise, please use `add_data` parameter.

add\_data default NULL; `data.frame` format; provide the environmental data in the format `data.frame`; rownames should be sample names. This parameter should be used when the `microtable$sample_table` object does not have environmental data. Under this circumstance, the `env_cols` parameter can not be used because no data can be selected.

character2numeric default FALSE; whether convert all the character or factor columns to numeric type using the `dropallfactors` function. If TRUE, character columns will first be attempted to convert to numeric. If that fails, they will be converted to the factor type and then to numeric.

standardize default FALSE; whether scale environmental variables to zero mean and unit variance.

complete\_na default FALSE; Whether fill the NA (missing value) in the environmental data; If TRUE, the function can run the interpolation with the `mice` package.

*Returns:* `data_env` stored in the object.

*Examples:*

```
data(dataset)
data(env_data_16S)
t1 <- trans_env$new(dataset = dataset, add_data = env_data_16S[, 4:11])
```

**Method** `cal_diff()`: Differential test of environmental variables across groups.

*Usage:*

```
trans_env$cal_diff(
  group = NULL,
  by_group = NULL,
  method = c("KW", "KW_dunn", "wilcox", "t.test", "anova", "scheirerRayHare", "lme",
            "lme", "glmm")[1],
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

group default NULL; a colname of `sample_table` used to compare values across groups.

by\_group default NULL; perform differential test among groups (group parameter) within each group (by\_group parameter).

`method` default "KW"; see the following available options:

- '**KW**' KW: Kruskal-Wallis Rank Sum Test for all groups (>= 2)
- '**KW\_dunn**' Dunn's Kruskal-Wallis Multiple Comparisons, see `dunnTest` function in FSA package
- '**wilcox**' Wilcoxon Rank Sum and Signed Rank Tests for all paired groups
- '**t.test**' Student's t-Test for all paired groups
- '**anova**' Duncan's new multiple range test for one-way anova; see `duncan.test` function of `agricolae` package. For multi-factor anova, see `aov`
- '**scheirerRayHare**' Scheirer Ray Hare test for nonparametric test used for a two-way factorial experiment; see `scheirerRayHare` function of `rcompanion` package
- '**lm**' Linear model based on the `lm` function
- '**lme**' lme: Linear Mixed Effect Model based on the `lmerTest` package. The `formula` parameter should be provided.
- '**glmm**' Generalized linear mixed model (GLMM) based on the `glmmTMB` package. The `formula` and `family` parameters are needed. Please refer to `glmmTMB` package to select the family function, e.g. `family = glmmTMB::lognormal(link = "log")`. The usage of `formula` is similar with that in 'lme' method. For the details of return table, please refer to the help document of `trans_diff` class.

... parameters passed to `cal_diff` function of `trans_alpha` class.

*Returns:* `res_diff` stored in the object. In the data frame, 'Group' column means that the group has the maximum median or mean value across the test groups; For non-parametric methods, median value; For `t.test`, mean value.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$cal_diff(group = "Group", method = "KW")
t1$cal_diff(group = "Group", method = "anova")
}
```

**Method** `plot_diff()`: Plot environmental variables across groups and add the significance label.

*Usage:*

```
trans_env$plot_diff(...)
```

*Arguments:*

... parameters passed to `plot_alpha` in `trans_alpha` class. Please see `plot_alpha` function of `trans_alpha` for all the available parameters.

**Method** `cal_autocor()`: Calculate the autocorrelations among environmental variables.

*Usage:*

```
trans_env$cal_autocor(
  group = NULL,
  ggpairs = TRUE,
  color_values = RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"),
  alpha = 0.8,
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

`group` default `NULL`; a colname of `sample_table`; used to perform calculations for different groups.

`ggpairs` default `TRUE`; whether use `GGally::ggpairs` function to plot the correlation results. If `ggpairs = FALSE`, the function will output a table with all the values instead of a graph. In this case, the function will call `cal_cor` to calculate autocorrelation instead of using the `ggpairs` function in `GGally`, so please use parameter passing to control more options.

`color_values` default `RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2")`; colors palette.

`alpha` default `0.8`; the alpha value to add transparency in colors; useful when `group` is not `NULL`.

`...` parameters passed to `GGally::ggpairs` when `ggpairs = TRUE` or passed to `cal_cor` of `trans_env` class when `ggpairs = FALSE`.

*Returns:* `ggmatrix` when `ggpairs = TRUE` or `data.frame` object when `ggpairs = FALSE`.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
# Spearman correlation
t1$cal_autocor(upper = list(continuous = GGally::wrap("cor", method= "spearman")))
}
```

**Method** `cal_ordination()`: Redundancy analysis (RDA) and Correspondence Analysis (CCA) based on the `vegan` package.

*Usage:*

```
trans_env$cal_ordination(
  method = c("RDA", "dbRDA", "CCA")[1],
  feature_sel = FALSE,
  taxa_level = NULL,
  taxa_filter_thres = NULL,
  use_measure = NULL,
  add_matrix = NULL,
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

`method` default `c("RDA", "dbRDA", "CCA")[1]`; the ordination method.

`feature_sel` default `FALSE`; whether perform the feature selection based on forward selection method.

`taxa_level` default `NULL`; the taxonomic level used in RDA or CCA. Default `NULL` means using the merged data at "Genus" level. "ASV" or "OTU" can also be provided for the use of `otu_table` in `microtable` object.

`taxa_filter_thres` default `NULL`; relative abundance threshold used to filter taxa when method is "RDA" or "CCA".

`use_measure` default `NULL`; a name of beta diversity matrix; only available when parameter `method = "dbRDA"`; If not provided, use the first beta diversity matrix in the `microtable$beta_diversity` automatically.

`add_matrix` default `NULL`; additional distance matrix provided, when the user does not want to use the beta diversity matrix within the dataset; only available when `method = "dbRDA"`.

... parameters passed to dbrda, rda or cca function according to the method parameter.

*Returns:* res\_ordination and res\_ordination\_R2 stored in the object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$cal_ordination(method = "dbRDA", use_measure = "bray")
t1$cal_ordination(method = "RDA", taxa_level = "Genus")
t1$cal_ordination(method = "CCA", taxa_level = "Genus")
}
```

**Method** cal\_ordination\_anova(): Use anova to test the significance of the terms and axis in ordination.

*Usage:*

```
trans_env$cal_ordination_anova(...)
```

*Arguments:*

... parameters passed to anova function.

*Returns:* res\_ordination\_terms and res\_ordination\_axis stored in the object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$cal_ordination_anova()
}
```

**Method** cal\_ordination\_envfit(): Fit each environmental vector onto the ordination to obtain the contribution of each variable.

*Usage:*

```
trans_env$cal_ordination_envfit(...)
```

*Arguments:*

... the parameters passed to vegan::envfit function.

*Returns:* res\_ordination\_envfit stored in the object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$cal_ordination_envfit()
}
```

**Method** trans\_ordination(): Transform ordination results for the following plot.

*Usage:*

```
trans_env$trans_ordination(
  show_taxa = 10,
  adjust_arrow_length = FALSE,
  min_perc_env = 0.1,
  max_perc_env = 0.8,
  min_perc_tax = 0.1,
  max_perc_tax = 0.8
)
```

*Arguments:*

`show_taxa` default 10; taxa number shown in the plot.  
`adjust_arrow_length` default FALSE; whether adjust the arrow length to be clearer.  
`min_perc_env` default 0.1; used for scaling up the minimum of env arrow; multiply by the maximum distance between samples and origin.  
`max_perc_env` default 0.8; used for scaling up the maximum of env arrow; multiply by the maximum distance between samples and origin.  
`min_perc_tax` default 0.1; used for scaling up the minimum of tax arrow; multiply by the maximum distance between samples and origin.  
`max_perc_tax` default 0.8; used for scaling up the maximum of tax arrow; multiply by the maximum distance between samples and origin.

*Returns:* `res_ordination_trans` stored in the object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$trans_ordination(adjust_arrow_length = TRUE, min_perc_env = 0.1, max_perc_env = 1)
}
```

**Method** `plot_ordination()`: plot ordination result.

*Usage:*

```
trans_env$plot_ordination(
  plot_color = NULL,
  plot_shape = NULL,
  color_values = RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"),
  shape_values = c(16, 17, 7, 8, 15, 18, 11, 10, 12, 13, 9, 3, 4, 0, 1, 2, 14),
  env_text_color = "black",
  env_arrow_color = "grey30",
  taxa_text_color = "firebrick1",
  taxa_arrow_color = "firebrick1",
  env_text_size = 3.7,
  taxa_text_size = 3,
  taxa_text_prefix = FALSE,
  taxa_text_italic = TRUE,
  plot_type = "point",
  point_size = 3,
  point_alpha = 0.8,
  centroid_segment_alpha = 0.6,
  centroid_segment_size = 1,
  centroid_segment_linetype = 3,
  ellipse_chull_fill = TRUE,
  ellipse_chull_alpha = 0.1,
  ellipse_level = 0.9,
  ellipse_type = "t",
  add_sample_label = NULL,
  env_nudge_x = NULL,
  env_nudge_y = NULL,
  taxa_nudge_x = NULL,
```

```

    taxa_nudge_y = NULL,
    ...
)
Arguments:
plot_color default NULL; a colname of sample_table to assign colors to different groups.
plot_shape default NULL; a colname of sample_table to assign shapes to different groups.
color_values default RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"); color pallete for different
groups.
shape_values default c(16, 17, 7, 8, 15, 18, 11, 10, 12, 13, 9, 3, 4, 0, 1, 2, 14); a vector for
point shape types of groups, see ggplot2 tutorial.
env_text_color default "black"; environmental variable text color.
env_arrow_color default "grey30"; environmental variable arrow color.
taxa_text_color default "firebrick1"; taxa text color.
taxa_arrow_color default "firebrick1"; taxa arrow color.
env_text_size default 3.7; environmental variable text size.
taxa_text_size default 3; taxa text size.
taxa_text_prefix default FALSE; whether show the prefix (e.g., g_) of taxonomic informa-
tion in the text.
taxa_text_italic default TRUE; "italic"; whether use "italic" style for the taxa text.
plot_type default "point"; plotting type of samples; one or more elements of "point", "ellipse",
"chull", "centroid" and "none"; "none" denotes nothing.
'point' add point
'ellipse' add confidence ellipse for points of each group
'chull' add convex hull for points of each group
'centroid' add centroid line of each group
point_size default 3; point size in plot when "point" is in plot_type. point_size can also
be a variable name in sample_table, such as "pH".
point_alpha default .8; point transparency in plot when "point" is in plot_type.
centroid_segment_alpha default 0.6; segment transparency in plot when "centroid" is in
plot_type.
centroid_segment_size default 1; segment size in plot when "centroid" is in plot_type.
centroid_segment_linetype default 3; an integer; the line type related with centroid in plot
when "centroid" is in plot_type.
ellipse_chull_fill default TRUE; whether fill colors to the area of ellipse or chull.
ellipse_chull_alpha default 0.1; color transparency in the ellipse or convex hull depending
on whether "ellipse" or "centroid" is in plot_type.
ellipse_level default .9; confidence level of ellipse when "ellipse" is in plot_type.
ellipse_type default "t"; ellipse type when "ellipse" is in plot_type; see type parameter in
stat_ellipse function of ggplot2 package.
add_sample_label default NULL; the column name in sample table, if provided, show the
point name in plot.
env_nudge_x default NULL; numeric vector to adjust the env text x axis position; passed to
nudge_x parameter of ggrepel::geom_text_repel function; default NULL represents au-
tomatic adjustment; the length must be same with the row number of object$res_ordination_trans$df_arrows.

```

For example, if there are 5 env variables, env\_nudge\_x should be something like c(0.1, 0, -0.2, 0, 0). Note that this parameter and env\_nudge\_y is generally used when the automatic text adjustment is not very well.

env\_nudge\_y default NULL; numeric vector to adjust the env text y axis position; passed to nudge\_y parameter of ggrepel::geom\_text\_repel function; default NULL represents automatic adjustment; the length must be same with the row number of object\$res\_ordination\_trans\$df\_arrows. For example, if there are 5 env variables, env\_nudge\_y should be something like c(0.1, 0, -0.2, 0, 0).

taxa\_nudge\_x default NULL; numeric vector to adjust the taxa text x axis position; passed to nudge\_x parameter of ggrepel::geom\_text\_repel function; default NULL represents automatic adjustment; the length must be same with the row number of object\$res\_ordination\_trans\$df\_arrows\_sp. For example, if 3 taxa are shown, taxa\_nudge\_x should be something like c(0.3, -0.2, 0).

taxa\_nudge\_y default NULL; numeric vector to adjust the taxa text y axis position; passed to nudge\_y parameter of ggrepel::geom\_text\_repel function; default NULL represents automatic adjustment; the length must be same with the row number of object\$res\_ordination\_trans\$df\_arrows\_sp. For example, if 3 taxa are shown, taxa\_nudge\_y should be something like c(-0.2, 0, 0.4).

... parameters passed to geom\_point for controlling sample points.

*Returns:* ggplot object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$cal_ordination(method = "RDA")
t1$trans_ordination(adjust_arrow_length = TRUE, max_perc_env = 1.5)
t1$plot_ordination(plot_color = "Group")
t1$plot_ordination(plot_color = "Group", plot_shape = "Group", plot_type = c("point", "ellipse"))
t1$plot_ordination(plot_color = "Group", plot_type = c("point", "chull"))
t1$plot_ordination(plot_color = "Group", plot_type = c("point", "centroid"),
  centroid_segment_linetype = 1)
t1$plot_ordination(plot_color = "Group", env_nudge_x = c(0.4, 0, 0, 0, 0, -0.2, 0, 0),
  env_nudge_y = c(0.6, 0, 0.2, 0.5, 0, 0.1, 0, 0.2))
}
```

**Method cal\_mantel()**: Mantel test between beta diversity matrix and environmental data.

*Usage:*

```
trans_env$cal_mantel(
  partial_mantel = FALSE,
  add_matrix = NULL,
  use_measure = NULL,
  method = "pearson",
  p_adjust_method = "fdr",
  by_group = NULL,
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

partial\_mantel default FALSE; whether use partial mantel test; If TRUE, use other all measurements as the zdis in each calculation.

`add_matrix` default NULL; additional distance matrix provided when the beta diversity matrix in the dataset is not used.

`use_measure` default NULL; a name of beta diversity matrix. If necessary and not provided, use the first beta diversity matrix.

`method` default "pearson"; one of "pearson", "spearman" and "kendall"; correlation method; see `method` parameter in `vegan::mantel` function.

`p_adjust_method` default "fdr"; `p.adjust` method; see `method` parameter of `p.adjust` function for available options.

`by_group` default NULL; one column name or number in `sample_table`; used to perform mantel test for different groups separately.

... parameters passed to `mantel` of `vegan` package.

*Returns:* `res_mantel` in object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$cal_mantel(use_measure = "bray")
t1$cal_mantel(partial_mantel = TRUE, use_measure = "bray")
}
```

**Method** `cal_cor()`: Calculate the correlations between taxonomic abundance and environmental variables. Actually, it can also be applied to other correlation between any two variables from two tables.

