

Microbial Ecology Analysis Report

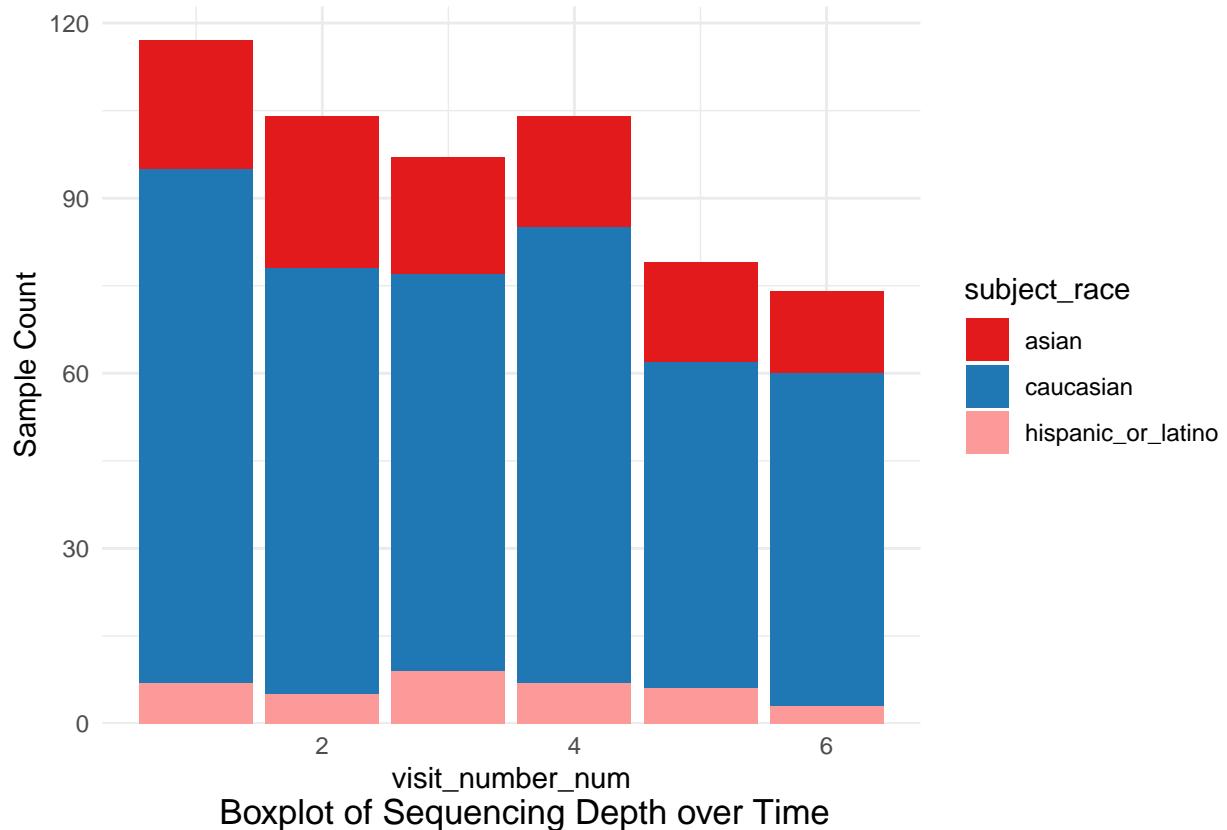
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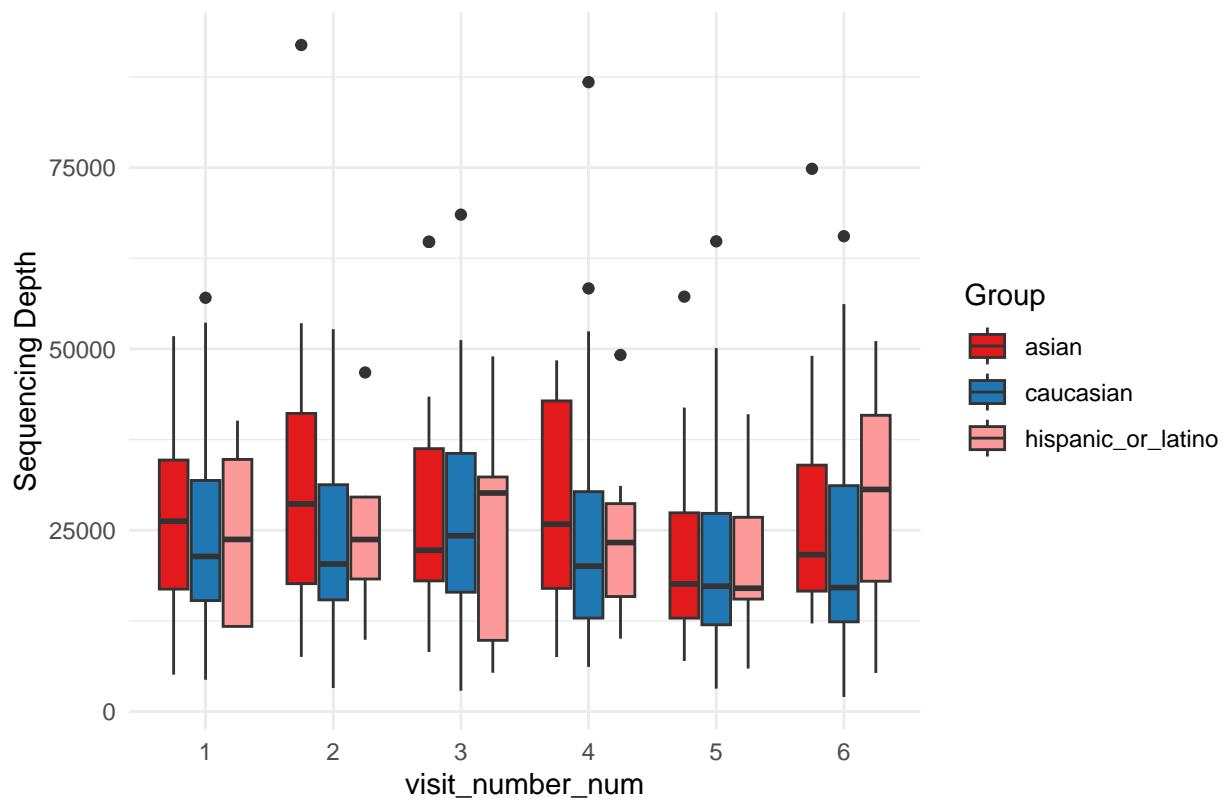
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Histogram of Sample Counts over Time



Boxplot of Sequencing Depth over Time



1.2 Summary statistics and data overview

Category	Variable	Value
Basic Statistics	Number of samples	575
Basic Statistics	Number of features	9533
Basic Statistics	Min. reads per sample	2007
Basic Statistics	Max. reads per sample	91908
Basic Statistics	Total reads dplyr::across all samples	14138179
Basic Statistics	Average reads per sample	1483.078
Basic Statistics	Median reads per sample	21062
Basic Statistics	Proportion of zero counts	0.963
Basic Statistics	Count of features that only appear once	1505
Metadata	Number of metadata variables	14
Feature Annotations	Proportion of missing annotations in Kingdom	0
Feature Annotations	Proportion of missing annotations in Phylum	0
Feature Annotations	Proportion of missing annotations in Class	0.002
Feature Annotations	Proportion of missing annotations in Order	0.012
Feature Annotations	Proportion of missing annotations in Family	0.128
Feature Annotations	Proportion of missing annotations in Genus	0.484
Feature Annotations	Proportion of missing annotations in Species	0.887
Phylogenetic Tree	Exists in the dataset	No
Time-Series Information	Earliest sample time-point	1
Time-Series Information	Latest sample time-point	6
Distribution of sample counts	Sample Count at Time-point: 1	117
Distribution of sample counts	Sample Count at Time-point: 2	104
Distribution of sample counts	Sample Count at Time-point: 3	97
Distribution of sample counts	Sample Count at Time-point: 4	104
Distribution of sample counts	Sample Count at Time-point: 5	79
Distribution of sample counts	Sample Count at Time-point: 6	74

2. Alpha diversity analysis

2.1 Data visualization

```
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alpha_boxplot_results <- generate_alpha_boxplot_long(data.obj = data.obj,
                                                       alpha.obj = alpha.obj,
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                                                       depth = depth,
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```

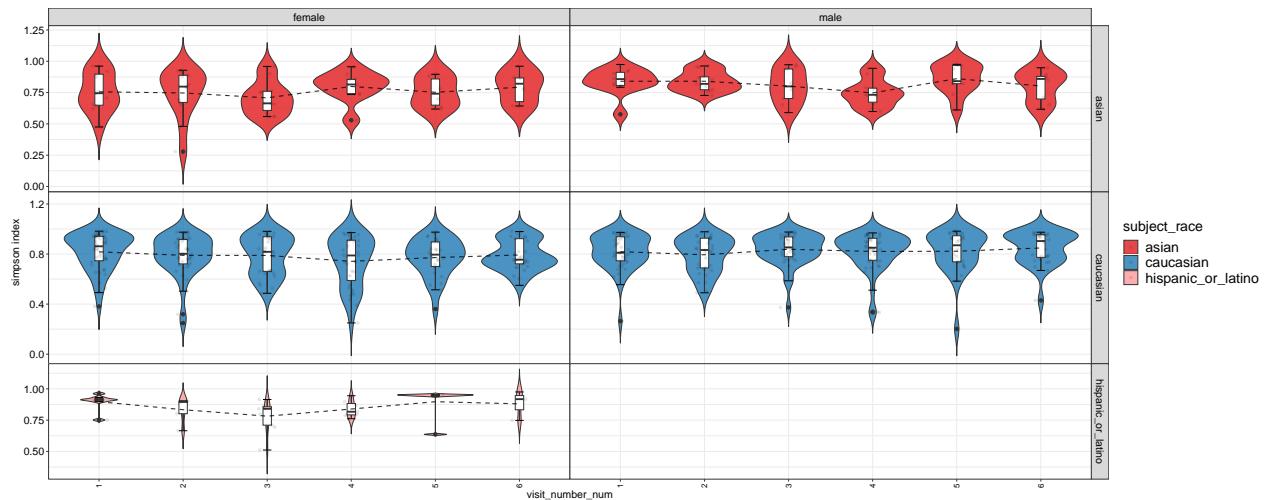
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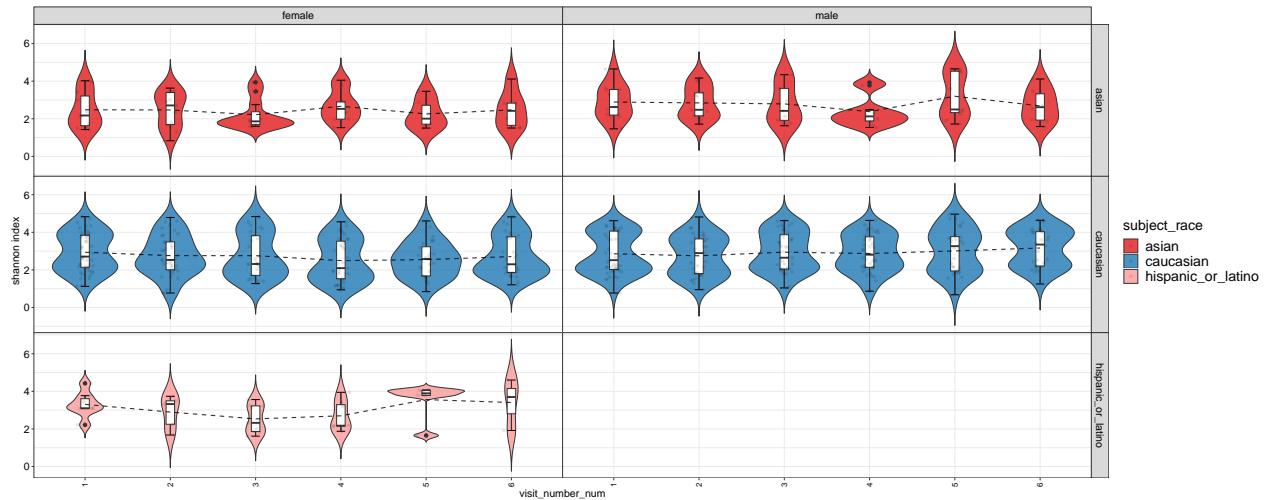
alpha_boxplot_results

