

# Package ‘DrDimont’

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**Description** While it has been well established that drugs affect and help patients differently, personalized drug response predictions remain challenging. Solutions based on single omics measurements have been proposed, and networks provide means to incorporate molecular interactions into reasoning. However, how to integrate the wealth of information contained in multiple omics layers still poses a complex problem.

We present a novel network analysis pipeline, DrDimont, Drug response prediction from Differential analysis of multi-omics networks. It allows for comparative conclusions between two conditions and translates them into differential drug response predictions. DrDimont focuses on molecular interactions. It establishes condition-specific networks from correlation within an omics layer that are then reduced and combined into heterogeneous, multi-omics molecular networks. A novel semi-local, path-based integration step ensures integrative conclusions. Differential predictions are derived from comparing the condition-specific integrated networks. DrDimont's predictions are explainable, i.e., molecular differences that are the source of high differential drug scores can be retrieved. Our proposed pipeline leverages multi-omics data for differential predictions, e.g. on drug response, and includes prior information on interactions.

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 calculate\_interaction\_score

*[INTERNAL] Calls a python script to calculate interaction score for combined graphs*

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**Description**

[INTERNAL] The interaction score is computed and saved in an additional ‘interaction\_weight’ edge attribute. This function expects the combined graphs for both groups along with their corresponding drug target and node lists to be saved at ‘saving\_path’. Graphs and drug targets should be weighted edge lists in ‘gml’ and ‘tsv’ format, respectively. Node files should contain one node id per line. The script for calculating the interaction score is called with ‘python\_executable’. An alternate script can be specified with ‘script\_path’. The score for an edge is computed as the sum of the average product of weights along all simple paths of length  $l$  (over all path lengths up to ‘max\_path\_length’) between the source and target node of the edge.

**Usage**

```
calculate_interaction_score(
    max_path_length,
    total_edges,
    saving_path,
```

```

conda = FALSE,
python_executable = "python",
script_path = NULL,
int_score_mode = "auto",
cluster_address = "auto",
graphB_null = FALSE
)

```

## Arguments

max_path_length	[int] Integer of maximum length of simple paths to include in the <a href="#">generate_interaction_score_graphs</a> computation. (default: 3)
total_edges	Vector with total edges in each group
saving_path	[string] Path to save intermediate output of DrDimont's functions. Default is current working directory. Directory to use for writing intermediate data when passing input and output between Python and R.
conda	[bool] Specifying if python is installed in a conda environment. Set TRUE if python is installed with conda. Use <code>python_executable="-n name-of-your-environment python"</code> (change name-of-your-environment to your environment) or <code>python_executable="python"</code> if installed in base environment. (default: FALSE)
python_executable	[string] Path to Python executable used for generating the interaction score graphs. (default: "python")
script_path	[string] Path to the interaction score Python script. Set NULL to use package internal script (default).
int_score_mode	["auto" "sequential" "ray"] Whether to compute interaction score in parallel using the Ray python library or sequentially. When 'auto' it depends on the graph sizes. (default: "auto")
cluster_address	[string] Local node IP-address of Ray if executed on a cluster. On a cluster: Start ray with <code>ray start --head --num-cpus 32</code> on the console before DrDimont execution. It should work with "auto", if it does not specify IP-address given by the ray start command. (default: "auto")
graphB_null	[bool] Specifying if graphB of 'groupB' is given (FALSE) or not (TRUE). (default: FALSE)

## Value

Does not return anything, instead calls Python script which outputs 'gml' files

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check\_connection      *[INTERNAL] Check connection*

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### Description

[INTERNAL] Checks if the data given to create an inter-layer connection is valid and has the right input format

### Usage

```
check_connection(connection)
```

### Arguments

connection      [list] Connection to check. Created by [make\\_connection](#)

### Value

Character string vector containing error messages.

### Examples

```
inter_layer_connections = make_connection("mrna",  
                                         "protein",  
                                         connect_on="gene_name")  
return_errors(check_connection(inter_layer_connections))
```

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check\_drug\_target      *[INTERNAL] Check drug target interaction data*

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### Description

[INTERNAL] Checks if the data used to define interaction between drugs and targets is valid and formatted correctly.

### Usage

```
check_drug_target(drug_target_interactions)
```

### Arguments

drug\_target\_interactions  
[list] A named list of the drug interaction data. Created by [make\\_drug\\_target](#)

**Value**

Character string vector containing error messages.

**Examples**

```
data(drug_gene_interactions)
drug_target_interactions <- make_drug_target(
  target_molecules='protein',
  interaction_table=drug_gene_interactions,
  match_on='gene_name')
return_errors(check_drug_target(drug_target_interactions))
```

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check\_drug\_targets\_in\_layers

*[INTERNAL] Check drug target and layer data*

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**Description**

[INTERNAL] Checks if the parameters supplied in 'drug\_target\_interactions' makes sense in the context of the defined layers.

**Usage**

```
check_drug_targets_in_layers(drug_target_interactions, layers)
```

**Arguments**

drug\_target\_interactions [list] A named list of the drug interaction data. Created by [make\\_drug\\_target](#)

layers [list] List of layers to check. Individual layers are created by [make\\_layer](#) and need to be wrapped in a list.

