

# Package ‘TRONCO’

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**Description** Genotype-level cancer progression models describe the ordering of accumulating mutations, e.g., somatic mutations / copy number variations, during cancer development. These graphical models help understand the causal structure involving events promoting cancer progression, possibly predicting complex patterns characterising genomic progression of a cancer. Reconstructed models can be used to better characterise genotype-phenotype relation, and suggest novel targets for therapy design. TRONCO (TRanslational ONCOlogy) is a R package aimed at collecting state-of-the-art algorithms to infer progression models from cross-sectional data, i.e., data collected from independent patients which does not necessarily incorporate any evident temporal information. These algorithms require a binary input matrix where: (i) each row represents a patient genome, (ii) each column an event relevant to the progression (a priori selected) and a 0/1 value models the absence/presence of a certain mutation in a certain patient. The current first version of TRONCO implements the CAPRESE algorithm (Cancer PRogression Extraction with Single Edges) to infer possible progression models arranged as trees; cfr. Inferring tree causal models of cancer progression with probability raising, L. Olde Loohuis, G. Caravagna, A. Graudenzi, D. Ramazzotti, G. Mauri, M. Antoniotti and B. Mishra. PLoS One, to appear. This vignette shows how to use TRONCO to infer a tree model of ovarian cancer progression from CGH data of copy number alterations (classified as gains or losses over chromosome's arms). The dataset used is available in the SKY/M-FISH database.

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**biocViews** Cancer

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confidence	<i>provides various kinds of confidence measures for an inferred progression model</i>
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### Description

A set of functions to visualise and compare the probability of each event in the progression model, as well as their joint and conditional distributions. These can be evaluated both in the data (observed probabilities) and in the reconstructed model (fitted probabilities).

### Usage

```
confidence.data.joint(topology)
confidence.fit.joint(topology)
confidence.data.single(topology)
confidence.fit.single(topology)
confidence.data.conditional(topology)
confidence.fit.conditional(topology)
confidence.single(topology)
confidence.joint(topology)
confidence.conditional(topology)
```

**Arguments**

topology            A topology returned by the reconstruction algorithm

**Details**

confidence.data.joint plot the pairwise observed joint probability of the events  
 confidence.fit.joint plot the pairwise fitted joint probability of the events  
 confidence.data.single plot the observed probability of each event  
 confidence.fit.single plot the fitted probability of each event  
 confidence.data.conditional plot the pairwise observed conditional probability of the events  
 confidence.fit.conditional plot the pairwise fitted conditional probability of the events  
 confidence.single plot the difference between the observed and fitted probability of each event  
 confidence.joint plot the pairwise difference between the observed and fitted joint probability of the events  
 confidence.conditional plot the pairwise difference between the observed and fitted conditional probability of the events

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data.load            *load a dataset (binary matrix) from a file or a preloaded dataset.*

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**Description**

data.load sets a global data frame 'data.values' that contains the dataset loaded from an input file.

**Usage**

data.load(data.input)

**Arguments**

data.input            The input file path. or a dataset loaded by data function

**Details**

data.load loads a dataset from disk and associates all columns in the dataset to a specified event. Thus, types and events must be specified before calling this function to ensure a consistency check is performed on the input dataset (see types.load, types.add, events.load, events.add to load/add types/events).

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events                *Events collection for Ovarian cancer CGH data*

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**Description**

This example contains a collection of events associated to the Ovarian cancer CGH dataset

**Format**

An example with 7 events

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events.add	<i>add a new event (e.g., a missense point mutation for EGFR)</i>
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### Description

events.add sets a global data frame 'events' that contains all the events defined. Events can be added and refined incrementally, in any order.

### Usage

```
events.add(event.name, type.name, column.number = NA)
```

### Arguments

event.name	The event label(e.g., 'EGFR'). All event labels are strings.
type.name	The type name of this event (e.g., 'missense point'). Type names must refer to types loaded before adding an event, a consistency check raises an error if the type name is unknown.
column.number	The dataset column to which this event is associated. Column number must be an integer positive value.

### Details

events.add allows to define one event at a time. If the event was previously defined, its definition is updated to keep track of its last definition. A consistency check is performed to ensure that the type of defined event is valid. Thus, types must be defined before events are loaded (see types.add, types.load).

### Examples

```
types.add("gain", "red")
events.add("8q+", "gain", 1)
```

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events.load	<i>load a set of events from file</i>
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### Description

events.load sets a global data frame 'events' that contains all event definitions found in a specified file or dataset to be validated. This is a way to automatise calls to function events.add for a bunch of events.

### Usage

```
events.load(data.input)
```

### Arguments

data.input	The input file path or a dataset to be validated.
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**Details**

`events.load` load a set of events from a given file. The input file must be structured as a CSV file, where each event is defined on a separate line in the format: `eventName, typeName, columnNumber`.

**See Also**

[events.add](#)

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ov.cgh

*Ovarian cancer CGH data*

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**Description**

This is a data set obtained using the comparative genomic hybridization technique (CGH) on samples from papillary serous cystadenocarcinoma of the ovary. Only the seven most commonly occurring events are given.

**Format**

A data frame with 87 observations on 7 variables.

