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 CompositionalMPT-package

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 Energy test of equality of distributions using the
alpha-transformation

Energy test of equality of distributions using the α -transformation

Description

Energy test of equality of distributions using the α -transformation.

Usage

```
etest(x, y, a = 0.1, R = 999)
```

Arguments

x	A matrix with the compositional data of the first sample.
y	A matrix with the compositional data of the second sample.
a	The value of the power transformation, it has to be between -1 and 1. If zero values are present it has to be greater than 0. If $\alpha = 0$ the isometric log-ratio transformation is applied. If more than one values are supplied the energy distance of equality of distributions is applied for each value of α .
R	The number of permutations to apply in order to compute the approximate p-value.

Details

The α -transformation is applied to each composition and then the energy distance of equality of distributions is applied.

Value

The permutation based p-value of the energy test.

Author(s)

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See Also

[mpt](#)

Examples

```
x <- matrix( rgamma(20 * 4, 3, 1), ncol = 4 )
x <- x / rowSums(x) ## Dirichlet simulated values
y <- matrix( rgamma(30 * 4, 5, 1), ncol = 4 )
y <- y / rowSums(y) ## Dirichlet simulated values
etest(x, y)
```

Multivariate permutation test of equality of distributions

Multivariate permutation test of equality of distributions

Description

Multivariate permutation test of equality of distributions.

Usage

```
mpt(x, y, type = "ait", a = 0, R = 999)
```

Arguments

x	A matrix with the compositional data of the first sample.
y	A matrix with the compositional data of the second sample.
type	The type of distance to use, "ait", or "chisq". The first corresponds to Aitchison's distance, whereas the second refers to the chi-square distance.
a	The value of the power transformation, it has to be between -1 and 1. If zero values are present it has to be greater than 0. If $\alpha = 0$ the isometric log-ratio transformation is applied. If more than one values are supplied the energy distance of equality of distributions is applied for each value of α .
R	The number of permutations to apply in order to compute the approximate p-value.

Details

The multivariate permutation test of Stewart et al. (2014) is applied.

Value

A numerical value or a numerical vector, depending on the length of the values of α , with the permutation based p-value(s) of the energy test.

Author(s)

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References

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See Also

[etest](#)

Examples

```
x <- matrix( rgamma(20 * 4, 3, 1), ncol = 4 )
x <- x / rowSums(x) ## Dirichlet simulated values
y <- matrix( rgamma(30 * 4, 5, 1), ncol = 4 )
y <- y / rowSums(y) ## Dirichlet simulated values
mpt(x, y)
```

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