```

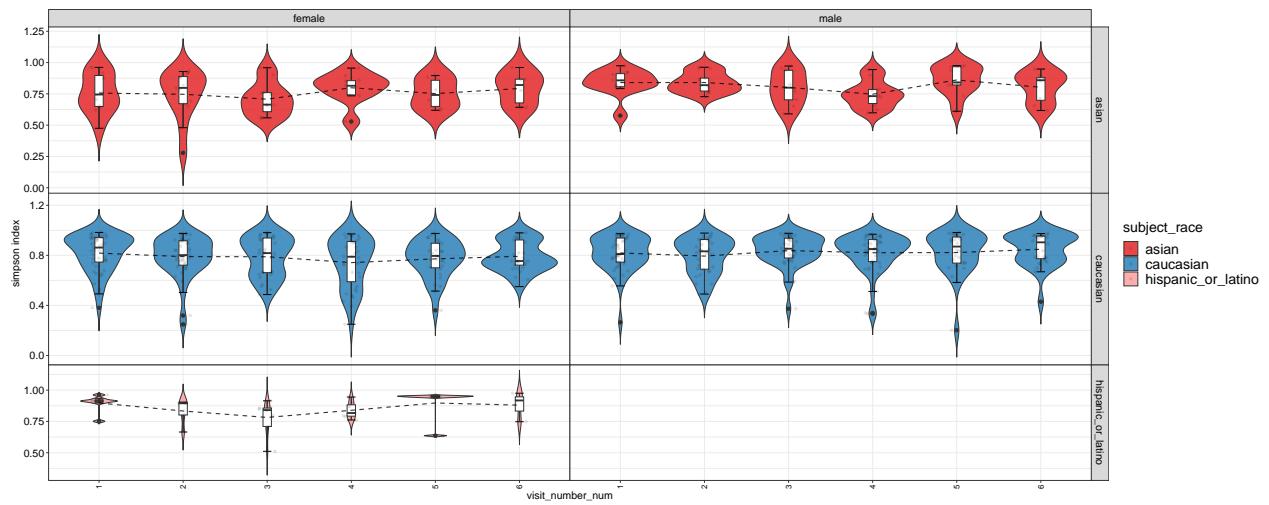
2.1.1 Alpha diversity boxplot



\$shannon



\$simpson

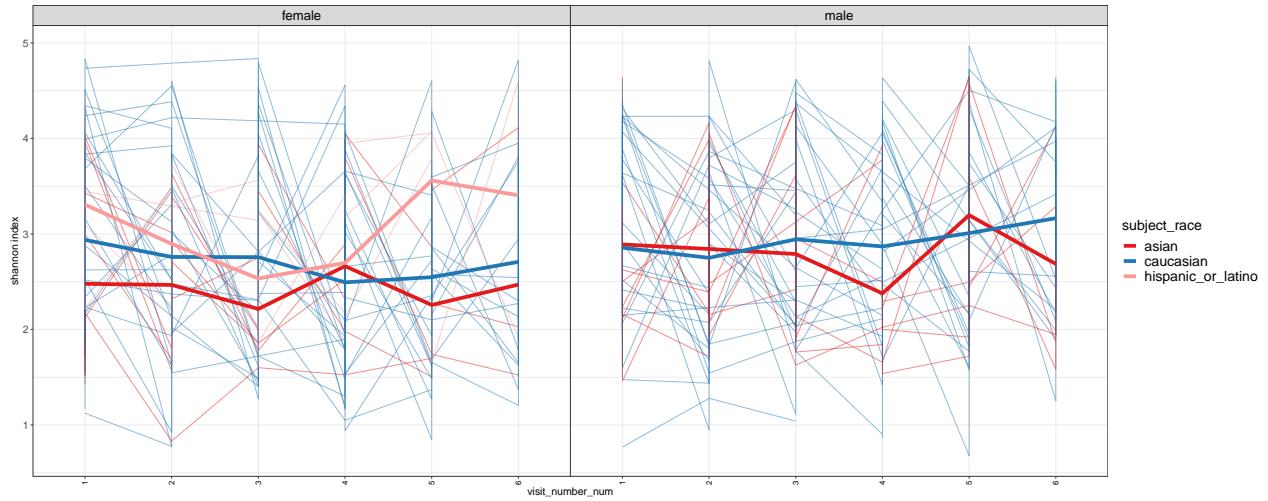


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```

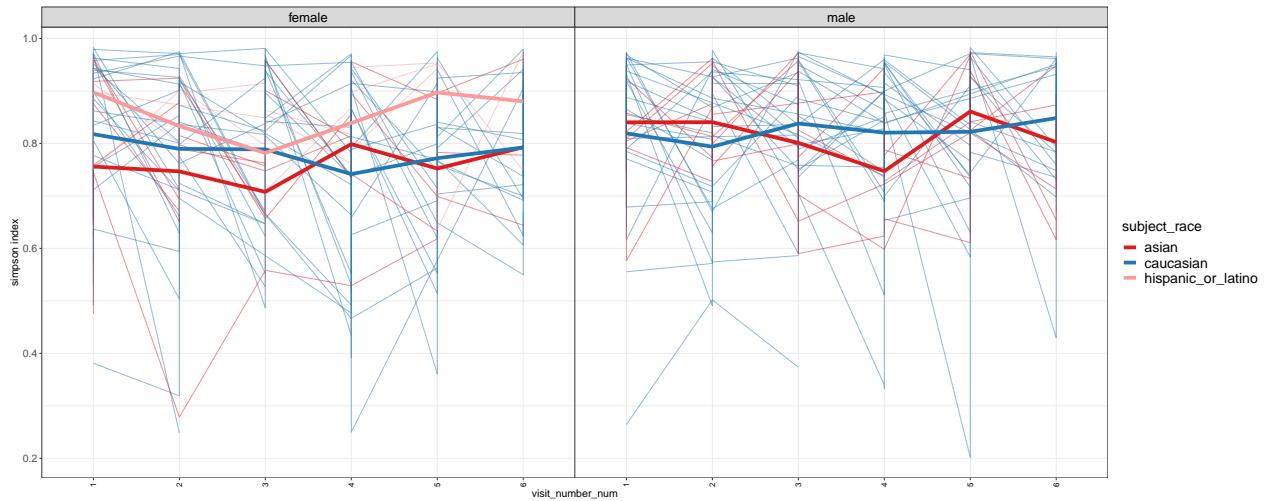
```
alpha_spaghettiplot_results <- generate_alpha_spaghettiplot_long(
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  palette = palette,
  pdf = pdf,
  file.ann = file.ann,
  pdf.wid = pdf.wid,
  pdf.hei = pdf.hei)

alpha_spaghettiplot_results
```

2.1.2 Alpha diversity spaghettiplot \$shannon



`$simpson`



2.2 Trend test

```
alpha_trend_test_results <- generate_alpha_trend_test_long(
  data.obj = data.obj,
  alpha.obj = alpha.obj,
  alpha.name = alpha.name,
  depth = depth,
  time.var = time.var,
  subject.var = subject.var,
  group.var = group.var,
  adj.vars = test.adj.vars)
```

In this analysis, we utilized a linear mixed effects model with both random intercept and random slope to investigate potential interactions. Specifically, we tested the interaction between the variables `subject_race` and `visit_number_num`.

2.2.1 Shannon index Based on the linear mixed effects model, no significant interaction was detected between `visit_number_num` and the level `caucasian` of the variable `subject_race`, with a p-value of 0.835.

Based on the linear mixed effects model, no significant interaction was detected between `visit_number_num`

and the level hispanicorlatino of the variable subject_race, with a p-value of 0.650.

2.2.2 Simpson index Based on the linear mixed effects model, no significant interaction was detected between visit_number_num and the level caucasian of the variable subject_race, with a p-value of 0.717.

Based on the linear mixed effects model, no significant interaction was detected between visit_number_num and the level hispanicorlatino of the variable subject_race, with a p-value of 0.847.

- Detailed results for alpha diversity trend test:

– **shannon:**

Table 3: Table continues below

Term	Estimate	Std.Error
(Intercept)	2.635	0.211
subject_racecaucasian	0.2271	0.2385
subject_racehispanic_or_latino	0.204	0.4553
visit_number_num	-0.005673	0.05653
subject_racecaucasian:visit_number_num	-0.01329	0.06376
subject_racehispanic_or_latino:visit_number_num	0.0545	0.1202
subject_race:visit_number_num	NA	NA

Statistic	P.Value
12.49	1.548e-26
0.9521	0.3423
0.4481	0.6548
-0.1004	0.9201
-0.2085	0.835
0.4536	0.6504
0.1986	0.82

– **simpson:**

Table 5: Table continues below

Term	Estimate	Std.Error
(Intercept)	0.7851	0.03328
subject_racecaucasian	0.02822	0.03759
subject_racehispanic_or_latino	0.05775	0.07364
visit_number_num	-0.000609	0.007633
subject_racecaucasian:visit_number_num	-0.003123	0.008622
subject_racehispanic_or_latino:visit_number_num	0.003134	0.01626
subject_race:visit_number_num	NA	NA

Statistic	P.Value
23.59	1.822e-36
0.7507	0.4551
0.7842	0.4361
-0.07979	0.9364

Statistic	P.Value
-0.3622	0.7173
0.1928	0.8473
0.1368	0.8722

2.3 Volatility test

```
alpha_volatility_test_results <- generate_alpha_volatility_test_long(
  data.obj = data.obj,
  alpha.obj = alpha.obj,
  alpha.name = alpha.name,
  depth = depth,
  time.var = time.var,
  subject.var = subject.var,
  group.var = group.var,
  adj.vars = test.adj.vars)
```

In this analysis, we utilized a general linear model to examine the influence of the variable subject_race on volatility.

The alpha diversity volatility is calculated by averaging the rate of change in alpha diversity across consecutive time points. Specifically, for each pair of adjacent time points, we compute the difference in alpha diversity, normalize it by the time difference, and then take the average over all such pairs.

2.3.1 Shannon index Based on the general linear model, the level caucasian of the variable subject_race did not significantly influence the alpha diversity volatility, with a p-value of 0.425.

Based on the general linear model, the level hispanic_or_latino of the variable subject_race did not significantly influence the alpha diversity volatility, with a p-value of 0.790.

2.3.2 Simpson index Based on the general linear model, the level caucasian of the variable subject_race did not significantly influence the alpha diversity volatility, with a p-value of 0.522.

Based on the general linear model, the level hispanic_or_latino of the variable subject_race did not significantly influence the alpha diversity volatility, with a p-value of 0.696.

- Detailed results for alpha diversity volatility test:

– **shannon:**

Term	Estimate	Std.Error	Statistic	P.Value
(Intercept)	1.081	0.1788	6.047	9.76e-08
subject_racecaucasian	0.1619	0.2016	0.8034	0.4249
subject_racehispanic_or_latino	0.1106	0.413	0.2679	0.7897
subject_race	NA	NA	0.3237	0.7247
Residuals	NA	NA	NA	NA

– **simpson:**

Term	Estimate	Std.Error	Statistic	P.Value
(Intercept)	0.1357	0.03015	4.501	3.107e-05
subject_racecaucasian	0.02187	0.03399	0.6436	0.5223
subject_racehispanic_or_latino	-0.02731	0.06962	-0.3923	0.6962

Term	Estimate	Std.Error	Statistic	P.Value
subject_race	NA	NA	0.4469	0.6417
Residuals	NA	NA	NA	NA

