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Description Analysis of elliptical tubes with applications in biological modeling. The package is based on the references: Taheri, M., Pizer, S. M., & Schulz, J. (2024) `The Mean Shape under the Relative Curvature Condition." Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics <a href="circle-doi:10.1080/10618600.2025.2535600">doi:10.1080/10618600.2025.2535600</a> and arXiv <a href="circle-doi:10.48550/arXiv.2404.01043">doi:10.1080/10618600.2025.2535600</a> and arXiv <a href="circle-doi:10.48550/arXiv.2404.01043">doi:10.1043</a>. Mohsen Taheri Shalmani (2024) `Shape Statistics via Skeletal Structures", PhD Thesis, University of Stavanger, Norway <a href="circle-doi:10.13140/RG.2.2.34500.23685">doi:10.13140/RG.2.2.34500.23685</a>. Key features include constructing discrete elliptical tubes, calculating transformations, validating structures under the Relative Curvature Condition (RCC), computing means, and generating simulations. Supports intrinsic and non-intrinsic mean calculations and transformations, size estimation, plotting, and random sample generation based on a reference tube. The intrinsic approach relies on the interior path of the original non-convex space, incorporating the RCC, while the non-intrinsic approach uses a basic robotic arm transformation that disregards the RCC.

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```

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Open an rgl device with fallback to WebGL

# Description

This function tries to open a native rgl window. If that fails (e.g. on macOS without OpenGL) it falls back to an off-screen device suitable for rendering with rglwidget().

### Usage

```
.etrep_open3d(show_widget = TRUE, ...)
```

# Arguments

show\_widget logical; if TRUE and native OpenGL is not available, a message is displayed suggesting to use etrep\_show3d().additional arguments passed to [rgl::open3d()].

### Value

Device ID returned by [rgl::open3d()].

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Display current rgl scene in the browser

### Description

Saves the current rgl scene to a temporary HTML file and opens it in the system's default browser.

### Usage

```
.etrep_show3d(width = 800, height = 600)
```

#### **Arguments**

```
width, height size of the viewer in pixels.
```

#### Value

The path to the HTML file (invisible).

 $.\,\mathsf{onLoad}$ 

Package startup hook

### Description

This special function is called automatically when the ETRep package is loaded. It ensures that 'rgl' uses the off-screen WebGL device ('useNULL = TRUE') on macOS and other headless environments, so that package installation and examples do not fail with an OpenGL error.

### Usage

```
.onLoad(libname, pkgname)
```

#### **Arguments**

libname Character string; the path to the package library.

pkgname Character string; the name of the package.

If the user has not already set 'options(rgl.useNULL)', this function sets it to 'TRUE' to suppress the typical warning: "rgl.init failed, will use the null device".

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check\_Tube\_Legality Check the Legality of an Elliptical Tube (ETRep)

# Description

Checks the validity of a given ETRep based on the Relative Curvature Condition (RCC) and principal radii such that forall i a\_i>b\_i.

### Usage

```
check_Tube_Legality(tube)
```

### **Arguments**

tube

List containing ETRep details.

#### Value

Logical value: TRUE if valid, FALSE otherwise.

#### References

Taheri, M., Pizer, S. M., & Schulz, J. (2024). "The Mean Shape under the Relative Curvature Condition." arXiv. doi:10.48550/arXiv.2404.01043

Taheri Shalmani, M. (2024). "Shape Statistics via Skeletal Structures." University of Stavanger. doi:10.13140/RG.2.2.34500.23685

### **Examples**

```
# Load tube
data("colon3D")
check_Tube_Legality(tube = colon3D)
```

colon3D

Data

### Description

A colon sample as an elliptical tube.

### Usage

colon3D

#### **Format**

A list containing the information of an e-tube

#### Source

Generated and stored in the package's 'data/' folder.

create\_Elliptical\_Tube

```
create_Elliptical_Tube
```

Create a Discrete Elliptical Tube (ETRep)

#### **Description**

Constructs a discrete elliptical tube (ETRep) based on specified parameters.

#### Usage

```
create_Elliptical_Tube(
  numberOfFrames,
  method,
  materialFramesBasedOnParents = NA,
  initialFrame = diag(3),
  initialPoint = c(0, 0, 0),
  EulerAngles_Matrix = NA,
  ellipseResolution = 10,
  ellipseRadii_a,
  ellipseRadii_b,
  connectionsLengths,
  plotting = TRUE
)
```

### **Arguments**

 $number Of Frames \quad Integer, specifies \ the \ number \ of \ consecutive \ material \ frames.$ 

method String, either "basedOnEulerAngles" or "basedOnMaterialFrames", defines the

material frames method.

