Implement a new Group Analysis The BRAPH 2 Developers December 24, 2024

This is the developer tutorial for implementing a new group analysis. In this tutorial, you will learn how to create a *.gen.m for a new group analysis, which can then be compiled by braph2genesis. Here, you will use as examples the group analysis AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD, an group-based graph analysis (AnalyzeGroup) analyzing structure data (ST) using binary undirected multigraphs at fixed densities (BUD).

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Implementation of the group analysis

You will implement in detail AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD, a direct extension of AnalyzeGroup. An AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD processes structural data to construct binary undirected graphs at fixed densities.

Basic properties

This section focuses on implementing the basic properties required to define AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD, including its class, name, and associated metadata.

Code 1: **AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD element header.** The header section of the generator code in _AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD.gen.m provides the general information about the AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD element.

```
1 %% iheader! (1)
<sup>2</sup> AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD < AnalyzeGroup (a, graph analysis with structural data
       at fixed density) is a graph analysis using structural data at fixed
       density.
4 %% idescription! (2)
5 AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD uses structural data at fixed density and analyzes them
       using binary undirected graphs.
7 %% iseealso!
8 SubjectST, MultigraphBUD
10 %% ibuild! (3)
```

Code 2: Basic properties of AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD. This section of the generator code in _AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD.gen.m updates the basic properties required to describe the AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD element, including its class, name, description, and other metadata.

```
% iprops_update!
3 %% iprop!
4 ELCLASS (constant, string) is the class of the group-based graph analysis
       with structural data at fixed density.
5 %%% idefault!
6 'AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD'
8 %% iprop!
9 NAME (constant, string) is the name of the group-based graph analysis with
      structural data at fixed density.
10 %%% idefault!
'Structural Binary Undirected at fixed Densities Analyze Group'
13 %% iprop!
14 DESCRIPTION (constant, string) is the description of the group-based graph
       analysis with structural data at fixed density.
15 %%% idefault!
```

- (1) defines AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD as a subclass of AnalyzeGroup. The moniker is a.
- (2) provides a description of this group analysis.
- (3) defines the build number of the group analysis element.

'AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD uses structural data at fixed density and analyzes them using binary undirected graphs.

Functionality-focused properties

This section details the implementation of functionality-focused properties that enable AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD to perform graph analysis directly.

Code 3: Implementation properties of AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD.

This section of the generator code in _AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD.gen.m updates the properties to be used, including TEMPLATE for specifying its G with graph type and parameters as a graph template, GR for defining subjects' data, , and G for managing the graph instance obtained using the subjects' data.

```
%% iprop! (1)
4 TEMPLATE (parameter, item) is the template of the group-based graph analysis
        with structural data at fixed density.
5 %%% isettings!
6 'AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD'
8 %% iprop!
g ID (data, string) is a few-letter code for the group-based graph analysis
       with structural data at fixed density.
10 %%% idefault!
'AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD ID'
13 %% iprop!
14 LABEL (metadata, string) is an extended label of the group-based graph
       analysis with structural data at fixed density.
15 %%% idefault!
'AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD label'
18 %% iprop!
19 NOTES (metadata, string) are some specific notes about the group-based graph
        analysis with structural data at fixed density.
20 %%% idefault!
  'AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD notes'
23 %% iprop! (2)
24 GR (data, item) is the subject group, which also defines the subject class
       SubjectST.
25 %%% idefault!
26 Group('SUB_CLASS', 'SubjectST')
28 %% iprop! (3)
29 G (result, item) is the graph obtained from this analysis.
30 %%% isettings!
31 'MultigraphBUD'
32 %%% icalculate!
33 gr = a.get('GR');
34 data_list = cellfun(@(x) x.get('ST'), gr.get('SUB_DICT').get('IT_LIST'), '
       UniformOutput', false); (4)
```

(1) Sspecifies the TEMPLATE property, in which G, serving as a graph template, defines parameters such as DENSITIES, SEMIPOSITIVIZE_RULE, and STANDARDIZE_RULE. These settings are applied to the graph in (8)