*Usage:*

```
trans_env$cal_cor(
  use_data = c("Genus", "all", "other")[1],
  method = c("pearson", "spearman", "kendall", "maaslin2")[1],
  partial = FALSE,
  partial_fix = NULL,
  add_abund_table = NULL,
  filter_thres = 0,
  use_taxa_num = NULL,
  other_taxa = NULL,
  p_adjust_method = "fdr",
  p_adjust_type = c("All", "Taxa", "Env")[1],
  by_group = NULL,
  group_use = NULL,
  group_select = NULL,
  taxa_name_full = TRUE,
  tmp_input_maaslin2 = "tmp_input",
  tmp_output_maaslin2 = "tmp_output",
  cor_method = deprecated(),
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

`use_data` default "Genus"; "Genus", "all" or "other"; "Genus" or other taxonomic names (e.g., "Phylum", "ASV"); invoke taxonomic abundance table in `taxa_abund` list of the `microtable` object; "all": merge all the taxonomic abundance tables in `taxa_abund` list into one; "other": provide additional taxa names by assigning `other_taxa` parameter.

method default "pearson"; "pearson", "spearman", "kendall" or "maaslin2"; correlation method. "pearson", "spearman" or "kendall" all refer to the correlation analysis based on the cor.test function in R. "maaslin2" is the method in Maaslin2 package for finding associations between metadata and potentially high-dimensional microbial multi-omics data.

partial default FALSE; whether perform partial correlation based on the ppcor package. Available when method is "pearson", "spearman" or "kendall".

partial\_fix default NULL; selected environmental variable names used as third group of variables in all the partial correlations. If NULL; all the variables (except the one for correlation) in the environmental data will be used as the third group of variables. Otherwise, the function will control for the provided variables (one or more) in all the partial correlations, and the variables in partial\_fix will not be employed anymore in the correlation analysis.

add\_abund\_table default NULL; additional data table to be used. Row names must be sample names.

filter\_thres default 0; the abundance threshold, such as 0.0005 when the input is relative abundance. The features with abundances lower than filter\_thres will be filtered. This parameter cannot be applied when add\_abund\_table parameter is provided.

use\_taxa\_num default NULL; integer; a number used to select high abundant taxa; only useful when use\_data parameter is a taxonomic level, e.g., "Genus".

other\_taxa default NULL; character vector containing a series of feature names; available when use\_data = "other"; provided names should be standard full names used to select taxa from all the tables in taxa\_abund list of the microtable object; please refer to the example.

p\_adjust\_method default "fdr"; p.adjust method; see method parameter of p.adjust function for available options. p\_adjust\_method = "none" can disable the p value adjustment.

p\_adjust\_type default "All"; "All", "Taxa" or "Env"; P value adjustment type. "Env": adjustment for each environmental variable separately; "Taxa": adjustment for each taxon separately; "All": adjustment for all the data together no matter whether by\_group is provided.

by\_group default NULL; one column name or number in sample\_table; calculate correlations for different groups separately.

group\_use default NULL; numeric or character vector to select one column in sample\_table for selecting samples; together with group\_select.

group\_select default NULL; the group name used; remain samples within the group.

taxa\_name\_full default TRUE; Whether use the complete taxonomic name of taxa.

tmp\_input\_maaslin2 default "tmp\_input"; the temporary folder used to save the input files for Maaslin2.

tmp\_output\_maaslin2 default "tmp\_output"; the temporary folder used to save the output files of Maaslin2.

cor\_method deprecated. Please use method argument instead.

... parameters passed to Maaslin2 function of Maaslin2 package.

*Returns:* res\_cor stored in the object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t2 <- trans_diff$new(dataset = dataset, method = "rf", group = "Group", rf_taxa_level = "Genus")
t1 <- trans_env$new(dataset = dataset, add_data = env_data_16S[, 4:11])
```

```
t1$cal_cor(use_data = "other", p_adjust_method = "fdr", other_taxa = t2$res_diff$Taxa[1:40])
}
```

**Method** `plot_cor()`: Plot correlation heatmap.

*Usage:*

```
trans_env$plot_cor(
  color_vector = c("#053061", "white", "#A50026"),
  color_palette = NULL,
  filter_feature = NULL,
  filter_env = NULL,
  keep_full_name = FALSE,
  keep_prefix = TRUE,
  text_y_order = NULL,
  text_x_order = NULL,
  xtext_angle = 30,
  xtext_size = 10,
  xtext_color = "black",
  ytext_italic = FALSE,
  ytext_size = NULL,
  ytext_color = "black",
  ytext_position = "right",
  sig_label_size = 4,
  font_family = NULL,
  cluster_ggplot = "none",
  cluster_height_rows = 0.2,
  cluster_height_cols = 0.2,
  na.value = "grey50",
  trans = "identity",
  ylab_type_italic = deprecated(),
  text_y_position = deprecated(),
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

`color_vector` default `c("#053061", "white", "#A50026")`; colors with only three values representing low, middle and high values.

`color_palette` default `NULL`; a customized palette with more color values to be used instead of the parameter `color_vector`.

`filter_feature` default `NULL`; character vector; used to filter features that only have labels in the `filter_feature` vector. For example, `filter_feature = ""` can be used to remove features that only have "", no any "\*".

`filter_env` default `NULL`; character vector; used to filter environmental variables that only have labels in the `filter_env` vector. For example, `filter_env = ""` can be used to remove features that only have "", no any "\*".

`keep_full_name` default `FALSE`; whether use the complete taxonomic name.

`keep_prefix` default `TRUE`; whether retain the taxonomic prefix.

`text_y_order` default `NULL`; character vector; customized text for y axis; shown in the plot from the top down. The input should be consistent with the feature names in the `res_cor` table.

```

text_x_order default NULL; character vector; customized text for x axis.
xtext_angle default 30; number ranging from 0 to 90; used to adjust x axis text angle.
xtext_size default 10; x axis text size.
xtext_color default "black"; x axis text color.
ytext_italic default FALSE; whether use italic for y axis text.
ytext_size default NULL; y axis text size. NULL means default ggplot2 value.
ytext_color default "black"; y axis text color.
ytext_position default "right"; "left" or "right"; the y axis text position.
sig_label_size default 4; the size of significance label shown in the cell.
font_family default NULL; font family used.
cluster_ggplot default "none"; add clustering dendrogram for ggplot2 based heatmap. Available options: "none", "row", "col" or "both". "none": no any clustering used; "row": add clustering for rows; "col": add clustering for columns; "both": add clustering for both rows and columns.
cluster_height_rows default 0.2, the dendrogram plot height for rows; available when cluster_ggplot is not "none".
cluster_height_cols default 0.2, the dendrogram plot height for columns; available when cluster_ggplot is not "none".
na.value default "grey50"; the color for the missing values.
trans default "identity"; the transformation for continuous scales in the legend; see the trans item in ggplot2::scale_colour_gradientn.
ylab_type_italic deprecated. Please use ytext_italic argument instead.
text_y_position deprecated. Please use ytext_position argument instead.
... paremeters passed to ggplot2::geom_tile.

```

*Returns:* ggplot2 object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$plot_cor()
}
```

**Method** `plot_scatterfit()`: Scatter plot with fitted line based on the correlation or regression. The most important thing is to make sure that the input x and y have correponding sample orders. If one of x and y is a matrix, the other will be also transformed to matrix with Euclidean distance. Then, both of them are transformed to be vectors. If x or y is a vector with a single value, x or y will be assigned according to the column selection of the data\_env in the object.

*Usage:*

```
trans_env$plot_scatterfit(
  x = NULL,
  y = NULL,
  group = NULL,
  group_order = NULL,
  color_values = RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"),
  shape_values = NULL,
  type = c("cor", "lm")[1],
  cor_method = "pearson",
```

```

label_sep = ";",
label.x.npc = "left",
label.y.npc = "top",
label.x = NULL,
label.y = NULL,
x_axis_title = "",
y_axis_title = "",
point_size = 5,
point_alpha = 0.6,
line_size = 0.8,
line_color = "black",
line_se = TRUE,
line_se_color = "grey70",
line_alpha = 0.5,
pvalue_trim = 4,
cor_coef_trim = 3,
lm_equation = TRUE,
lm_fir_trim = 2,
lm_sec_trim = 2,
lm_squ_trim = 2,
...
)

```

*Arguments:*

- x default NULL; a single numeric or character value, a vector, or a distance matrix used for the x axis. If x is a single value, it will be used to select the column of data\_env in the object. If x is a distance matrix, it will be transformed to be a vector.
- y default NULL; a single numeric or character value, a vector, or a distance matrix used for the y axis. If y is a single value, it will be used to select the column of data\_env in the object. If y is a distance matrix, it will be transformed to be a vector.
- group default NULL; a character vector; if length is 1, must be a colname of sample\_table in the input dataset; Otherwise, group should be a vector having same length with x/y (for vector) or column number of x/y (for matrix).
- group\_order default NULL; a vector used to order groups, i.e. reorder the legend and colors in plot when group is not NULL; If group\_order is NULL and group is provided, the function can first check whether the group column of sample\_table is factor. If group\_order is provided, disable the group orders or factor levels in the group column of sample\_table.
- color\_values default RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"); color pallete for different groups.
- shape\_values default NULL; a numeric vector for point shape types of groups when group is not NULL, see ggplot2 tutorial.
- type default c("cor", "lm")[1]; "cor": correlation; "lm" for regression.
- cor\_method default "pearson"; one of "pearson", "kendall" and "spearman"; correlation method.
- label\_sep default ";" ; the separator string between different label parts.
- label.x.npc default "left"; can be numeric or character vector of the same length as the number of groups and/or panels. If too short, they will be recycled.
- numeric** value should be between 0 and 1. Coordinates to be used for positioning the label, expressed in "normalized parent coordinates"

**character** allowed values include: i) one of c('right', 'left', 'center', 'centre', 'middle') for x-axis; ii) and one of c( 'bottom', 'top', 'center', 'centre', 'middle') for y-axis.

**label.y.npc** default "top"; same usage with **label.x.npc**; also see **label.y.npc** parameter of **ggpubr::stat\_cor** function.

**label.x** default NULL; x axis absolute position for adding the statistic label.

**label.y** default NULL; x axis absolute position for adding the statistic label.

**x\_axis\_title** default ""; the title of x axis.

**y\_axis\_title** default ""; the title of y axis.

**point\_size** default 5; point size value.

**point\_alpha** default 0.6; alpha value for the point color transparency.

**line\_size** default 0.8; line size value.

**line\_color** default "black"; fitted line color; only available when **group** = NULL.

**line\_se** default TRUE; Whether show the confidence interval for the fitting.

**line\_se\_color** default "grey70"; the color to fill the confidence interval when **line\_se** = TRUE.

**line\_alpha** default 0.5; alpha value for the color transparency of line confidence interval.

**pvalue\_trim** default 4; trim the decimal places of p value.

**cor\_coef\_trim** default 3; trim the decimal places of correlation coefficient.

**lm\_equation** default TRUE; whether include the equation in the label when type = "lm".

**lm\_fir\_trim** default 2; trim the decimal places of first coefficient in regression.

**lm\_sec\_trim** default 2; trim the decimal places of second coefficient in regression.

**lm\_squ\_trim** default 2; trim the decimal places of R square in regression.

... other arguments passed to **geom\_text** or **geom\_label**.