 ${\tt materialFramesBasedOnParents}$ 

Array (3 x 3 x numberOfFrames) with pre-defined material frames.

initialFrame Matrix 3 x 3 as the initial frame

initialPoint Real vector with three elemets as the initial point

EulerAngles\_Matrix

Matrix of dimensions numberOfFrames x 3 with Euler angles to define material

ellipseResolution

Integer, resolution of elliptical cross-sections (default is 10).

ellipseRadii\_a Numeric vector for the primary radii of cross-sections.

ellipseRadii\_b Numeric vector for the secondary radii of cross-sections.

connectionsLengths

Numeric vector for lengths of spinal connection vectors.

plotting Logical, enables plotting of the ETRep (default is TRUE).

### Value

List containing tube details (orientation, radii, connection lengths, boundary points, etc.).

#### References

Taheri, M., Pizer, S. M., & Schulz, J. (2024). "The Mean Shape under the Relative Curvature Condition." arXiv. doi:10.48550/arXiv.2404.01043

Taheri Shalmani, M. (2024). "Shape Statistics via Skeletal Structures." University of Stavanger. doi:10.13140/RG.2.2.34500.23685

#### **Examples**

```
numberOfFrames<-15
EulerAngles_alpha<-c(rep(0,numberOfFrames))</pre>
EulerAngles_beta<-c(rep(-pi/20,numberOfFrames))</pre>
EulerAngles_gamma<-c(rep(0,numberOfFrames))</pre>
EulerAngles_Matrix<-cbind(EulerAngles_alpha,</pre>
                           EulerAngles_beta,
                           EulerAngles_gamma)
tube <- create_Elliptical_Tube(numberOfFrames = numberOfFrames,</pre>
                                method = "basedOnEulerAngles",
                                EulerAngles_Matrix = EulerAngles_Matrix,
                                 ellipseResolution = 10,
                                 ellipseRadii_a = rep(3, numberOfFrames),
                                 ellipseRadii_b = rep(2, numberOfFrames),
                                 connectionsLengths = rep(4, numberOfFrames),
                                 plotting = FALSE)
# Plotting
## Not run:
 plot_Elliptical_Tube(tube = tube,plot_frames = FALSE,
                       plot_skeletal_sheet = TRUE,
                       plot_r_project = FALSE,
                       plot_r_max = FALSE, add = FALSE)
## End(Not run)
```

elliptical\_Tube\_Euclideanization

Convert an ETRep to a Matrix in the Convex Transformed Space.

#### **Description**

Convert an ETRep to a Matrix in the Convex Transformed Space.

#### **Usage**

```
elliptical_Tube_Euclideanization(tube)
```

#### **Arguments**

tube

A list containing the details of the ETRep.

#### Value

An n\*6 matrix, where n is the number of spinal points, representing the ETRep in the transformed Euclidean convex space.

#### **Examples**

```
#Example
# Load tube
data("tube_A")
Euclideanized_Tube<- elliptical_Tube_Euclideanization(tube = tube_A)</pre>
```

intrinsic\_Distance\_Between2tubes

Calculating the intrinsic distance between two ETReps

### Description

Calculating the intrinsic distance between two ETReps

### Usage

```
intrinsic_Distance_Between2tubes(tube1, tube2)
```

# **Arguments**

tube1 List containing ETRep details.tube2 List containing ETRep details.

#### Value

Numeric

### References

Taheri, M., Pizer, S. M., & Schulz, J. (2024). "The Mean Shape under the Relative Curvature Condition." arXiv. doi:10.48550/arXiv.2404.01043

Taheri Shalmani, M. (2024). "Shape Statistics via Skeletal Structures." University of Stavanger. doi:10.13140/RG.2.2.34500.23685

```
# Load tubes
data("tube_A")
data("tube_B")
intrinsic_Distance_Between2tubes(tube1 = tube_A, tube2 = tube_B)
```

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### **Description**

Computes the intrinsic mean of a set of ETReps. The computation involves transforming the non-convex hypertrumpet space into a convex space, calculating the mean in this transformed space, and mapping the result back to the original hypertrumpet space.