3. Beta diversity analysis

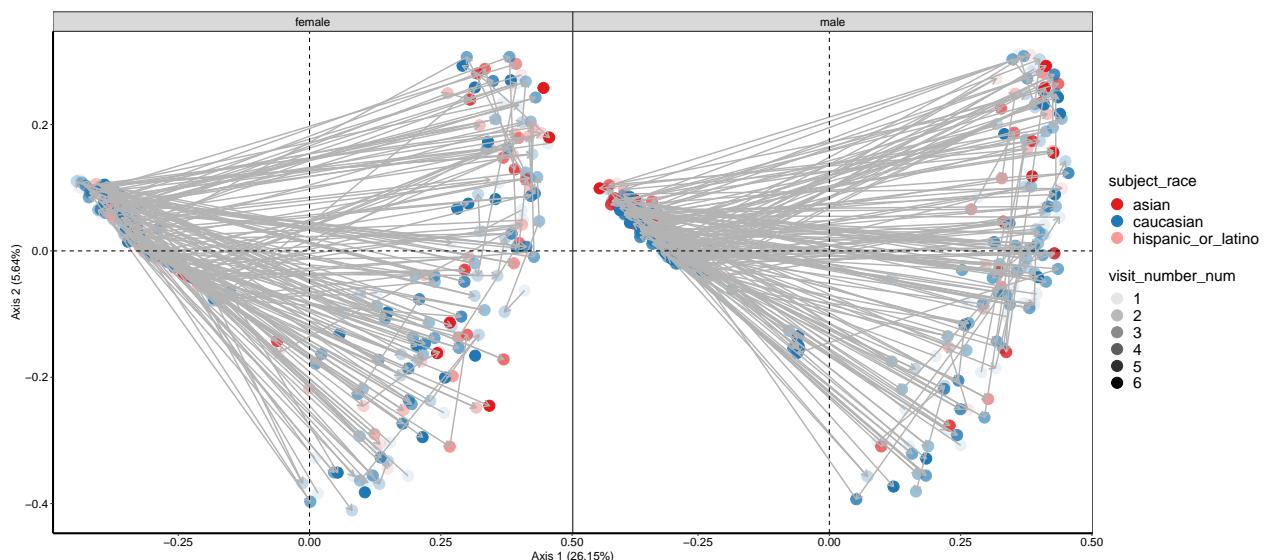
3.1 Data visualization

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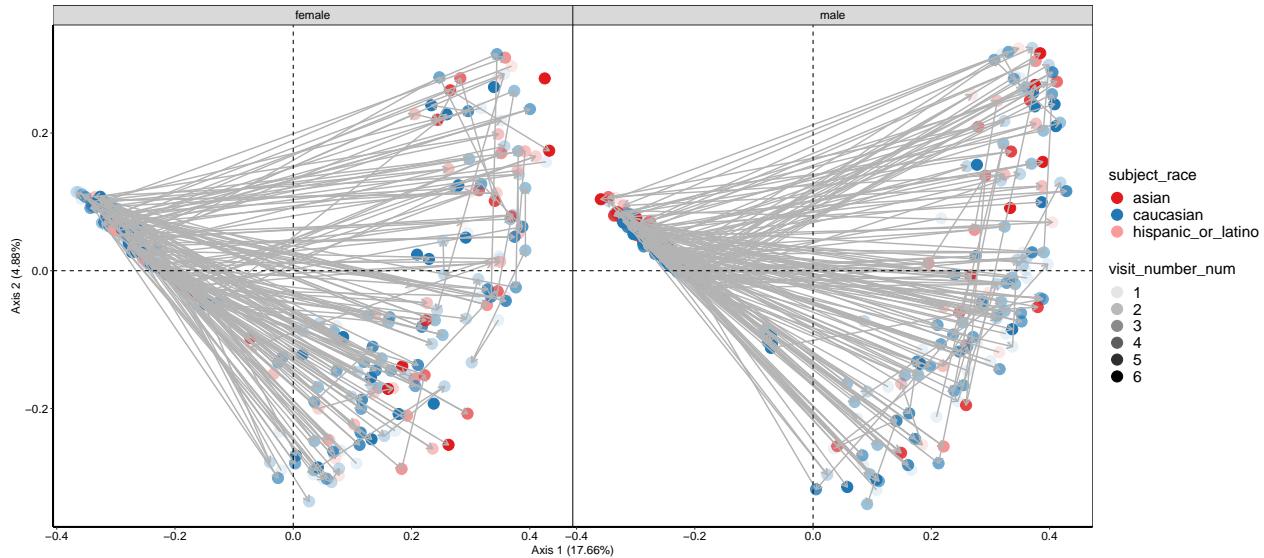
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beta_ordination_results <- generate_beta_ordination_long(data.obj = data.obj,
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beta_ordination_results
```

3.1.1 Beta diversity ordinationplot \$BC



\$Jaccard



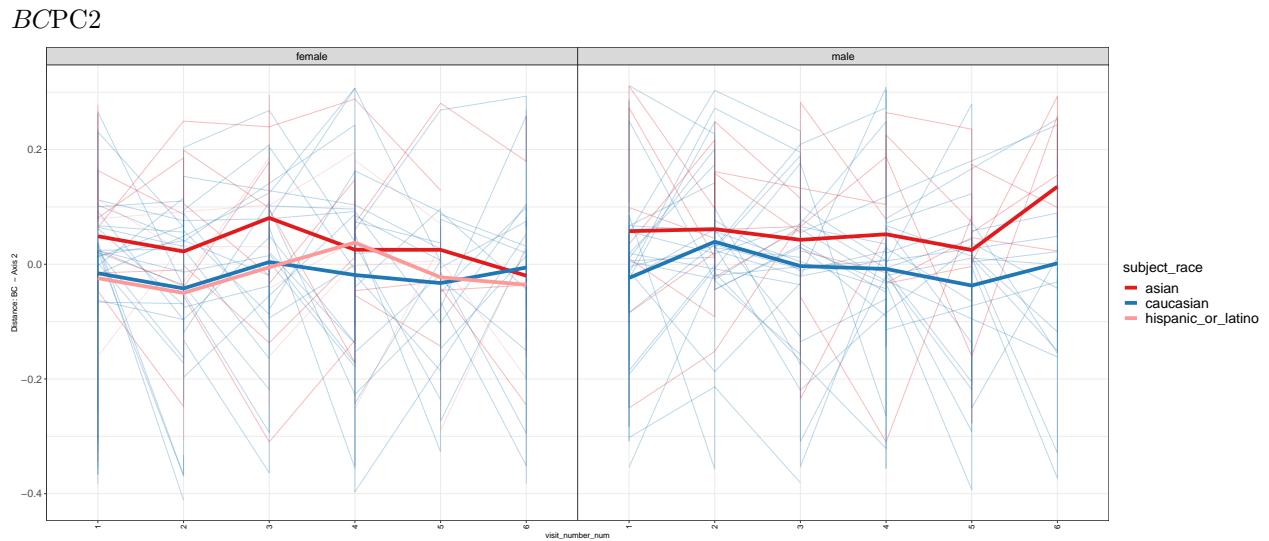
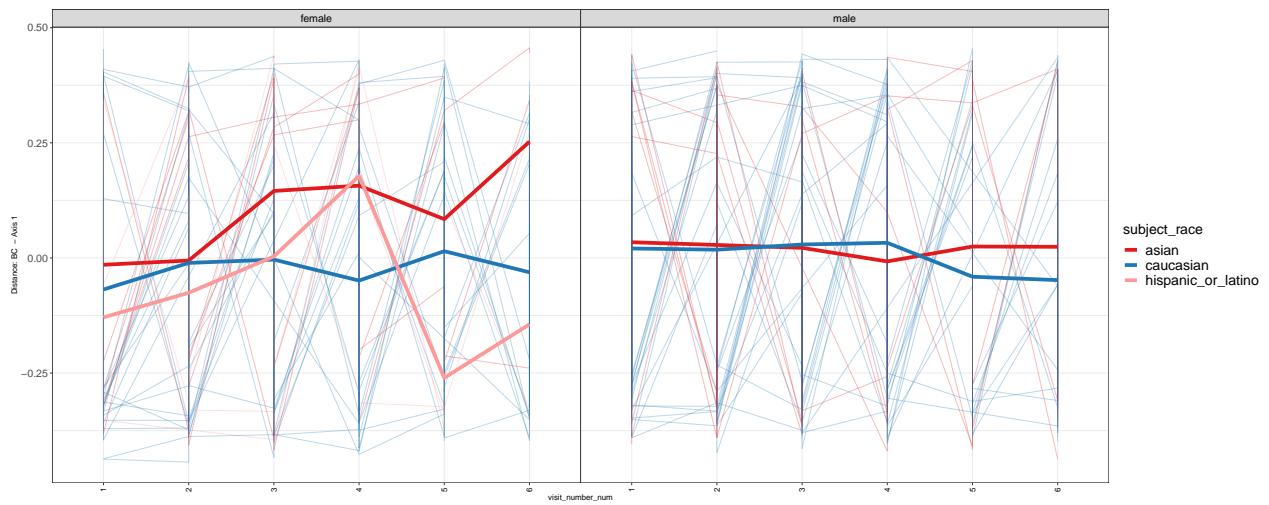
```

pc_boxplot_longitudinal_results <- generate_beta_pc_spaghettiplot_long(
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  dist.obj = dist.obj,
  pc.obj = pc.obj,
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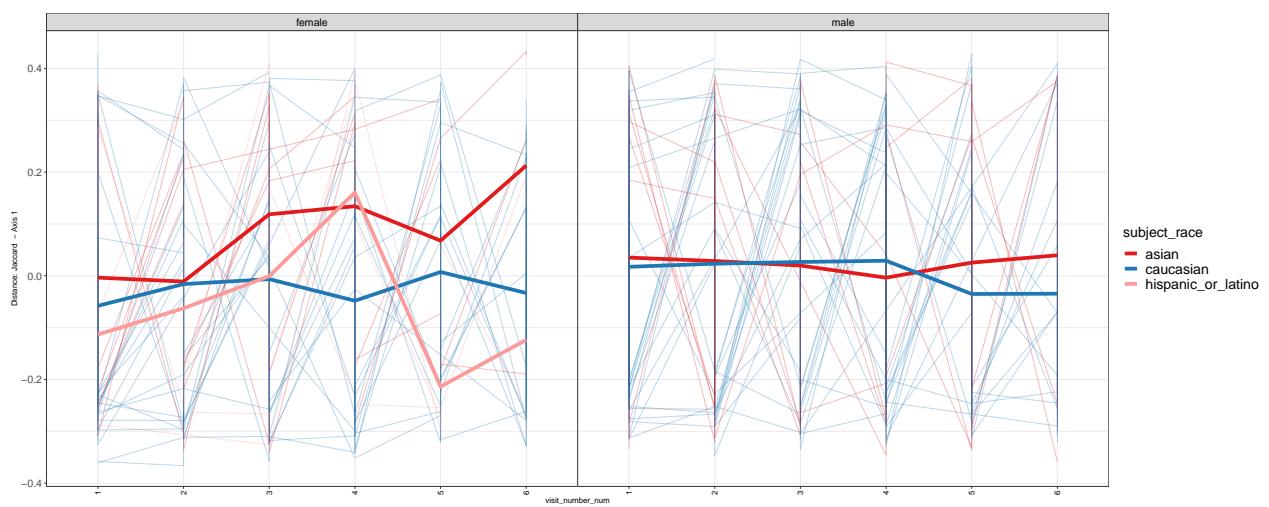
pc_boxplot_longitudinal_results

```

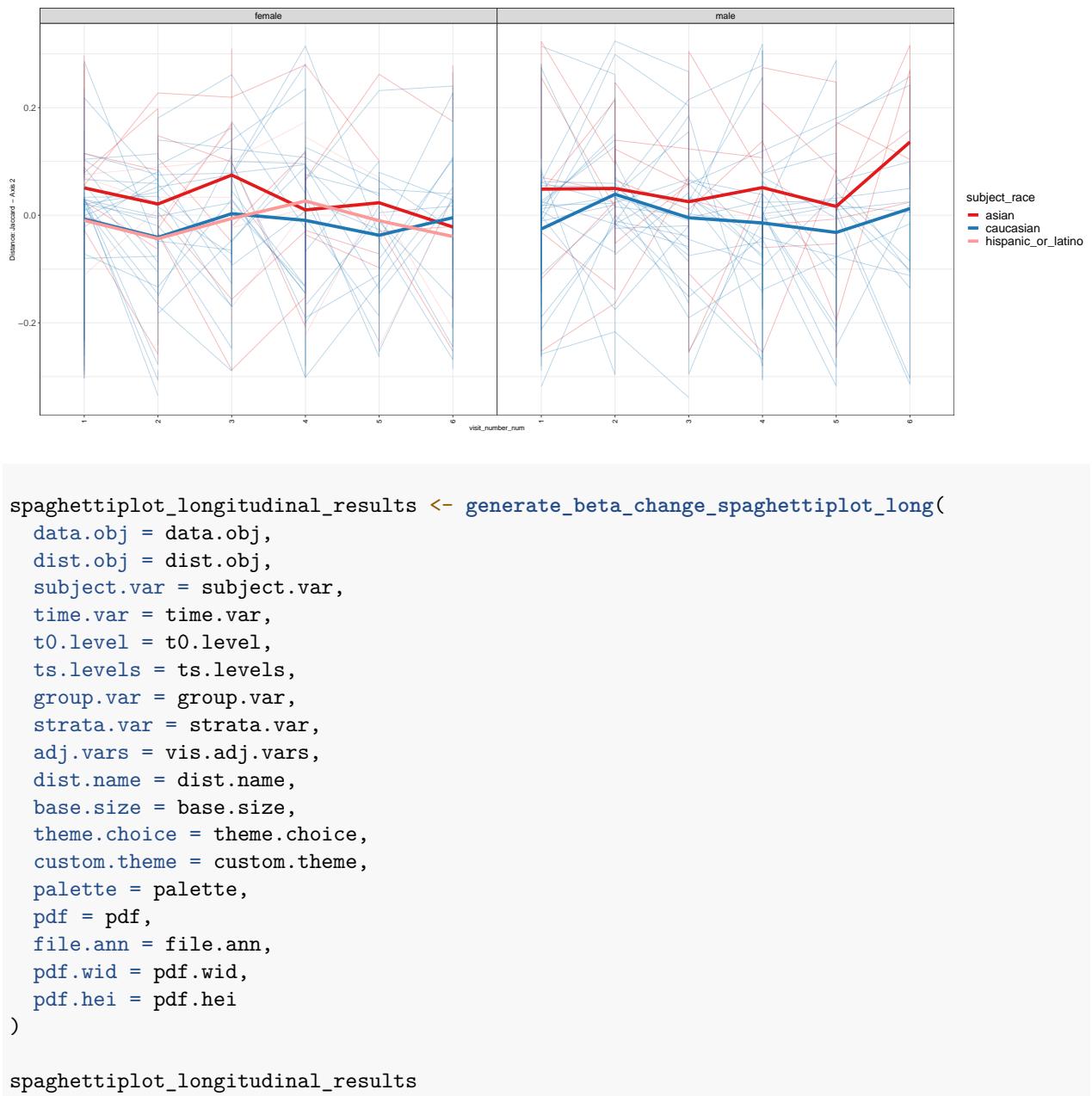
3.1.2 Beta diversity principal coordinate spaghettiplot \$BC BCPC1



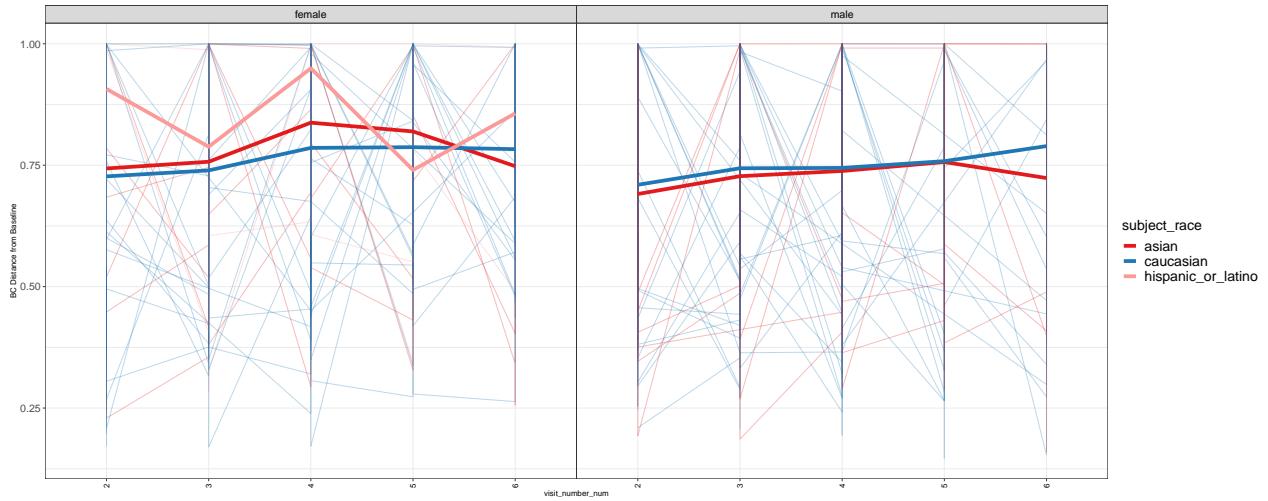
$\$Jaccard$ $JaccardPC1$



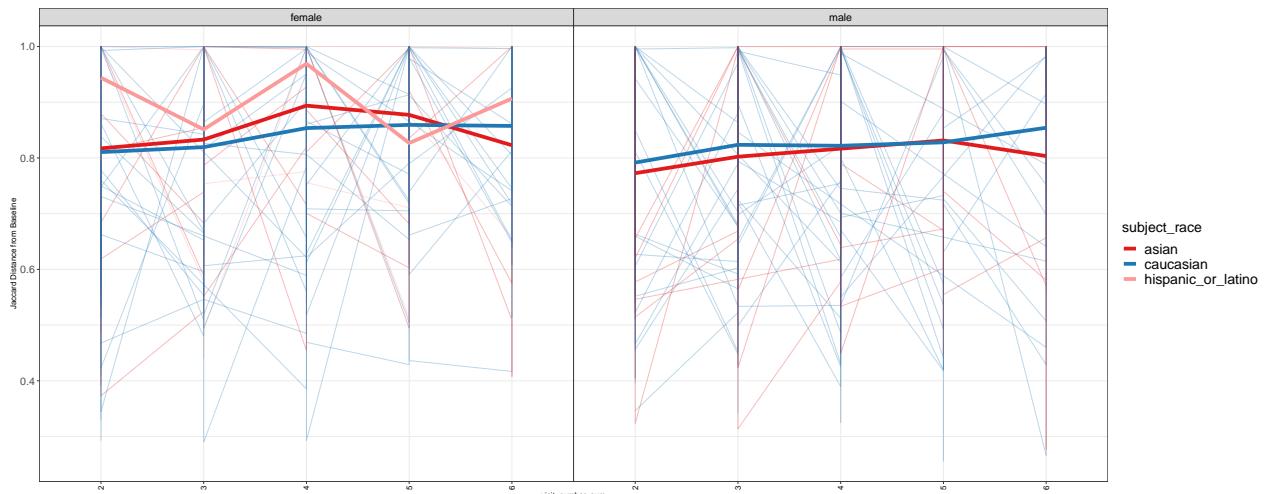
$JaccardPC2$



3.1.3 Beta diversity change spaghettiplot \$BC



\$Jaccard



3.2 Trend test