**Returns:** ggplot.

**Examples:**

```
\donttest{
t1$plot_scatterfit(x = 1, y = 2, type = "cor")
t1$plot_scatterfit(x = 1, y = 2, type = "lm", point_alpha = .3)
t1$plot_scatterfit(x = "pH", y = "TOC", type = "lm", group = "Group", line_se = FALSE)
t1$plot_scatterfit(x =
  dataset$beta_diversity$bray[rownames(t1$data_env), rownames(t1$data_env)], y = "pH")
}
```

**Method print():** Print the trans\_env object.

**Usage:**

```
trans_env$print()
```

**Method clone():** The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

**Usage:**

```
trans_env$clone(deep = FALSE)
```

**Arguments:**

**deep** Whether to make a deep clone.

## Examples

```

## -----
## Method `trans_env$new`
## -----


data(dataset)
data(env_data_16S)
t1 <- trans_env$new(dataset = dataset, add_data = env_data_16S[, 4:11])

## -----
## Method `trans_env$cal_diff`
## -----


t1$cal_diff(group = "Group", method = "KW")
t1$cal_diff(group = "Group", method = "anova")

## -----
## Method `trans_env$cal_autocor`
## -----


## Not run:
# Spearman correlation
t1$cal_autocor(upper = list(continuous = GGally::wrap("cor", method= "spearman")))

## End(Not run)

## -----
## Method `trans_env$cal_ordination`
## -----


t1$cal_ordination(method = "dbRDA", use_measure = "bray")
t1$cal_ordination(method = "RDA", taxa_level = "Genus")
t1$cal_ordination(method = "CCA", taxa_level = "Genus")

## -----
## Method `trans_env$cal_ordination_anova`
## -----


t1$cal_ordination_anova()

## -----
## Method `trans_env$cal_ordination_envfit`
## -----


t1$cal_ordination_envfit()

```

```
## -----
## Method `trans_env$trans_ordination`
## -----



t1$trans_ordination(adjust_arrow_length = TRUE, min_perc_env = 0.1, max_perc_env = 1)

## -----
## Method `trans_env$plot_ordination`
## -----



t1$cal_ordination(method = "RDA")
t1$trans_ordination(adjust_arrow_length = TRUE, max_perc_env = 1.5)
t1$plot_ordination(plot_color = "Group")
t1$plot_ordination(plot_color = "Group", plot_shape = "Group", plot_type = c("point", "ellipse"))
t1$plot_ordination(plot_color = "Group", plot_type = c("point", "chull"))
t1$plot_ordination(plot_color = "Group", plot_type = c("point", "centroid"),
                    centroid_segment_linetype = 1)
t1$plot_ordination(plot_color = "Group", env_nudge_x = c(0.4, 0, 0, 0, 0, -0.2, 0, 0),
                    env_nudge_y = c(0.6, 0, 0.2, 0.5, 0, 0.1, 0, 0.2))

## -----
## Method `trans_env$cal_mantel`
## -----



t1$cal_mantel(use_measure = "bray")
t1$cal_mantel(partial_mantel = TRUE, use_measure = "bray")

## -----
## Method `trans_env$cal_cor`
## -----



t2 <- trans_diff$new(dataset = dataset, method = "rf", group = "Group", rf_taxa_level = "Genus")
t1 <- trans_env$new(dataset = dataset, add_data = env_data_16S[, 4:11])
t1$cal_cor(use_data = "other", p_adjust_method = "fdr", other_taxa = t2$res_diff$Taxa[1:40])

## -----
## Method `trans_env$plot_cor`
## -----



t1$plot_cor()
```

```
## -----
## Method `trans_env$plot_scatterfit`
## -----
```

```
t1$plot_scatterfit(x = 1, y = 2, type = "cor")
t1$plot_scatterfit(x = 1, y = 2, type = "lm", point_alpha = .3)
t1$plot_scatterfit(x = "pH", y = "TOC", type = "lm", group = "Group", line_se = FALSE)
t1$plot_scatterfit(x =
  dataset$beta_diversity$bray[rownames(t1$data_env), rownames(t1$data_env)], y = "pH")
```

**trans\_func***Create trans\_func object for functional prediction.***Description**

This class is a wrapper for a series of functional prediction analysis on species and communities, including the prokaryotic trait prediction based on Louca et al. (2016) <doi:10.1126/science.aaf4507> and Lim et al. (2020) <10.1038/s41597-020-0516-5>, or fungal trait prediction based on Nguyen et al. (2016) <10.1016/j.funeco.2015.06.006> and Polme et al. (2020) <doi:10.1007/s13225-020-00466-2>; functional redundancy calculation and metabolic pathway abundance prediction Abhauer et al. (2015) <10.1093/bioinformatics/btv287>.

**Active bindings**

`func_group_list` store and show the function group list

**Methods****Public methods:**

- `trans_func$new()`
- `trans_func$cal_spe_func()`
- `trans_func$cal_spe_func_perc()`
- `trans_func$show_prok_func()`
- `trans_func$trans_spe_func_perc()`
- `trans_func$plot_spe_func_perc()`
- `trans_func$cal_tax4fun2()`
- `trans_func$cal_tax4fun2_FRI()`
- `trans_func$clone()`

**Method new():** Create the `trans_func` object. This function can identify the data type for Prokaryotes or Fungi automatically.

*Usage:*

`trans_func$new(dataset = NULL)`

*Arguments:*

dataset the object of `microtable` Class.

*Returns:* for\_what: "prok" or "fungi" or NA, "prok" represent prokaryotes. "fungi" represent fungi. NA stand for unknown according to the Kingdom information. In this case, if the user still want to use the function to identify species traits, please provide "prok" or "fungi" manually, e.g. `t1$for_what <- "prok"`.

*Examples:*

```
data(dataset)
t1 <- trans_func$new(dataset = dataset)
```

**Method cal\_spe\_func()**: Identify traits of each feature by matching taxonomic assignments to functional database.

*Usage:*

```
trans_func$cal_spe_func(
  prok_database = c("FAPROTAX", "NJC19")[1],
  fungi_database = c("FUNGuild", "FungalTraits")[1],
  FUNGuild_confidence = c("Highly Probable", "Probable", "Possible")
)
```

*Arguments:*

prok\_database default "FAPROTAX"; "FAPROTAX" or "NJC19"; select a prokaryotic trait database:

**'FAPROTAX'** FAPROTAX; Reference: Louca et al. (2016). Decoupling function and taxonomy in the global ocean microbiome. *Science*, 353(6305), 1272. <[doi:10.1126/science.aaf4507](https://doi.org/10.1126/science.aaf4507)>

**'NJC19'** NJC19: Lim et al. (2020). Large-scale metabolic interaction network of the mouse and human gut microbiota. *Scientific Data*, 7(1). <[10.1038/s41597-020-0516-5](https://doi.org/10.1038/s41597-020-0516-5)>.

Note that the matching in this database is performed at the species level, hence utilizing it demands a higher level of precision in regards to the assignments of species in the taxonomic information table.

fungi\_database default "FUNGuild"; "FUNGuild" or "FungalTraits"; select a fungal trait database:

**'FUNGuild'** Nguyen et al. (2016) FUNGuild: An open annotation tool for parsing fungal community datasets by ecological guild. *Fungal Ecology*, 20(1), 241-248, <[doi:10.1016/j.funeco.2015.06.006](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.funeco.2015.06.006)>

**'FungalTraits'** version: FungalTraits\_1.2\_ver\_16Dec\_2020V.1.2; Polme et al. Fungal Traits: a user-friendly traits database of fungi and fungus-like stramenopiles. *Fungal Diversity* 105, 1-16 (2020). <[doi:10.1007/s13225-020-00466-2](https://doi.org/10.1007/s13225-020-00466-2)>

FUNGuild\_confidence default c("Highly Probable", "Probable", "Possible"). Selected 'confidenceRanking' when fungi\_database = "FUNGuild".

*Returns:* res\_spe\_func stored in object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$cal_spe_func(prok_database = "FAPROTAX")
}
```

**Method cal\_spe\_func\_perc()**: Calculating the percentages of species with specific trait in communities. The percentages of the taxa with specific trait can reflect corresponding functional

potential in the community. So this method is one representation of functional redundancy (FR) without the consideration of phylogenetic distance among taxa. The FR is defined:

$$FR_{kj}^{unweighted} = \frac{N_j}{N_k}$$

$$FR_{kj}^{weighted} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N_j} A_i}{\sum_{i=1}^{N_k} A_i}$$

where  $FR_{kj}$  denotes the FR for sample k and function j.  $N_k$  is the species number in sample k.  $N_j$  is the number of species with function j in sample k.  $A_i$  is the abundance (counts) of species i in sample k.

*Usage:*

```
trans_func$cal_spe_func_perc(abundance_weighted = FALSE, perc = TRUE, dec = 2)
```

*Arguments:*

abundance\_weighted default FALSE; whether use abundance of taxa. If FALSE, calculate the functional population percentage. If TRUE, calculate the functional individual percentage.

perc default TRUE; whether to use percentages in the result. If TRUE, value is bounded between 0 and 100. If FALSE, the result is relative proportion ('abundance\_weighted = FALSE') or relative abundance ('abundance\_weighted = TRUE') bounded between 0 and 1.

dec default 2; remained decimal places.

*Returns:* res\_spe\_func\_perc stored in the object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$cal_spe_func_perc(abundance_weighted = TRUE)
}
```

**Method** show\_prok\_func(): Show the annotation information for a function of prokaryotes from FAPROTAX database.

*Usage:*

```
trans_func$show_prok_func(use_func = NULL)
```

*Arguments:*

use\_func default NULL; the function name.

*Returns:* None.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$show_prok_func(use_func = "methanotrophy")
}
```

**Method** trans\_spe\_func\_perc(): Transform the res\_spe\_func\_perc table to the long table format for the following visualization. Also add the group information if the database has hierarchical groups.

*Usage:*

```
trans_func$trans_spe_func_perc()
```

*Returns:* res\_spe\_func\_perc\_trans stored in the object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$trans_spe_func_perc()
}
```

**Method** plot\_spe\_func\_perc(): Plot the percentages of species with specific trait in communities.

*Usage:*

```
trans_func$plot_spe_func_perc(
  add_facet = TRUE,
  order_x = NULL,
  color_gradient_low = "#00008B",
  color_gradient_high = "#9E0142"
)
```

*Arguments:*

add\_facet default TRUE; whether use group names as the facets in the plot, see trans\_func\$func\_group\_list object.

order\_x default NULL; character vector; to sort the x axis text; can be also used to select partial samples to show.

color\_gradient\_low default "#00008B"; the color used as the low end in the color gradient.

color\_gradient\_high default "#9E0142"; the color used as the high end in the color gradient.

*Returns:* ggplot2.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$plot_spe_func_perc()
}
```

**Method** cal\_tax4fun2(): Predict functional potential of communities with Tax4Fun2 method. The function was adapted from the raw Tax4Fun2 package to make it compatible with the mi-crotable object. Pleas cite: Tax4Fun2: prediction of habitat-specific functional profiles and functional redundancy based on 16S rRNA gene sequences. Environmental Microbiome 15, 11 (2020). <doi:10.1186/s40793-020-00358-7>

*Usage:*

```
trans_func$cal_tax4fun2(
  blast_tool_path = NULL,
  path_to_reference_data = "Tax4Fun2_ReferenceData_v2",
  path_to_temp_folder = NULL,
  database_mode = "Ref99NR",
  normalize_by_copy_number = T,
  min_identity_to_reference = 97,
  use_uproc = T,
  num_threads = 1,
  normalize_pathways = F
)
```

*Arguments:*

`blast_tool_path` default NULL; the folder path, e.g., ncbi-blast-2.5.0+/bin ; blast tools folder downloaded from "ftp://ftp.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/blast/executables/blast+" ; e.g., ncbi-blast-2.5.0+-x64-win64.tar.gz for windows system; if `blast_tool_path` is NULL, search the tools in the environmental path variable.

`path_to_reference_data` default "Tax4Fun2\_ReferenceData\_v2"; the path that points to files used in the prediction; The directory must contain the Ref99NR or Ref100NR folder; download Ref99NR.zip from "https://cloudstor.aarnet.edu.au/plus/s/DkoZlyZpMNbrzSw/download" or Ref100NR.zip from "https://cloudstor.aarnet.edu.au/plus/s/jIByczak9ZAFUB4/download".

`path_to_temp_folder` default NULL; The temporary folder to store the logfile, intermediate file and result files; if NULL, use the default temporary in the computer system.

`database_mode` default 'Ref99NR'; "Ref99NR" or "Ref100NR"; Ref99NR: 99% clustering reference database; Ref100NR: no clustering.

`normalize_by_copy_number` default TRUE; whether normalize the result by the 16S rRNA copy number in the genomes.

`min_identity_to_reference` default 97; the sequences identity threshold used for finding the nearest species.

`use_uproc` default TRUE; whether use UProC to functionally annotate the genomes in the reference data.

`num_threads` default 1; the threads used in the blastn.

`normalize_pathways` default FALSE; Different to Tax4Fun, when converting from KEGG functions to KEGG pathways, Tax4Fun2 does not equally split KO gene abundances between pathways a functions is affiliated to. The full predicted abundance is affiliated to each pathway. Use TRUE to split the abundances (default is FALSE).

*Returns:* `res_tax4fun2_KO` and `res_tax4fun2_pathway` in object.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
t1$cal_tax4fun2(blast_tool_path = "ncbi-blast-2.5.0+/bin",
                 path_to_reference_data = "Tax4Fun2_ReferenceData_v2")
}
```

**Method** `cal_tax4fun2_FRI()`: Calculate (multi-) functional redundancy index (FRI) of prokaryotic community with Tax4Fun2 method. This function is used to calculating aFRI and rFRI use the intermediate files generated by the function `cal_tax4fun2()`. please also cite: Tax4Fun2: prediction of habitat-specific functional profiles and functional redundancy based on 16S rRNA gene sequences. Environmental Microbiome 15, 11 (2020). <doi:10.1186/s40793-020-00358-7>