**Value**

Character string vector containing error messages.

**Examples**

```
data(layers_example)
data(drug_gene_interactions)
drug_target_interactions <- make_drug_target(
  target_molecules='protein',
  interaction_table=drug_gene_interactions,
  match_on='gene_name')
return_errors(check_drug_targets_in_layers(drug_target_interactions, layers_example))
```

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check_input	<i>Check pipeline input data for required format</i>
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**Description**

Checks if input data is valid and formatted correctly. This function is a wrapper for other check functions to be executed as first step of the DrDimont pipeline.

**Usage**

```
check_input(layers, inter_layer_connections, drug_target_interactions)
```

**Arguments**

layers [list] List of layers to check. Individual layers were created by [make\\_layer](#) and need to be wrapped in a list.

inter\_layer\_connections [list] A list containing connections between layers. Each connection was created by [make\\_connection](#) and wrapped in a list.

drug\_target\_interactions [list] A named list of the drug interaction data. Created by [make\\_drug\\_target](#)

**Value**

Character string vector containing error messages.

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check_layer	<i>[INTERNAL] Check layer input</i>
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**Description**

[INTERNAL] Checks if the data used to create a network layer is valid and has the right format

**Usage**

```
check_layer(layer)
```

**Arguments**

layer [list] Named list of layer to check. Created by [make\\_layer](#)

**Value**

Character string vector containing error messages.

**Examples**

```

data(protein_data)
protein_layer <- make_layer(
  name="protein",
  data_groupA=t(protein_data$groupA[, c(-1,-2)]),
  data_groupB=t(protein_data$groupB[, c(-1,-2)]),
  identifiers_groupA=data.frame(gene_name=protein_data$groupA$gene_name,
                                ref_seq=protein_data$groupA$ref_seq),
  identifiers_groupB=data.frame(gene_name=protein_data$groupB$gene_name,
                                ref_seq=protein_data$groupB$ref_seq))
return_errors(check_layer(protein_layer))

```

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check\_sensible\_connections

*[INTERNAL] Check connection and layer data*

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**Description**

[INTERNAL] Checks if the connection defined in 'connection' makes sense in context of the defined layers.

**Usage**

```
check_sensible_connections(connection, layers)
```

**Arguments**

connection      [list] Connection to check. Created by [make\\_connection](#)

layers            [list] List of layers to check. Individual layers are created by [make\\_layer](#) and need to be wrapped in a list.

**Value**

Character string vector containing error messages.

**Examples**

```

data(mrna_data)
data(protein_data)

mrna_layer <- make_layer(
  name="mrna",
  data_groupA=t(mrna_data$groupA[,-1]),
  data_groupB=t(mrna_data$groupB[,-1]),
  identifiers_groupA=data.frame(gene_name=mrna_data$groupA$gene_name),
  identifiers_groupB=data.frame(gene_name=mrna_data$groupB$gene_name))

```



```
protein_layer <- make_layer(  
  name="protein",  
  data_groupA=t(protein_data$groupA[, c(-1,-2)]),  
  data_groupB=t(protein_data$groupB[, c(-1,-2)]),  
  identifiers_groupA=data.frame(gene_name=protein_data$groupA$gene_name,  
                                ref_seq=protein_data$groupA$ref_seq),  
  identifiers_groupB=data.frame(gene_name=protein_data$groupB$gene_name,  
                                ref_seq=protein_data$groupB$ref_seq))  
  
inter_layer_connections = make_connection("mrna",  
                                          "protein",  
                                          connect_on="gene_name")  
return_errors(check_sensible_connections(inter_layer_connections,  
                                         layers=list(mrna_layer,  
                                                    protein_layer)))
```

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chunk

*[INTERNAL] Create chunks from a vector for parallel computing*

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## Description

[INTERNAL] Create chunks from a vector for parallel computing

## Usage

```
chunk(x, chunk_size)
```

## Arguments

x	Vector
chunk_size	[int] Length of chunks

## Value

A list of chunks of length chunk\_size

## Source

<https://stackoverflow.com/questions/3318333/split-a-vector-into-chunks>

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chunk\_2gether *[INTERNAL] Create chunks from two vectors for parallel computing*

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### Description

[INTERNAL] Create chunks from two vectors for parallel computing

### Usage

```
chunk_2gether(x, y, chunk_size)
```

### Arguments

x, y	Vectors
chunk_size	[int] Length of chunks

### Value

A list of lists. Each second level list contains a list of chunks of length `chunk_size` of each input vector.

### Source

modified from: <https://stackoverflow.com/questions/3318333/split-a-vector-into-chunks>

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combined\_graphs\_example  
*Combined graphs*

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### Description

Exemplary intermediate pipeline output: Combined graphs example data built by [generate\\_combined\\_graphs](#). Combined graphs were built using the [individual\\_graphs\\_example](#) and:

### Usage

```
combined_graphs_example
```

### Format

A named list with 2 items.