- (2) defines the GR property, which stores the subjects using the SubjectST element. This property contains the subjects' data to be analyzed.
- (3) creates the G property, a graph that uses MultigraphBUD.
- (4) retrieves the subjects' structural data from (2), which is used to construct the MultigraphBUD instance for analysis.

```
35 data = cat(2, data_list{:})'; % correlation is a column based operation
  if any(strcmp(a.get('CORRELATION_RULE'), {Correlation.PEARSON_CV,
       Correlation.SPEARMAN_CV}))
    A = Correlation.getAdjacencyMatrix(data, a.get('CORRELATION_RULE'), a.get(
        'NEGATIVE_WEIGHT_RULE'), gr.get('COVARIATES'));(5)
39 else
      A = Correlation.getAdjacencyMatrix(data, a.get('CORRELATION_RULE'), a.
       get('NEGATIVE_WEIGHT_RULE'));(6)
41 end
42
densities = a.get('DENSITIES'); % this is a vector (7)
44
_{45} g = MultigraphBUD( ...(8)
      'ID', ['Graph ' gr.get('ID')], ...
46
       'B', A, ...
47
       'DENSITIES', densities, ...
48
       'LAYERLABELS', cellfun(@(x) [num2str(x) '%'], num2cell(densities), '
       UniformOutput', false) ...
50
      );
52 if ~isa(a.getr('TEMPLATE'), 'NoValue') % the analysis has a template
      g.set('TEMPLATE', a.get('TEMPLATE').memorize('G')) % the template is
       memorized - overwrite densities (9)
54
  if a.get('GR').get('SUB_DICT').get('LENGTH')
56
      g.set('NODELABELS', a.get('GR').get('SUB_DICT').get('IT', 1).get('BA').
       get('BR_DICT').get('KEYS'))
58 end
  value = g;
```

Code 4: **AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD element props.** The props section of the generator code in _AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD.gen.m defines the properties to be used in AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD.

```
%% iprops!
3 %% iprop! (1)
4 CORRELATION_RULE (parameter, option) is the correlation type.
5 %%% isettings!
6 Correlation.CORRELATION_RULE_LIST
  %%% idefault!
8 Correlation.PEARSON
10 %% iprop! (2)
11 NEGATIVE_WEIGHT_RULE (parameter, option) determines how to deal with
       negative weights.
12 %%% isettings!
Correlation.NEGATIVE_WEIGHT_RULE_LIST
14 %%% idefault!
15 Correlation.ZERO
17 %% iprop! (3)
18 DENSITIES (parameter, rvector) is the vector of densities.
19 %%% idefault!
20 [1:1:10]
```

- (5) or (6) calculates the adjacency matrix based on whether group covariates (e.g., age and sex) are considered. Covariates are included for partial correlation if the CORRELATION_RULE property, introduced in (1) of Code 4, is set to $PEARSON_CV$ (Pearson with covariates) or SPEARMAN_CV (Spearman with covariates).
- (7) retrieves the densities defined in the new property in (2) of Code 4. These densities configure the MultigraphBUD instance for analysis.
- (8) defines the graph by constructing an instance of MultigraphBUD for the calculated adjacency matrix and applying the specified DENSITIES parameter.
- (9) ensures the MultigraphBUD instance is updated with pre-defined parameters (e.g., DENSITIES, SEMIPOSITIVIZE_RULE, and STANDARDIZE_RULE) from the graph template specified in (1). If explicitly set by the user during initialization of AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD, the densities will be overwritten with those in the graph template.
- (1) defines the CORRELATION_RULE as one of the options in the list (PEARSON, SPEARMAN, KENDALL, PEARSON_CV, SPEARMAN_CV), used in (5) of Code 3.
- (2) defines the NEGATIVE_WEIGHT_RULE as one of the options in the list (ZERO, ABS, NONE), used in (5) of Code 3.
- (3) defines the densities for binarizing the connectivity matrix in a binary undirected multigraph, used in (7) of Code 3.

```
21 %%% iqui! (4)
pr = PanelPropRVectorSmart('EL', a, 'PROP', AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD.DENSITIES,
       'MIN', 0, 'MAX', 100, ...
      'DEFAULT', AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD.getPropDefault('DENSITIES'), ...
24
      varargin(:));
```

(4) PanelPropRVectorSmart renders a GUI row vector panel for defining densities, supporting MATLAB expressions and limiting values between MIN and MAX.

Verification through testing

This section validates AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD by implementing tests to confirm its functionality via example scripts and ensure GUI integration.

Code 5: AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD element tests. The tests section in the element generator _AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD.gen.m includes logic tests, which verify correct functionality using example scripts and simulated datasets, and integration tests, which ensure the instance operation of the direct GUI and associated GUIs.

```
%% itests!
4 %% itest!(1)
5 %%% iname!
6 Example
7 %%% iprobability!(2)
8 .01
9 %%% icode!
10 create_data_ST_XLS() % only creates files if the example folder doesn't
       already exist
12 example_ST_BUD
13
14 %% itest! (3)
15 %%% iname!
16 GUI - Analysis
17 %%% iprobability!
18 .01
19 %%% icode!
im_ba = ImporterBrainAtlasXLS('FILE', 'destrieux_atlas.xlsx');
21 ba = im_ba.get('BA');(4)
gr = Group('SUB_CLASS', 'SubjectST', 'SUB_DICT', IndexedDictionary('IT_CLASS
       ', 'SubjectST')); (5)
<sub>24</sub> for i = 1:1:50
      sub = SubjectST( ...
25
          'ID', ['SUB ST ' int2str(i)], ...
           'LABEL', ['Subejct ST ' int2str(i)], ...
           'NOTES', ['Notes on subject ST ' int2str(i)], ...
28
           'BA', ba, ...
29
           'ST', rand(ba.get('BR_DICT').get('LENGTH'), 1) ...
31
      sub.memorize('VOI_DICT').get('ADD', VOINumeric('ID', 'Age', 'V', 100 *
32
      sub.memorize('VOI_DICT').get('ADD', VOICategoric('ID', 'Sex', '
       CATEGORIES', {'Female', 'Male'}, 'V', randi(2, 1)))
```