*Usage:*

```
trans_func$cal_tax4fun2_FRI()
```

*Returns:* `res_tax4fun2_aFRI` and `res_tax4fun2_rFRI` in object.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
t1$cal_tax4fun2_FRI()
}
```

**Method** `clone()`: The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

*Usage:*

```
trans_func$clone(deep = FALSE)
```

*Arguments:*

deep Whether to make a deep clone.

## Examples

```
## -----
## Method `trans_func$new`
## -----  
  
data(dataset)
t1 <- trans_func$new(dataset = dataset)  
  
## -----
## Method `trans_func$cal_spe_func`
## -----  
  
t1$cal_spe_func(prok_database = "FAPROTAX")  
  
## -----
## Method `trans_func$cal_spe_func_perc`
## -----  
  
t1$cal_spe_func_perc(abundance_weighted = TRUE)  
  
## -----
## Method `trans_func$show_prok_func`
## -----  
  
t1$show_prok_func(use_func = "methanotrophy")  
  
## -----
## Method `trans_func$trans_spe_func_perc`
## -----  
  
t1$trans_spe_func_perc()  
  
## -----
## Method `trans_func$plot_spe_func_perc`
## -----  
  
t1$plot_spe_func_perc()
```

```

## -----
## Method `trans_func$cal_tax4fun2`
## -----


## Not run:
t1$cal_tax4fun2(blast_tool_path = "ncbi-blast-2.5.0+/bin",
                 path_to_reference_data = "Tax4Fun2_ReferenceData_v2")

## End(Not run)

## -----
## Method `trans_func$cal_tax4fun2_FRI`
## -----


## Not run:
t1$cal_tax4fun2_FRI()

## End(Not run)

```

**trans\_network***Create trans\_network object for network analysis.***Description**

This class is a wrapper for a series of network analysis methods, including the network construction, topological attributes analysis, eigengene analysis, network subsetting, node and edge properties, network visualization and other operations.

**Methods****Public methods:**

- [trans\\_network\\$new\(\)](#)
- [trans\\_network\\$cal\\_network\(\)](#)
- [trans\\_network\\$cal\\_module\(\)](#)
- [trans\\_network\\$save\\_network\(\)](#)
- [trans\\_network\\$cal\\_network\\_attr\(\)](#)
- [trans\\_network\\$get\\_node\\_table\(\)](#)
- [trans\\_network\\$get\\_edge\\_table\(\)](#)
- [trans\\_network\\$get\\_adjacency\\_matrix\(\)](#)
- [trans\\_network\\$plot\\_network\(\)](#)
- [trans\\_network\\$cal\\_eigen\(\)](#)
- [trans\\_network\\$plot\\_taxa\\_roles\(\)](#)
- [trans\\_network\\$subset\\_network\(\)](#)
- [trans\\_network\\$cal\\_powerlaw\(\)](#)

- `trans_network$cal_sum_links()`
- `trans_network$plot_sum_links()`
- `trans_network$random_network()`
- `trans_network$trans_comm()`
- `trans_network$print()`
- `trans_network$clone()`

**Method new():** Create the `trans_network` object, store the important intermediate data and calculate correlations if `cor_method` parameter is not NULL.

*Usage:*

```
trans_network$new(
  dataset = NULL,
  cor_method = NULL,
  use_WGCNA_pearson_spearman = FALSE,
  use_NetCoMi_pearson_spearman = FALSE,
  use_sparcc_method = c("NetCoMi", "SpiecEasi")[1],
  taxa_level = "OTU",
  filter_thres = 0,
  nThreads = 1,
  SparCC_simu_num = 100,
  env_cols = NULL,
  add_data = NULL,
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

`dataset` default NULL; the object of `microtable` class. Default NULL means customized analysis.

`cor_method` default NULL; NULL or one of "bray", "pearson", "spearman", "sparcc", "bicor", "cclasso" and "ccrepe"; All the methods referred to NetCoMi package are performed based on `netConstruct` function of NetCoMi package and require NetCoMi to be installed from Github (<https://github.com/stefpeschel/NetCoMi>); For the algorithm details, please see Peschel et al. 2020 Brief. Bioinform <doi: 10.1093/bib/bbaa290>;

`NULL` `NULL` denotes non-correlation network, i.e. do not use correlation-based network.

If so, the return `res_cor_p` list will be `NULL`.

**'bray'** 1-B, where B is Bray-Curtis dissimilarity; based on vegan: `:vegdist` function

**'pearson'** Pearson correlation; If `use_WGCNA_pearson_spearman` and `use_NetCoMi_pearson_spearman` are both FALSE, use the function `cor.test` in R; `use_WGCNA_pearson_spearman` = TRUE invoke `corAndPvalue` function of WGCNA package; `use_NetCoMi_pearson_spearman` = TRUE invoke `netConstruct` function of NetCoMi package

**'spearman'** Spearman correlation; other details are same with the 'pearson' option

**'sparcc'** SparCC algorithm (Friedman & Alm, PLoS Comp Biol, 2012, <doi:10.1371/journal.pcbi.1002687>); use NetCoMi package when `use_sparcc_method` = "NetCoMi"; use SpiecEasi package when `use_sparcc_method` = "SpiecEasi" and require SpiecEasi to be installed from Github (<https://github.com/zdk123/SpiecEasi>)

**'bicor'** Calculate biweight midcorrelation efficiently for matrices based on WGCNA: `:bicor` function; This option can invoke `netConstruct` function of NetCoMi package; Make sure WGCNA and NetCoMi packages are both installed

**'cclasso'** Correlation inference of Composition data through Lasso method based on netConstruct function of NetCoMi package; for details, see NetCoMi::cclasso function

**'ccrepe'** Calculates compositionality-corrected p-values and q-values for compositional data using an arbitrary distance metric based on NetCoMi::netConstruct function; also see NetCoMi::ccrepe function

use\_WGCNA\_pearson\_spearman default FALSE; whether use WGCNA package to calculate correlation when cor\_method = "pearson" or "spearman".

use\_NetCoMi\_pearson\_spearman default FALSE; whether use NetCoMi package to calculate correlation when cor\_method = "pearson" or "spearman". The important difference between NetCoMi and others is the features of zero handling and data normalization; See <doi: 10.1093/bib/bbaa290>.

use\_sparcc\_method default c("NetCoMi", "SpiecEasi")[1]; use NetCoMi package or SpiecEasi package to perform SparCC when cor\_method = "sparcc".

taxa\_level default "OTU"; taxonomic rank; 'OTU' denotes using feature abundance table; other available options should be one of the colnames of tax\_table of input dataset.

filter\_thres default 0; the relative abundance threshold.

nThreads default 1; the CPU thread number; available when use\_WGCNA\_pearson\_spearman = TRUE or use\_sparcc\_method = "SpiecEasi".

SparCC\_simu\_num default 100; SparCC simulation number for bootstrap when use\_sparcc\_method = "SpiecEasi".

env\_cols default NULL; numeric or character vector to select the column names of environmental data in dataset\$sample\_table; the environmental data can be used in the correlation network (as the nodes) or FlashWeave network.

add\_data default NULL; provide environmental variable table additionally instead of env\_cols parameter; rownames must be sample names.

... parameters pass to NetCoMi::netConstruct for other operations, such as zero handling and/or data normalization when cor\_method and other parameters refer to NetCoMi package.

*Returns:* res\_cor\_p list with the correlation (association) matrix and p value matrix. Note that when cor\_method and other parameters refer to NetCoMi package, the p value table are all zero as the significant associations have been selected.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
data(dataset)
# for correlation network
t1 <- trans_network$new(dataset = dataset, cor_method = "pearson",
taxa_level = "OTU", filter_thres = 0.0002)
# for non-correlation network
t1 <- trans_network$new(dataset = dataset, cor_method = NULL)
}
```

**Method cal\_network():** Construct network based on the igraph package or SpiecEasi package or julia FlashWeave package or beemStatic package.

*Usage:*

```
trans_network$cal_network(
network_method = c("COR", "SpiecEasi", "gcoda", "FlashWeave", "beemStatic")[1],
```

```

COR_p_thres = 0.01,
COR_p_adjust = "fdr",
COR_weight = TRUE,
COR_cut = 0.6,
COR_optimization = FALSE,
COR_optimization_low_high = c(0.01, 0.8),
COR_optimization_seq = 0.01,
SpiecEasi_method = "mb",
FlashWeave_tempdir = NULL,
FlashWeave_meta_data = FALSE,
FlashWeave_other_para = "alpha=0.01,sensitive=true,heterogeneous=true",
FlashWeave_gml = NULL,
beemStatic_t_strength = 0.001,
beemStatic_t_stab = 0.8,
add_taxa_name = "Phylum",
delete_unlinked_nodes = TRUE,
username_rawtaxa_notOTU = FALSE,
...
)

```

*Arguments:*

network\_method default "COR"; "COR", "SpiecEasi", "gcoda", "FlashWeave" or "beemStatic";  
 network\_method = NULL means skipping the network construction for the customized use.

The option details:

**'COR'** correlation-based network; use the correlation and p value matrices in `res_cor_p` list stored in the object; See Deng et al. (2012) <doi:10.1186/1471-2105-13-113> for other details

**'SpiecEasi'** SpiecEasi network; relies on algorithms of sparse neighborhood and inverse covariance selection; belong to the category of conditional dependence and graphical models; see <https://github.com/zdk123/SpiecEasi> for installing the R package; see Kurtz et al. (2015) <doi:10.1371/journal.pcbi.1004226> for the algorithm details

**'gcoda'** hypothesize the logistic normal distribution of microbiome data; use penalized maximum likelihood method to estimate the sparse structure of inverse covariance for latent normal variables to address the high dimensionality of the microbiome data; belong to the category of conditional dependence and graphical models; depend on the R NetCoMi package <https://github.com/stefpeschel/NetCoMi>; see FANG et al. (2017) <doi:10.1089/cmb.2017.0054> for the algorithm details

**'FlashWeave'** FlashWeave network; Local-to-global learning framework; belong to the category of conditional dependence and graphical models; good performance on heterogeneous datasets to find direct associations among taxa; see <https://github.com/meringlab/FlashWeave.jl> for installing julia language and FlashWeave package; julia must be in the computer system env path, otherwise the program can not find it; see Tackmann et al. (2019) <doi:10.1016/j.cels.2019.08.002> for the algorithm details

**'beemStatic'** beemStatic network; extend generalized Lotka-Volterra model to cases of cross-sectional datasets to infer interaction among taxa based on expectation-maximization algorithm; see <https://github.com/CSB5/BEEM-static> for installing the R package; see Li et al. (2021) <doi:10.1371/journal.pcbi.1009343> for the algorithm details

`COR_p_thres` default 0.01; the p value threshold for the correlation-based network.

COR\_p\_adjust default "fdr"; p value adjustment method, see method parameter of `p.adjust` function for available options, in which `COR_p_adjust = "none"` means giving up the p value adjustment.

`COR_weight` default TRUE; whether use correlation coefficient as the weight of edges; FALSE represents weight = 1 for all edges.

`COR_cut` default 0.6; correlation coefficient threshold for the correlation network.

`COR_optimization` default FALSE; whether use random matrix theory (RMT) based method to determine the correlation coefficient; see <https://doi.org/10.1186/1471-2105-13-113>

`COR_optimization_low_high` default `c(0.01, 0.8)`; the low and high value threshold used for the RMT optimization; only useful when `COR_optimization = TRUE`.

`COR_optimization_seq` default 0.01; the interval of correlation coefficient used for RMT optimization; only useful when `COR_optimization = TRUE`.

`SpiecEasi_method` default "mb"; either 'glasso' or 'mb'; see `spiec.easi` function in package SpiecEasi and <https://github.com/zdk123/SpiecEasi>.

`FlashWeave_tempdir` default NULL; The temporary directory used to save the temporary files for running FlashWeave; If not assigned, use the system user temp.

`FlashWeave_meta_data` default FALSE; whether use env data for the optimization, If TRUE, the function automatically find the `env_data` in the object and generate a file for `meta_data_path` parameter of FlashWeave package.

`FlashWeave_other_para` default "alpha=0.01, sensitive=true, heterogeneous=true"; the parameters passed to julia FlashWeave package; user can change the parameters or add more according to FlashWeave help document; An exception is `meta_data_path` parameter as it is generated based on the data inside the object, see `FlashWeave_meta_data` parameter for the description.

`FlashWeave_gml` default NULL; The path of FlashWeave output gml file for customized usage. This parameter is provided for some customized needs. For instance, it can be cumbersome to input bacterial and fungal abundances as separate input files for network analysis using the above parameter. Users can run FlashWeave on their own, and then provide the resulting gml file to this parameter, which allows them to continue using other functions.

`beemStatic_t_strength` default 0.001; for `network_method = "beemStatic"`; the threshold used to limit the number of interactions (strength); same with the `t.strength` parameter in `showInteraction` function of beemStatic package.

`beemStatic_t_stab` default 0.8; for `network_method = "beemStatic"`; the threshold used to limit the number of interactions (stability); same with the `t.stab` parameter in `showInteraction` function of beemStatic package.

`add_taxa_name` default "Phylum"; one or more taxonomic rank name; used to add taxonomic rank name to network node properties.

`delete_unlinked_nodes` default TRUE; whether delete the nodes without any link.

`username_rawtaxa_notOTU` default FALSE; whether use OTU name as representatives of taxa when `taxa_level != "OTU"`. Default FALSE means using taxonomic information of `taxa_level` instead of OTU name.

... parameters pass to `SpiecEasi::spiec.easi` when `network_method = "SpiecEasi"`; pass to `NetCoMi::netConstruct` when `network_method = "gcoda"`; pass to `beemStatic::func.EM` when `network_method = "beemStatic"`.

*Returns:* `res_network` stored in object.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
# for correlation network
t1 <- trans_network$new(dataset = dataset, cor_method = "pearson",
taxa_level = "OTU", filter_thres = 0.001)
t1$cal_network(COR_p_thres = 0.05, COR_cut = 0.6)
t1 <- trans_network$new(dataset = dataset, cor_method = NULL, filter_thres = 0.003)
t1$cal_network(network_method = "SpiecEasi", SpiecEasi_method = "mb")
t1 <- trans_network$new(dataset = dataset, cor_method = NULL, filter_thres = 0.005)
t1$cal_network(network_method = "beemStatic")
t1 <- trans_network$new(dataset = dataset, cor_method = NULL, filter_thres = 0.001)
t1$cal_network(network_method = "FlashWeave")
}
```