#### Usage

```
intrinsic_mean_tube(tubes, type = "sizeAndShapeAnalysis", plotting = TRUE)
```

### **Arguments**

tubes List of ETReps.

type String, "ShapeAnalysis" or "sizeAndShapeAnalysis" (default is "sizeAndSha-

peAnalysis").

plotting Logical, enables visualization of the mean (default is TRUE).

#### Value

List representing the mean ETRep.

#### References

Taheri, M., Pizer, S. M., & Schulz, J. (2024). "The Mean Shape under the Relative Curvature Condition." arXiv. doi:10.48550/arXiv.2404.01043

Taheri Shalmani, M. (2024). "Shape Statistics via Skeletal Structures." University of Stavanger. doi:10.13140/RG.2.2.34500.23685

```
#Example 1
# Load tubes
data("tube_A")
data("tube_B")
intrinsic_mean<-
  intrinsic_mean_tube(tubes = list(tube_A, tube_B),
                      plotting = FALSE)
# Plotting
## Not run:
plot_Elliptical_Tube(tube = intrinsic_mean,
                     plot_frames = FALSE,
                     plot_skeletal_sheet = FALSE,
                     plot_r_project = FALSE,
                     plot_r_max = FALSE,
                     add = FALSE)
## End(Not run)
#Example 2
```

#### **Description**

Performs an intrinsic transformation from one ETRep to another, preserving essential e-tube properties such as the Relative Curvature Condition (RCC) while avoiding local self-intersections.

### Usage

```
intrinsic_Transformation_Elliptical_Tubes(
  tube1,
  tube2,
  type = "sizeAndShapeAnalysis",
  numberOfSteps = 5,
  plotting = TRUE,
  colorBoundary = "blue"
)
```

### **Arguments**

tube1 List containing details of the first ETRep.

tube2 List containing details of the second ETRep.

type String defining the type of analysis as sizeAndShapeAnalysis or shapeAnalysis numberOfSteps Integer, number of transformation steps.

plotting Logical, enables visualization during transformation (default is TRUE).

colorBoundary String defining the color of the e-tube

#### Value

List containing intermediate ETReps.

#### References

Taheri, M., Pizer, S. M., & Schulz, J. (2024). "The Mean Shape under the Relative Curvature Condition." arXiv. doi:10.48550/arXiv.2404.01043

Taheri Shalmani, M. (2024). "Shape Statistics via Skeletal Structures." University of Stavanger. doi:10.13140/RG.2.2.34500.23685

#### **Examples**

```
# Load tubes
data("tube_A")
data("tube_B")
numberOfSteps <- 10</pre>
transformation_Tubes<-
  intrinsic_Transformation_Elliptical_Tubes(
    tube1 = tube_A, tube2 = tube_B,
    numberOfSteps = numberOfSteps,
    plotting = FALSE)
# Plotting
## Not run:
for (i in 1:length(transformation_Tubes)) {
  plot_Elliptical_Tube(tube = transformation_Tubes[[i]],
  plot_frames = FALSE,plot_skeletal_sheet = FALSE
  ,plot_r_project = FALSE,
  plot_r_max = FALSE,
  add = FALSE)
}
##
## End(Not run)
```

nonIntrinsic\_Distance\_Between2tubes

Calculating the non-intrinsic distance between two ETReps

# **Description**

Calculating the non-intrinsic distance between two ETReps

### Usage

```
nonIntrinsic_Distance_Between2tubes(tube1, tube2)
```

#### **Arguments**

tube1 List containing ETRep details.tube2 List containing ETRep details.

### Value

Numeric

#### References

Taheri, M., Pizer, S. M., & Schulz, J. (2024). "The Mean Shape under the Relative Curvature Condition." arXiv. doi:10.48550/arXiv.2404.01043

Taheri Shalmani, M. (2024). "Shape Statistics via Skeletal Structures." University of Stavanger. doi:10.13140/RG.2.2.34500.23685

#### **Examples**

```
# Load tubes
data("tube_A")
data("tube_B")
intrinsic_Distance_Between2tubes(tube1 = tube_A, tube2 = tube_B)
```

nonIntrinsic\_mean\_tube

Compute Non-Intrinsic Mean of ETReps

# Description

Calculates the non-intrinsic mean of a set of ETReps. This method utilizes a non-intrinsic distance metric based on robotic arm non-intrinsic transformations.

#### Usage

```
nonIntrinsic_mean_tube(tubes, type = "sizeAndShapeAnalysis", plotting = TRUE)
```

### **Arguments**

tubes List of ETReps.

type String, "ShapeAnalysis" or "sizeAndShapeAnalysis" (default is "sizeAndSha-

peAnalysis").

plotting Logical, enables visualization of the mean (default is TRUE).

