

# Package ‘riemstats’

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**Title** Riemannian ANOVA Statistics

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**Description** Provides statistical methods for analyzing samples of symmetric positive definite (SPD) matrices, particularly functional connectivity matrices from neuroimaging data. Implements Fréchet ANOVA (Dubey and Müller (2019) <[doi:10.1093/biomet/asz052](https://doi.org/10.1093/biomet/asz052)>) for testing differences between groups in metric spaces, and Riemannian ANOVA methods that leverage tangent space geometry with classic multivariate test statistics including Wilks' Lambda and Pillai's trace. Also includes harmonization techniques for removing batch effects in multi-site studies: ComBat-based harmonization (Honnorat et al. (2024) <[doi:10.1016/j.media.2023.103043](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.media.2023.103043)>) and rigid harmonization (Simeon et al. (2022) <[doi:10.3389/fninf.2022.769274](https://doi.org/10.3389/fninf.2022.769274)>). Builds on ‘riemtan’ package infrastructure for efficient computation with multiple Riemannian metrics.

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`combat_harmonization`   *Harmonize Vector Images Using ComBat*

### Description

Applies the ComBat batch effect correction to vector images in a CSuperSample object and reconstructs harmonized samples.

### Usage

```
combat_harmonization(super_sample)
```

### Arguments

`super_sample`   A CSuperSample object containing samples to harmonize.

### Value

A new CSuperSample object with harmonized vector images.

`format_matr`   *Format a Matrix as a Packed dpoMatrix*

### Description

Converts a matrix to a packed symmetric positive definite matrix (`dpoMatrix`) using the `Matrix` package.

### Usage

```
format_matr(x)
```

**Arguments**

**x** A numeric matrix.

**Value**

A packed dpoMatrix object.

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frechet\_anova

*Frechet ANOVA Test Statistic*

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**Description**

Computes the Frechet ANOVA test statistic and its p-value for a given super-sample object.

**Usage**

```
frechet_anova(super_sample)
```

**Arguments**

**super\_sample** An object of class CSuperSample (see riemtan package)

**Value**

A list with two elements:

**statistic** The Frechet ANOVA test statistic

**p\_value** The p-value from the chi-squared test

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log\_wilks\_lambda

*Compute the Log Wilks' Lambda Statistic*

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**Description**

Calculates the log of Wilks' lambda statistic for a given super\_sample object. This function ensures that the within-group and total covariance matrices are computed, then computes the difference of their log determinants.

**Usage**

```
log_wilks_lambda(super_sample)
```

**Arguments**

**super\_sample** An object of class CSuperSample

**Details**

Wilks' lambda is a test statistic for the ANOVA test described in (to appear)

**Value**

A numeric value representing the log Wilks' lambda statistic.

normalization	<i>Normalize Rows of a Matrix</i>
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**Description**

Centers and scales each row of a matrix to have zero mean and unit norm.

**Usage**

```
normalization(si)
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**Arguments**

si	A numeric matrix.
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**Value**

A matrix with each row centered and scaled.

one_permutation	<i>Permutation Statistic for a Super Sample</i>
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**Description**

Randomly shuffles all observations across groups while preserving group sample sizes, creating a new super sample under the null hypothesis of no group differences, and computes a specified statistic on the resulting permuted super sample.

**Usage**

```
one_permutation(x, stat_fun)
```

**Arguments**

x	An object of class CSuperSample, representing the original super sample.
stat_fun	A function to compute a statistic on the resulting CSuperSample object.

**Details**

This function performs a permutation test by:

1. Extracting all data points from all groups
2. Randomly shuffling the data
3. Reassigning data to groups with the same sample sizes as the original
4. Computing the test statistic on the permuted data

This approach tests the null hypothesis that group labels are exchangeable, which is natural for testing whether sub-populations differ.

**Value**

The value returned by `stat_fun` when applied to the permuted super sample.

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<code>pillais_trace</code>	<i>Compute Pillai's Trace Statistic</i>
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**Description**

Calculates Pillai's trace statistic for a given `super_sample` object. This function ensures that the within-group and total covariance matrices are computed, then computes the sum of the eigenvalues of the matrix (Total - Within) %\*% solve(Total).

**Usage**

```
pillais_trace(super_sample)
```

**Arguments**

`super_sample` An object of class CSuperSample

**Details**

Pillai's trace is a test statistic for the ANOVA test described in (to appear).

**Value**

A numeric value representing Pillai's trace statistic.

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<code>riem_anova</code>	<i>Compute p-values using permutation test</i>
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## Description

Computes a permutation-based p-value for a given super sample. The statistic used for the permutation test can be specified via the `stat_fun` argument.

## Usage

```
riem_anova(ss, stat_fun = log_wilks_lambda, nperm = 1000)
```

## Arguments

<code>ss</code>	An object of class <code>CSuperSample</code> .
<code>stat_fun</code>	A function to compute a statistic on the <code>CSuperSample</code> object (default: <code>log_wilks_lambda</code> ).
<code>nperm</code>	The number of permutations to generate for estimating the p-value (default: 1000).

## Details

The function computes the statistic on the observed data and compares it to the distribution of statistics computed on permuted samples. Under the null hypothesis that group labels are exchangeable, this provides an exact test (subject to Monte Carlo error).

The permutation test:

1. Computes the test statistic on the observed data
2. Randomly shuffles group assignments while preserving sample sizes
3. Recomputes the test statistic on each permuted dataset
4. Calculates the p-value as the proportion of permuted statistics that exceed the observed statistic

This approach is computationally efficient and does not require parameter estimation or synthetic data generation.

## Value

numeric A permutation-based p-value.

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rigid\_harmonization     *Harmonize Tangent Images Across Batches Using Rigid Correction*

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## Description

Applies a rigid harmonization procedure to tangent images in a CSuperSample object. First, batch means are subtracted from each sample's tangent images (batch correction), then the overall mean is added back (global correction). The harmonized tangent images are used to reconstruct new CSample objects, which are collected into a new CSuperSample.

## Usage

```
rigid_harmonization(super_sample)
```

## Arguments

super\_sample     A CSuperSample object containing samples to harmonize.

## Details

This function performs harmonization in two steps:

1. **Batch Correction:** For each batch, the mean of its tangent images is subtracted from each tangent image in the batch.
2. **Global Correction:** The overall mean (across all batches) of tangent images is added back to each tangent image.

The harmonized tangent images are then used to reconstruct samples using the reference point and metric from the original CSuperSample.

## Value

A new CSuperSample object with harmonized tangent images.

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ts2corr     *Compute OAS-Shrunk Correlation Matrix from Time Series*

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## Description

Normalizes a time series matrix and computes its OAS-shrunk correlation matrix.

## Usage

```
ts2corr(ts)
```

**Arguments**

**ts** A numeric matrix representing time series data.

**Value**

A shrunk correlation matrix.

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