**Method cal\_module():** Calculate network modules and add module names to the network node properties.

*Usage:*

```
trans_network$cal_module(
  method = "cluster_fast_greedy",
  module_name_prefix = "M"
)
```

*Arguments:*

method default "cluster\_fast\_greedy"; the method used to find the optimal community structure of a graph; the following are available functions (options) from igraph package:  
 "cluster\_fast\_greedy", "cluster\_walktrap", "cluster\_edge\_betweenness",  
 "cluster\_infomap", "cluster\_label\_prop", "cluster\_leading\_eigen",  
 "cluster\_louvain", "cluster\_spinglass", "cluster\_optimal".  
 For the details of these functions, please see the help document, such as `help(cluster_fast_greedy)`; Note that the default "cluster\_fast\_greedy" method can not be applied to directed network. If directed network is provided, the function can automatically switch the default method from "cluster\_fast\_greedy" to "cluster\_walktrap".  
 module\_name\_prefix default "M"; the prefix of module names; module names are made of the module\_name\_prefix and numbers; numbers are assigned according to the sorting result of node numbers in modules with decreasing trend.

*Returns:* res\_network with modules, stored in object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1 <- trans_network$new(dataset = dataset, cor_method = "pearson",
taxa_level = "OTU", filter_thres = 0.0002)
t1$cal_network(COR_p_thres = 0.01, COR_cut = 0.6)
t1$cal_module(method = "cluster_fast_greedy")
}
```

**Method save\_network():** Save network as gexf style, which can be opened by Gephi (<https://gephi.org/>).

*Usage:*

```
trans_network$save_network(filepath = "network.gexf", ...)
```

*Arguments:*

`filepath default "network.gexf"; file path to save the network.`  
`... parameters pass to gexf function of rgexf package except for nodes, edges, edgesLabel,`  
`edgesWeight, nodesAtt, edgesAtt and meta.`

*Returns:* None

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
t1$save_network(filepath = "network.gexf")
}
```

**Method** `cal_network_attr()`: Calculate network properties.

*Usage:*

```
trans_network$cal_network_attr()
```

*Returns:* `res_network_attr` stored in object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$cal_network_attr()
}
```

**Method** `get_node_table()`: Get the node property table. The properties include the node names, modules allocation, degree, betweenness, abundance, taxonomy, within-module connectivity ( $z_i$ ) and among-module connectivity ( $P_i$ ) <doi:10.1186/1471-2105-13-113; 10.1016/j.geoderma.2022.115866>.

*Usage:*

```
trans_network$get_node_table(node_roles = TRUE)
```

*Arguments:*

`node_roles` default TRUE; whether calculate the node roles <doi:10.1038/nature03288; 10.1186/1471-2105-13-113>. The role of node  $i$  is characterized by its within-module connectivity ( $z_i$ ) and among-module connectivity ( $P_i$ ) as follows

$$z_i = \frac{k_{ib} - \bar{k}_b}{\sigma_{k_b}}$$

$$P_i = 1 - \sum_{c=1}^{N_M} \left( \frac{k_{ic}}{k_i} \right)^2$$

where  $k_{ib}$  is the number of links of node  $i$  to other nodes in its module  $b$ ,  $\bar{k}_b$  and  $\sigma_{k_b}$  are the average and standard deviation of within-module connectivity, respectively over all the nodes in module  $b$ ,  $k_i$  is the number of links of node  $i$  in the whole network,  $k_{ic}$  is the number of links from node  $i$  to nodes in module  $c$ , and  $N_M$  is the number of modules in the network.

*Returns:* `res_node_table` in object; Abundance expressed as a percentage; betweenness\_centrality: betweenness centrality; betweenness\_centrality: closeness centrality; eigenvector\_centrality: eigenvector centrality; z: within-module connectivity; p: among-module connectivity.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$get_node_table(node_roles = TRUE)
}
```

**Method** `get_edge_table()`: Get the edge property table, including connected nodes, label and weight.

*Usage:*

```
trans_network$get_edge_table()
```

*Returns:* `res_edge_table` in object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$get_edge_table()
}
```

**Method** `get_adjacency_matrix()`: Get the adjacency matrix from the network graph.

*Usage:*

```
trans_network$get_adjacency_matrix(...)
```

*Arguments:*

... parameters passed to `as_adjacency_matrix` function of `igraph` package.

*Returns:* `res_adjacency_matrix` in object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$get_adjacency_matrix(attr = "weight")
}
```

**Method** `plot_network()`: Plot the network based on a series of methods from other packages, such as `igraph`, `ggraph` and `networkD3`. The `networkD3` package provides dynamic network. It is especially useful for a glimpse of the whole network structure and finding the interested nodes and edges in a large network. In contrast, the `igraph` and `ggraph` methods are suitable for relatively small network.

*Usage:*

```
trans_network$plot_network(
  method = c("igraph", "ggraph", "networkD3")[1],
  node_label = "name",
  node_color = NULL,
  ggraph_layout = "fr",
  ggraph_node_size = 2,
  ggraph_node_text = TRUE,
  ggraph_text_color = NULL,
  ggraph_text_size = 3,
  networkD3_node_legend = TRUE,
  networkD3_zoom = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

`method` default "igraph"; The available options:

'**igraph**' call `plot.igraph` function in `igraph` package for a static network; see `plot.igraph` for the parameters

**'ggraph'** call ggraph function in ggraph package for a static network  
**'networkD3'** use forceNetwork function in networkD3 package for a dynamic network;  
see forceNetwork function for the parameters

node\_label default "name"; node label shown in the plot for method = "ggraph" or method = "networkD3"; Please see the column names of object\$res\_node\_table, which is the returned table of function object\$get\_node\_table; User can select other column names in res\_node\_table.

node\_color default NULL; node color assignment for method = "ggraph" or method = "networkD3"; Select a column name of object\$res\_node\_table, such as "module".

ggraph\_layout default "fr"; for method = "ggraph"; see layout parameter of create\_layout function in ggraph package.

ggraph\_node\_size default 2; for method = "ggraph"; the node size.

ggraph\_node\_text default TRUE; for method = "ggraph"; whether show the label text of nodes.

ggraph\_text\_color default NULL; for method = "ggraph"; a column name of object\$res\_node\_table used to assign label text colors.

ggraph\_text\_size default 3; for method = "ggraph"; the node label text size.

networkD3\_node\_legend default TRUE; used for method = "networkD3"; logical value to enable node colour legends; Please see the legend parameter in networkD3::forceNetwork function.

networkD3\_zoom default TRUE; used for method = "networkD3"; logical value to enable (TRUE) or disable (FALSE) zooming; Please see the zoom parameter in networkD3::forceNetwork function.

... parameters passed to plot.igraph function when method = "igraph" or forceNetwork function when method = "networkD3".

*Returns:* network plot.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$plot_network(method = "igraph", layout = layout_with_kk)
t1$plot_network(method = "ggraph", node_color = "module")
t1$plot_network(method = "networkD3", node_color = "module")
}
```

**Method cal\_eigen():** Calculate eigengenes of modules, i.e. the first principal component based on PCA analysis, and the percentage of variance <doi:10.1186/1471-2105-13-113>.

*Usage:*

```
trans_network$cal_eigen()
```

*Returns:* res\_eigen and res\_eigen\_expla in object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$cal_eigen()
}
```

**Method plot\_taxa\_roles():** Plot the roles or metrics of nodes based on the res\_node\_table data (coming from function get\_node\_table) stored in the object.

*Usage:*

```
trans_network$plot_taxa_roles(
  use_type = c(1, 2)[1],
  roles_color_background = FALSE,
  roles_color_values = NULL,
  add_label = FALSE,
  add_label_group = c("Network hubs", "Module hubs", "Connectors"),
  add_label_text = "name",
  label_text_size = 4,
  label_text_color = "grey50",
  label_text_italic = FALSE,
  label_text_parse = FALSE,
  plot_module = FALSE,
  x_lim = c(0, 1),
  use_level = "Phylum",
  show_value = c("z", "p"),
  show_number = 1:10,
  plot_color = "Phylum",
  plot_shape = "taxa_roles",
  plot_size = "Abundance",
  color_values = RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(12, "Paired"),
  shape_values = c(16, 17, 7, 8, 15, 18, 11, 10, 12, 13, 9, 3, 4, 0, 1, 2, 14),
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

`use_type` default 1; 1 or 2; 1 represents taxa roles plot (node roles include Module hubs, Network hubs, Connectors and Peripherals <doi:10.1038/nature03288; 10.1186/1471-2105-13-113>). The 'p' column ( $P_i$ , among-module connectivity) in `res_node_table` table is used in x-axis. The 'z' column ( $Z_i$ , within-module connectivity) is used in y-axis; 2 represents the layered plot with taxa as x axis and the index (e.g.,  $Z_i$  and  $P_i$ ) as y axis. Please refer to `res_node_table` data stored in the object for the detailed information.

`roles_color_background` default FALSE; for `use_type`=1; TRUE: use background colors for each area; FALSE: use classic point colors.

`roles_color_values` default NULL; for `use_type`=1; color palette for background or points.

`add_label` default FALSE; for `use_type` = 1; whether add labels for the points.

`add_label_group` default c("Network hubs", "Module hubs", "Connectors"); If `add_label` = TRUE, which part in `taxa_roles` column is used to show labels; character vectors.

`add_label_text` default "name"; If `add_label` = TRUE; which column of `object$res_node_table` is used to label the text.

`label_text_size` default 4; The text size of the label.

`label_text_color` default "grey50"; The text color of the label.

`label_text_italic` default FALSE; whether use italic style for the label text.

`label_text_parse` default FALSE; whether parse the label text. See the `parse` parameter in `ggrepel::geom_text_repel` function.

`plot_module` default FALSE; for `use_type`=1; whether plot the modules information.

`x_lim` default c(0, 1); for `use_type`=1; x axis range when `roles_color_background` = FALSE.

use\_level default "Phylum"; for use\_type=2; used taxonomic level in x axis.  
 show\_value default c("z", "p"); for use\_type=2; indexes used in y axis. Please see res\_node\_table  
     in the object for other available indexes.  
 show\_number default 1:10; for use\_type=2; showed number in x axis, sorting according to the  
     nodes number.  
 plot\_color default "Phylum"; for use\_type=2; variable for color.  
 plot\_shape default "taxa\_roles"; for use\_type=2; variable for shape.  
 plot\_size default "Abundance"; for use\_type=2; used for point size; a fixed number (e.g. 5)  
     is also acceptable.  
 color\_values default RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(12, "Paired"); for use\_type=2; color vector.  
 shape\_values default c(16, 17, 7, 8, 15, 18, 11, 10, 12, 13, 9, 3, 4, 0, 1, 2, 14); for use\_type=2;  
     shape vector, see ggplot2 tutorial for the shape meaning.  
 ... parameters pass to geom\_point function of ggplot2 package.

*Returns:* ggplot.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$plot_taxa_roles(roles_color_background = FALSE)
}
```

**Method** subset\_network(): Subset of the network.

*Usage:*

```
trans_network$subset_network(
  node = NULL,
  edge = NULL,
  rm_single = TRUE,
  node_alledges = FALSE,
  return_igraph = TRUE
)
```

*Arguments:*

node default NULL; provide the node names that will be used in the sub-network.  
 edge default NULL; provide the edge label or numbers that need to be remained. For the edge  
     label, it should must be "+" or "-". For the numbers, they should fall within the range of  
     rows in res\_edge\_table of the object.  
 rm\_single default TRUE; whether remove the nodes without any edge in the sub-network. So  
     this function can also be used to remove the nodes withou any edge when node and edge  
     are both NULL.  
 node\_alledges default FALSE; whether remain the nodes and edges that related to the nodes  
     provided in node parameter. When this parameter is set to TRUE, the network will filter  
     based on edges rather than directly on nodes. The logic is that if at least one of the two  
     nodes connected by an edge is included in the nodes provided by the node parameter, the  
     edge will be retained. Otherwise, it will be filtered out. When this parameter is set to FALSE,  
     the network will filter directly based on the node parameter. Any nodes not included in the  
     node parameter will be filtered out.  
 return\_igraph default TRUE; whether return the network with igraph format. If FALSE,  
     return trans\_network object.

*Returns:* a new network

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$subset_network(node = t1$res_node_table %>% base::subset(module == "M1") %>%
  rownames, rm_single = TRUE)
# return a sub network that contains all nodes of module M1
}
```

**Method** cal\_powerlaw(): Fit degrees to a power law distribution. First, perform a bootstrapping hypothesis test to determine whether degrees follow a power law distribution. If the distribution follows power law, then fit degrees to power law distribution and return the parameters.