#### Value

List representing the mean ETRep.

```
plot_r_max = FALSE,
                     add = FALSE)
## End(Not run)
#Example 2
data("simulatedColons")
nonIntrinsic mean<-
  nonIntrinsic_mean_tube(tubes = simulatedColons,
                         plotting = FALSE)
# Plotting
## Not run:
plot_Elliptical_Tube(tube = nonIntrinsic_mean,
                     plot_frames = FALSE,
                     plot_skeletal_sheet = FALSE,
                     plot_r_project = FALSE,
                     plot_r_max = FALSE,
                     add = FALSE)
## End(Not run)
```

nonIntrinsic\_Transformation\_Elliptical\_Tubes

Non-Intrinsic Transformation Between Two ETReps

#### **Description**

Performs a non-intrinsic transformation from one ETRep to another. This approach is inspired by robotic arm transformations and does not account for the Relative Curvature Condition (RCC).

### Usage

```
nonIntrinsic_Transformation_Elliptical_Tubes(
  tube1,
  tube2,
  type = "sizeAndShapeAnalysis",
  numberOfSteps = 4,
  plotting = TRUE,
  colorBoundary = "blue",
  add = FALSE
)
```

#### **Arguments**

tube1 List containing details of the first ETRep.tube2 List containing details of the second ETRep.

type String defining the type of analysis as sizeAndShapeAnalysis or shapeAnalysis

 $number {\tt OfSteps} \quad Integer, number of transformation steps.$ 

plotting Logical, enables visualization during transformation (default is TRUE).

colorBoundary String defining the color of the e-tube add Logical, enables overlay plotting

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#### Value

List containing intermediate ETReps.

#### References

Taheri, M., Pizer, S. M., & Schulz, J. (2024). "The Mean Shape under the Relative Curvature Condition." arXiv. doi:10.48550/arXiv.2404.01043

Taheri Shalmani, M. (2024). "Shape Statistics via Skeletal Structures." University of Stavanger. doi:10.13140/RG.2.2.34500.23685

#### **Examples**

```
# Load tubes
data("tube_A")
data("tube_B")
numberOfSteps <- 10</pre>
transformation_Tubes<-
  nonIntrinsic_Transformation_Elliptical_Tubes(
    tube1 = tube_A, tube2 = tube_B,
    numberOfSteps = numberOfSteps,
    plotting = FALSE)
# Plotting
## Not run:
for (i in 1:length(transformation_Tubes)) {
  plot_Elliptical_Tube(tube = transformation_Tubes[[i]],
  plot_frames = FALSE,plot_skeletal_sheet = FALSE
  ,plot_r_project = FALSE,
  plot_r_max = FALSE,
  add = FALSE)
## End(Not run)
```

#### **Description**

Plots a given ETRep with options for boundary, material frames, and projection visualization.

#### Usage

```
plot_Elliptical_Tube(
   tube,
   plot_boundary = TRUE,
   plot_r_max = FALSE,
   plot_r_project = TRUE,
   plot_frames = TRUE,
   frameScaling = NA,
   plot_spine = TRUE,
   plot_normal_vec = FALSE,
```

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```
plot_skeletal_sheet = TRUE,
  decorate = TRUE,
  colSkeletalSheet = "blue",
  colorBoundary = "blue",
  add = FALSE
)
```

### **Arguments**

tube List containing ETRep details.

plot\_boundary Logical, enables plotting of the boundary (default is TRUE).

plot\_r\_max Logical, enables plotting of max projection size (default is FALSE).

plot\_r\_project Logical, enables plotting of projection along normals (default is TRUE).

plot\_frames Logical, enables plotting of the material frames (default is TRUE).

frameScaling Numeric, scale factor for frames.

plot\_spine Logical, enables plotting of the spine.

plot\_normal\_vec

Logical, enables plotting of the normals.

plot\_skeletal\_sheet

Logical, enables plotting of the surface skeleton.

decorate Logical, enables decorate the plot

colSkeletalSheet

String, defining the color of the surface skeleton

colorBoundary String, defining the color of the e-tube add Logical, enables overlay plotting

#### Value

Graphical output.

#### **Examples**

simulatedColons

Data

#### **Description**

Simulated samples of e-tubes, modeled after a reference structure resembling a colon.

#### Usage

simulatedColons

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#### **Format**

Five simulated samples of elliptical tubes, modeled after a reference structure resembling a colon.

#### **Source**

Generated and stored in the package's 'data/' folder.

simulate\_etube

Simulate Random Elliptical Tubes (ETReps)

#### **Description**

Generates random samples of ETReps based on a reference tube with added variation.

### Usage

