What's in 'rgr 1.1.5'?

1. Statistical graphics functions:

gx.hist Plots histograms using a variety of bin width selection methods.

cnpplt Plots a normal cumulative percent probability (CPP) plot.

gx.cnpplts Plots up to nine CPP plots in a single display, these may be either data

subsets or variables.

gx.cnpplts.setup Permits the user to define the symbols and their colours for the up to nine

data sets to be plotted with gx.cnpplts.

gx.ecdf Plots an empirical cumulative distribution function (ECDF).

gx.ks.test Plots two ECDFs in a single display and carries out a Kolmogorov-Smirnov

test for the two populations being drawn from the same underlying

population.

bxplot Plots a horizontal Tukey boxplot or a box-and-whisker plot.

shape Plots a combination of histogram, boxplot, ECDF and CPP on a single

screen/page.

inset Plots a combination of a histogram and a CPP plot, together with some

summary statistics, for use as an inset on a geochemical map.

inset.exporter A version of 'inset' for use in a production environment where the graphics

file is saved as defined by the user for later map production.

bwplots Plots vertical box-and-whisker plots for a single variable subdivided into

various subsets (groups or factors).

bwplots.by.var Uses 'bwplot' to plot different variables (elements) side-by-side.

tbplots Plots vertical Tukey boxplots for a single variable subdivided into various

subsets (groups or factors).

tbplots.by.var Uses 'tbplot' to plot different variables (elements) side-by-side.

All the above functions permit both normal arithmetic and logarithmic scaling, and user-defined axis labelling and titling. The 'bwplot' and 'tbplot' functions permit the groups (factors) to be ordered (left-to-right) and labelled as defined by the user.

2. Mapping and XY Plotting functions:

Mapping:

map.eda7 Displays a map using symbols that correspond to a Tukey boxplot, i.e. lower

near and far outliers, in the lower whisker, in the mid 50%, in the upper

whisker, etc.

map.eda8 Displays a map using symbols to indicate the magnitude of a variable

(element) subdivided by the 2nd, 5th, 25th, 50th, 75th, 95th and 98th percentiles.

map.tags Displays a map of posted values.

map.z Displays a map using circles that increase in diameter with magnitude of the

variable (element) being plotted. The rate of increase of symbol size may be

user-defined.

caplot Displays a concentration-area (C-A) plot to assess whether the data are

spatially multifractal. The data may be optionally log-transformed, and the

interpolated estimates may be accumulated in either direction.

The above functions require that the R library packages 'MASS' and 'akima' (caplot only) be available at run-time. All the above functions require that rectangular coordinates are available for the data points, and permit user-defined axis labelling, titling, and symbol colour and scaling.

Note: the EDA mapping functions are not provided to replace a full mapping or GIS package, but to provide a 'quick-look' in order to appreciate the spatial distribution of the data and to support threshold (upper limit of geochemical background) selection.

Plotting:

xyplot.eda7 Displays a XY plot using symbols for the third that correspond to a Tukey

boxplot, i.e. lower near and far outliers, in the lower whisker, in the mid

50%, in the upper whisker, etc.

Displays a XY plot using symbols for the third variable to indicate the xyplot.eda8

magnitude of a variable (element) subdivided by the 2nd, 5th, 25th, 50th, 75th,

95th and 98th percentiles.

Displays a XY plot of the posted values of a third variable. xyplot.tags

xyplot.z Displays a XY plot using circles that increase in diameter with magnitude of

the third variable (element) being plotted. The rate of increase of symbol

size may be user-defined.

3. Summary statistics functions:

Computes and displays summary statistics as displayed with 'inset'. gx.stats

Displays a concise one-line summary statistics report. gx.summary1

gx.summary.mat

Displays a concise one-line summary statistics report for selected columns

of a data frame or matrix.

gx.summary.groups

Displays a concise one-line summary statistics report for data subsets

grouped by factor name in a data frame or matrix.

Displays a five-line summary statistics report. gx.summary2

fences Computes and displays the various estimates of background range discussed

in Reimann, Filzmoser & Garrett, 2005.

fences.summary

A version of 'fences' for when it is required to estimate background ranges for various subsets (groups or factors) of a variable (element) and to save them in a user-named tab delimited 'txt' file for later inspection with a

spreadsheet program, e.g., ExcelTM.

framework.summary

Computes summary statistics for various data subsets (groups or factors), e.g., EcoProvinces, Great Soil Groups, Lithological units, etc., of a variable (element) and saves them in a user-named 'csv' file for later inspection with a spreadsheet program, e.g., ExcelTM, or importation into other software.

gx.fractile Estimate the fractile for a specified quantile of a distribution. gx.fractile Estimate the quantile for a specified fractile of a distribution.