```
beta_trend_test_longitudinal_results <- generate_beta_trend_test_long(
  data.obj = data.obj,
  dist.obj = dist.obj,
  subject.var = subject.var,
  time.var = time.var,
  group.var = group.var,
  adj.vars = test.adj.vars,
  dist.name = dist.name)
```

In this analysis, we utilized a linear mixed effects model to investigate potential interactions. Specifically, we tested the interaction between the variables `subject_race` and `visit_number_num`, while considering the distances to the first/reference time point.

3.2.1 BC distance Based on the linear mixed effects model, no significant interaction was detected between `visit_number_num` and the level `caucasian` of the variable `subject_race`, in terms of the distances to the first/reference time point, with a p-value of 0.647.

Based on the linear mixed effects model, no significant interaction was detected between `visit_number_num`

and the level hispanicorlatino of the variable subject_race, in terms of the distances to the first/reference time point, with a p-value of 0.445.

3.2.2 Jaccard distance Based on the linear mixed effects model, no significant interaction was detected between visit_number_num and the level caucasian of the variable subject_race, in terms of the distances to the first/reference time point, with a p-value of 0.640.

Based on the linear mixed effects model, no significant interaction was detected between visit_number_num and the level hispanicorlatino of the variable subject_race, in terms of the distances to the first/reference time point, with a p-value of 0.484.

- Detailed Results for Beta Diversity Trend Test:

- **BC:**

Table 9: Table continues below

Term	Estimate	Std.Error
(Intercept)	0.7168	0.05948
subject_racecaucasian	-0.02828	0.06817
subject_racehispanic_or_latino	0.1778	0.1193
visit_number_num	0.009211	0.01475
subject_racecaucasian:visit_number_num	0.007723	0.01684
subject_racehispanic_or_latino:visit_number_num	-0.02279	0.02984
subject_race:visit_number_num	NA	NA

Statistic	P.Value
12.05	9.375e-30
-0.4149	0.6784
1.491	0.1369
0.6246	0.5324
0.4587	0.6466
-0.7638	0.4452
0.6751	0.5094

- **Jaccard:**

Table 11: Table continues below

Term	Estimate	Std.Error
(Intercept)	0.796	0.04424
subject_racecaucasian	-0.01945	0.05072
subject_racehispanic_or_latino	0.1274	0.08892
visit_number_num	0.007687	0.0109
subject_racecaucasian:visit_number_num	0.005825	0.01245
subject_racehispanic_or_latino:visit_number_num	-0.01542	0.02201
subject_race:visit_number_num	NA	NA

Statistic	P.Value
17.99	1.533e-52

Statistic	P.Value
-0.3835	0.7015
1.433	0.1532
0.7051	0.4809
0.468	0.6399
-0.7007	0.4837
0.6125	0.5423

3.3 Principal coordinate trend test

```
beta_pc_trend_test_longitudinal_results <- generate_beta_pc_trend_test_long(
  data.obj = data.obj,
  dist.obj = dist.obj,
  pc.obj = pc.obj,
  subject.var = subject.var,
  time.var = time.var,
  group.var = group.var,
  adj.vars = test.adj.vars,
  dist.name = dist.name)
```

In this analysis, we utilized a linear mixed effects model to investigate potential interactions. Specifically, we tested the interaction between the variables subject_race and visit_number_num, while considering individual principal components.

3.3.1 BC distance

3.3.1.1 Results for principal component: PC1 No significant interaction detected between visit_number_num and the level caucasian of the variable subject_race, p-value = 0.287.

No significant interaction detected between visit_number_num and the level hispanicorlatino of the variable subject_race, p-value = 0.530.

3.3.1.2 Results for principal component: PC2 No significant interaction detected between visit_number_num and the level caucasian of the variable subject_race, p-value = 0.652.

No significant interaction detected between visit_number_num and the level hispanicorlatino of the variable subject_race, p-value = 0.942.

3.3.2 Jaccard distance

3.3.2.1 Results for principal component: PC1 No significant interaction detected between visit_number_num and the level caucasian of the variable subject_race, p-value = 0.251.

No significant interaction detected between visit_number_num and the level hispanicorlatino of the variable subject_race, p-value = 0.548.

3.3.2.2 Results for principal component: PC2 No significant interaction detected between visit_number_num and the level caucasian of the variable subject_race, p-value = 0.641.

No significant interaction detected between visit_number_num and the level hispanicorlatino of the variable subject_race, p-value = 0.840.

- Detailed Results for Beta Diversity Principal Coordinate Trend Test:

- BC:

* **PC1:**

Table 13: Table continues below

Term	Estimate	Std.Error
(Intercept)	-0.008022	0.06509
subject_racecaucasian	0.007754	0.07353
subject_racehispanic_or_latino	-0.02764	0.1394
visit_number_num	0.01866	0.01802
subject_racecaucasian:visit_number_num	-0.02159	0.02028
subject_racehispanic_or_latino:visit_number_num	-0.02434	0.03875

Statistic	P.Value
-0.1233	0.9019
0.1055	0.9161
-0.1983	0.8429
1.036	0.3008
-1.065	0.2875
-0.6282	0.5301

* **PC2:**

Table 15: Table continues below

Term	Estimate	Std.Error
(Intercept)	0.03478	0.03508
subject_racecaucasian	-0.04282	0.03958
subject_racehispanic_or_latino	-0.04457	0.07887
visit_number_num	0.002307	0.007029
subject_racecaucasian:visit_number_num	-0.003589	0.00796
subject_racehispanic_or_latino:visit_number_num	-0.001075	0.01482

Statistic	P.Value
0.9915	0.3246
-1.082	0.2827
-0.5652	0.574
0.3283	0.7428
-0.4508	0.6523
-0.07253	0.9422

– **Jaccard:**

* **PC1:**

Table 17: Table continues below

Term	Estimate	Std.Error
(Intercept)	-0.005599	0.05344

Term	Estimate	Std.Error
subject_racecaucasian	0.005722	0.06037
subject_racehispanic_or_latino	-0.02946	0.1145
visit_number_num	0.01628	0.0148
subject_racecaucasian:visit_number_num	-0.01913	0.01665
subject_racehispanic_or_latino:visit_number_num	-0.01913	0.03181

Statistic	P.Value
-0.1048	0.9166
0.09478	0.9245
-0.2573	0.797
1.1	0.2718
-1.149	0.251
-0.6014	0.5478

* PC2:

Table 19: Table continues below

Term	Estimate	Std.Error
(Intercept)	0.02976	0.0324
subject_racecaucasian	-0.03701	0.03656
subject_racehispanic_or_latino	-0.03063	0.07267
visit_number_num	0.002049	0.006636
subject_racecaucasian:visit_number_num	-0.003508	0.007513
subject_racehispanic_or_latino:visit_number_num	-0.00282	0.014

Statistic	P.Value
0.9187	0.3611
-1.012	0.3146
-0.4215	0.6748
0.3088	0.7576
-0.4669	0.6408
-0.2014	0.8404

3.4 Volatility test

```
beta_volatility_test_longitudinal_results <- generate_beta_volatility_test_long(
  data.obj = data.obj,
  dist.obj = dist.obj,
  subject.var = subject.var,
  time.var = time.var,
  group.var = group.var,
  adj.vars = test.adj.vars,
  dist.name = dist.name)
```

In this analysis, we utilized a general linear model to examine the influence of the variable subject_race on beta diversity volatility.

The beta diversity volatility is calculated by averaging the rate of change in beta diversity across consecutive time points. Specifically, for each pair of adjacent time points, we compute the difference in beta diversity, normalize it by the time difference, and then take the average over all such pairs.

3.4.1 BC distance Based on the general linear model, the level caucasian of the variable subject_race did not significantly influence the beta diversity volatility, with a p-value of 0.891.

Based on the general linear model, the level hispanic_or_latino of the variable subject_race did not significantly influence the beta diversity volatility, with a p-value of 0.233.

3.4.2 Jaccard distance Based on the general linear model, the level caucasian of the variable subject_race did not significantly influence the beta diversity volatility, with a p-value of 0.814.

Based on the general linear model, the level hispanic_or_latino of the variable subject_race did not significantly influence the beta diversity volatility, with a p-value of 0.203.

- BC:

Term	Estimate	Std.Error	Statistic	P.Value
(Intercept)	0.3403	0.06433	5.289	1.817e-06
subject_racecaucasian	-0.01005	0.07268	-0.1382	0.8905
subject_racehispanic_or_latino	-0.1791	0.1486	-1.205	0.2328
subject_race	NA	NA	0.7878	0.4595
Residuals	NA	NA	NA	NA

- Jaccard:

Term	Estimate	Std.Error	Statistic	P.Value
(Intercept)	0.3955	0.07006	5.644	4.78e-07
subject_racecaucasian	-0.01874	0.07916	-0.2367	0.8137
subject_racehispanic_or_latino	-0.2083	0.1618	-1.287	0.203
subject_race	NA	NA	0.8671	0.4254
Residuals	NA	NA	NA	NA

3.5 Principal coordinate volatility test

```
beta_pc_volatility_test_longitudinal_results <- generate_beta_pc_volatility_test_long(
  data.obj = data.obj,
  dist.obj = dist.obj,
  pc.obj = pc.obj,
  subject.var = subject.var,
  time.var = time.var,
  group.var = group.var,
  adj.vars = test.adj.vars,
  dist.name = dist.name)
```

In this analysis, we utilized a general linear model to examine the influence of the variable subject_race on beta diversity PC volatility. The beta diversity PC volatility is calculated by averaging the rate of change in principal components of beta diversity across consecutive time points. Specifically, for each pair of adjacent time points, we compute the difference in principal components, normalize it by the time difference, and then take the average over all such pairs.

3.5.1 BC distance:

Results for PC1 PC: Based on the general linear model, the level caucasian of the variable subject_race did not significantly influence the beta diversity PC volatility, with a p-value of 0.256.

Based on the general linear model, the level hispanic_or_latino of the variable subject_race did not significantly influence the beta diversity PC volatility, with a p-value of 0.701.

Results for PC2 PC: Based on the general linear model, the level caucasian of the variable subject_race did not significantly influence the beta diversity PC volatility, with a p-value of 0.668.

Based on the general linear model, the level hispanic_or_latino of the variable subject_race did not significantly influence the beta diversity PC volatility, with a p-value of 0.896.

3.5.2 Jaccard distance:

Results for PC1 PC: Based on the general linear model, the level caucasian of the variable subject_race did not significantly influence the beta diversity PC volatility, with a p-value of 0.159.

Based on the general linear model, the level hispanic_or_latino of the variable subject_race did not significantly influence the beta diversity PC volatility, with a p-value of 0.712.

Results for PC2 PC: Based on the general linear model, the level caucasian of the variable subject_race did not significantly influence the beta diversity PC volatility, with a p-value of 0.774.

Based on the general linear model, the level hispanic_or_latino of the variable subject_race did not significantly influence the beta diversity PC volatility, with a p-value of 0.595.

- BC:

- PC1:

Term	Estimate	Std.Error	Statistic	P.Value
(Intercept)	0.4429	0.0478	9.266	3.026e-13
subject_racecaucasian	-0.06172	0.05389	-1.145	0.2565
subject_racehispanic_or_latino	0.04262	0.1104	0.3861	0.7007
subject_race	NA	NA	1.056	0.354
Residuals	NA	NA	NA	NA

- PC2:

Term	Estimate	Std.Error	Statistic	P.Value
(Intercept)	0.1362	0.02313	5.887	1.811e-07
subject_racecaucasian	0.01125	0.02608	0.4314	0.6677
subject_racehispanic_or_latino	-0.007046	0.05342	-0.1319	0.8955
subject_race	NA	NA	0.145	0.8653
Residuals	NA	NA	NA	NA

- Jaccard:

- PC1:

Term	Estimate	Std.Error	Statistic	P.Value
(Intercept)	0.3674	0.03874	9.483	1.303e-13
subject_racecaucasian	-0.06222	0.04367	-1.425	0.1593

Term	Estimate	Std.Error	Statistic	P.Value
subject_racehispanic_or_latino	0.03322	0.08946	0.3713	0.7117
subject_race	NA	NA	1.51	0.2291
Residuals	NA	NA	NA	NA

– PC2:

Term	Estimate	Std.Error	Statistic	P.Value
(Intercept)	0.1323	0.02044	6.472	1.857e-08
subject_racecaucasian	0.006649	0.02304	0.2885	0.7739
subject_racehispanic_or_latino	-0.02526	0.04721	-0.535	0.5946
subject_race	NA	NA	0.2863	0.7521
Residuals	NA	NA	NA	NA

4. Feature-level Analysis

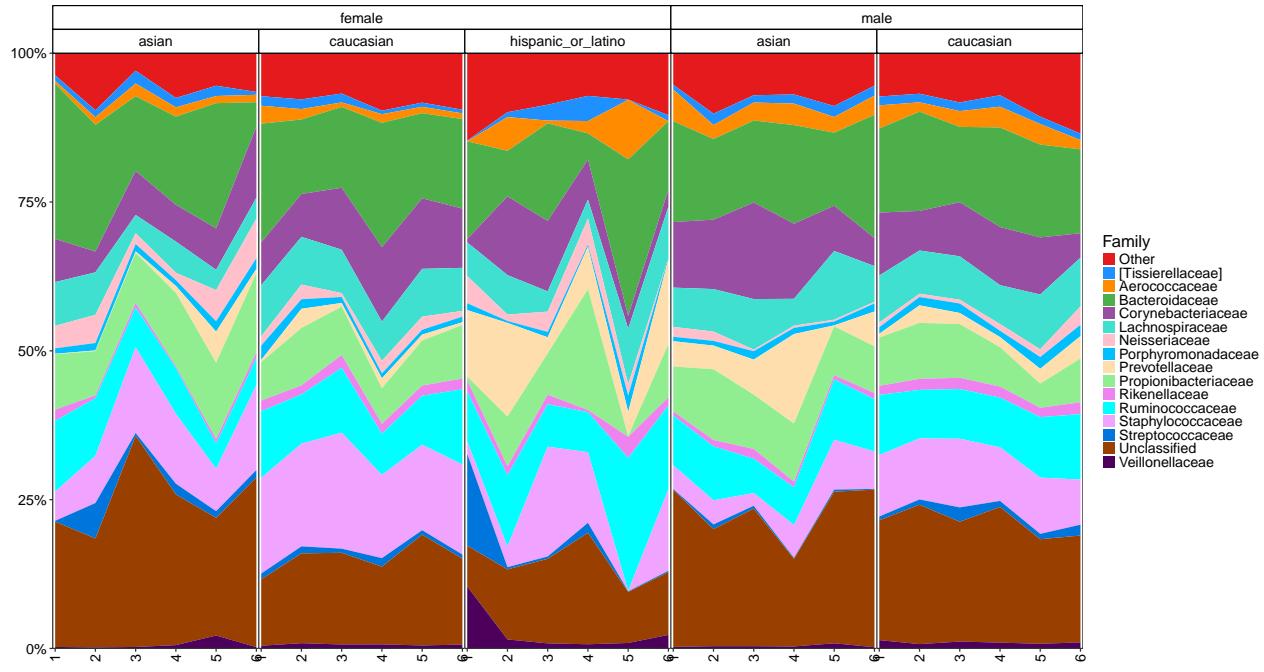
4.1 Data visualization(overall)

