# Package 'VIProDesign'

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tein sequence analysis. The package includes functionality for filtering sequences, removing redundancy, identifying outliers, clustering sequences, and calculating entropy to evaluate clustering quality. A publication describing these methods is in preparation and will be added once available.
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entropy\_RR

Calculate Entropy for Amino Acid Sequences

### **Description**

This function calculates the entropy of a set of amino acid sequences. It is used to evaluate the diversity of sequences in a given alignment.

#### Usage

```
entropy_RR(alignment)
```

## **Arguments**

alignment

An 'AAStringSet' object containing the aligned amino acid sequences.

#### **Details**

The entropy is calculated based on the frequency of amino acids at each position in the alignment. Higher entropy indicates greater variability at that position.

#### Value

A numeric vector representing the entropy values for each position in the alignment.

## **Examples**

```
# Example usage:
library(Biostrings)
sequences <- AAStringSet(c("ACDEFGHIK", "ACDEFGHIK", "ACDEFGHIK"))
entropy_values <- entropy_RR(sequences)
print(entropy_values)</pre>
```

filter\_sequences

Filter Sequences

## **Description**

Filters sequences to remove non-standard amino acids.

## Usage

```
filter_sequences(input_file)
```

#### **Arguments**

input\_file

Path to the input FASTA file.

#### Value

A 'AAStringSet' object containing the filtered sequences.

```
phyl_tree_cluster_dbscan

Perform DBSCAN Clustering on a Phylogenetic Tree
```

## **Description**

This function applies the DBSCAN clustering algorithm on a set of protein sequences to identify clusters and remove outliers based on a distance cutoff.

## Usage

```
phyl_tree_cluster_dbscan(input_obj, cutoff, nmin)
```

## **Arguments**

input\_obj A 'AAStringSet' object containing protein sequences.

cutoff A numeric value specifying the distance cutoff for clustering.

An integer specifying the minimum number of points required to form a cluster

(DBSCAN parameter).

#### **Details**

The function uses the DBSCAN algorithm to cluster sequences based on their phylogenetic distances. Sequences identified as outliers are excluded from the final output.

#### Value

This function returns a 'AAStringSet' object containing protein sequences with outliers removed.

#### **Examples**

```
# Example usage:
library(Biostrings)

# Create an AAStringSet object with the sequences

seqs <- AAStringSet(c(

    seq1 = "MKTIIALSYIFCLVFADYKDDDDK",

    seq2 = "MKTIIALSYIFCLVFADYKDLLKDDDD",

    seq3 = "MKTIIALSYIFCLVFADELYKDDDD",

    seq4 = "MKTIEIALSYIFCLVFADYKDDDD",

    seq5 = "MKTIIKLAAASYIFCLVFADYKDDDD",

    seq6 = "MKTIIALSKIPFCLVFADYKDDDD",

    seq7 = "MKTIIALSYIFiQEERTCLVFADYKDDDD"
))
```

```
# Perform DBSCAN clustering and remove outliers
no_outliers <- phyl_tree_cluster_dbscan(seqs, cutoff = 0.5, nmin = 5)</pre>
```

```
phyl_tree_distance_k Calculate Phylogenetic Tree Distances
```

### **Description**

This function calculates the pairwise distances between sequences in a phylogenetic tree and returns a numeric vector of 5th smallest distances for each leaf in the tree.

#### Usage

```
phyl_tree_distance_k(input_obj)
```

#### **Arguments**

input\_obj A 'AAStringSet' object containing sequences.

#### **Details**

The function uses the 'ape' package to construct a phylogenetic tree and calculate pairwise distances between sequences. The results are returned as a numeric vector.

#### Value

A numeric vector containing the 5th smallest distances ('Distances\_k') for each leaf in the phylogenetic tree.

## **Examples**

```
# Input file
input_file <- system.file("extdata", "input.fasta", package = "VIProDesign")
seqs <- Biostrings::readAAStringSet(input_file)
distances_k <- phyl_tree_distance_k(seqs)</pre>
```

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Run VIProDesign Workflow

#### **Description**

This function performs the VIProDesign workflow for clustering and analyzing protein sequences. It includes steps for filtering sequences, removing redundancy, identifying and removing outliers, and clustering sequences using PAM (Partitioning Around Medoids). This function requires the 'cd-hit' executable to be installed and accessible in the system's PATH if 'use\_cd\_hit = TRUE'. If 'cd-hit' is not available, the workflow will skip redundancy removal and proceed with the filtered sequences.

## Usage

```
run_VIProDesign(
    file,
    output_prefix,
    max_cluster_number = NULL,
    predefined_cluster_number = NULL,
    use_cd_hit = TRUE,
    cd_hit_path,
    cutoff = 0.99,
    remove_outliers = TRUE,
    verbose = FALSE
)
```

## Arguments

file

A string specifying the path to the input FASTA file containing protein sequences.

output\_prefix A string specifying the prefix for output files generated by the workflow. max\_cluster\_number

An integer specifying the maximum number of clusters to evaluate (optional).

predefined\_cluster\_number

An integer specifying a predefined number of clusters for PAM clustering (optional).

use\_cd\_hit A logical value indicating whether to remove redundant sequences using 'cd-hit'

(default: TRUE).

cd\_hit\_path A string specifying the path to the 'cd-hit' executable (default: "cd-hit").

cutoff A numeric value specifying the redundancy cutoff for 'cd-hit' (default: 0.99).

remove\_outliers

A logical value indicating whether to identify and remove outliers using DB-SCAN clustering (default: TRUE).

verbose A logical value indicating whether to print detailed messages during execution

(default: FALSE).

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#### **Details**

To install 'cd-hit', you can use conda: "' conda install -c bioconda cd-hit "' Or download it from the official website: http://weizhong-lab.ucsd.edu/cd-hit/

The workflow includes the following steps: - Filtering sequences. - Removing redundancy using 'cd-hit'. - Identifying and removing outliers using DBSCAN clustering. - Performing PAM clustering to identify representative sequences. - Calculating entropy to evaluate clustering quality.

#### Value

A list containing the following elements:

- filtered\_file: A file containing the filtered sequences (if redundancy removal was performed).
- non\_redundant\_file: A file containing the non-redundant sequences (if redundancy removal was performed).
- no\_outlier\_obj: A 'AAStringSet' object containing the sequences with outliers removed (if outlier removal was performed).
- clustering\_info: Clustering information generated by PAM clustering.
- final\_panel: The final representative sequences selected by the workflow.

#### **Examples**

```
# Example usage:
temp_dir <- tempdir()
temp_prefix <- file.path(temp_dir, "output")
input_file <- system.file("extdata", "input.fasta", package = "VIProDesign")
run_VIProDesign(
    file = input_file,
    output_prefix = temp_prefix,
    max_cluster_number = 5,
    use_cd_hit = TRUE,
    cd_hit_path = "/data/kiryst/conda/envs/VIProDesign/bin/cd-hit",
    cutoff = 0.99,
    remove_outliers = TRUE
)
# Clean up
unlink(list.files(temp_dir, full.names = TRUE))</pre>
```

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