

# Package ‘EHRtemporalVariability’

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**Description** The 'EHRtemporalVariability' package contains functions to delineate reference changes over time in Electronic Health Records through the projection and visualization of dissimilarities among data temporal batches. This is done through the estimation of data statistical distributions over time and their projection in non-parametric statistical manifolds uncovering the patterns of the data latent temporal variability. Results can be explored through visual analytics formats such as Data Temporal Heatmaps and Information Geometric Temporal (IGT) plots. An additional 'EHRtemporalVariability' Shiny app can be used to load and explore the package results and even to allow the use of these functions to those users non-experienced in R coding.

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DataTemporalMap-class    *Class DataTemporalMap*

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### Description

Class DataTemporalMap object contains the statistical distributions of data estimated at a specific time period. Both relative and absolute frequencies are included.

### Details

Objects of this class are generated automatically by the estimateDataTemporalMap function, but its construction and extension is open towards fostering its use through external methods. E.g., one may use additional probability distribution estimation methods, or even construct compatible DataTemporalMaps for other unstructured data such as images or free text.

### Value

A DataTemporalMap object.

### Slots

probabilityMap v-by-d numerical matrix representing the probability distribution temporal map (relative frequency).

countsMap v-by-d numerical matrix representing the counts temporal map (absolute frequency).

dates d-dimensional Date array of the temporal batches.

support v-by-1 numerical or character matrix representing the support (the value at each bin) of probabilityMap and countsMap.

variableName name of the variable (character).

variableType type of the variable (character) among "numeric", "character", "Date" and "factor".

period batching period among "week", "month" and "year".

## Examples

```
# Generation through estimateDataTemporalMap function:
dataset <- read.csv2(system.file("extdata",
                                "nhdsSubset.csv",
                                package="EHRtemporalVariability"),
                    sep = ",",
                    header = TRUE,
                    na.strings = "",
                    colClasses = c( "character", "numeric", "factor",
                                    "numeric" , rep( "factor", 22 ) ) )

datasetFormatted <- EHRtemporalVariability::formatDate(
  input      = dataset,
  dateColumn = "date",
  dateFormat = "%y/%m")

probMaps <- estimateDataTemporalMap(data = datasetFormatted,
  dateColumnName = "date",
  period         = "month")

class( probMaps[[1]] )

# Manual generation:
countsMatrix <- matrix(sample.int(25, size = 12*10, replace = TRUE), nrow = 12, ncol = 10)
probabilityMatrix <- sweep(countsMatrix,1,rowSums(countsMatrix),"/")
dates <- seq(Sys.Date(),(Sys.Date()+30*11),30)
x <- new('DataTemporalMap', probabilityMap = probabilityMatrix,
  countsMap = countsMatrix, dates = dates, support = data.frame(1:10),
  variableName = "example", variableType = "numeric", period = "month")
plotDataTemporalMap(x)
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estimateDataTemporalMap
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*Estimates DataTemporalMap objects from raw data*

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## Description

Estimates a DataTemporalMap from a data.frame containing individuals in rows and the variables in columns, being one of these columns the analysis date (typically the acquisition date). Will return a DataTemporalMap object or a list of DataTemporalMap objects depending on the number of analysis variables.

## Usage

```
estimateDataTemporalMap(data = NULL, dateColumnName = NULL,
  period = "month", startDate = NULL, endDate = NULL,
  supports = NULL, numericVariablesBins = 100,
  numericSmoothing = TRUE, dateGapsSmoothing = FALSE,
  verbose = FALSE)
```



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## Not run:
```

For a larger example download the following .csv dataset and continue the steps as above:

```
inputFile <- "http://github.com/hms-dbmi/EHRtemporalVariability-DataExamples/raw/master/nhdsSubset.csv"
dataset <- read.csv2( inputFile,
                      sep = ",",
                      header = TRUE,
                      na.strings = "",
                      colClasses = c( "character", "numeric", "factor",
                                     "numeric" , rep( "factor", 22 ) ) )
```

```
## End(Not run)
```

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estimateIGTProjection *Estimates an Information Geometric Temporal plot projection*

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## Description

Estimates an IGTProjection object from a DataTemporalMap object.

## Usage

```
estimateIGTProjection(dataTemporalMap, dimensions = 3,
                      startDate = NULL, endDate = NULL)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'DataTemporalMap'
estimateIGTProjection(dataTemporalMap,
                      dimensions = 3, startDate = NULL, endDate = NULL)
```

## Arguments

dataTemporalMap	of class DataTemporalMap object.
dimensions	numeric integer value indicating the number of dimensions for the projection.
startDate	a Date object indicating the date at which to start the analysis, in case of being different from the first chronological date in the date column (the default).
endDate	a Date object indicating the date at which to end the analysis, in case of being different from the last chronological date in the date column (the default).