*Usage:*

```
trans_network$cal_powerlaw(...)
```

*Arguments:*

... parameters pass to bootstrap\_p function in poweRlaw package.

*Returns:* res\_powerlaw\_p and res\_powerlaw\_fit; see poweRlaw::bootstrap\_p function for the bootstrapping p value details; see igraph::fit\_power\_law function for the power law fit return details.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$cal_powerlaw()
}
```

**Method** cal\_sum\_links(): This function is used to sum the links number from one taxa to another or in the same taxa, for example, at Phylum level. This is very useful to fast see how many nodes are connected between different taxa or within the taxa.

*Usage:*

```
trans_network$cal_sum_links(taxa_level = "Phylum")
```

*Arguments:*

taxa\_level default "Phylum"; taxonomic rank.

*Returns:* res\_sum\_links\_pos and res\_sum\_links\_neg in object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$cal_sum_links(taxa_level = "Phylum")
}
```

**Method** plot\_sum\_links(): Plot the summed linkages among taxa.

*Usage:*

```
trans_network$plot_sum_links(
  plot_pos = TRUE,
  plot_num = NULL,
  color_values = RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"),
  method = c("chorddiag", "circlize")[1],
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

`plot_pos` default TRUE; If TRUE, plot the summed positive linkages; If FALSE, plot the summed negative linkages.  
`plot_num` default NULL; number of taxa presented in the plot.  
`color_values` default RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"); colors palette for taxa.  
`method` default c("chorddiag", "circlize")[1]; chorddiag package <<https://github.com/mattflor/chorddiag>> or circlize package.  
... pass to chorddiag::chorddiag function when method = "chorddiag" or circlize::chordDiagram function when method = "circlize". Note that for circlize::chordDiagram function, `keep.diagonal`, `symmetric` and `self.link` parameters have been fixed to fit the input data.

*Returns:* please see the invoked function.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
test1$plot_sum_links(method = "chorddiag", plot_pos = TRUE, plot_num = 10)
test1$plot_sum_links(method = "circlize", transparency = 0.2,
annotationTrackHeight = circlize::mm_h(c(5, 5)))
}
```

**Method random\_network():** Generate random networks, compare them with the empirical network and get the p value of topological properties. The generation of random graph is based on the erdos.renyi.game function of igraph package. The numbers of vertices and edges in the random graph are same with the empirical network stored in the object.

*Usage:*

```
trans_network$random_network(runs = 100, output_sim = FALSE)
```

*Arguments:*

`runs` default 100; simulation number of random network.  
`output_sim` default FALSE; whether output each simulated network result.

*Returns:* a data.frame with the following components:

Observed Topological properties of empirical network  
`Mean_sim` Mean of properties of simulated networks  
`SD_sim` SD of properties of simulated networks  
`p_value` Significance, i.e. p values

When `output_sim` = TRUE, the columns from the five to the last are each simulated result.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
t1$random_network(runs = 100)
}
```

**Method trans\_comm():** Transform classified features to community-like microtable object for further analysis, such as module-taxa table.

*Usage:*

```
trans_network$trans_comm(use_col = "module", abundance = TRUE)
```

*Arguments:*

`use_col` default "module"; which column to use as the 'community'; must be one of the name of `res_node_table` from function `get_node_table`.

`abundance` default TRUE; whether sum abundance of taxa. TRUE: sum the abundance for a taxon across all samples; FALSE: sum the frequency for a taxon across all samples.

*Returns:* a new `microtable` class.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t2 <- t1$trans_comm(use_col = "module")
}
```

**Method print():** Print the `trans_network` object.

*Usage:*

```
trans_network$print()
```

**Method clone():** The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

*Usage:*

```
trans_network$clone(deep = FALSE)
```

*Arguments:*

`deep` Whether to make a deep clone.

## Examples

```
## -----
## Method `trans_network$new`
## -----


data(dataset)
# for correlation network
t1 <- trans_network$new(dataset = dataset, cor_method = "pearson",
taxa_level = "OTU", filter_thres = 0.0002)
# for non-correlation network
t1 <- trans_network$new(dataset = dataset, cor_method = NULL)

## -----
## Method `trans_network$cal_network`
## -----


## Not run:
# for correlation network
t1 <- trans_network$new(dataset = dataset, cor_method = "pearson",
taxa_level = "OTU", filter_thres = 0.001)
t1$cal_network(COR_p_thres = 0.05, COR_cut = 0.6)
t1 <- trans_network$new(dataset = dataset, cor_method = NULL, filter_thres = 0.003)
t1$cal_network(network_method = "SpiecEasi", SpiecEasi_method = "mb")
t1 <- trans_network$new(dataset = dataset, cor_method = NULL, filter_thres = 0.005)
```

```

t1$cal_network(network_method = "beemStatic")
t1 <- trans_network$new(dataset = dataset, cor_method = NULL, filter_thres = 0.001)
t1$cal_network(network_method = "FlashWeave")

## End(Not run)

## -----
## Method `trans_network$cal_module`
## -----


t1 <- trans_network$new(dataset = dataset, cor_method = "pearson",
taxa_level = "OTU", filter_thres = 0.002)
t1$cal_network(COR_p_thres = 0.01, COR_cut = 0.6)
t1$cal_module(method = "cluster_fast_greedy")

## -----
## Method `trans_network$save_network`
## -----


## Not run:
t1$save_network(filepath = "network.gexf")

## End(Not run)

## -----
## Method `trans_network$cal_network_attr`
## -----


t1$cal_network_attr()

## -----
## Method `trans_network$get_node_table`
## -----


t1$get_node_table(node_roles = TRUE)

## -----
## Method `trans_network$get_edge_table`
## -----


t1$get_edge_table()

## -----
## Method `trans_network$get_adjacency_matrix`
## -----
```

```
t1$get_adjacency_matrix(attr = "weight")

## -----
## Method `trans_network$plot_network`
## -----


t1$plot_network(method = "igraph", layout = layout_with_kk)
t1$plot_network(method = "ggraph", node_color = "module")
t1$plot_network(method = "networkD3", node_color = "module")

## -----
## Method `trans_network$cal_eigen`
## -----


t1$cal_eigen()

## -----
## Method `trans_network$plot_taxa_roles`
## -----


t1$plot_taxa_roles(roles_color_background = FALSE)

## -----
## Method `trans_network$subset_network`
## -----


t1$subset_network(node = t1$res_node_table %>% base::subset(module == "M1") %>%
  rownames, rm_single = TRUE)
# return a sub network that contains all nodes of module M1

## -----
## Method `trans_network$cal_powerlaw`
## -----


t1$cal_powerlaw()

## -----
## Method `trans_network$cal_sum_links`
## -----
```

```

t1$cal_sum_links(taxa_level = "Phylum")

## -----
## Method `trans_network$plot_sum_links`
## -----


## Not run:
test1$plot_sum_links(method = "chorddiag", plot_pos = TRUE, plot_num = 10)
test1$plot_sum_links(method = "circlize", transparency = 0.2,
annotationTrackHeight = circlize::mm_h(c(5, 5)))

## End(Not run)

## -----
## Method `trans_network$random_network`
## -----


## Not run:
t1$random_network(runs = 100)

## End(Not run)

## -----
## Method `trans_network$trans_comm`
## -----


t2 <- t1$trans_comm(use_col = "module")

```

**trans\_norm***Feature abundance normalization/transformation.***Description**

Feature abundance normalization/transformation for a microtable object or data.frame object.

**Methods****Public methods:**

- [trans\\_norm\\$new\(\)](#)
- [trans\\_norm\\$norm\(\)](#)
- [trans\\_norm\\$clone\(\)](#)

**Method new():** Get a transposed abundance table if the input is microtable object. In the table, rows are samples, and columns are features. This can make the further operations same with the traditional ecological methods.

*Usage:*

```
trans_norm$new(dataset = NULL)
```

*Arguments:*

dataset the `microtable` object or `data.frame` object. If it is `data.frame` object, please make sure that rows are samples, and columns are features.

*Returns:* `data_table`, stored in the object.

*Examples:*

```
library(microeco)
data(dataset)
t1 <- trans_norm$new(dataset = dataset)
```

**Method** `norm()`: Normalization/transformation methods.

*Usage:*

```
trans_norm$norm(
  method = "rarefy",
  sample.size = NULL,
  rngseed = 123,
  replace = TRUE,
  pseudocount = 1,
  intersect.no = 10,
  ct.min = 1,
  condition = NULL,
  MARGIN = NULL,
  logbase = 2,
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

`method` default "rarefy"; See the following available options.

Methods for normalization:

- "rarefy": classic rarefaction based on R `sample` function.
- "SRS": scaling with ranked subsampling method based on the `SRS` package provided by Lukas Beule and Petr Karlovsky (2020) [doi:10.7717/peerj.9593](https://doi.org/10.7717/peerj.9593).
- "clr": Centered log-ratio normalization <ISBN:978-0-412-28060-3> <doi: 10.3389/fmicb.2017.02224>. It is defined:

$$clr_{ki} = \log \frac{x_{ki}}{g(x_i)}$$

where  $x_{ki}$  is the abundance of  $k$ th feature in sample  $i$ ,  $g(x_i)$  is the geometric mean of abundances for sample  $i$ . A pseudocount need to be added to deal with the zero. For more information, please see the 'clr' method in `decostand` function of `vegan` package.

- "rclr": Robust centered log-ratio normalization <doi:10.1128/msystems.00016-19>. It is defined:

$$rclr_{ki} = \log \frac{x_{ki}}{g(x_i > 0)}$$

where  $x_{ki}$  is the abundance of  $k$ th feature in sample  $i$ ,  $g(x_i > 0)$  is the geometric mean of abundances ( $> 0$ ) for sample  $i$ . In rclr, zero values are kept as zeroes, and not taken into account.

- "GMPR": Geometric mean of pairwise ratios <doi: 10.7717/peerj.4600>. For a given sample  $i$ , the size factor  $s_i$  is defined:

$$s_i = \left( \prod_{j=1}^n \text{Median}_{k|c_{ki}c_{kj} \neq 0} \left\{ \frac{c_{ki}}{c_{kj}} \right\} \right)^{1/n}$$

where  $k$  denotes all the features, and  $n$  denotes all the samples. For sample  $i$ ,  $GMPR = \frac{x_i}{s_i}$ , where  $x_i$  is the feature abundances of sample  $i$ .

- "CSS": Cumulative sum scaling normalization based on the metagenomeSeq package <doi:10.1038/nmeth.2658>. For a given sample  $j$ , the scaling factor  $s_j^l$  is defined:

$$s_j^l = \sum_{i|c_{ij} \leq q_j^l} c_{ij}$$

where  $q_j^l$  is the  $l$ th quantile of sample  $j$ , that is, in sample  $j$  there are  $l$  features with counts smaller than  $q_j^l$ .  $c_{ij}$  denotes the count (abundance) of feature  $i$  in sample  $j$ . For  $l = 0.95m$  (feature number),  $q_j^l$  corresponds to the 95th percentile of the count distribution for sample  $j$ . Normalized counts  $\tilde{c}_{ij} = (\frac{c_{ij}}{s_j^l})(N)$ , where  $N$  is an appropriately chosen normalization constant.

- "TSS": Total sum scaling. Abundance is divided by the sequencing depth. For a given sample  $j$ , normalized counts is defined:

$$\tilde{c}_{ij} = \frac{c_{ij}}{\sum_{i=1}^{N_j} c_{ij}}$$

where  $c_{ij}$  is the counts of feature  $i$  in sample  $j$ , and  $N_j$  is the feature number of sample  $j$ .

- "eBay": Empirical Bayes approach to normalization <10.1186/s12859-020-03552-z>. The implemented method is not tree-related. In the output, the sum of each sample is 1.
- "TMM": Trimmed mean of M-values method based on the normLibSizes function of edgeR package <doi: 10.1186/gb-2010-11-3-r25>.
- "DESeq2": Median ratio of gene counts relative to geometric mean per gene based on the DESeq function of DESeq2 package <doi: 10.1186/s13059-014-0550-8>. This option can invoke the trans\_diff class and extract the normalized data from the original result. Note that either group or formula should be provided. The scaling factor is defined:

$$s_j = \text{Median}_i \frac{c_{ij}}{\left( \prod_{j=1}^n c_{ij} \right)^{1/n}}$$

where  $c_{ij}$  is the counts of feature  $i$  in sample  $j$ , and  $n$  is the total sample number.

- "Wrench": Group-wise and sample-wise compositional bias factor <doi: 10.1186/s12864-018-5160-5>. Note that condition parameter is necessary to be passed to condition parameter in wrench function of Wrench package. As the input data must be microtable object, so the input condition parameter can be a column name of sample\_table. The scaling factor is defined:

$$s_j = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{ij} W_{ij} \frac{X_{ij}}{\bar{X}_i}$$

where  $X_{ij}$  represents the relative abundance (proportion) for feature  $i$  in sample  $j$ ,  $\bar{X}_i$  is the average proportion of feature  $i$  across the dataset,  $W_{ij}$  represents a weight specific to each technique, and  $p$  is the feature number in sample.

- "RLE": Relative log expression.

Methods based on decostand function of vegan package:

- "total": divide by margin total (default MARGIN = 1, i.e. rows - samples).
- "max": divide by margin maximum (default MARGIN = 2, i.e. columns - features).
- "normalize": make margin sum of squares equal to one (default MARGIN = 1).
- "range": standardize values into range 0...1 (default MARGIN = 2). If all values are constant, they will be transformed to 0.
- "standardize": scale x to zero mean and unit variance (default MARGIN = 2).
- "pa": scale x to presence/absence scale (0/1).
- "log": logarithmic transformation.

Other methods for transformation:

- "AST": Arc sine square root transformation.

`sample.size` default NULL; library size for rarefaction when method = "rarefy" or "SRS".

If not provided, use the minimum number across all samples. For "SRS" method, this parameter is passed to `Cmin` parameter of `SRS` function of `SRS` package.

`rngseed` default 123; random seed. Available when method = "rarefy" or "SRS".

`replace` default TRUE; see `sample` for the random sampling; Available when method = "rarefy".

`pseudocount` default 1; add pseudocount for those features with 0 abundance when method = "clr".

`intersect.no` default 10; the intersecting taxa number between paired sample for method = "GMPR".

`ct.min` default 1; the minimum number of counts required to calculate ratios for method = "GMPR".

`condition` default NULL; Only available when method = "Wrench". This parameter is passed to the `condition` parameter of `wrench` function in `Wrench` package. It must be a column name of `sample_table` or a vector with same length of samples.

`MARGIN` default NULL; 1 = samples, and 2 = features of abundance table; only available when method comes from `decostand` function of `vegan` package. If `MARGIN` is NULL, use the default value in `decostand` function.

`logbase` default 2; The logarithm base.

... parameters pass to `vegan::decostand`, or `metagenomeSeq::cumNorm` when method = "CSS", or `edgeR::normLibSizes` when method = "TMM" or "RLE", or `trans_diff` class when method = "DESeq2", or `wrench` function of `Wrench` package when method = "Wrench".

*Returns:* new microtable object or `data.frame` object.

*Examples:*