**Details**

The CGH technique uses fluorescent staining to detect abnormal (increased or decreased) number of DNA copies. Often the results are reported as a gain or loss on a certain arm, without further distinction for specific regions. It is common to denote a change in DNA copy number on a specific chromosome arm by prefixing a "-" sign for decrease and a "+" for increase. Thus, say, -3q denotes abnormally low DNA copy number on the q arm of the 3rd chromosome.

**Source**

<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sky/>

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reset

*reset*

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**Description**

A set of functions to reset events, types and data.values variables

**Usage**

`reset.events()`

`reset.types()`

`reset()`

**Details**

reset.events Resets the events variable  
 reset.types() Resets the types variable  
 reset() Resets types, events and data.values variables

**Examples**

```
reset.events()
reset.types()
reset()
```

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```
tronco.bootstrap      perform bootstrap algorithm
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**Description**

tronco.bootstrap perform parametric and non-parametric bootstrap algorithms

**Usage**

```
tronco.bootstrap(topology, lambda = 0.5, type = "non-parametric",
  nboot = 1000)
```

**Arguments**

topology	A topology returned by a reconstruction algorithm
lambda	A lambda value, default is 0.5
type	The type of bootstrap performed, parametric and non parametric types are available. To specify wich type of bootstrap run type must be "parametric" or "non-parametric".
nboot	Samplig value. The grater will be the nboot value the logehr time the entire process will take to complete the computing

**Value**

A topology object with bootstrap informations added

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```
tronco.bootstrap.show show bootstrapping results
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**Description**

tronco.bootstrap.show show bootstrapping results. Requires that you already executed tronco.bootstrap

**Usage**

```
tronco.bootstrap.show(topology)
```

**Arguments**

topology	A topology returned by a reconstruction algorithm
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tronco.caprese	<i>runs CAPRESE algorithm</i>
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### Description

tronco.caprese executes the CAPRESE algorithm on the dataset `data.values` specified.

### Usage

```
tronco.caprese(dataset, lambda = 0.5, verbose = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

dataset	The input dataset. Type: dataframe. The dataset given as input is the <code>data.values</code> data frame loaded by the <code>data</code> function.
lambda	the real positive value of the shrinkage coefficient, required to range in $[0, 1]$ . Its default value is 0.5, if unspecified.
verbose	execute CAPRESE algorithm with verbose output to screen. Type: boolean, default: FALSE.

### Details

tronco.caprese executes the reconstruction of the topology, and computesg all the confidence measures defined in `confidence`.

### Value

an object containing the reconstructed topology and confidence values.

### See Also

[data](#)

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tronco.plot	<i>plot a progression model</i>
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### Description

tronco.plot plots a progression model from a reconstructed topology.

### Usage

```
tronco.plot(topology, title = paste("Progression model", topology@algorithm,
  sep = " "), title.color = "black", confidence = FALSE, legend = TRUE,
  legend.title = "Legend", legend.columns = 1, legend.inline = FALSE,
  legend.pos = "bottomright", legend.coeff = 1, label.coeff = 1,
  label.color = "black", label.edge.size = 12)
```

**Arguments**

topology	A topology returned by a reconstruction algorithm
title	plot Plot title (default "Progression model x", x reconstruction algorithm)
title.color	color title (default "black")
confidence	bool; plot edges according to confidence (default is f)
legend	bool; show/hide the legend (default is t)
legend.title	string; legend title (default is "Legend")
legend.columns	int; use 1 or 2 columns to plot the legend (default is 1)
legend.inline	bool; print inline legend (default is f)
legend.pos	string; legend positioning, available keywords "topleft", "topright", "bottom-left" and "bottomright" (default is "bottomright")
legend.coeff	double; size of the types label in the legend (default is 1)
label.coeff	double; size of the events label (default is 1)
label.color	color events label (default "black")
label.edge.size	double; size of the confidence label, when used (default is 12)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
types.load("data/types.txt")
events.load("data/events.txt")
data.load("data/CGH.txt")
topology <- tronco.caprese(data.values)
tronco.plot(topology, legend.pos = "topleft", legend = TRUE, confidence = TRUE,
legend.col = 1, legend.coeff = 0.7, label.edge.size = 10, label.coeff = 0.7)

## End(Not run)
```

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types

*Types collection for Ovarian cancer CGH data*

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**Description**

This example contains a collection of types associated to the Ovarian cancer CGH dataset

**Format**

An example with 2 types

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types.add	<i>add a new type of event (e.g., missense point mutation)</i>
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### Description

types.add sets a global data frame 'types' that contains all types defined. Types can be added and refined incrementally, in any order.

### Usage

```
types.add(type.name, color.name)
```

### Arguments

type.name	The type label. All type labels are strings.
color.name	The type color. All R's color definitions are allowed.

### Details

types.add defines a type of event considered at a time. If the type was previously defined, its definition is updated to keep track of its last definition. A consistency check is performed to ensure that the type is valid. Types must be defined before events are loaded.

### Examples

```
types.add("gain", "red")
```

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types.load	<i>load a set of types from file</i>
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### Description

types.load sets a global data frame 'types' that contains all type definitions found in a specified file or dataset to be validated.

### Usage

```
types.load(data.input)
```

### Arguments

data.input	The input file path or a dataset to be validated.
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### Details

types.load allows to load type definitions from a given file path. The file which contains all the definitions must be structured as a csv file. All definitions are couple of values type name and color name as shown below:

```
typeName, colorName ... , ...
```

**See Also**

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