**graphs** A named list with two groups.

**groupA** Graph associated with 'groupA'

**groupB** Graph associated with 'groupB'

**annotations** A data frame of mappings of assigned node IDs to the user-provided component identifiers for all nodes in 'groupA' and 'groupB' together and all layers

**both** Data frame

## Details

```
inter_layer_connections = list( make_connection(from='mrna', to='protein', connect_on='gene_name',
weight=1), make_connection(from='protein', to='phosphosite', connect_on='gene_name',
weight=1), make_connection(from='protein', to='metabolite', connect_on=metabolite_protein_interaction,
weight='combined_score'))
```

A subset of the original data by Krug et al. (2020) and randomly sampled metabolite data from [layers\\_example](#) was used to generate the correlation matrices, individual graphs and combined graphs. They were created from data stratified by estrogen receptor (ER) status: 'groupA' contains data of ER+ patients and 'groupB' of ER- patients.

## Source

Krug, Karsten et al. "Proteogenomic Landscape of Breast Cancer Tumorigenesis and Targeted Therapy." Cell vol. 183,5 (2020): 1436-1456.e31. doi:10.1016/j.cell.2020.10.036

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combine\_graphs

*[INTERNAL] Combine graphs by adding inter-layer edges*

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## Description

[INTERNAL] Creates the union of all graphs and adds the inter-layer edges.

## Usage

```
combine_graphs(graphs, inter_layer_edgelist)
```

## Arguments

graphs            [list] List of iGraph objects  
inter\_layer\_edgelist  
                  [list] List of data frames containing inter-layer edges

## Value

iGraph object which is the union of the input graphs with isolated nodes removed.

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`compute_correlation_matrices`*Computes correlation matrices for specified network layers*

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### Description

Constructs and returns a correlation/adjacency matrices for each network layer and each group. The adjacency matrix of correlations is computed using `cor`. The handling of missing data can be specified. Optionally, the adjacency matrices of the correlations can be saved. Each node is mapped to the biological identifiers given in the layers and the mapping table is returned as ‘annotations’.

### Usage

```
compute_correlation_matrices(layers, settings)
```

### Arguments

<code>layers</code>	[list] Named list with different network layers containing data and identifiers for both groups (generated from <code>make_layer</code> )
<code>settings</code>	[list] A named list containing pipeline settings. The settings list has to be initialized by <code>drdimont_settings</code> . Items in the named list can be adjusted as desired.

### Value

A nested named list with first-level elements ‘correlation\_matrices’ and ‘annotations’. The second level elements are ‘groupA’ and ‘groupB’ (and ‘both’ at ‘annotations’). These contain a named list of matrix objects (‘correlation\_matrices’) and data frames (‘annotations’) mapping the graph node IDs to biological identifiers. The third level elements are the layer names given by the user.

### Examples

```
data(layers_example)

example_settings <- drdimont_settings(
  handling_missing_data=list(
    default="pairwise.complete.obs",
    mrna="all.obs"),
  save_data=FALSE)

correlation_matrices <- compute_correlation_matrices(
  layers=layers_example[c(1)],
  settings=example_settings)
```

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compute\_drug\_response\_scores  
*Calculate drug response score*

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## Description

This function takes the differential graph (generated in [generate\\_differential\\_score\\_graph](#)), the a drug targets object (containing target node names and drugs and their targets; generated in [determine\\_drug\\_targets](#)) and the supplied drug-target interaction table (formatted in [make\\_drug\\_target](#)) to calculate the differential drug response score. The score is the mean or median of all differential scores of the edges adjacent to all drug target nodes of a particular drug.

## Usage

```
compute_drug_response_scores(differential_graph, drug_targets, settings)
```

## Arguments

**differential\_graph** iGraph graph object containing differential scores for all edges. (output of [generate\\_differential\\_score\\_graph](#))

**drug\_targets** [list] Named list containing two elements ('target\_nodes' and 'drugs\_to\_target\_nodes'). 'targets' from output of [determine\\_drug\\_targets](#). 'target\_nodes' is a vector containing network node names of the nodes that are targeted by the available drugs. 'drugs\_to\_target\_nodes' is a dictionary-like list that maps drugs to the nodes that they target.

**settings** [list] A named list containing pipeline settings. The settings list has to be initialized by [drdimont\\_settings](#). Items in the named list can be adjusted as desired.

## Value

Data frame containing drug name and associated differential (integrated) drug response score

## Examples

```
data(drug_target_edges_example)
data(differential_graph_example)

example_settings <- drdimont_settings(
  save_data=FALSE,
  python_executable="python")

drug_response_scores <- compute_drug_response_scores(
  differential_graph=differential_graph_example,
  drug_targets=drug_target_edges_example$targets,
  settings=example_settings)
```

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corPvalueStudentParallel

*[INTERNAL] Compute p-values for upper triangle of correlation matrix in parallel*

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### Description

[INTERNAL] Compute p-values for upper triangle of correlation matrix in parallel

### Usage

```
corPvalueStudentParallel(adjacency_matrix, number_of_samples, chunk_size)
```

### Arguments

`adjacency_matrix` [matrix] Adjacency matrix of correlations computed using `cor` in [compute\\_correlation\\_matrices](#)

`number_of_samples` [matrix] Matrix of number of samples used in computation of each correlation value. Computed applying [sample\\_size](#)

`chunk_size` [int] Smallest unit of work in parallel computation (number of p-values to compute)

### Value

Vector of p-values for upper triangle

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correlation\_matrices\_example

*Correlation matrices*

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### Description

Exemplary intermediate pipeline output: Correlation matrices example data built by [compute\\_correlation\\_matrices](#) using [layers\\_example](#) data and settings:

### Usage

```
correlation_matrices_example
```

**Format**

A named list with 2 items.