```
newdataset <- t1$norm(method = "clr")
newdataset <- t1$norm(method = "log")
```

**Method `clone()`:** The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

*Usage:*

```
trans_norm$clone(deep = FALSE)
```

*Arguments:*

`deep` Whether to make a deep clone.

## Examples

```
## -----
## Method `trans_norm$new`
## -----
```

```
library(microeco)
data(dataset)
t1 <- trans_norm$new(dataset = dataset)

## -----
## Method `trans_norm$norm`
## -----
```

```
newdataset <- t1$norm(method = "clr")
newdataset <- t1$norm(method = "log")
```

**trans\_nullmodel**

*Create trans\_nullmodel object for null model related analysis.*

## Description

This class is a wrapper for a series of null model related approaches, including the mantel correlogram analysis of phylogenetic signal, beta nearest taxon index (betaNTI), beta net relatedness index (betaNRI), NTI, NRI and RCbray (Raup–Crick Bray–Curtis) calculations. See <doi:10.1111/j.1600-0587.2010.06548.x; 10.1890/ES10-00117.1; 10.1038/ismej.2013.93; 10.1038/s41598-017-17736-w> for the algorithms and applications.

## Methods

### Public methods:

- `trans_nullmodel$new()`
- `trans_nullmodel$cal_mantel_corr()`
- `trans_nullmodel$plot_mantel_corr()`
- `trans_nullmodel$cal_betampd()`
- `trans_nullmodel$cal_betamtd()`
- `trans_nullmodel$cal_ses_betampd()`
- `trans_nullmodel$cal_ses_betamtd()`
- `trans_nullmodel$cal_rcbray()`
- `trans_nullmodel$cal_process()`
- `trans_nullmodel$cal_NRI()`
- `trans_nullmodel$cal_NTI()`
- `trans_nullmodel$cal_Cscore()`
- `trans_nullmodel$cal_NST()`
- `trans_nullmodel$cal_NST_test()`
- `trans_nullmodel$cal_NST_convert()`

- `trans_nullmodel$clone()`

**Method new():**

*Usage:*

```
trans_nullmodel$new(
  dataset = NULL,
  filter_thres = 0,
  taxa_number = NULL,
  group = NULL,
  select_group = NULL,
  env_cols = NULL,
  add_data = NULL,
  complete_na = FALSE
)
```

*Arguments:*

`dataset` the object of `microtable` Class.

`filter_thres` default 0; the relative abundance threshold.

`taxa_number` default NULL; how many taxa the user want to keep, if provided, `filter_thres` parameter will be forcible invalid.

`group` default NULL; which column name in `sample_table` is selected as the group for the following selection.

`select_group` default NULL; one or more elements in `group`, used to select samples.

`env_cols` default NULL; number or name vector to select the environmental data in `dataset$sample_table`.

`add_data` default NULL; provide environmental data table additionally.

`complete_na` default FALSE; whether fill the NA in environmental data based on the method in `mice` package.

*Returns:* `data_comm` and `data_tree` in object.

*Examples:*

```
data(dataset)
data(env_data_16S)
t1 <- trans_nullmodel$new(dataset, filter_thres = 0.0005, add_data = env_data_16S)
```

**Method cal\_mantel\_corr():** Calculate mantel correlogram.

*Usage:*

```
trans_nullmodel$cal_mantel_corr(
  use_env = NULL,
  break pts = seq(0, 1, 0.02),
  cutoff = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

`use_env` default NULL; numeric or character vector to select `env_data`; if provide multiple variables or NULL, use PCA (principal component analysis) to reduce dimensionality.

`break pts` default `seq(0, 1, 0.02)`; see `break.pt`s parameter in `mantel.correlog` of `vegan` package.

`cutoff` default FALSE; see `cutoff` parameter in `mantel.correlog`.  
 ... parameters pass to `mantel.correlog` function in `vegan` package.

*Returns:* `res_mantel_corr` in object.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
t1$cal_mantel_corr(use_env = "pH")
}
```

**Method** `plot_mantel_corr()`: Plot mantel correlogram.

*Usage:*

```
trans_nullmodel$plot_mantel_corr(point_shape = 22, point_size = 3)
```

*Arguments:*

`point_shape` default 22; the number for selecting point shape type; see `ggplot2` manual for the number meaning.

`point_size` default 3; the point size.

*Returns:* `ggplot`.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
t1$plot_mantel_corr()
}
```

**Method** `cal_betampd()`: Calculate betaMPD (mean pairwise distance). Same with `picante::comdist` function, but faster.

*Usage:*

```
trans_nullmodel$cal_betampd(abundance.weighted = TRUE)
```

*Arguments:*

`abundance.weighted` default TRUE; whether use abundance-weighted method.

*Returns:* `res_betampd` in object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$cal_betampd(abundance.weighted = TRUE)
}
```

**Method** `cal_betamtd()`: Calculate betaMNTD (mean nearest taxon distance). Same with `picante::comdistnt` function, but faster.

*Usage:*

```
trans_nullmodel$cal_betamtd(
  abundance.weighted = TRUE,
  exclude.conspecifics = FALSE,
  use_iCAMP = FALSE,
  use_iCAMP_force = TRUE,
  iCAMP_tempdir = NULL,
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

abundance.weighted default TRUE; whether use abundance-weighted method.  
 exclude.conspecifics default FALSE; see exclude.conspecifics parameter in comdistnt function of picante package.  
 use\_iCAMP default FALSE; whether use bmntd.big function of iCAMP package to calculate betaMNTD. This method can store the phylogenetic distance matrix on the disk to lower the memory spending and perform the calculation parallelly.  
 use\_iCAMP\_force default FALSE; whether use bmntd.big function of iCAMP package automatically when the feature number is large.  
 iCAMP\_tempdir default NULL; the temporary directory used to place the large tree file; If NULL; use the system user tempdir.  
 ... paremeters pass to iCAMP::pdist.big function.

*Returns:* res\_betamntd in object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$cal_betamntd(abundance.weighted = TRUE)
}
```

**Method cal\_ses\_betampd():** Calculate standardized effect size of betaMPD, i.e. beta net relatedness index (betaNRI).

*Usage:*

```
trans_nullmodel$cal_ses_betampd(
  runs = 1000,
  null.model = c("taxa.labels", "richness", "frequency", "sample.pool", "phylogeny.pool",
    "independentswap", "trialswap")[1],
  abundance.weighted = TRUE,
  iterations = 1000
)
```

*Arguments:*

runs default 1000; simulation runs.  
 null.model default "taxa.labels"; The available options include "taxa.labels", "richness", "frequency", "sample.pool", "phylogeny.pool", "independentswap"and "trialswap"; see null.model parameter of ses.mntd function in picante package for the algorithm details.  
 abundance.weighted default TRUE; whether use weighted abundance.  
 iterations default 1000; iteration number for part null models to perform; see iterations parameter of picante::randomizeMatrix function.

*Returns:* res\_ses\_betampd in object.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
# only run 50 times for the example; default 1000
t1$cal_ses_betampd(runs = 50, abundance.weighted = TRUE)
}
```

**Method cal\_ses\_betamntd():** Calculate standardized effect size of betaMNTD, i.e. beta nearest taxon index (betaNTI).

*Usage:*

```
trans_nullmodel$cal_ses_betamntd(
  runs = 1000,
  null.model = c("taxa.labels", "richness", "frequency", "sample.pool", "phylogeny.pool",
    "independentswap", "trialswap")[1],
  abundance.weighted = TRUE,
  exclude.conspecifics = FALSE,
  use_iCAMP = FALSE,
  use_iCAMP_force = TRUE,
  iCAMP_tempdir = NULL,
  nworker = 2,
  iterations = 1000
)
```

*Arguments:*

`runs` default 1000; simulation number of null model.

`null.model` default "taxa.labels"; The available options include "taxa.labels", "richness", "frequency", "sample.pool", "phylogeny.pool", "independentswap" and "trialswap"; see `null.model` parameter of `ses.mntd` function in `picante` package for the algorithm details.

`abundance.weighted` default TRUE; whether use abundance-weighted method.

`exclude.conspecifics` default FALSE; see `comdistnt` in `picante` package.

`use_iCAMP` default FALSE; whether use `bmntd.big` function of `iCAMP` package to calculate `betaMNTD`. This method can store the phylogenetic distance matrix on the disk to lower the memory spending and perform the calculation parallelly.

`use_iCAMP_force` default FALSE; whether to make `use_iCAMP` to be TRUE when the feature number is large.

`iCAMP_tempdir` default NULL; the temporary directory used to place the large tree file; If NULL; use the system user tempdir.

`nworker` default 2; the CPU thread number.

`iterations` default 1000; iteration number for part null models to perform; see `iterations` parameter of `picante::randomizeMatrix` function.

*Returns:* `res_ses_betamntd` in object.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
# only run 50 times for the example; default 1000
t1$cal_ses_betamntd(runs = 50, abundance.weighted = TRUE, exclude.conspecifics = FALSE)
}
```

**Method** `cal_rcbray()`: Calculate Bray–Curtis-based Raup–Crick (RCbray) <doi: 10.1890/ES10-00117.1>.

*Usage:*

```
trans_nullmodel$cal_rcbray(
  runs = 1000,
  verbose = TRUE,
  null.model = "independentswap"
)
```

*Arguments:*

`runs` default 1000; simulation runs.  
`verbose` default TRUE; whether show the calculation process message.  
`null.model` default "independentswap"; see more available options in `randomizeMatrix` function of `picante` package.

*Returns:* `res_rcbray` in object.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
# only run 50 times for the example; default 1000
t1$cal_rcbray(runs = 50)
}
```

**Method** `cal_process()`: Infer the ecological processes according to ses.betaMNTD (betaNTI)/ses.betaMPD (betaNRI) and rcbray.

*Usage:*

```
trans_nullmodel$cal_process(use_betamntd = TRUE, group = NULL)
```

*Arguments:*

`use_betamntd` default TRUE; whether use ses.betaMNTD (betaNTI); if False, use ses.betaMPD (betaNRI).

`group` default NULL; a column name in sample\_table of microtable object. If provided, the analysis will be performed for each group instead of the whole.

*Returns:* `res_process` in object.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
t1$cal_process(use_betamntd = TRUE)
}
```

**Method** `cal_NRI()`: Calculates Nearest Relative Index (NRI), equivalent to -1 times the standardized effect size of MPD.

*Usage:*

```
trans_nullmodel$cal_NRI(
  null.model = "taxa.labels",
  abundance.weighted = FALSE,
  runs = 999,
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

`null.model` default "taxa.labels"; Null model to use; see `null.model` parameter in `ses.mpd` function of `picante` package for available options.

`abundance.weighted` default FALSE; Should mean nearest relative distances for each species be weighted by species abundance?

`runs` default 999; Number of randomizations.

... parameters pass to `ses.mpd` function in `picante` package.

*Returns:* res\_NRI in object, equivalent to -1 times ses.mpd.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
# only run 50 times for the example; default 999
t1$cal_NRI(null.model = "taxa.labels", abundance.weighted = FALSE, runs = 50)
}
```

**Method cal\_NTI():** Calculates Nearest Taxon Index (NTI), equivalent to -1 times the standardized effect size of MNTD.

*Usage:*

```
trans_nullmodel$cal_NTI(
  null.model = "taxa.labels",
  abundance.weighted = FALSE,
  runs = 999,
  ...
)
```

*Arguments:*

null.model default "taxa.labels"; Null model to use; see null.model parameter in ses.mntd function of picante package for available options.

abundance.weighted default FALSE; Should mean nearest taxon distances for each species be weighted by species abundance?

runs default 999; Number of randomizations.

... parameters pass to ses.mntd function in picante package.

*Returns:* res\_NTI in object, equivalent to -1 times ses.mntd.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
# only run 50 times for the example; default 999
t1$cal_NTI(null.model = "taxa.labels", abundance.weighted = TRUE, runs = 50)
}
```

**Method cal\_Cscore():** Calculates the (normalised) mean number of checkerboard combinations (C-score) using C.score function in bipartite package.