```
taxa_areaplot_long_results <- generate_taxa_areaplot_long(
  data.obj = data.obj,
  subject.var = subject.var,
  time.var = time.var,
  t0.level = t0.level,
  ts.levels = ts.levels,
  group.var = group.var,
  strata.var = strata.var,
  feature.level = feature.level,
  feature.dat.type = feature.dat.type,
  feature.number = feature.number,
  base.size = base.size,
  theme.choice = theme.choice,
  custom.theme = custom.theme,
  palette = palette,
  pdf = pdf,
  file.ann = file.ann,
  pdf.wid = pdf.wid,
  pdf.hei = pdf.hei
)
```

4.1.1 Feature areaplot

- Average Version: This plot displays the average proportions for each time point, group, and strata.

\$Family



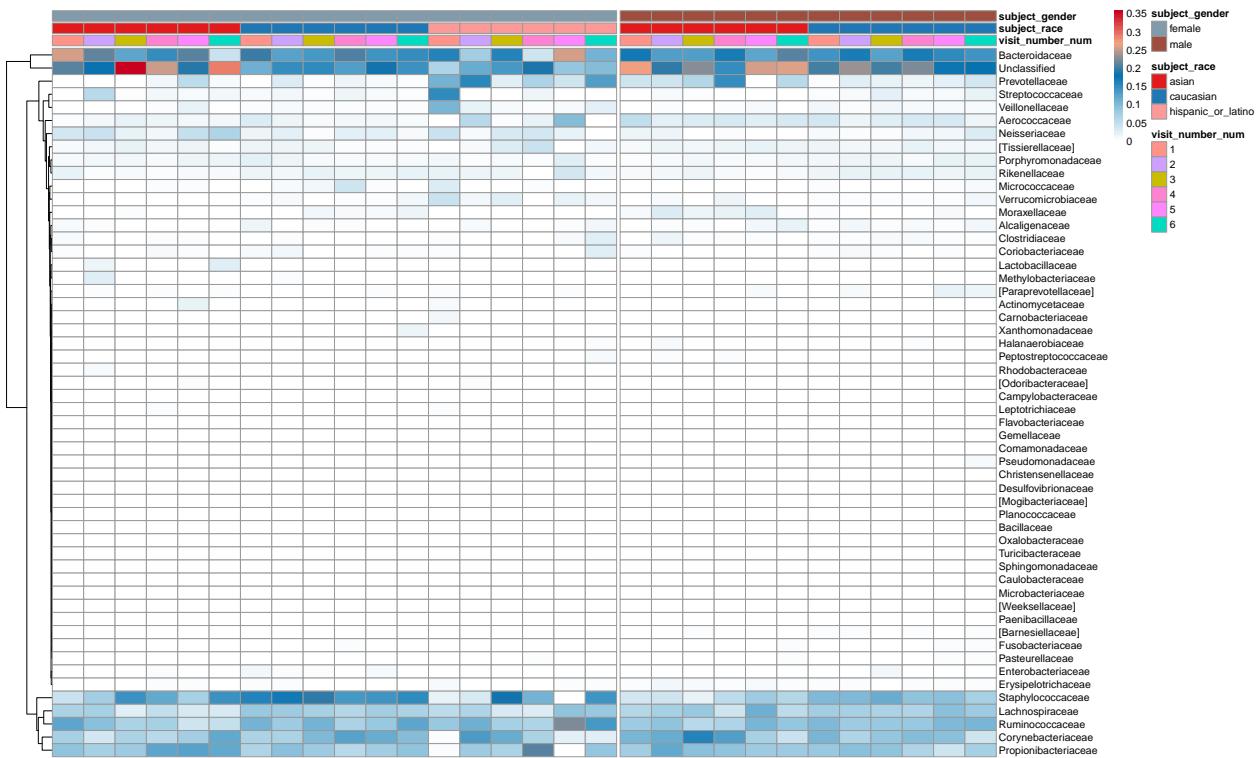
```

taxa_heatmap_long_results <- generate_taxa_heatmap_long(
  data.obj = data.obj,
  subject.var = subject.var,
  time.var = time.var,
  t0.level = t0.level,
  ts.levels = ts.levels,
  group.var = group.var,
  strata.var = strata.var,
  feature.level = feature.level,
  feature.dat.type = feature.dat.type,
  features.plot = NULL,
  top.k.plot = NULL,
  top.k.func = NULL,
  prev.filter = prev.filter,
  abund.filter = abund.filter,
  base.size = base.size,
  palette = palette,
  cluster.cols = NULL,
  cluster.rows = NULL,
  pdf = pdf,
  file.ann = file.ann,
  pdf.wid = pdf.wid,
  pdf.hei = pdf.hei
)
  
```

4.1.2 Feature heatmap

- Average Version: This plot displays the average proportions for each time point, group, and strata.

\$Family



```

taxa_change_heatmap_long_results <- generate_taxa_change_heatmap_long(
  data.obj = data.obj,
  subject.var = subject.var,
  time.var = time.var,
  t0.level = t0.level,
  ts.levels = ts.levels,
  group.var = group.var,
  strata.var = strata.var,
  feature.level = feature.level,
  feature.dat.type = feature.dat.type,
  features.plot = NULL,
  top.k.plot = NULL,
  top.k.func = NULL,
  feature.change.func = feature.change.func,
  prev.filter = prev.filter,
  abund.filter = abund.filter,
  base.size = base.size,
  palette = palette,
  cluster.cols = NULL,
  cluster.rows = NULL,
  pdf = pdf,
  file.ann = file.ann,
  pdf.wid = pdf.wid,
  pdf.hei = pdf.hei
)
  
```

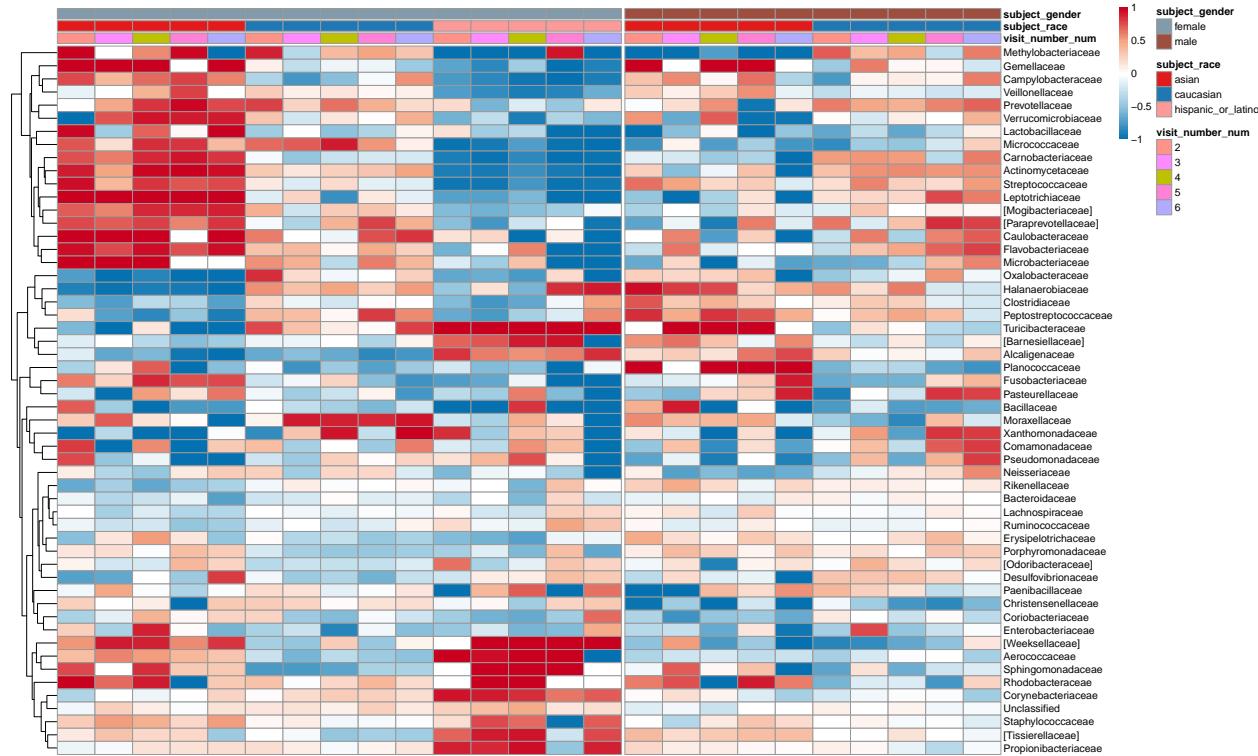
4.1.3 Feature change heatmap

- Change Calculation: Relative Change The changes from t0.level were computed as the difference

between the current value and t0.level divided by the sum of the two.

- Average Change: This plot displays the average changes for each time point, group, and strata.

\$Family

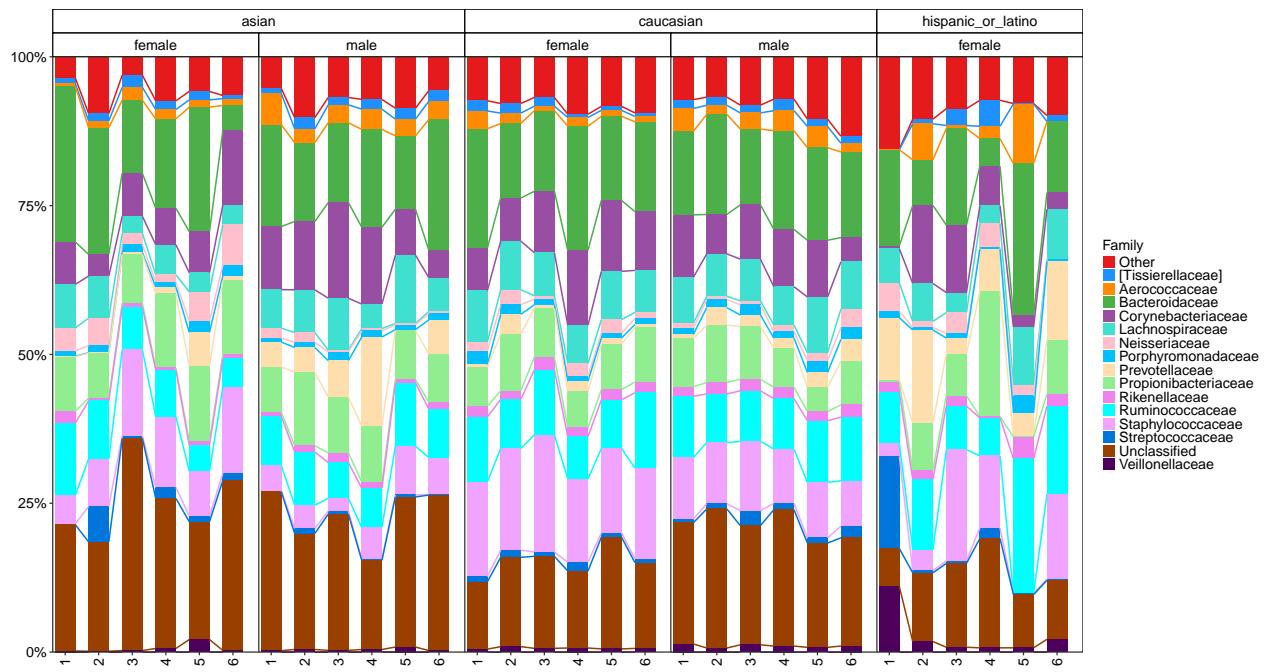