4. Bivariate and Multivariate functions:

gx.pearson Estimates the Pearson product moment correlation correlations for a matrix

> or columns of a data frame. The coefficients are displayed in the upper triangle and the significance of them not being due to chance (Ho:

coefficient = 0) is displayed in the lower triangle.

Estimates the Spearman rank correlation correlations for a matrix or gx.spearman

> columns of a data frame. The coefficients are displayed in the upper triangle and the significance of them not being due to chance (Ho:

coefficient = 0) is displayed in the lower triangle.

Estimates a matrix of the robust ilr stabilities and log-ratio medians for a gx.sm

matrix or columns of a data frame of parts of a compositional data set;

displaying them in the upper and lower triangles of the matrix, respectively.

Estimates an Aitchison Variability Matrix for a matrix or columns of a data gx.vm

frame of parts of a compositional data set, with the variances and means of

the log-ratios in the upper and lower triangles, respectively.

Displays a graphical matrix of log10 scaled x-y plots in the upper triangle gx.pairs4parts

> and boxplots of the ilr transforms in the lower triangle for the parts of a compositional matrix. The robust ilr stability for each x-y pair is displayed

as the boxplot title.

gx.plot2parts Displays a panel of four plots for a pair of parts from a compositional data

> set. The displays consist of a log10 scaled x-y plot, a boxplot of the corresponding values of ilr(x,y) annotated with the robust ilr stability

measure, and sequential index and ECDF plots of the ilr values.

Estimates the coefficients of the Reduced Major Axis (RMA) for gx.rma

> quantifying the relationship between two independent variables, such as analyses of the same samples by two independent methods. Confidence bounds are estimated for the coefficients to assist in determining if they are

significantly different from (0,1).

wtd.sums Computes weighted sums (see Garrett and Grunsky, 2001) for a set of user

defined variables and their 'relative importances'.

Computes 2-d projections of p-space data via the Sammon non-linear gx.2dproj

> mapping, metric or non-metric multidimensional scaling, or projection pursuit procedures. Closed compositional, geochemical, data should be passed to this function with an ilr transformation. A log transformation and a variety of data normalization procedures are available as pre-processing

options for open, non-compositional, data sets.

gx.2dproj.plot Displays the results saved from function gx.2dproj.

gx.mva Undertakes a R-Q Principal Components Analysis (PCA) and estimates

Mahalanobis distances using classical covariance estimation procedures.

gx.robmva Undertakes a R-Q Principal Components Analysis (PCA) and estimates

Mahalanobis distances using robust covariance estimation procedures. Options include the minimum covariance determinant (MCD), minimum volume ellipsoid (MVE) procedures, and the use of user-defined weights –

not necessarily just zero or one.

gx.robmva.closed

As above but for closed, compositional data. Estimates robust statistics following an ilr transform, then back-transforms to the clr form for the PCA.

Undertakes a Kaiser Varimax rotation on the PCs saved from either gx.mva,

gx.robmva, or gx.robmva.closed.

gx.rqpca.screeplot

gx.rotate

Displays a scree plot for the results of a PCA saved from either gx.mva,

gx.robmva or gx.robmva.closed.

gx.rqpca.print Displays tables of the loadings of each variable on each PC, and scores of

the individuals on the PCs. Optionally the percentage contribution of each

variable to the variability of each PC may be displayed.

gx.rqpca.loadplot

Displays a graphic where the loadings above some critical value, 'crit', are plotted for each PC in a space proportional to the variability that each PC

contributes to the total data variability.

gx.rqpca.plot Displays R-Q bi-plots for the results of a PCA saved from either gx.mva, or

gx.robmva, or gx.robmva.closed.

gx.md.gait Undertakes a graphical adaptive interactive trimming (GAIT) procedure

based on Mahalanobis distance estimation for multivariate outlier detection

and the selection of clean 'reference' data subsets for use by gx.mv.alloc.

gx.md.gait.closed

As for gx.md.gait, but specifically for closed compositional, geochemical,

data. The data are isometrically log-ratio (ilr) transformed for

computational purposes, and then back transformed to the centred log-ratio

(clr) basis for subsequent processing by gx.mvalloc.closed.

gx.md.plot Displays Chi-square plots for the Mahalanobis distances saved from either

gx.mva, gx.robmva or gx.md.gait.