## Value

An IGTProjection object containing the projected coordinates of each temporal batch in the embedded non-parametric Statistical Manifold

## Examples

```
load(system.file("extdata",
                  "variabilityDemoNHDSdiagcode1-phewascode.RData",
                  package="EHRtemporalVariability"))
igtProj <- estimateIGTProjection( dataTemporalMap = probMaps$`diagcode1-phewascode`,
                                dimensions = 3,
```

```

startDate      = "2000-01-01",
endDate        = "2010-12-31")

## Not run:

# For additional and larger examples download the following .Rdata file:

githubURL <- "https://github.com/hms-dbmi/EHRtemporalVariability-DataExamples/raw/master/variabilityDemoNHD"
load(url(githubURL))
igtProj <- estimateIGTProjection( dataTemporalMap = probMaps[[1]],
  dimensions      = 3,
  startDate       = "2000-01-01",
  endDate         = "2010-12-31")

## End(Not run)

```

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formatDate	<i>Function to transform dates into "Date" R format</i>
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## Description

Given a `data.frame` object with a column of dates in 'character' format, it generates a new `data.frame` object with the dates transformed into "Date" R format.

## Usage

```
formatDate(input, dateColumn, dateFormat = "%y/%m/%d",
  verbose = FALSE)
```

## Arguments

<code>input</code>	A <code>data.frame</code> object with at least one column of dates.
<code>dateColumn</code>	The name of the column containing the date.
<code>dateFormat</code>	By default '%y/%m/%d'. Change it to the specific structure of your date format.
<code>verbose</code>	By default FALSE. Change it to TRUE to get an on-time log from the function.

## Value

An object of class `data.frame` with the date column transform into 'Date' R class.

## Examples

```

dataset <- read.csv2(system.file("extdata",
                                "nhdsSubset.csv",
                                package="EHRtemporalVariability"),
  sep = ",",
  header = TRUE,
  na.strings = "",
  colClasses = c( "character", "numeric", "factor",
                  "numeric" , rep( "factor", 22 ) ) )

datasetFormatted <- formatDate(

```



```

missingValues = "N/A",
statistics     = TRUE
)

```

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plotDataTemporalMap     *Data Temporal heatmap*

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## Description

Plots a Data Temporal heatmap from an DataTemporalMap object.

## Usage

```

plotDataTemporalMap(dataTemporalMap, absolute = FALSE, startValue = 1,
  endValue = ncol(dataTemporalMap@probabilityMap),
  startDate = min(dataTemporalMap@dates),
  endDate = max(dataTemporalMap@dates), sortingMethod = "frequency",
  colorPalette = "Spectral")

```

```

## S4 method for signature 'DataTemporalMap'
plotDataTemporalMap(dataTemporalMap,
  absolute = FALSE, startValue = 1,
  endValue = ncol(dataTemporalMap@probabilityMap),
  startDate = min(dataTemporalMap@dates),
  endDate = max(dataTemporalMap@dates), sortingMethod = "frequency",
  colorPalette = "Spectral")

```

## Arguments

dataTemporalMap	of class DataTemporalMap
absolute	indicates if the heatmap frequency values are absolute or relative. By default FALSE.
startValue	indicates the first value to display in the heatmap. By default 1.
endValue	indicates the last value to display in the heatmap. By default the last value of the DataTemporalMap object.
startDate	a Date object indicating the first date to be displayed in the heatmap. By default the first date of the DataTemporalMap object.
endDate	a Date object indicating the last date to be displayed in the heatmap. By default the last date of the DataTemporalMap object.
sortingMethod	the method to sort data in the Y axis of the heatmap from "frequency" and "alphabetical", with "frequency" as default.
colorPalette	color palette to be used. The default "Spectral" palette shows a color temperature scheme from blue, through yellow, to red (see "Spectral" palette in RColorBrewer package). The four remaining options are better suited for those with colorblindness, including "Viridis", "Magma", and their reversed versions "Viridis-reversed" and "Magma-reversed" (see "Viridis" and "Magma" palettes in the Viridis package).



**Value**

A plot object based on the plotly package.