**correlation\_matrices** A named list with two groups.

**groupA** Correlation matrices associated with ‘groupA‘

**mrna** Correlation matrix

**protein** Correlation matrix

**phosphosite** Correlation matrix

**metabolite** Correlation matrix

**groupB** same structure as ‘groupA‘

**annotations** A named list containing data frames of mappings of assigned node IDs to the user-provided component identifiers for nodes in ‘groupA‘ or ‘groupB‘ and all nodes

**groupA** Annotations associated with ‘groupA‘

**mrna** Data frame

**protein** Data frame

**phosphosite** Data frame

**metabolite** Data frame

**groupB** same structure as ‘groupA‘

**both** same structure as ‘groupA‘

**Details**

```
settings <- drdimont_settings( handling_missing_data=list( default="pairwise.complete.obs",
mrna="all.obs"))
```

A subset of the original data from Krug et al. (2020) and randomly sampled metabolite data in [layers\\_example](#) was used to generate the correlation matrices. They were created from data stratified by estrogen receptor (ER) status: ‘groupA‘ contains data of ER+ patients and ‘groupB‘ of ER- patients.

**Source**

Krug, Karsten et al. “Proteogenomic Landscape of Breast Cancer Tumorigenesis and Targeted Therapy.” Cell vol. 183,5 (2020): 1436-1456.e31. doi:10.1016/j.cell.2020.10.036

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create\_unique\_layer\_node\_ids

*[INTERNAL] Assign node IDs to the biological identifiers across a graph layer*

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### Description

[INTERNAL] This function takes two data frames of (biological) identifiers of nodes. Each data frame corresponds to the identifiers of the components contained in the single-layer network of a sample group. This function outputs the same data frames, with an added column ('node\_id') that contains node IDs which can later be used as 'name' parameter for an iGraph graph. Node IDs begin with the defined 'prefix' and an underscore. If a molecule is present in both groups, the node ID will be the same across the whole layer, allowing to easily combine the graphs of both groups in [generate\\_differential\\_score\\_graph](#) to calculate differential scores of identical nodes in both sample groups. The function is used by the high-level wrapper [generate\\_individual\\_graphs](#) to create annotations, which uniquely define nodes across the network layer.

### Usage

```
create_unique_layer_node_ids(identifiersA, identifiersB, layer_name)
```

### Arguments

identifiersA, identifiersB	[data.frame] Containing the biological identifiers of each group of the same network layer.
layer_name	[string] Name of layer that the node ids are created for

### Value

Returns an named list. Elements 'groupA' and 'groupB' contain the input data frames with an additional column 'node\_id'. 'both' contains all unique node IDs assigned across the network layer.

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determine\_drug\_targets

*Determine drug target nodes in network*

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### Description

Finds node IDs of network nodes in 'graphs' that are targeted by a drug in 'drug\_target\_interactions'. Returns list of node ids and list of adjacent edges.

### Usage

```
determine_drug_targets(graphs, annotations, drug_target_interactions, settings)
```



**Arguments**

graphs	[list] A named list with elements 'groupA' and 'groupB' containing the combined graphs of each group as iGraph object ('graphs' from output of <a href="#">generate_combined_graphs</a> )
annotations	[list] List of data frames that map node IDs to identifiers. Contains 'both' with unique identifiers across the whole data (output of <a href="#">generate_combined_graphs</a> )
drug_target_interactions	[list] Named list specifying drug target interactions for drug response score computation
settings	[list] A named list containing pipeline settings. The settings list has to be initialized by <a href="#">drdimont_settings</a> . Items in the named list can be adjusted as desired.

**Value**

A named list with elements 'targets' and 'edgelists'. 'targets' is a named list with elements 'target\_nodes' and 'drugs\_to\_target\_nodes'. 'target\_nodes' is a data frame with column 'node\_id' (unique node IDs in the iGraph object targeted by drugs) and columns 'groupA' and 'groupB' (bool values specifying whether the node is contained in the combined graph of the group). Element 'drugs\_to\_target\_nodes' contains a named list mapping drug names to a vector of their target node IDs. 'edgelists' contains elements 'groupA' and 'groupB' containing each a list of edges adjacent to drug target nodes.

**Examples**

```
data(drug_gene_interactions)
data(combined_graphs_example)

example_settings <- drdimont_settings(
  save_data=FALSE,
  python_executable="python")

example_drug_target_interactions <- make_drug_target(target_molecules='protein',
  interaction_table=drug_gene_interactions,
  match_on='gene_name')

drug_target_edges <- determine_drug_targets(
  graphs=combined_graphs_example$graphs,
  annotations=combined_graphs_example$annotations,
  drug_target_interactions=example_drug_target_interactions,
  settings=example_settings)
```

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differential\_graph\_example

*Differential graph*


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### Description

Exemplary intermediate pipeline output: Differential score graph example data built by [generate\\_differential\\_score\\_graph](#) using the [interaction\\_score\\_graphs\\_example](#). Consists of one graph containing edge attributes: the differential correlation values as 'differential\_score' and the differential interaction score as 'differential\_interaction\_score'.