```
taxa_barplot_long_results <- generate_taxa_barplot_long(
  data.obj = data.obj,
  subject.var = subject.var,
  time.var = time.var,
  group.var = group.var,
  strata.var = strata.var,
  feature.level = feature.level,
  feature.dat.type = feature.dat.type,
  feature.number = feature.number,
  t0.level = t0.level,
  ts.levels = ts.levels,
  base.size = base.size,
  theme.choice = theme.choice,
  custom.theme = custom.theme,
  palette = palette,
  pdf = pdf,
  file.ann = file.ann,
  pdf.wid = pdf.wid,
  pdf.hei = pdf.hei
)
```

4.1.4 Feature barplot

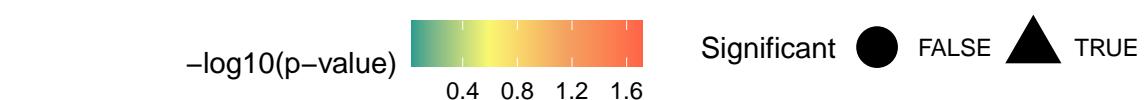
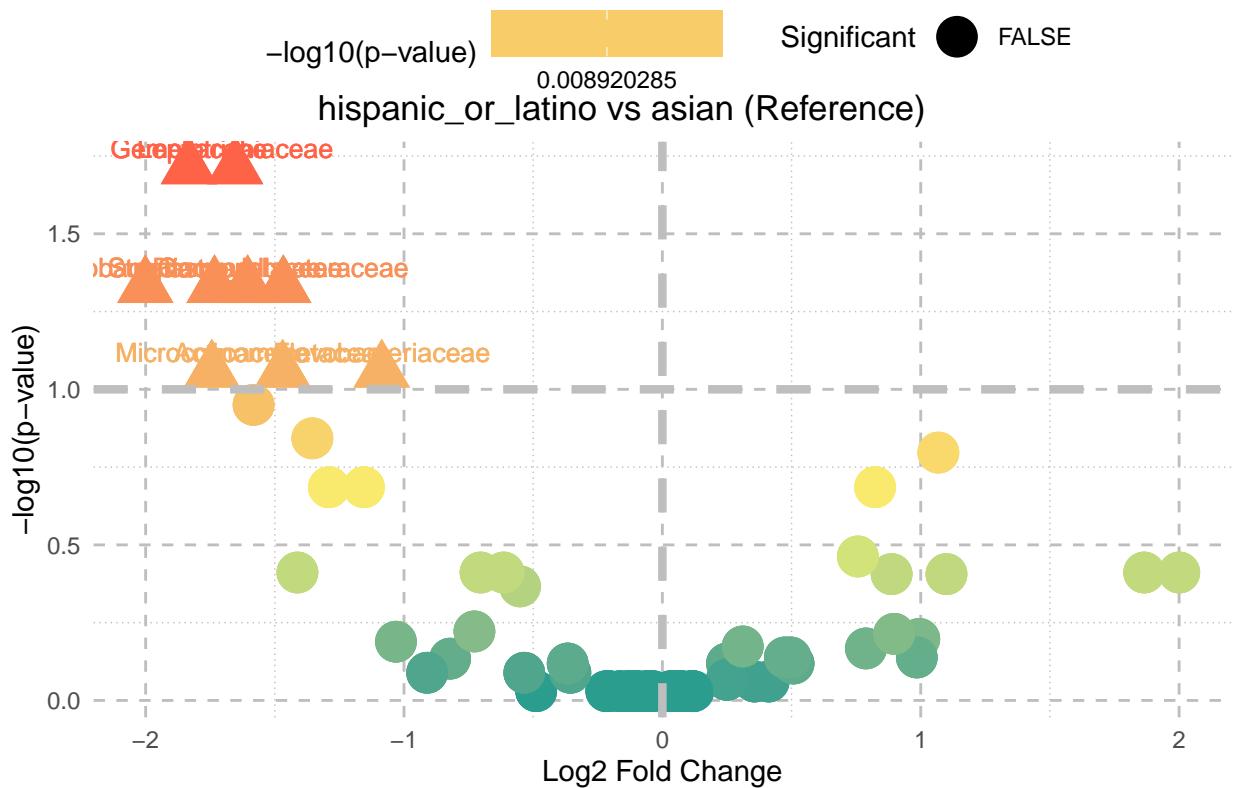
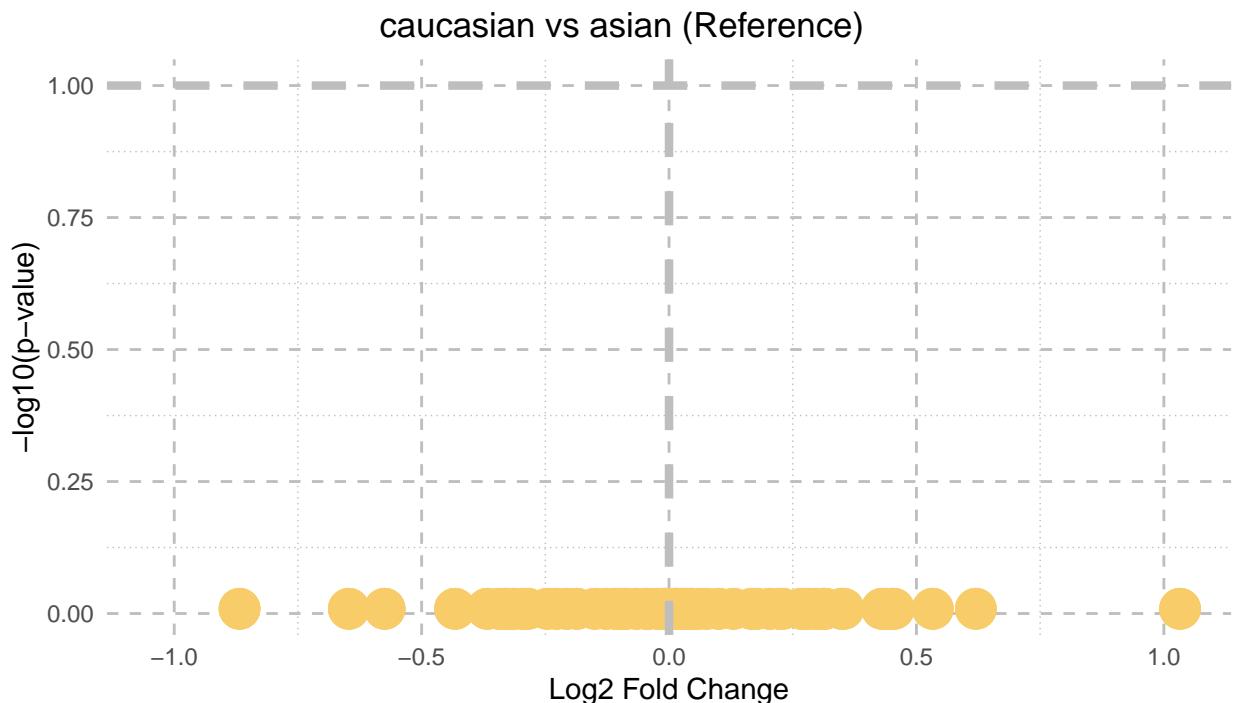
- Average Version: This plot displays the average proportions for each time point, group, and strata.

\$Family



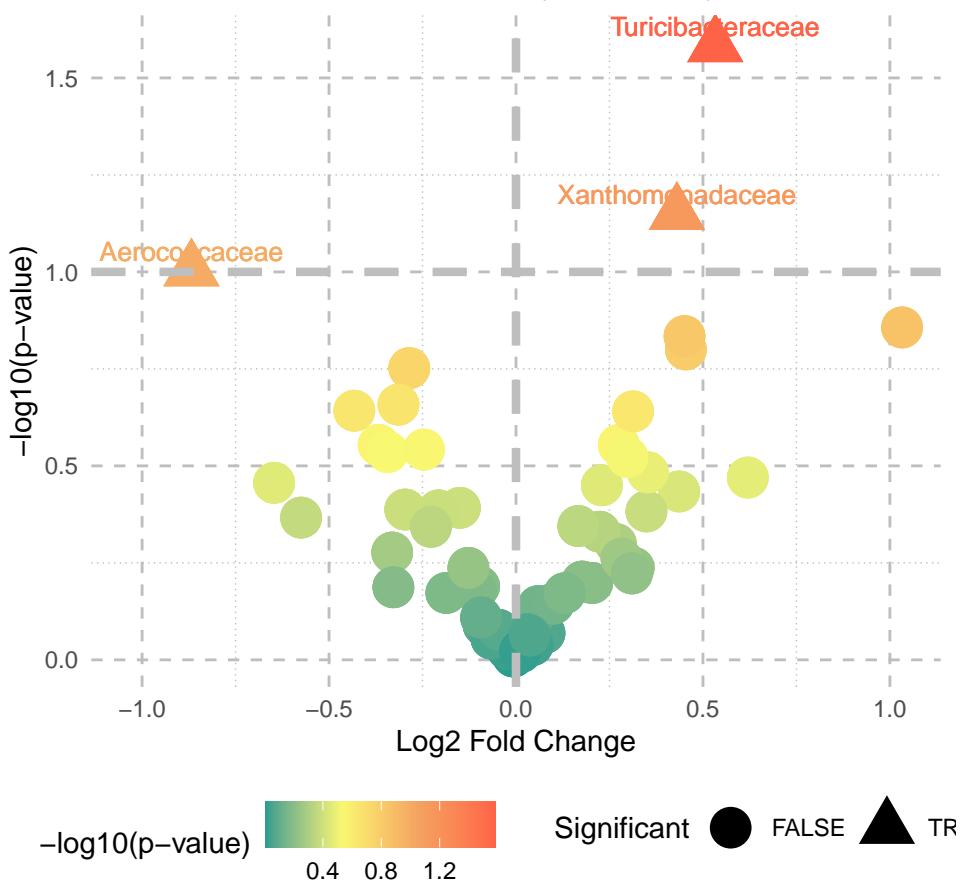
4.2 Trend test