gx.md.print Displays lists of all individuals and/or saves the list as a 'csv' file, or lists

individuals whose predicted probabilities of group membership fall below a

user-defined cut-off value, i.e. multivariate outliers.

gx.mvalloc A typicality, Mahalanobis distance, based allocation procedure where an

individual may be classified into one of up to nine 'reference', geochemical 'background', groups. If typicality, group membership, in all reference groups falls below a used defined cut-off, probability, those individuals are identified as outliers, 'anomalies', and allocated to an 'outlier' group. The allocations are made on the assumption that the reference group covariances

are heteroscedastic, i.e. are of different sizes, shapes and orientations

gx.mvalloc.closed

As for gx.mvalloc, but specifically for closed compositional, geochemical data. The reference groups have to have been generated by gx.md.gait.closed or gx.robmva.closed, both of which return an inverse of the robust clr covariance matrix required by the allocation procedure. The input data are clr transformed prior to use in typicality estimations.

gx.mvalloc.print

Displays lists of all individuals and/or saves the list as a 'csv' file, or lists only individuals whose predicted probabilities of group membership fall below a user-defined cut-off value, i.e. multivariate outliers.

gx.lm.vif Estimates the variance inflation factor as a measure of collinearity in the

independent (predictor) variables of a linear model.

gx.adjr2 Calculates adjusted R² values for multiple regression (linear) models taking

into account the number of cases (individuals) and independent (predictor)

variables.

Function gx.2dproj requires R library packages 'MASS' and 'fastICA' be available at runtime.

5. QA/QC support functions:

ad.plot1 Plots the results of analytical duplicate analyses as percentage differences relative to their means against either the order of the analyses or the duplicate means. Optionally a tolerance line (red) may be plotted. ad.plot2 Similar to 'ad.plot1' but for use where the duplicates are stored as 1 to n values of x1 followed by 1 to n values of x2, or as alternating rows of x1 and x2 values. Computes a random effects model ANOVA (Analysis of Variance) on a set anova1 of duplicate measurements to determine if the analytical, or combined sampling and analytical (within) variability is significantly smaller than the variability between the duplicates. For use where the n duplicates are stored as x1 and x2 in n rows. Similar to 'anoval' but for use where the duplicates are stored as 1 to n anova2 values of x1 followed by 1 to n values of x2, or as alternating rows of x1 and x2 values. Plots the results of Control Reference Material (CRM) analyses against the crm.plot order of the analyses. Optionally (a) red tolerance line(s) may be plotted. gx.triples.aov Computes a random effects model ANOVA and estimates the variance components for a staggered 3-level design of field and analytical triplicates to simultaneously evaluate the significance and relative magnitude of 'regional', local sampling and analytical variability. Computes two random effects model ANOVAs to estimate the regional gx.triples.fgx representivity of the 'triples' in the context of the total regional survey variability and the equivalence of the variability of the two field duplicates. thplot1 Displays a Thompson-Howarth plot for duplicate measurements to visually

inspect them as a part of the QA/QC process. A target precision may be

entered to aid visual data inspection. For use where the n duplicates are

stored as x1 and x2 in n rows.

thplot2 Similar to 'thplot1' but for use where the duplicates are stored as 1 to n

values of x1 followed by 1 to n values of x2, or as alternating rows of x1

and x2 values.

All of 'anova1', 'anova2', 'gx.triples.aov' and 'gx.triple.fgx' provide for an optional log-transformation of the data in order to meet homogeneity of variance and normality requirements.

6. Data conditioning functions:

ltdl.fix Replaces less-than-detection values recorded as -x with x/2. Optionally

zero values and/or coded values, e.g., -9999, may be set to a NA, a code

used in the S-Language to represent no information, i.e. blank.

ltdl.fix.df Performs a 'ltdl.fix' on a data frame, any factor variables are transferred to

the new data frame.

remove.na Removes any NAs from a vector or matrix, reporting on the number of NA

values, or NA containing matrix rows, removed and the number of

remaining rows and columns for a matrix.

gx.subset Extracts a subset of rows from a data frame on the basis of a criterion

supplied by the user, returning a new data frame.

logit Computes the logit transformation for a vector of zero to one proportions

representing a compositional data set.

expit Computes the inverse-logit transformation so that the results of

computations undertaken on logit-transformed proportions can be returned

to the original proportions.

alr Computes additive log-ratios for a matrix in order to remove the effects of

data closure.

clr Computes centred log-ratios for a matrix in order to remove the effects of

data closure.

ilr Computes isometric log-ratios for a matrix in order to remove the effects of

data closure.

orthonorm Computes orthornormal back-transformation to the clr form from a matrix

resulting from the processing of ilr transformed data.

rng Computes range transformations on the columns of a matrix.