```
simulate_etube(
  referenceTube,
  numberOfSimulation,
  sd_v = 10^-10,
  sd_psi = 10^-10,
  sd_x = 10^-10,
  sd_a = 10^-10,
  sd_b = 10^-10,
  rangeSdScale = c(1, 2),
  plotting = TRUE
)
```

### Arguments

referenceTube List containing ETRep information as the reference.
numberOfSimulation
Integer, number of random samples.

sd\_vStandard deviations for various parameters.sd\_psiStandard deviations for various parameters.sd\_xStandard deviations for various parameters.sd\_aStandard deviations for various parameters.sd\_bStandard deviations for various parameters.

rangeSdScale Numeric range for random scaling.

plotting Logical, enables visualization of samples (default is FALSE).

### Value

List of random ETReps.

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#### References

Taheri, M., Pizer, S. M., & Schulz, J. (2024). "The Mean Shape under the Relative Curvature Condition." arXiv. doi:10.48550/arXiv.2404.01043

Taheri Shalmani, M. (2024). "Shape Statistics via Skeletal Structures." University of Stavanger. doi:10.13140/RG.2.2.34500.23685

#### **Examples**

```
# Load tube
data("colon3D")
#Set Parameters
sd_v<-sd_psi<-1e-03
sd_x<-sd_a<-sd_b<-1e-04
numberOfSimulation<-4
random_Tubes<-
  simulate_etube(referenceTube = colon3D,
                 numberOfSimulation = numberOfSimulation,
                 sd_v = sd_v
                 sd_psi = sd_psi,
                 sd_x = sd_x,
                 sd_a = sd_a,
                 sd_b = sd_b,
                 rangeSdScale = c(1, 2),
                 plotting = FALSE)
# Plotting
## Not run:
plot_Elliptical_Tube(random_Tubes[[1]], add = FALSE)
plot_Elliptical_Tube(random_Tubes[[2]], add = TRUE)
plot_Elliptical_Tube(random_Tubes[[3]], add = TRUE)
plot_Elliptical_Tube(random_Tubes[[4]], add = TRUE)
## End(Not run)
```

tube\_A

Data

#### **Description**

A tube with 204 elliptical cross-sections.

#### Usage

tube\_A

### **Format**

A list containing the information of an e-tube with 204 elliptical cross-sections

#### **Source**

Generated and stored in the package's 'data/' folder.

tube\_B

tube\_B Data

## Description

A tube with 204 elliptical cross-sections.

#### Usage

tube\_B

### **Format**

A list containing the information of an e-tube with 204 elliptical cross-sections

#### Source

Generated and stored in the package's 'data/' folder.

tube\_Surface\_Mesh

Create surface mesh of a tube

#### **Description**

Create surface mesh of a tube

# Usage

```
tube_Surface_Mesh(
  tube,
  meshType = "quadrilateral",
  plotMesh = TRUE,
  color = "blue",
  decorate = TRUE
)
```

# **Arguments**

tube List containing ETRep details.

meshType String, either "quadrilateral" or "triangular" definig the type of mesh.

plotMesh Logical, enables plotting of the mesh (default is TRUE).

color String, defining the color of the mesh (default is 'blue').

decorate Logical, enables decorating the plot (default is TRUE).

### Value

An object from rgl::mesh3d class

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```
## Not run:
quad_mesh<-tube_Surface_Mesh(tube = ETRep::tube_B,</pre>
                             meshType = "quadrilateral",
                             plotMesh = TRUE,
                             decorate = TRUE,
                             color = "orange")
# draw wireframe of the mesh
rgl::wire3d(quad_mesh, color = "black", lwd = 1)  # add wireframe
# Display in browser
ETRep:::.etrep_show3d(width = 800, height = 600)
tri_mesh<-tube_Surface_Mesh(tube = ETRep::tube_B,</pre>
                            meshType = "triangular",
                            plotMesh = TRUE,
                            decorate = TRUE,
                            color = "green")
# draw wireframe of the mesh
rgl::wire3d(tri_mesh, color = "black", lwd = 1)  # add wireframe
# Display in browser
ETRep:::.etrep_show3d(width = 800, height = 600)
## End(Not run)
```