**Examples**

```
load(system.file("extdata",
                 "variabilityDemoNHDSdiagcode1-phewascode.RData",
                 package="EHRtemporalVariability"))

p <- plotDataTemporalMap(dataTemporalMap = probMaps[[1]],
                        colorPalette = "Spectral",
                        startValue = 2,
                        endValue = 40)

p

## Not run:

# For additional and larger examples download the following .Rdata file:

githubURL <- "https://github.com/hms-dbmi/EHRtemporalVariability-DataExamples/raw/master/variabilityDemoNHDSdiagcode1-phewascode.RData"
load(url(githubURL))
plotDataTemporalMap(probMaps$`diagcode1-phewascode`, startValue = 2, endValue = 40)

## End(Not run)
```

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plotIGTProjection

*Information Geometric Temporal plot*


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**Description**

Plots an interactive Information Geometric Temporal (IGT) plot from an IGTProjection object. An IGT plot visualizes the variability among time batches in a data repository in a 2D or 3D plot. Time batches are positioned as points where the distance between them represents the probabilistic distance between their distributions (currently Jensen-Shannon distance, more distances will be supported in the future). To track the temporal evolution, temporal batches are labeled to show their date and colored according to their season or period, according to the analysis period, as follows. If period=="year" the label is "yy" (2 digit year) and the color is according to year. If period=="month" the label is "yym" (yy + abbreviated month\*) and the color is according to the season (yearly). If period=="week" the label is "yymmww" (yym + ISO week number in 1-2 digit) and the color is according to the season (yearly). \*Month abbreviations: {'J', 'F', 'M', 'A', 'm', 'j', 'x', 'a', 'S', 'O', 'N', 'D'}.

**Usage**

```
plotIGTProjection(igtProjection, dimensions = 3,
                 startDate = min(igtProjection@dataTemporalMap@dates),
                 endDate = max(igtProjection@dataTemporalMap@dates),
                 colorPalette = "Spectral")

## S4 method for signature 'IGTProjection'
plotIGTProjection(igtProjection,
                 dimensions = 3, startDate = min(igtProjection@dataTemporalMap@dates),
```

```
endDate = max(igtProjection@dataTemporalMap@dates),
colorPalette = "Spectral")
```

### Arguments

<code>igtProjection</code>	of class <code>IGTProjection</code>
<code>dimensions</code>	number of dimensions of the plot, 2 or 3 (3 by default)
<code>startDate</code>	a Date object indicating the first date to be displayed in the IGT plot. By default the first date of the <code>IGTProjection</code> object.
<code>endDate</code>	a Date object indicating the last date to be displayed in the IGT plot By default the last date of the <code>IGTProjection</code> object.
<code>colorPalette</code>	color palette to be used. The default "Spectral" palette shows a color temperature scheme from blue, through yellow, to red (see "Spectral" palette in <code>RColorBrewer</code> package). The four remaining options are better suited for those with colorblindness, including "Viridis", "Magma", and their reversed versions "Viridis-reversed" and "Magma-reversed" (see "Viridis" and "Magma" palettes in the <code>Viridis</code> package).

### Details

Note that since the projection is based on Classical Multi Dimensional Scaling, a 2 dimensional projection entails a loss of information compared to a 3 dimensional projection. E.g., periodic variability components such as seasonal effect can be hindered by an abrupt change or a general trend.

### Value

A plot object based on the `plotly` package.

### Examples

```
load(system.file("extdata",
                  "variabilityDemoNHDSdiagcode1-phewascode.RData",
                  package="EHRtemporalVariability"))

p <- plotIGTProjection( igtProjection = igtProjs[[1]],
                       colorPalette  = "Spectral",
                       dimensions    = 2)

p

## Not run:

# For additional and larger examples download the following .Rdata file:

githubURL <- "https://github.com/hms-dbmi/EHRtemporalVariability-DataExamples/raw/master/variabilityDemoNHDSdiagcode1-phewascode.RData"
load(url(githubURL))
plotIGTProjection(igtProjs$`diagcode1-phewascode`, dimensions = 3)

## End(Not run)
```

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trimDataTemporalMap	<i>Trims a DataTemporalMap</i>
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### Description

Trims a DataTemporalMap object between an start and end date. If one is not specified it takes as default the first/last chronological date in the input DataTemporalMap.

### Usage

```
trimDataTemporalMap(dataTemporalMap,
  startDate = min(dataTemporalMap@dates),
  endDate = max(dataTemporalMap@dates))

## S4 method for signature 'DataTemporalMap'
trimDataTemporalMap(dataTemporalMap,
  startDate = min(dataTemporalMap@dates),
  endDate = max(dataTemporalMap@dates))
```

### Arguments

dataTemporalMap	of class DataTemporalMap.
startDate	Date indicating the start date to trim from.
endDate	Date indicating the end date to trim to.

### Value

A DataTemporalMap object between the specified dates.

### Examples

```
load(system.file("extdata",
  "variabilityDemoNHDSdiagcode1-phewascode.RData",
  package="EHRtemporalVariability"))

probMapTrimmed <- trimDataTemporalMap(
  dataTemporalMap = probMaps[[1]],
  startDate       = "2005-01-01",
  endDate         = "2008-12-01"
)
```

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