### Usage

```
differential_graph_example
```

### Format

An iGraph graph object.

### Details

A subset of the original data by Krug et al. (2020) and randomly sampled metabolite data from [layers\\_example](#) was used to generate the correlation matrices, individual graphs and combined graphs. They were created from data stratified by estrogen receptor (ER) status: 'groupA' contains data of ER+ patients and 'groupB' of ER- patients.

### Source

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drdimont\_settings

*Create global settings variable for DrDimont pipeline*

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### Description

Function that allows creating a global 'settings' variable used in the [run\\_pipeline](#) function and the step-wise DrDimont execution. Default parameters can be changed within the function call.

### Usage

```
drdimont_settings(  
  saving_path = "tempdir()",  
  save_data = FALSE,  
  correlation_method = "spearman",  
  handling_missing_data = "all.obs",  
  reduction_method = "pickHardThreshold",  
  r_squared_cutoff = 0.85,  
  cut_vector = seq(0.2, 0.8, by = 0.01),  
  mean_number_edges = NULL,  
  edge_density = NULL,  
  p_value_adjustment_method = "BH",
```

```

reduction_alpha = 0.05,
n_threads = 1,
parallel_chunk_size = 10^6,
print_graph_info = TRUE,
python_executable = "python",
conda = FALSE,
max_path_length = 3,
int_score_mode = "auto",
cluster_address = "None",
median_drug_response = FALSE,
absolute_difference = FALSE,
...
)

```

## Arguments

**saving\_path** [string] Path to save intermediate output of DrDimont's functions. Default is current working directory.

**save\_data** [bool] Specifying if intermediate data such as `correlation_matrices`, `individual_graphs`, etc. should be saved during `run_pipeline`. (default: TRUE)

**correlation\_method** ["pearson"|"spearman"|"kendall"] Correlation method used for graph generation. Argument is passed to `cor`. (default: spearman)

**handling\_missing\_data** ["all.obs"|"pairwise.complete.obs"] Specifying the handling of missing data during correlation matrix computation. Argument is passed to `cor`. Can be a single character string if the same for all layers, else a named list mapping layer names to methods, e.g. `handling_missing_data=list(mrna="all.obs", protein="pairwise.complete.obs")`. Layers may be omitted if a method is mapped to 'default', e.g. `handling_missing_data=list(default="pairwise.complete.obs")`. (default: all.obs)

**reduction\_method** ["pickHardThreshold"|"p\_value"] Reduction method for reducing networks. 'p\_value' for hard thresholding based on the statistical significance of the computed correlation. 'pickHardThreshold' for a cutoff based on the scale-freeness criterion (calls `pickHardThreshold`). Can be a single character string if the same for all layers, else a named list mapping layer names to methods (see `handling_missing_data` setting). Layers may be omitted if a method is mapped to 'default'. (default: pickHardThreshold)

**r\_squared\_cutoff** pickHardThreshold setting: [float|named list] A number indicating the desired minimum scale free topology fitting index  $R^2$  for reduction using `pickHardThreshold`. Can be a single float number if the same for all layers, else a named list mapping layer names to a cutoff (see `handling_missing_data` setting) or a named list in a named list mapping `groupA` or `groupB` and layer names to a cutoff, e.g., `r_squared_cutoff=list(groupA=list(mrna=0.85, protein=0.8), groupB=list(mrna=0.9, protein=0.85))`. Layers/groups may be omitted if a cutoff is mapped to 'default'. (default: 0.85)