7. Utility functions:

df.test Determines if a specific data frame is available (attached) or exists in the

working directory. If it does, the names of the variables are displayed, and additionally if a specific legitimate variable name is entered the number of

values, length of the vector, is displayed.

where.na Identifies any positions in a vector or matrix containing NAs, and can be

used to remove any NAs from a data vector or matrix.

ilr.stab Computes and displays the robust ilr stability for 2 parts of a composition.

gx.sort Displays a sorted, or reverse sorted, data frame or matrix on the value of a

specified column.

gx.sort.df Displays a sorted data frame on the basis of any combination of numeric or

factor variables in any combination of ascending or descending orders.

gx.hypergeom Estimate the probability that anomaly (above threshold sites) locations are

informative, i.e. coincide with an expected model along transects or

traverses (see Stanley, 2003).

gx.runs Carry out a Wald-Wolfowitz, Runs, test for pattern coherence along

transects and traverses.

display.lty Displays the available line types and colours.

display.marks Displays the available plotting symbols.

display.ascii.o Displays the octal numbers corresponding to the Windows Latin 1 font,

these are required when inserting symbols such as μ or $^{\circ}$ into an axis label or

title.

display.rainbow Displays the 36 colours of the "rainbow" palette.

syms.pfunc Displays the effect of changing the parameter 'p', which controls the rate of

change of circular symbol size, in the 'edamap' function.

Notes:

Data frames are a data management feature of the S language, they accommodate row and column names, real numbers, factor variables and NAs. NAs are a S and R language feature for identifying data items for which there is no information, as such it is a 'special code' for a 'blank' in a data file.

The boxes of Tukey boxplots, box-and-whisker plots and histograms are infilled in grey (8) from the palette displayed in 'display.lty', alternate colours may be selected from that palette. The "rainbow" palette is used for symbol colours in 'map.eda7', 'map.eda8', 'xyplot.eda7' and 'xyplot.eda8' the user may select alternate colours from this palette if required.

The above list of 89 functions only includes those directly accessible by a user, it does not include some functions (9) that 'lurk in the basement' and are used as 'engines' to achieve the desired graphical and tabular displays.

Changes since 'rgr 1.0.3'

'rgr 1.0.4' was a maintenance release built with R 2.12.0, no new functions were added. Minor changes were made to functions caplot, edamap and framework.stats. Two utility functions were removed, display.alts and display.ascii.d.

The release was required to bring the help, Rd, files into conformity with the new parsing rules for R 2.11. Some other text changes were made to the help files for shape and fences.summary.

Changes since 'rgr 1.0.4'

'rgr 1.0.5' was built with R 2.12.0 and includes a number of additional functions for the display of univariate data, QA/QC and utility functions. The names of the 'map' functions and dftest were changed to achieve better internal consistency in naming. Some multivariate or pseudo-multivariate functions were added, these carry out various log-ratio transformations to remove the closure effect from compositional (constant sum) data, to compute Pearson and Spearman correlation coefficients and their significance, and to compute weighted sums.

Changes since 'rgr 1.0.5'

- **'rgr 1.1.0'** was built with R 2.12.0. At the maintenance level it includes some corrections of 'typos' in the help file, and a correction to Reduced Major Axis slope estimation (gx.rma). A function is now present to identify the locations of any NAs in a data vector or matrix. The major additions to version 1.1.0 are functions for multivariate exploratory data analysis. These include:
- 1. 2-d projections of p-space data using Sammon's non-linear mapping and multidimensional scaling. Unfortunately the Friedman and Rafsky implementation of minimum spanning tree 'planing' is not available in the R version of the Venables and Ripley 'MASS' Library;
- 2. Both classical and robust estimation implementations of R-Q Principal Components Analysis (PCA) and the estimation of Mahalanobis distances. Options for robust estimation include the minimum covariance determinant and minimum volume ellipsoid procedures, and user-supplied weight not necessarily 0 or 1. A function is provided for the Kaiser Varimax rotation, as are functions for the display of the various results;
- 3. A robust estimation procedure for undertaking a PCA and the computation of Mahalanobis distances specifically for closed, compositional, data;
- 4. A graphical adaptive interactive trimming (GAIT) procedure based on Mahalanobis distance estimation for multivariate outlier detection and the selection of clean 'reference', in the applied geochemical context 'background', data subsets. Two functions are provided for the display of the GAIT results, one permits saving the results as a '.csv' file;
- 5. A Mahalanobis distance based multivariate allocation procedure employing predicted probabilities of reference (geochemical 'background') group memberships, i.e. typicalities. Atypical individuals whose membership falls below a user-defined cut-off in any of the reference groups are identified as 'unallocated' for further inspection. The allocations are made on the assumption that the reference group covariances are heteroscedastic, i.e. are of different sizes, shapes and orientations. The results may be displayed and/or saved as a '.csv' file; and
- 6. Two utility functions for linear modelling exercises are included, for estimating variance inflation factors and computing adjusted R² values. However, in the latter context, the use of Akaike's Information Criterion, available in the R {stats} library, is recommended.