```
taxa_trend_test_results <- generate_taxa_trend_test_long(
  data.obj = data.obj,
  subject.var = subject.var,
  time.var = time.var,
  group.var = group.var,
  adj.vars = test.adj.vars,
  prev.filter = prev.filter,
  abund.filter = abund.filter,
  feature.level = feature.level,
  feature.dat.type = feature.dat.type,
  ...)
```

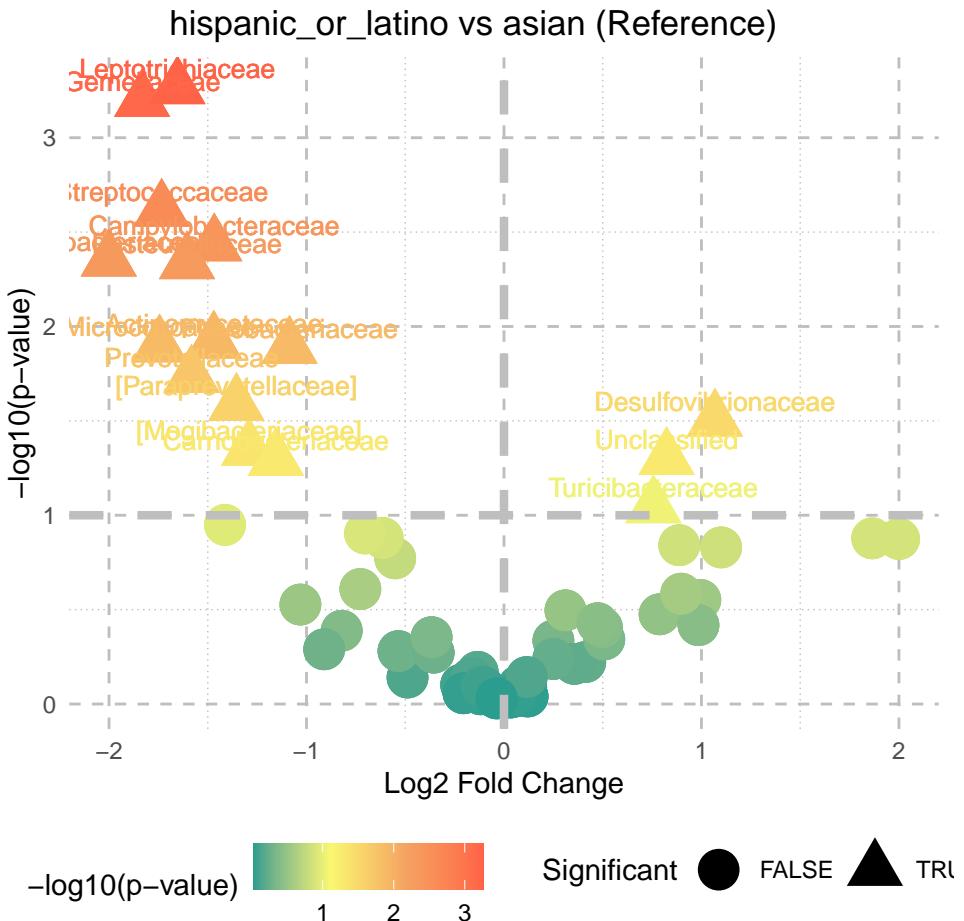


\$Family Family caucasian vs asian (Reference)

caucasian vs asian (Reference)



Family hispanic_or_latino vs asian (Reference)



In this analysis, we utilized the LinDA linear mixed effects model to investigate potential interactions in the context of Taxa Trend Test. Specifically, we tested the interaction between the variables `subject_race` and `visit_number_num`, for different taxa, while adjusting for other covariates.

- Significant features in trend test results

For the taxon Family, significant interactions were identified in the Taxa Trend Test Results using the none method for p-value adjustment, based on a threshold of 0.1:

Table 27: Table continues below

Variable	Group	Base.Mean	Log2.Fold.Change
Aerococcaceae	hispanic_or_latino	1413	-0.868
Aerococcaceae	asian	1413	-0.868
Aerococcaceae	caucasian	1413	-0.868
Turicibacteraceae	hispanic_or_latino	149.4	0.533
Turicibacteraceae	asian	149.4	0.533
Turicibacteraceae	caucasian	149.4	0.533
Xanthomonadaceae	hispanic_or_latino	147.3	0.4303
Xanthomonadaceae	asian	147.3	0.4303
Xanthomonadaceae	caucasian	147.3	0.4303
[Mogibacteriaceae]	hispanic_or_latino	297.6	-1.291
[Mogibacteriaceae]	asian	297.6	-1.291
[Mogibacteriaceae]	caucasian	297.6	-1.291
[Paraprevotellaceae]	hispanic_or_latino	285.3	-1.355

Variable	Group	Base.Mean	Log2.Fold.Change
[Paraprevotellaceae]	asian	285.3	-1.355
[Paraprevotellaceae]	caucasian	285.3	-1.355
Actinomycetaceae	hispanic_or_latino	258.5	-1.47
Actinomycetaceae	asian	258.5	-1.47
Actinomycetaceae	caucasian	258.5	-1.47
Campylobacteraceae	hispanic_or_latino	292.8	-1.467
Campylobacteraceae	asian	292.8	-1.467
Campylobacteraceae	caucasian	292.8	-1.467
Carnobacteriaceae	hispanic_or_latino	284.7	-1.155
Carnobacteriaceae	asian	284.7	-1.155
Carnobacteriaceae	caucasian	284.7	-1.155
Desulfovibrionaceae	hispanic_or_latino	258	1.068
Desulfovibrionaceae	asian	258	1.068
Desulfovibrionaceae	caucasian	258	1.068
Flavobacteriaceae	hispanic_or_latino	252.6	-1.086
Flavobacteriaceae	asian	252.6	-1.086
Flavobacteriaceae	caucasian	252.6	-1.086
Fusobacteriaceae	hispanic_or_latino	280.2	-2.001
Fusobacteriaceae	asian	280.2	-2.001
Fusobacteriaceae	caucasian	280.2	-2.001
Gemmellaceae	hispanic_or_latino	210.2	-1.833
Gemmellaceae	asian	210.2	-1.833
Gemmellaceae	caucasian	210.2	-1.833
Leptotrichiaceae	hispanic_or_latino	173.2	-1.654
Leptotrichiaceae	asian	173.2	-1.654
Leptotrichiaceae	caucasian	173.2	-1.654
Micrococcaceae	hispanic_or_latino	669.2	-1.744
Micrococcaceae	asian	669.2	-1.744
Micrococcaceae	caucasian	669.2	-1.744
Pasteurellaceae	hispanic_or_latino	277.5	-1.605
Pasteurellaceae	asian	277.5	-1.605
Pasteurellaceae	caucasian	277.5	-1.605
Prevotellaceae	hispanic_or_latino	2399	-1.582
Prevotellaceae	asian	2399	-1.582
Prevotellaceae	caucasian	2399	-1.582
Streptococcaceae	hispanic_or_latino	7473	-1.734
Streptococcaceae	asian	7473	-1.734
Streptococcaceae	caucasian	7473	-1.734
Turicibacteraceae	hispanic_or_latino	149.4	0.7567
Turicibacteraceae	asian	149.4	0.7567
Turicibacteraceae	caucasian	149.4	0.7567
Unclassified	hispanic_or_latino	873824	0.8234
Unclassified	asian	873824	0.8234
Unclassified	caucasian	873824	0.8234

Table 28: Table continues below

LFC.SE	Stat	P.Value	Adjusted.P.Value	Mean.Abundance
0.5251	-1.653	0.09892	0.9797	0.01752
0.5251	-1.653	0.09892	0.9797	0.02287
0.5251	-1.653	0.09892	0.9797	0.01985

LFC.SE	Stat	P.Value	Adjusted.P.Value	Mean.Abandance
0.2383	2.237	0.02615	0.9797	0.000145
0.2383	2.237	0.02615	0.9797	0.000167
0.2383	2.237	0.02615	0.9797	0.0001694
0.2331	1.846	0.07078	0.9797	0.0002512
0.2331	1.846	0.07078	0.9797	0.0001199
0.2331	1.846	0.07078	0.9797	0.000117
0.6413	-2.013	0.04488	0.2063	0.0008564
0.6413	-2.013	0.04488	0.2063	0.0003626
0.6413	-2.013	0.04488	0.2063	0.0003651
0.6064	-2.234	0.02592	0.1437	0.002614
0.6064	-2.234	0.02592	0.1437	0.002182
0.6064	-2.234	0.02592	0.1437	0.001534
0.5637	-2.607	0.01212	0.0875	0.0008029
0.5637	-2.607	0.01212	0.0875	0.0004126
0.5637	-2.607	0.01212	0.0875	0.0004979
0.5031	-2.917	0.003702	0.04682	0.000645
0.5031	-2.917	0.003702	0.04682	0.0005537
0.5031	-2.917	0.003702	0.04682	0.0004001
0.5878	-1.965	0.05073	0.2063	0.0008896
0.5878	-1.965	0.05073	0.2063	0.0006612
0.5878	-1.965	0.05073	0.2063	0.0005388
0.495	2.158	0.03143	0.1597	0.0006967
0.495	2.158	0.03143	0.1597	0.000293
0.495	2.158	0.03143	0.1597	0.0001973
0.4352	-2.495	0.01291	0.0875	0.0002975
0.4352	-2.495	0.01291	0.0875	0.0002975
0.4352	-2.495	0.01291	0.0875	0.0002261
0.6731	-2.973	0.00446	0.04682	0.0008422
0.6731	-2.973	0.00446	0.04682	0.0007432
0.6731	-2.973	0.00446	0.04682	0.0008845
0.5315	-3.448	0.0006369	0.01943	0.0007965
0.5315	-3.448	0.0006369	0.01943	0.000385
0.5315	-3.448	0.0006369	0.01943	0.0004621
0.4751	-3.481	0.0005449	0.01943	0.0007454
0.4751	-3.481	0.0005449	0.01943	0.0003274
0.4751	-3.481	0.0005449	0.01943	0.0002468
0.6971	-2.501	0.0127	0.0875	0.004551
0.6971	-2.501	0.0127	0.0875	0.001211
0.6971	-2.501	0.0127	0.0875	0.002661
0.5581	-2.876	0.004605	0.04682	0.0007082
0.5581	-2.876	0.004605	0.04682	0.0003343
0.5581	-2.876	0.004605	0.04682	0.0003255
0.669	-2.365	0.01839	0.1122	0.07008
0.669	-2.365	0.01839	0.1122	0.02082
0.669	-2.365	0.01839	0.1122	0.01324
0.5687	-3.048	0.002425	0.04682	0.01432
0.5687	-3.048	0.002425	0.04682	0.006119
0.5687	-3.048	0.002425	0.04682	0.009239
0.4454	1.699	0.09035	0.3445	0.000145
0.4454	1.699	0.09035	0.3445	0.000167
0.4454	1.699	0.09035	0.3445	0.0001694
0.4102	2.007	0.05016	0.2063	0.1207

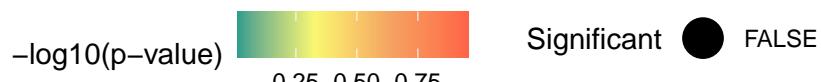
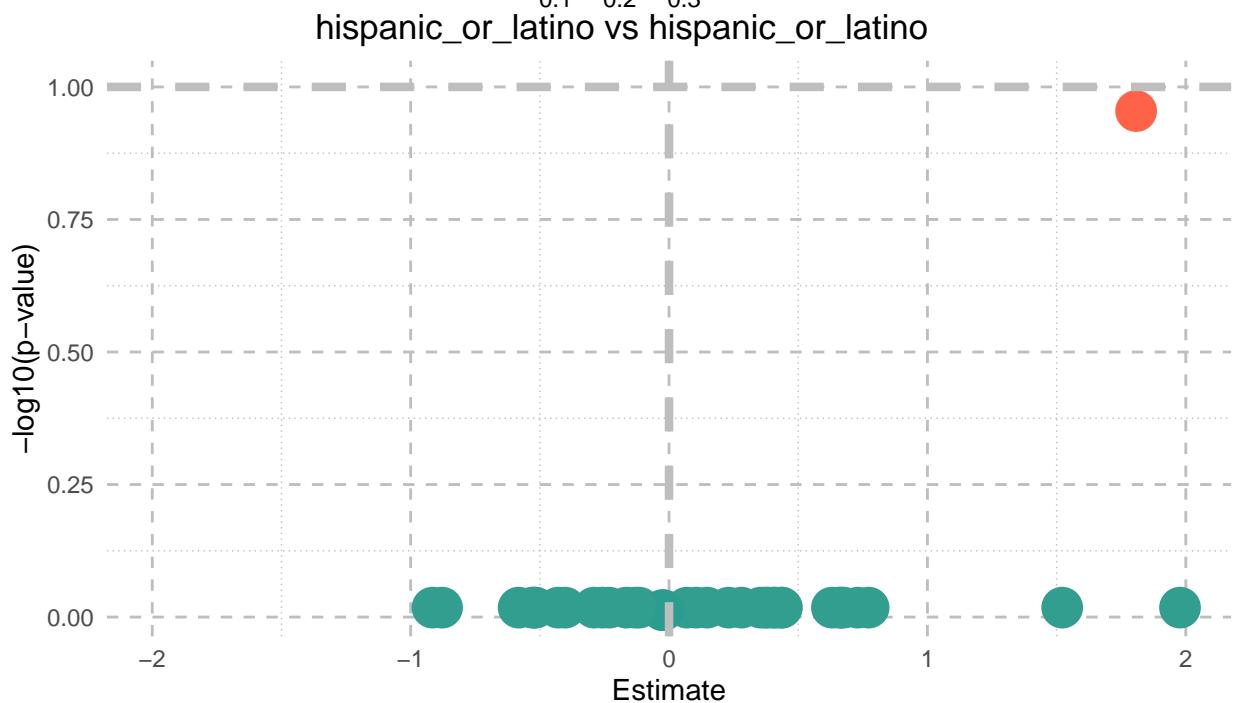
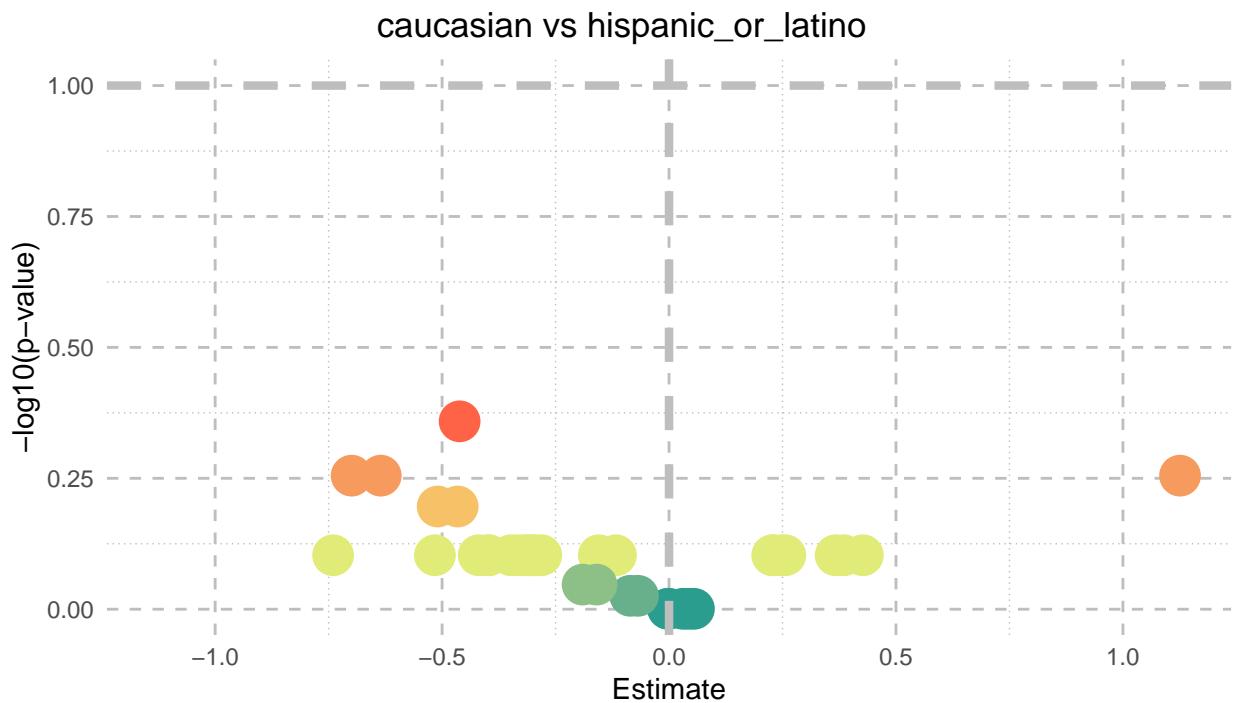
LFC.SE	Stat	P.Value	Adjusted.P.Value	Mean.Abandance
0.4102	2.007	0.05016	0.2063	0.2293
0.4102	2.007	0.05016	0.2063	0.1742

Mean.Prevalence	Output.Element
1	subject_racehispanic_or_latino:visit_number_num

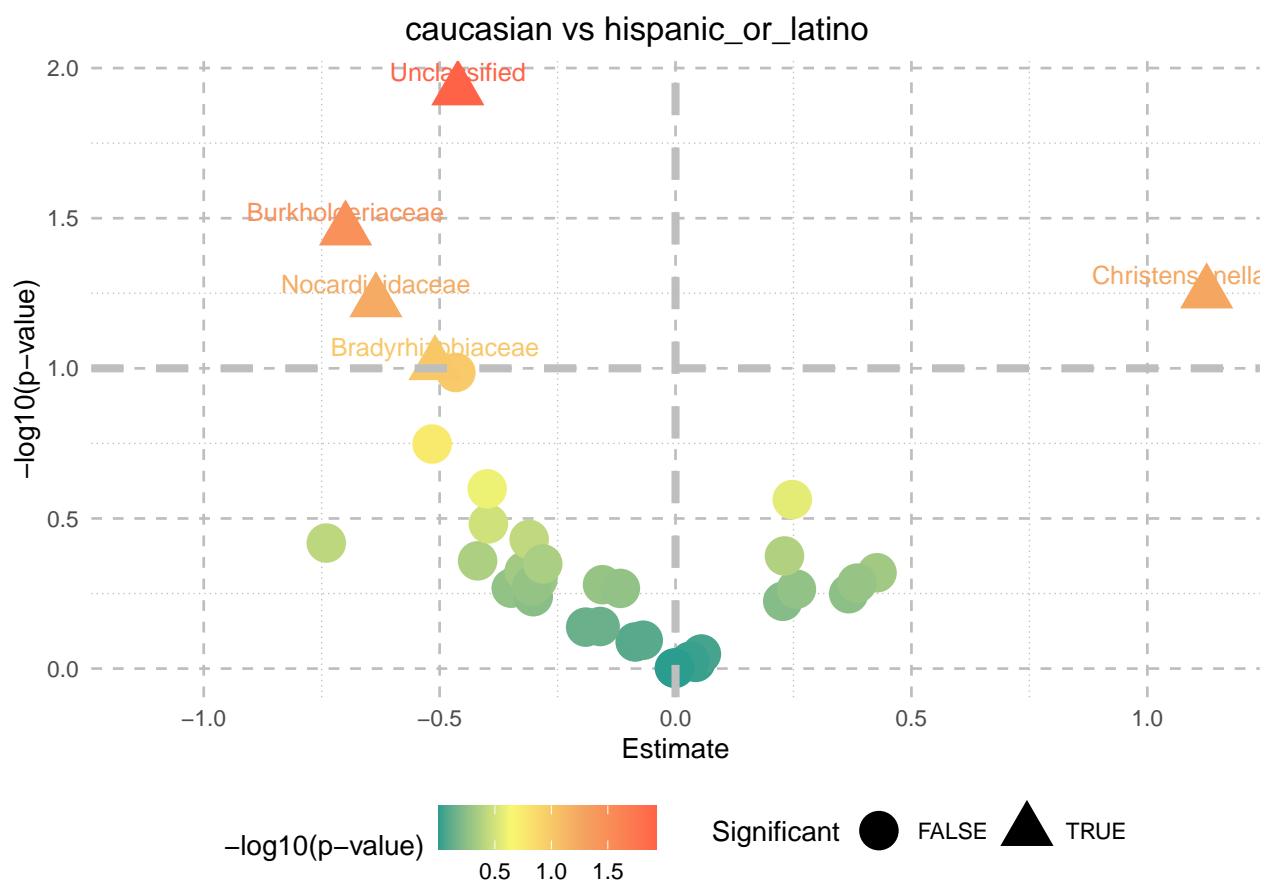
The taxa trend test results for individual taxa or features have been saved in the current working directory. Each taxa rank has its own file named with the prefix: `taxa_trend_results_` followed by the taxon rank and the file extension `.csv`. Please refer to these files for more detailed data.

4.3 Volatility test

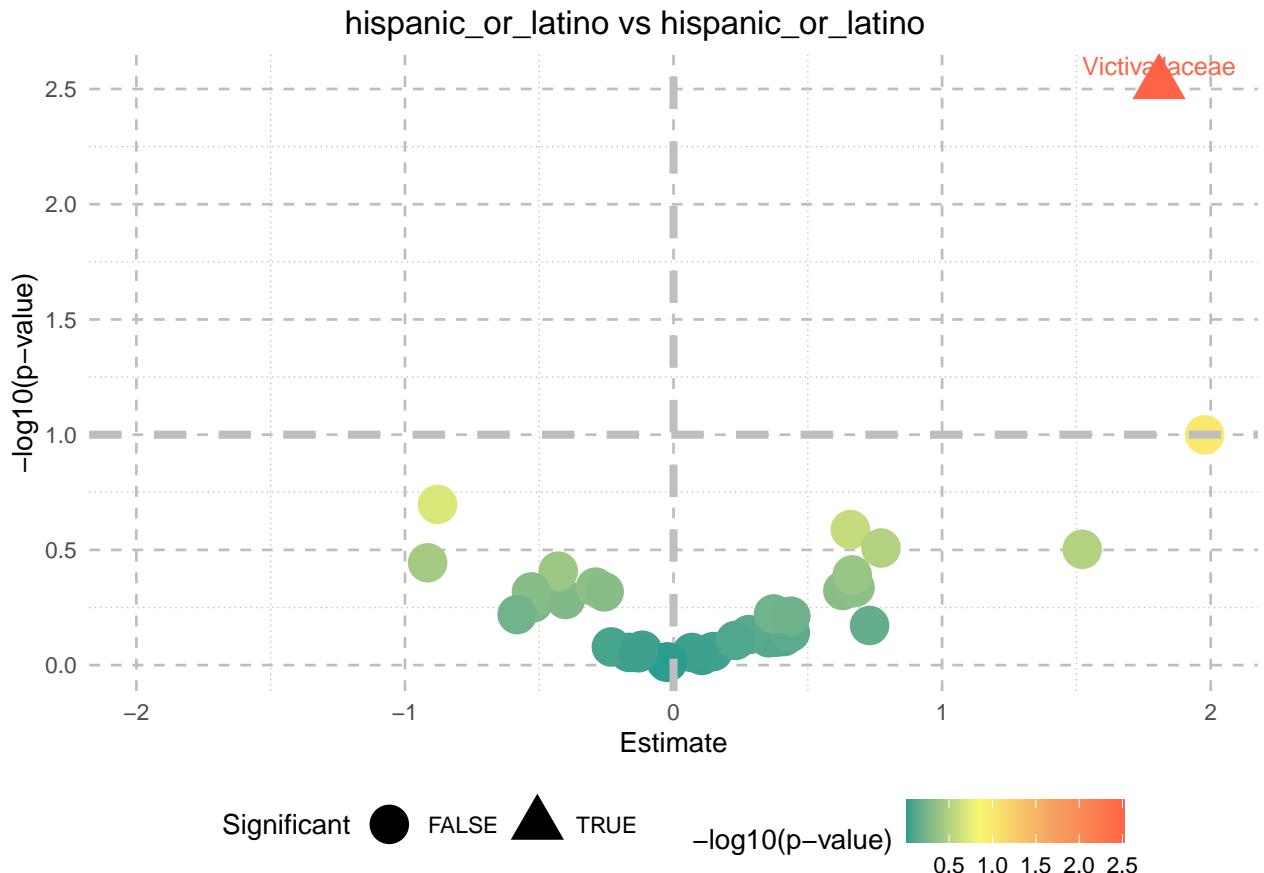
```
taxa_volatility_test_results <- generate_taxa_volatility_test_long(
  data.obj = data.obj,
  subject.var = subject.var,
  time.var = time.var,
  group.var = group.var,
  adj.vars = test.adj.vars,
  prev.filter = prev.filter,
  abund.filter = abund.filter,
  feature.level = feature.level,
  feature.dat.type = feature.dat.type
)
```



\$Family Familysubject_racecaucasian



*Family*_{subject_racehispanic_or_latino}



In this analysis, a general linear model was utilized to investigate the influence of the variable subject_race on the volatility of various taxa abundances.

Taxa abundances were transformed using the centered log-ratio (CLR) transformation. For count data, 0.5 was added to all counts before performing the CLR. For proportion data, zeros were replaced by half the minimum non-zero proportion for each taxon.

- Significant features in volatility test results

– **Bifidobacteriaceae:**

Term	Estimate	Std.Error	Statistic	P.Value
(Intercept)	0.9004	0.2497	3.606	0.0006272
subject_racecaucasian	-0.4656	0.2815	-1.654	0.1032
subject_racehispanic_or_latino	0.6583	0.5766	1.142	0.2581
subject_race	NA	NA	3.22	0.04682
Residuals	NA	NA	NA	NA

– **Burkholderiaceae:**

Term	Estimate	Std.Error	Statistic	P.Value
(Intercept)	1.466	0.2871	5.105	3.484e-06
subject_racecaucasian	-0.6993	0.3236	-2.161	0.03464
subject_racehispanic_or_latino	-0.1158	0.663	-0.1747	0.8619
subject_race	NA	NA	2.587	0.08351
Residuals	NA	NA	NA	NA

Term	Estimate	Std.Error	Statistic	P.Value
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– **Christensenellaceae:**

Term	Estimate	Std.Error	Statistic	P.Value
(Intercept)	1.477	0.5129	2.879	0.005492
subject_racecaucasian	1.126	0.5782	1.947	0.05615
subject_racehispanic_or_latino	1.978	1.185	1.669	0.1001
subject_race	NA	NA	2.394	0.09984
Residuals	NA	NA	NA	NA

– **Victivallaceae:**

Term	Estimate	Std.Error	Statistic	P.Value
(Intercept)	0.1722	0.2532	0.6801	0.499
subject_racecaucasian	0.2309	0.2854	0.809	0.4216
subject_racehispanic_or_latino	1.808	0.5847	3.091	0.003001
subject_race	NA	NA	4.863	0.01098
Residuals	NA	NA	NA	NA

– **Unclassified:**

Term	Estimate	Std.Error	Statistic	P.Value
(Intercept)	1.458	0.1577	9.244	3.305e-13
subject_racecaucasian	-0.4614	0.1778	-2.595	0.01183
subject_racehispanic_or_latino	-0.2582	0.3642	-0.709	0.481
subject_race	NA	NA	3.416	0.03926
Residuals	NA	NA	NA	NA

The taxa volatility test results for individual taxa or features have been saved in the current working directory. Each taxa rank and sub-rank combination has its own file named with the prefix: `taxa_volatility_test_results_` followed by the main taxon, sub-taxon, and the file extension `.csv`. Please refer to these files for more detailed data.

4.4 Data visualization(significant features)