cut_vector	pickHardThreshold setting: [sequence of float named list] A vector of hard threshold cuts for which the scale free topology fit indices are to be calculated during reduction with <code>pickHardThreshold</code> . Can be a single regular sequence if the same for all layers, else a named list mapping layer names to a cut vector or a named list in a named list mapping groupA or groupB and layer names to a cut vector (see <code>r_squared_cutoff</code> setting). Layers/groups may be omitted if a vector is mapped to 'default'. (default: <code>seq(0.2, 0.8, by = 0.01)</code> )
mean_number_edges	pickHardThreshold setting: [int named list] Find a suitable edge weight cutoff employing <code>pickHardThreshold</code> to reduce the network to at most the specified mean number of edges. Can be a single int number if the same for all layers, else a named list mapping layer names to a mean number of edges or a named list in a named list mapping groupA or groupB and layer names to a cutoff (see <code>r_squared_cutoff</code> setting). Attention: This parameter overwrites the 'r_squared_cutoff' and 'edge_density' parameters if not set to NULL. (default: NULL)
edge_density	pickHardThreshold setting: [float named list] Find a suitable edge weight cutoff employing <code>pickHardThreshold</code> to reduce the network to at most the specified edge density. Can be a single float number if the same for all layers, else a named list mapping layer names to a mean number of edges or a named list in a named list mapping groupA or groupB and layer names to a cutoff (see <code>r_squared_cutoff</code> setting). Attention: This parameter overwrites the 'r_squared_cutoff' parameter if not set to NULL. (default: NULL)
p_value_adjustment_method	p_value setting: ["holm" "hochberg" "hommel" "bonferroni" "BH" "BY" "fdr" "none"] String of the correction method applied to p-values. Passed to <code>p.adjust</code> . (default: "BH")
reduction_alpha	p_value setting: [float] A number indicating the significance value for correlation p-values during reduction. Not-significant edges are dropped. (default: 0.05)
n_threads	p_value setting: [int] Number of threads for parallel computation of p-values during p-value reduction. (default: 1)
parallel_chunk_size	p_value setting: [int] Number of p-values in smallest work unit when computing in parallel during network reduction with method 'p_value'. (default: 10 <sup>6</sup> )
print_graph_info	[bool] Specifying if a summary of the reduced graph should be printed to the console after network generation. (default: TRUE)
python_executable	[string] Path to Python executable used for generating the interaction score graphs. (default: "python")
conda	[bool] Specifying if python is installed in a conda environment. Set TRUE if python is installed with conda. Use <code>python_executable="-n name-of-your-environment python"</code> (change name-of-your-environment to your environment) or <code>python_executable="python"</code> if installed in base environment. (default: FALSE)

max_path_length	[int] Integer of maximum length of simple paths to include in the <code>generate_interaction_score_graphs</code> computation. (default: 3)
int_score_mode	["auto" "sequential" "ray"] Whether to compute interaction score in parallel using the Ray python library or sequentially. When 'auto' it depends on the graph sizes. (default: "auto")
cluster_address	[string] Local node IP-address of Ray if executed on a cluster. On a cluster: Start ray with <code>ray start --head --num_cpus 32</code> on the console before DrDimont execution. It should work with "auto", if it does not specify IP-address given by the ray start command. (default: "auto")
median_drug_response	[bool] Specifying if the median instead of the mean of a drug's targets differential scores should be computed (default: FALSE)
absolute_difference	[bool] Specifying if the absolute differential scores instead of the actual differential scores should be used for drug response computation (default: FALSE)
...	Supply additional settings.

**Value**

Named list of settings

**Examples**

```
settings <- drdimont_settings(
  correlation_method="spearman",
  handling_missing_data=list(
    default="pairwise.complete.obs",
    mrna="all.obs"),
  reduction_method="pickHardThreshold",
  max_path_length=3)
```

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drug\_gene\_interactions

*Drug-gene interactions*

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**Description**

Data frame providing interactions of drugs with genes. The data was downloaded from The Drug Gene Interaction Database.

**Usage**

```
drug_gene_interactions
```

**Format**

A data frame with 4 columns.

**gene\_name** Gene names of targeted protein-coding genes.

**drug\_name** Drug-names with known interactions.

**drug\_chembl\_id** ChEMBL ID of drugs.

**Source**

The Drug Gene Interaction Database: <https://www.dgidb.org/>

ChEMBL IDs: <https://www.ebi.ac.uk/chembl>

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drug\_response\_scores\_example

*Drug response score*

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**Description**

Exemplary final pipeline output: Drug response score data frame. This contains drugs and the calculated differential drug response score. The score was calculated by `compute_drug_response_scores` using `differential_graph_example`, `drug_target_edges_example` and

**Usage**

```
drug_response_scores_example
```

**Format**

Data frame with two columns

**drug\_name** Names of drugs

**drug\_response\_scores** Associated differential drug response scores

**Details**

```
drug_target_interaction <- make_drug_target(target_molecules='protein', interaction_table=drug_gene_i  
match_on='gene_name')
```

A subset of the original data by Krug et al. (2020) and randomly sampled metabolite data from `layers_example` was used to generate the correlation matrices, individual graphs and combined graphs, interaction score graphs and differential score graph. They were created from data stratified by estrogen receptor (ER) status: 'groupA' contains data of ER+ patients and 'groupB' of ER- patients. Drug-gene interactions were used from The Drug Gene Interaction Database.

**Source**

Krug, Karsten et al. "Proteogenomic Landscape of Breast Cancer Tumorigenesis and Targeted Therapy." Cell vol. 183,5 (2020): 1436-1456.e31. doi:10.1016/j.cell.2020.10.036

The Drug Gene Interaction Database: <https://www.dgidb.org/>

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`drug_target_edges_example`*Drug target nodes in combined network*

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## Description

Exemplary intermediate pipeline output: Drug targets detected in the combined graphs. A named list with elements 'targets' and 'edgelists'. This was created with `determine_drug_targets` using the `combined_graphs_example` and:

## Usage

`drug_target_edges_example`

## Format

A named list with 2 items.

**targets** A named list

**target\_nodes** data frame with column 'node\_id' (unique node IDs in the graph targeted by drugs) and columns 'groupA' and 'groupB' (bool values specifying whether the node is contained in the combined graph of the group)

**drugs\_to\_target\_nodes** Element 'drugs\_to\_target\_nodes' contains a named list mapping drug names to a vector of their target node IDs.