Changes since 'rgr 1.1.0'

'rgr 1.1.1' was built with R 2.12.0. At the maintenance level it includes corrections of 'typos' in the help files, and changes in the names of functions bwplot, bwplot.by.var, tbplot and tbplot.by.var to bwplots, bwplots.by.var, tbplots and tbplots.by.var. These changes were made to avoid a conflict with function bwplot in the display package 'lattice' with the function of the

same name in 'rgr', the 's' was added to the related function names for the sake of consistency. Other changes include:

- 1. The additions of Kruskal's non-metric multidimensional scaling procedure and a projection pursuit procedure based on the fastICA function; and
- 2. The addition of two functions, gx.md.gait.closed and gx.mvalloc.closed, together with a modification to gx.rob.mva closed. These additions/changes facilitate the investigation of closed data sets using Mahalanobis distance based procedures. Function gx.mvalloc.closed now requires the inverse of the reference data covariance matrix. This is achieved by backtransforming the inverse of the ilr transformed covariance matrix used for robust estimation in functions gx.md.gait.closed and gx.robmva.closed to the clr basis.
- 3. The addition of two functions to display the results of Principal Components Analyses, functions gx.rqpca.print and gx.rqpca.loadplot. The former displays tables of the PC loadings and scores of the individuals on the PCs, in addition, the percentage contribution of each variable to the variability of each PC may be displayed. The latter function displays a graphic where the loadings above some critical value, 'crit', set by default to an absolute loading of 0.3, are plotted for each PC in a space proportional to the variability that each PC contributes to the total data variability.

Issues that remain to be addressed in future releases of 'rgr'are:

- 1. The provision of the Friedman and Rafsky 'planing' tool for visualizing p-space data in 2-d for function gx.2dproj;
- 2. The correction of any errors in the scripts or help files (manual) as they are identified; and
- 3. The addition of 'useful' display functions as they are identified and/or developed.

Changes since 'rgr 1.1.1'

'rgr 1.1.2' was built with R 2.12.0. This is primarily a maintenance and enhancement release consisting of:

- 1. Corrections to the help files;
- 2. Minor changes to the formats of the summary statistics tables;
- 3. Some 'bullet proofing' was added to the summary statistics functions for instances where a data (sub)set contained no valid data, i.e. all NAs, or consisted of a single non-NA value;
- 4. The addition of legends to the map.* and xyplot.* functions;
- 5. The addition of estimation of fences following a logit transform, that recognizes the closed nature of geochemical analytical data, to functions fences and fences.summary. This required functions to be added for the logit and inverse-logit (expit) transformations; and
- 6. Three additional test data sets: sind.mat2open to save repetitive matrix preparation in the examples; ogrady.mat2open for investigating the closed nature of lithogeochemical data; and fix.test.asis an alternate result from read.table usage.

Changes since 'rgr 1.1.2'

'rgr 1.1.3' was built with R 2.12.0. This is primarily a maintenance and enhancement release consisting of:

1. The addition of four functions (2 graphical) for the bivariate study of parts of a compositional data set, and the inclusion of a function to compute an Aitchison Variability Matrix;

- 2. A change to the output format of function fences.summary to improve display of the resulting saved tab delimited 'txt' file with a spreadsheet program; and
- 3. Corrections to the help files.

Changes since 'rgr 1.1.3'

'rgr 1.1.4' was built with R 2.14.1. This version is the same as rgr 1.1.3 except for a 'bug' fix to function tbplots and a change to the documentation for tbplots. Now requesting that the Tukey boxplot fences be based on logarithmically transformed data also results in logarithmic scaling being used for the boxplots. The 'bug' was that under certain circumstances the request for logarithmically based fences with a logarithmically scale plot failed, with the result that arithmetic fences were plotted.

Changes since 'rgr 1.1.4'

'rgr 1.1.5' was built with R 2.14.1. This version includes three functions for QA/QC support that graphically display the results of analytical duplicate and Control Reference Material (CRM) analyses.

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