*Usage:*

```
trans_nullmodel$cal_Cscore(by_group = NULL, ...)
```

*Arguments:*

by\_group default NULL; one column name or number in sample\_table; calculate C-score for different groups separately.

... parameters pass to bipartite::C.score function.

*Returns:* vector.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
t1$cal_Cscore(normalise = FALSE)
t1$cal_Cscore(by_group = "Group", normalise = FALSE)
}
```

**Method cal\_NST():** Calculate normalized stochasticity ratio (NST) based on the NST package.

*Usage:*

```
trans_nullmodel$cal_NST(method = "tNST", group, ...)
```

*Arguments:*

method default "tNST"; 'tNST' or 'pNST'. See the help document of tNST or pNST function in NST package for more details.

group a colname of sample\_table in microtable object; the function can select the data from sample\_table to generate a one-column (n x 1) matrix and provide it to the group parameter of tNST or pNST function.

... parameters pass to NST::tNST or NST::pNST function; see the document of corresponding function for more details.

*Returns:* res\_NST stored in the object.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
t1$cal_NST(group = "Group", dist.method = "bray", output.rand = TRUE, SES = TRUE)
}
```

**Method cal\_NST\_test():** Test the significance of NST difference between each pair of groups.

*Usage:*

```
trans_nullmodel$cal_NST_test(method = "nst.boot", ...)
```

*Arguments:*

method default "nst.boot"; "nst.boot" or "nst.panova"; see NST::nst.boot function or NST::nst.panova function for the details.

... parameters pass to NST::nst.boot when method = "nst.boot" or NST::nst.panova when method = "nst.panova".

*Returns:* list. See the Return part of NST::nst.boot function or NST::nst.panova function in NST package.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
t1$cal_NST_test()
}
```

**Method cal\_NST\_convert():** Convert NST paired long format table to symmetric matrix form.

*Usage:*

```
trans_nullmodel$cal_NST_convert(column = 10)
```

*Arguments:*

column default 10; which column is selected for the conversion. See the columns of res\_NST\$index.pair stored in the object.

*Returns:* symmetric matrix.

*Examples:*

```
\dontrun{
t1$cal_NST_convert(column = 10)
}
```

**Method clone():** The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

*Usage:*

```
trans_nullmodel$clone(deep = FALSE)
```

*Arguments:*

deep Whether to make a deep clone.

## Examples

```
## -----
## Method `trans_nullmodel$new`
## -----


data(dataset)
data(env_data_16S)
t1 <- trans_nullmodel$new(dataset, filter_thres = 0.0005, add_data = env_data_16S)

## -----
## Method `trans_nullmodel$cal_mantel_corr`
## -----


## Not run:
t1$cal_mantel_corr(use_env = "pH")

## End(Not run)

## -----
## Method `trans_nullmodel$plot_mantel_corr`
## -----


## Not run:
t1$plot_mantel_corr()

## End(Not run)

## -----
## Method `trans_nullmodel$cal_betampd`
## -----


t1$cal_betampd(abundance.weighted = TRUE)

## -----
## Method `trans_nullmodel$cal_betamntd`
## -----


t1$cal_betamntd(abundance.weighted = TRUE)

## -----
```

```
## Method `trans_nullmodel$cal_ses_betampd`  
## -----  
  
## Not run:  
# only run 50 times for the example; default 1000  
t1$cal_ses_betampd(runs = 50, abundance.weighted = TRUE)  
  
## End(Not run)  
  
## -----  
## Method `trans_nullmodel$cal_ses_betamtd`  
## -----  
  
## Not run:  
# only run 50 times for the example; default 1000  
t1$cal_ses_betamtd(runs = 50, abundance.weighted = TRUE, exclude.conspecifics = FALSE)  
  
## End(Not run)  
  
## -----  
## Method `trans_nullmodel$cal_rcbray`  
## -----  
  
## Not run:  
# only run 50 times for the example; default 1000  
t1$cal_rcbray(runs = 50)  
  
## End(Not run)  
  
## -----  
## Method `trans_nullmodel$cal_process`  
## -----  
  
## Not run:  
t1$cal_process(use_betamtd = TRUE)  
  
## End(Not run)  
  
## -----  
## Method `trans_nullmodel$cal_NRI`  
## -----  
  
# only run 50 times for the example; default 999  
t1$cal_NRI(null.model = "taxa.labels", abundance.weighted = FALSE, runs = 50)  
  
## -----  
## Method `trans_nullmodel$cal_NTI`  
## -----  
  
# only run 50 times for the example; default 999
```

```
t1$cal_NTI(null.model = "taxa.labels", abundance.weighted = TRUE, runs = 50)

## -----
## Method `trans_nullmodel$cal_Cscore`
## -----

## Not run:
t1$cal_Cscore(normalise = FALSE)
t1$cal_Cscore(by_group = "Group", normalise = FALSE)

## End(Not run)

## -----
## Method `trans_nullmodel$cal_NST`
## -----

## Not run:
t1$cal_NST(group = "Group", dist.method = "bray", output.rand = TRUE, SES = TRUE)

## End(Not run)

## -----
## Method `trans_nullmodel$cal_NST_test`
## -----

## Not run:
t1$cal_NST_test()

## End(Not run)

## -----
## Method `trans_nullmodel$cal_NST_convert`
## -----

## Not run:
t1$cal_NST_convert(column = 10)

## End(Not run)
```

**trans\_venn**

*Create trans\_venn object for the Venn diagram, petal plot and UpSet plot.*

**Description**

This class is a wrapper for a series of intersection analysis related methods, including 2- to 5-way venn diagram, more than 5-way petal or UpSet plot and intersection transformations based on David et al. (2012) <doi:10.1128/AEM.01459-12>.

## Methods

### Public methods:

- `trans_venn$new()`
- `trans_venn$plot_venn()`
- `trans_venn$plot_bar()`
- `trans_venn$trans_comm()`
- `trans_venn$print()`
- `trans_venn$clone()`

#### Method new():

*Usage:*

```
trans_venn$new(dataset, ratio = NULL, name_joint = "&")
```

*Arguments:*

`dataset` the object of `microtable` class or a matrix-like table (data.frame or matrix object). If dataset is a matrix-like table, features must be rows.

`ratio` default NULL; NULL, "numratio" or "seqratio"; "numratio": calculate the percentage of feature number; "seqratio": calculate the percentage of feature abundance; NULL: no additional percentage.

`name_joint` default "&"; the joint mark for generating multi-sample names.

*Returns:* `data_details` and `data_summary` stored in the object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
data(dataset)
t1 <- dataset$merge_samples("Group")
t1 <- trans_venn$new(dataset = t1, ratio = "numratio")
}
```

#### Method plot\_venn(): Plot venn diagram.

*Usage:*

```
trans_venn$plot_venn(
  color_circle = RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"),
  fill_color = TRUE,
  text_size = 4.5,
  text_name_size = 6,
  text_name_position = NULL,
  alpha = 0.3,
  linesize = 1.1,
  petal_plot = FALSE,
  petal_color = "#BEAED4",
  petal_color_center = "#BEBADA",
  petal_a = 4,
  petal_r = 1,
  petal_use_lim = c(-12, 12),
  petal_center_size = 40,
```

```

petal_move_xy = 4,
petal_move_k = 2.3,
petal_move_k_count = 1.3,
petal_text_move = 40,
other_text_show = NULL,
other_text_position = c(2, 2),
other_text_size = 5
)

```

*Arguments:*

```

color_circle default RColorBrewer::brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"); color pallete.
fill_color default TRUE; whether fill the area color.
text_size default 4.5; text size in plot.
text_name_size default 6; name size in plot.
text_name_position default NULL; name position in plot.
alpha default .3; alpha for transparency.
linesize default 1.1; cycle line size.
petal_plot default FALSE; whether use petal plot.
petal_color default "#BEAED4"; color of the petals; If petal_color only has one color value,
    all the petals will be assigned with this color value. If petal_color has multiple colors, and
    the number of color values is smaller than the petal number, the function can append more
    colors automatically with the color interpolation.
petal_color_center default "#BEBADA"; color of the center in the petal plot.
petal_a default 4; the length of the ellipse.
petal_r default 1; scaling up the size of the ellipse.
petal_use_lim default c(-12, 12); the width of the plot.
petal_center_size default 40; petal center circle size.
petal_move_xy default 4; the distance of text to circle.
petal_move_k default 2.3; the distance of title to circle.
petal_move_k_count default 1.3; the distance of data text to circle.
petal_text_move default 40; the distance between two data text.
other_text_show default NULL; other characters used to show in the plot.
other_text_position default c(1, 1); the text position for text in other_text_show.
other_text_size default 5; the text size for text in other_text_show.

```

*Returns:* ggplot.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t1$plot_venn()
}
```

**Method** `plot_bar()`: Plot the intersections using histogram, i.e. UpSet plot. Especially useful when samples > 5.

*Usage:*

```
trans_venn$plot_bar(  
  left_plot = TRUE,  
  sort_samples = FALSE,  
  up_y_title = "Intersection size",  
  up_y_title_size = 15,  
  up_y_text_size = 8,  
  up_bar_fill = "grey70",  
  up_bar_width = 0.9,  
  bottom_y_text_size = 12,  
  bottom_height = 1,  
  bottom_point_size = 3,  
  bottom_point_color = "black",  
  bottom_background_fill = "grey95",  
  bottom_background_alpha = 1,  
  bottom_line_width = 0.5,  
  bottom_line_colour = "black",  
  left_width = 0.3,  
  left_bar_fill = "grey70",  
  left_bar_alpha = 1,  
  left_bar_width = 0.9,  
  left_x_text_size = 10,  
  left_background_fill = "white",  
  left_background_alpha = 1  
)
```

*Arguments:*

`left_plot` default TRUE; whether add the left bar plot to show the feature number of each sample.

`sort_samples` default FALSE; TRUE is used to sort samples according to the number of features in each sample. FALSE means the sample order is same with that in `sample_table` of the raw dataset.

`up_y_title` default "Intersection set"; y axis title of upper plot.

`up_y_title_size` default 15; y axis title size of upper plot.

`up_y_text_size` default 4; y axis text size of upper plot.

`up_bar_fill` default "grey70"; bar fill color of upper plot.

`up_bar_width` default 0.9; bar width of upper plot.

`bottom_y_text_size` default 12; y axis text size, i.e. sample name size, of bottom sample plot.

`bottom_height` default 1; bottom plot height relative to the upper bar plot. 1 represents the height of bottom plot is same with the upper bar plot.

`bottom_point_size` default 3; point size of bottom plot.

`bottom_point_color` default "black"; point color of bottom plot.

`bottom_background_fill` default "grey95"; fill color for the striped background in the bottom sample plot. If the parameter length is 1, use "white" to distinguish the color stripes. If the parameter length is greater than 1, use all provided colors.

`bottom_background_alpha` default 1; the color transparency for the parameter `bottom_background_fill`.

`bottom_line_width` default 0.5; the line width in the bottom plot.

```

bottom_line_colour default "black"; the line color in the bottom plot.
left_width default 0.3; left bar plot width relative to the right bottom plot.
left_bar_fill default "grey70"; fill color for the left bar plot presenting feature number.
left_bar_alpha default 1; the color transparency for the parameter left_bar_fill.
left_bar_width default 0.9; bar width of left plot.
left_x_text_size default 10; x axis text size of the left bar plot.
left_background_fill default "white"; fill color for the striped background in the left plot.
If the parameter length is 1, use "white" to distinguish the color stripes. If the parameter
length is greater than 1, use all provided colors.
left_background_alpha default 1; the color transparency for the parameter left_background_fill.

```

*Returns:* a ggplot2 object.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t2 <- t1$plot_bar()
}
```

**Method** trans\_comm(): Transform intersection result to community-like microtable object for further composition analysis.

*Usage:*

```
trans_venn$trans_comm(use_frequency = TRUE)
```

*Arguments:*

```
use_frequency default TRUE; whether only use OTUs occurrence frequency, i.e. presence/absence
data; if FALSE, use abundance data.
```

*Returns:* a new [microtable](#) class.

*Examples:*

```
\donttest{
t2 <- t1$trans_comm(use_frequency = TRUE)
}
```

**Method** print(): Print the trans\_venn object.

*Usage:*

```
trans_venn/print()
```

**Method** clone(): The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

*Usage:*

```
trans_venn$clone(deep = FALSE)
```

*Arguments:*

deep Whether to make a deep clone.

### Examples

```
## -----
## Method `trans_venn$new`
## -----  
  
data(dataset)
t1 <- dataset$merge_samples("Group")
t1 <- trans_venn$new(dataset = t1, ratio = "numratio")  
  
## -----
## Method `trans_venn$plot_venn`
## -----  
  
t1$plot_venn()  
  
## -----
## Method `trans_venn$plot_bar`
## -----  
  
t2 <- t1$plot_bar()  
  
## -----
## Method `trans_venn$trans_comm`
## -----  
  
t2 <- t1$trans_comm(use_frequency = TRUE)
```

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