**edgelists** Contains elements 'groupA' and 'groupB' containing each a data frame of edges adjacent to drug target nodes each. Each edgelist data frame contains columns 'from', 'to' and 'weight'.

## Details

```
drug_target_interactions <- make_drug_target(target_molecules='protein', interaction_table=drug_gene_
match_on='gene_name')
```

Drug-gene interactions to calculate this output were used from The Drug Gene Interaction Database.

## Source

The Drug Gene Interaction Database: <https://www.dgidb.org/>

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find_targets	<i>[INTERNAL] Filter drug target nodes</i>
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### Description

[INTERNAL] Based on the supplied target molecules, interaction table, graph and annotation this function returns a data frame containing nodes in the network targeted by a drug and a list containing the drug names as names and a vector of node IDs as keys.

### Usage

```
find_targets(graphs, target_molecules, interaction_table, annotation, on)
```

### Arguments

graphs	[list] List of two iGraph graph objects (one for each group)
target_molecules	[string] Identifies the type of the target molecules (e.g., 'protein'). The string must be contained in the 'type' column of the annotation data frame.
interaction_table	[data.frame] Specifying the interaction of drugs and target molecules. Must contain a column 'drug_name' containing drug names/identifiers and a column named like the character string given in the 'on' argument, which must be an identifier for the targeted molecule.
annotation	[data.frame] Contains the annotation for all the nodes contained in the combined network. Must contain a column 'node_id' (vertex IDs in iGraph graph object) and a column named like the character string given in the 'on' argument, which must be an identifier for the targeted molecule.
on	[string] Defines the ID that is used to match drugs to their targets. Both supplied data frames ('annotation' and 'interaction_table') must contain a column named like this character string.

### Value

A named list. Element 'target\_nodes' is a data frame with column 'node\_id' (unique node IDs in the iGraph graph object that are targeted by drugs) and columns 'groupA' and 'groupB' (bool values specifying whether the node is contained in the combined graph of the group). Element 'drugs\_to\_target\_nodes' contains a named list: elements are 'drug\_names' and contain a vector of node IDs that are their specific targets.



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`generate_combined_graphs`*Combines individual layers to a single graph*

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## Description

Individual graphs created by [generate\\_individual\\_graphs](#) are combined to a single graph per group according to 'inter\_layer\_connections'. Returns a list of combined graphs along with their annotations.

## Usage

```
generate_combined_graphs(  
  graphs,  
  annotations,  
  inter_layer_connections,  
  settings  
)
```

## Arguments

<code>graphs</code>	[list] A named list (elements 'groupA' and 'groupB'). Each element contains a list of iGraph objects ('graphs' from output of <a href="#">generate_individual_graphs</a> ).
<code>annotations</code>	[list] A named list (elements 'groupA', 'groupB' and 'both'). Each element contains a list of data frames mapping each node IDs to identifiers. 'both' contains unique identifiers across the whole data. ('annotations' from output of <a href="#">generate_individual_graphs</a> )
<code>inter_layer_connections</code>	[list] Named list with specified inter-layer connections. Names are layer names and elements are connections ( <a href="#">make_connection</a> ).
<code>settings</code>	[list] A named list containing pipeline settings. The settings list has to be initialized by <a href="#">drdimont_settings</a> . Items in the named list can be adjusted as desired.

## Value

A named list (elements 'graphs' and sub-elements '\$groupA' and '\$groupB', and 'annotations' and sub-element 'both'). Contains the igraph objects of the combined network and their annotations for both groups.

## Examples

```
data(individual_graphs_example)  
data(metabolite_protein_interactions)
```

```

example_inter_layer_connections = list(make_connection(from='mrna', to='protein',
                                                    connect_on='gene_name', weight=1),
                                     make_connection(from='protein', to='phosphosite',
                                                    connect_on='gene_name', weight=1),
                                     make_connection(from='protein', to='metabolite',
                                                    connect_on=metabolite_protein_interactions,
                                                    weight='combined_score'))

example_settings <- drdimont_settings(
  save_data=FALSE,
  python_executable="python")

combined_graphs <- generate_combined_graphs(
  graphs=individual_graphs_example$graphs,
  annotations=individual_graphs_example$annotations,
  inter_layer_connections=example_inter_layer_connections,
  settings=example_settings)

```

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generate\_differential\_score\_graph

*Compute difference of interaction score of two groups*

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## Description

Computes the absolute difference of interaction scores between the two groups. Returns a single graph with the differential score and the differential interaction score as edge attributes. The interaction score is computed by [generate\\_interaction\\_score\\_graphs](#).

## Usage

```
generate_differential_score_graph(interaction_score_graphs, settings)
```

## Arguments

interaction\_score\_graphs

[list] Named list with elements 'groupA' and 'groupB' containing iGraph objects with weight and interaction\_weight as edge attributes (output of [generate\\_interaction\\_score\\_graphs](#))

settings

[list] A named list containing pipeline settings. The settings list has to be initialized by [drdimont\\_settings](#). Items in the named list can be adjusted as desired.