```
if (!is.null(combined_significant_taxa)){
  taxa_boxplot_results <- generate_taxa_boxplot_long(
    data.obj = data.obj,
    subject.var = subject.var,
    time.var = time.var,
    t0.level = t0.level,
    ts.levels = ts.levels,
    group.var = group.var,
    strata.var = strata.var,
    feature.level = feature.level,
    feature.dat.type = feature.dat.type,
    features.plot = combined_significant_taxa,
```

```

        transform = transform,
        top.k.plot = top.k.plot,
        top.k.func = top.k.func,
        prev.filter = prev.filter,
        abund.filter = abund.filter,
        base.size = 10,
        theme.choice = theme.choice,
        custom.theme = custom.theme,
        palette = palette,
        pdf = pdf,
        file.ann = file.ann,
        pdf.wid = pdf.wid,
        pdf.hei = pdf.hei)

taxa_indiv_boxplot_results <- generate_taxa_indiv_boxplot_long(
  data.obj = data.obj,
  subject.var = subject.var,
  time.var = time.var,
  t0.level = t0.level,
  ts.levels = ts.levels,
  group.var = group.var,
  strata.var = strata.var,
  feature.level = feature.level,
  features.plot = combined_significant_taxa,
  transform = transform,
  feature.dat.type = feature.dat.type,
  top.k.plot = top.k.plot,
  top.k.func = top.k.func,
  prev.filter = prev.filter,
  abund.filter = abund.filter,
  base.size = 10,
  theme.choice = theme.choice,
  custom.theme = custom.theme,
  palette = palette,
  pdf = TRUE,
  file.ann = file.ann,
  pdf.wid = pdf.wid,
  pdf.hei = pdf.hei)
}

```

4.4.1 Significant features boxplot The boxplot results for individual taxa or features can be found in the current working directory. The relevant file is named: taxa_indiv_boxplot_long_subject_subject_id_time_visit_number_num_feature_level_Family_transform_sqrt_prev_filter_0.1_abund_filter_1e-04_group_subject_race_strata_subject_gender_Family.pdf. Please refer to this file for more detailed visualizations.

```

cat(
  )

if (!is.null(combined_significant_taxa)){
  taxa_spaghettiplot_results <- generate_taxa_spaghettiplot_long(
    data.obj = data.obj,

```

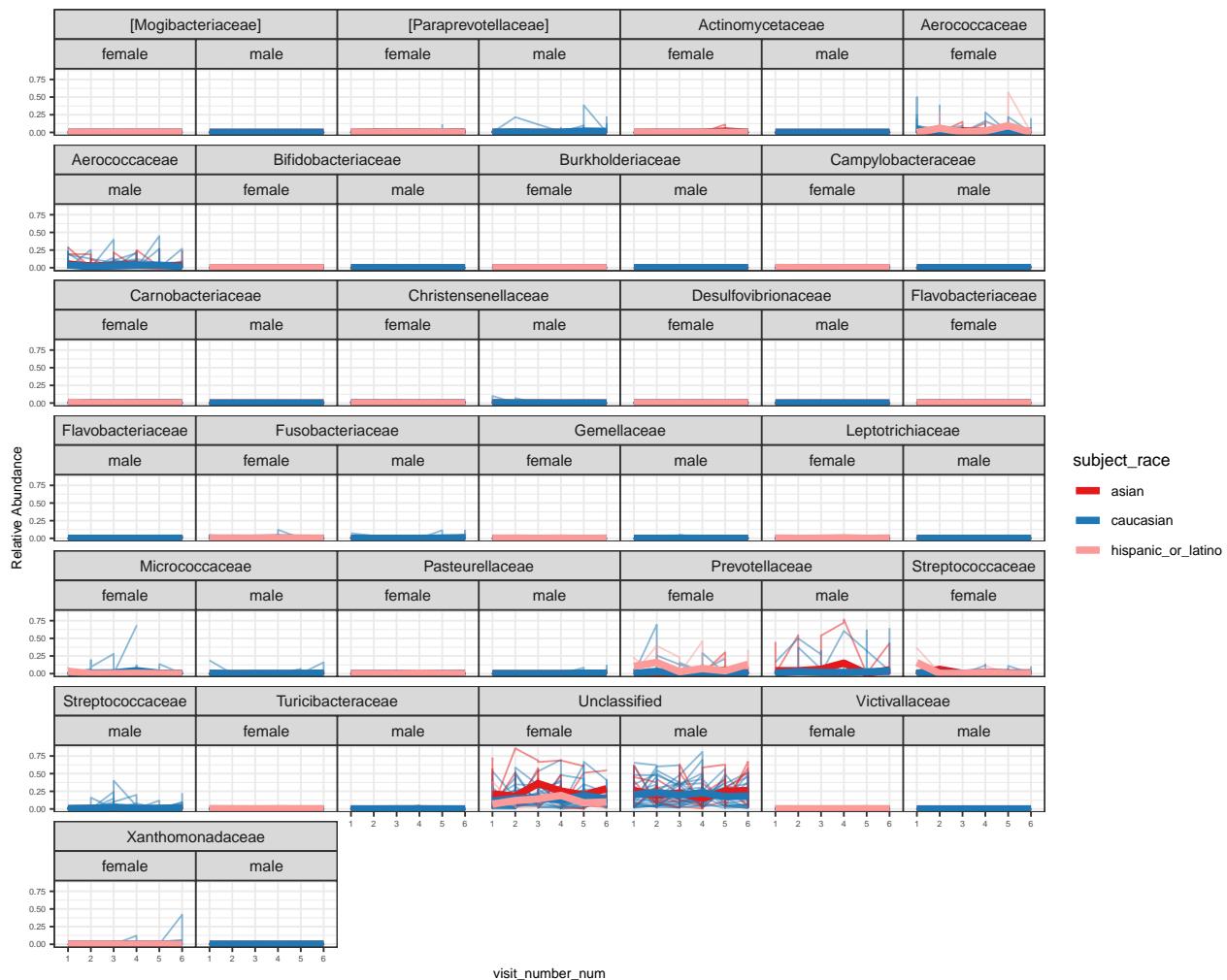
```

        subject.var = subject.var,
        time.var = time.var,
        group.var = group.var,
        strata.var = strata.var,
        t0.level = t0.level,
        ts.levels = ts.levels,
        feature.level = feature.level,
        feature.dat.type = feature.dat.type,
        features.plot = combined_significant_taxa,
        top.k.plot = top.k.plot,
        top.k.func = top.k.func,
        prev.filter = prev.filter,
        abund.filter = abund.filter,
        base.size = 10,
        theme.choice = theme.choice,
        custom.theme = custom.theme,
        palette = palette,
        pdf = pdf,
        file.ann = file.ann,
        pdf.wid = pdf.wid,
        pdf.hei = pdf.hei)

taxa_indiv_spaghettiplot_results <- generate_taxa_indiv_spaghettiplot_long(
  data.obj = data.obj,
  subject.var = subject.var,
  time.var = time.var,
  t0.level = t0.level,
  ts.levels = ts.levels,
  group.var = group.var,
  strata.var = strata.var,
  change.base = change.base,
  feature.change.func = feature.change.func,
  feature.level = feature.level,
  features.plot = combined_significant_taxa,
  feature.dat.type = feature.dat.type,
  top.k.plot = top.k.plot,
  top.k.func = top.k.func,
  prev.filter = prev.filter,
  abund.filter = abund.filter,
  base.size = 10,
  theme.choice = theme.choice,
  custom.theme = custom.theme,
  palette = palette,
  pdf = TRUE,
  file.ann = file.ann,
  pdf.wid = pdf.wid,
  pdf.hei = pdf.hei)
}

```

4.4.2 Significant features spaghettiplot [[1]]



The spaghettiplot results for individual taxa or features can be found in the current working directory. The relevant file is named: `taxa_indiv_spaghettiplot_long_subject_subject_id_time_visit_number_num_group_subject_race_strata_subject_gender_feature_level_Family_prev_filter_0.1_abund_filter_1e-04_base_size_12_theme_choice_bw_pdf_wid_11_pdf_hei_8.5.pdf`. Please refer to this file for more detailed visualizations.