- (1) Tests the functionality of AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD using an example script.
- (2) assigns a low test execution probability.
- (3) Tests the direct GUI functionality of AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD.
- (4) and (5) define the necessary objects required to initialize an instance of AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD.

```
gr.get('SUB_DICT').get('ADD', sub)
34
35 end
36
a = AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD('GR', gr, 'DENSITIES', 5:10:35); (6)
38
39 gui = GUIElement('PE', a, 'CLOSEREQ', false);(7)
  gui.get('DRAW')(8)
41 gui.get('SHOW')(9)
43 gui.get('CLOSE')(10
44
45 %% itest!(11)
46 %%% iname!
47 GUI - Comparison
48 %%% iprobability!
49 .01
50 %%% icode!
51 im_ba = ImporterBrainAtlasXLS('FILE', 'destrieux_atlas.xlsx');
52 ba = im_ba.get('BA');
53
54 gr1 = Group('SUB_CLASS', 'SubjectST', 'SUB_DICT', IndexedDictionary('
       IT_CLASS', 'SubjectST'));
_{55} for i = 1:1:50
      sub = SubjectST( ...
56
          'ID', ['SUB ST ' int2str(i)], ...
57
           'LABEL', ['Subejct ST ' int2str(i)], ...
           'NOTES', ['Notes on subject ST ' int2str(i)], ...
           'BA', ba, ...
60
           'ST', rand(ba.get('BR_DICT').get('LENGTH'), 1) ...
61
      sub.memorize('VOI_DICT').get('ADD', VOINumeric('ID', 'Age', 'V', 100 *
       rand()))
      sub.memorize('VOI_DICT').get('ADD', VOICategoric('ID', 'Sex', '
64
       CATEGORIES', {'Female', 'Male'}, 'V', randi(2, 1)))
      gr1.get('SUB_DICT').get('ADD', sub)
65
66 end
67
  gr2 = Group('SUB_CLASS', 'SubjectST', 'SUB_DICT', IndexedDictionary('
       IT_CLASS', 'SubjectST'));
  for i = 1:1:50
      sub = SubjectST( ...
70
           'ID', ['SUB ST ' int2str(i)], ...
71
           'LABEL', ['Subejct ST ' int2str(i)], ...
72
           'NOTES', ['Notes on subject ST ' int2str(i)], ...
73
           'BA', ba, ...
74
           'ST', rand(ba.get('BR_DICT').get('LENGTH'), 1) ...
75
          );
76
      sub.memorize('VOI_DICT').get('ADD', VOINumeric('ID', 'Age', 'V', 100 *
77
       rand()))
      sub.memorize('VOI_DICT').get('ADD', VOICategoric('ID', 'Sex', '
       CATEGORIES', {'Female', 'Male'}, 'V', randi(2, 1)))
      gr2.get('SUB_DICT').get('ADD', sub)
79
80 end
81
82 a1 = AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD('GR', gr1, 'DENSITIES', 5:10:35);(12)
83 a2 = AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD('GR', gr2, 'TEMPLATE', a1); (13)
84
```

- (6) initializes an AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD instance using the specified gr (group) and densities.
- (7), (8), and (9) test the process of creating a GUI for AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD, drawing it, and showing it on the screen.
- (10) tests the process of closing the shown GUI.
- (11) tests the associated GUI functionality of AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD.

- (12) Similar to the previous test, this initializes the first AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD with the specified gr and densities.
- (13) initializes the second

AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD using the first AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD instance as a template. This setup allows the second instance to have its own gr data while applying the same parameters, specifically the densities.

```
s_5 c = CompareGroup( ...(14)
        'P', 10, ...
        'A1', a1, ...
        'A2', a2, ...
       'WAITBAR', true, ...
'VERBOSE', false, ...
'MEMORIZE', true ...
91
        );
94 gui = GUIElement('PE', c, 'CLOSEREQ', false);(15)
  gui.get('DRAW')(16)
  gui.get('SHOW')(17)
  gui.get('CLOSE')(18
```

(14) creates a CompareGroup instance with the defined AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD instances.

(16), (17), and (18) test creating, drawing, showing, and closing the GUI of the CompareGroup, which is an associated GUI of AnalyzeGroup_ST_BUD