## Value

iGraph object with 'differential\_score' and 'differential\_interaction\_score' as edge attributes

**Examples**

```

data(interaction_score_graphs_example)

example_settings <- drdimont_settings(
  save_data=FALSE,
  python_executable="python")

differential_score_graph <- generate_differential_score_graph(
  interaction_score_graphs=interaction_score_graphs_example,
  settings=example_settings)

```

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generate\_individual\_graphs

*Builds graphs from specified network layers*

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**Description**

Constructs and returns two graphs for each network layer, where nodes correspond to the rows in the measurement data. Graphs are initially complete and edges are weighted by correlation values of the measurements across columns. The number of edges is then reduced by either a threshold on the p-value of the correlation or a minimum scale-free fit index.

**Usage**

```
generate_individual_graphs(correlation_matrices, layers, settings)
```

**Arguments**

correlation_matrices	[list] List of correlation matrices generated with <a href="#">codecompute_correlation_matrices</a>
layers	[list] Named list with different network layers containing data and identifiers for both groups (generated from <a href="#">make_layer</a> )
settings	[list] A named list containing pipeline settings. The settings list has to be initialized by <a href="#">drdimont_settings</a> . Items in the named list can be adjusted as desired.

**Value**

A nested named list with first-level elements 'graphs' and 'annotations'. The second level elements are 'groupA' and 'groupB' (and 'both' at 'annotations'). These contain a list of iGraph objects ('graphs') and data frames ('annotations') mapping the graph node IDs to biological identifiers. The third level elements are layer names given by the user.

## Examples

```

data(layers_example)
data(correlation_matrices_example)

example_settings <- drdimont_settings(
  handling_missing_data=list(
    default="pairwise.complete.obs",
    mrna="all.obs"),
  reduction_method="pickHardThreshold",
  r_squared=list(default=0.65, metabolite=0.1),
  cut_vector=list(default=seq(0.2, 0.5, 0.01)),
  save_data=FALSE,
  python_executable="python")

individual_graphs <- generate_individual_graphs(
  correlation_matrices=correlation_matrices_example,
  layers=layers_example,
  settings=example_settings)

graph_metrics(individual_graphs$graphs$groupA$mrna)
graph_metrics(individual_graphs$graphs$groupB$mrna)

```

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```
generate_interaction_score_graphs
```

*Computes interaction score for combined graphs*

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## Description

Writes the input data (combined graphs for both groups in ‘gml’ format and lists of edges adjacent to drug targets for both groups) to files and calls a python script for calculating the score. Output files written by the python script are two graphs in ‘gml’ format containing the interaction score as additional interaction\_weight edge attribute. These are loaded and returned in a named list. ATTENTION: Data exchange via files is mandatory and takes a long time for large data. Interaction score computation is expensive and slow because it involves finding all simple paths up to a certain length between source and target node of the drug target edges. Don’t set ‘max\_path\_length’ in settings to a large value and only consider this step if your graphs have up to approximately 2 million edges. Computation is initiated by [calculate\\_interaction\\_score](#). The python script is parallelized using Ray. Use the setting ‘int\_score\_mode’ to force sequential or parallel computation. Refer to the Ray documentation if you encounter problems with running the python script in parallel. DISCLAIMER: Depending on the operating system Python comes pre-installed or has to be installed manually. Please pay attention to the version and the executable used (python/python3 or homebrew python). You can use the ‘python\_executable’ setting to specify the command or path.

## Usage

```
generate_interaction_score_graphs(graphs, drug_target_edgelist, settings)
```

**Arguments**

graphs	[list] A named list with elements 'groupA' and 'groupB' containing the combined graphs of each group as iGraph object ('graphs' from output of <a href="#">generate_combined_graphs</a> )
drug_target_edgelist	[list] A named list (elements 'groupA' and 'groupB'). Each element contains the list of edges adjacent to drug targets as a dataframe (columns 'from', 'to' and 'weight'). 'edgelist' from output of <a href="#">determine_drug_targets</a>
settings	[list] A named list containing pipeline settings. The settings list has to be initialized by <a href="#">drdimont_settings</a> . Items in the named list can be adjusted as desired.

**Value**

A named list (elements 'groupA' and 'groupB'). Each element contains an iGraph object containing the interaction scores as interaction\_weight attributes.

**Examples**

```
data(combined_graphs_example)
data(drug_target_edges_example)

example_settings <- drdimont_settings(
  save_data=FALSE,
  python_executable="python")

interaction_score_graphs <- generate_interaction_score_graphs(
  graphs=combined_graphs_example$graphs,
  drug_target_edgelist=drug_target_edges_example$edgelist,
  settings=example_settings)
```

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```
generate_reduced_graph
```

*[INTERNAL] Generate a reduced iGraph from adjacency matrices*

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**Description**

[INTERNAL] A wrapper functions that calls the functions to generate a network from correlation data and reduce the network by a given method. Correlation/adjacency matrices are computed in [compute\\_correlation\\_matrices](#). Graph generation uses [graph.adjacency](#) internally. Methods implemented are [network\\_reduction\\_by\\_p\\_value](#) (reduction by statistical significance of correlation) and [network\\_reduction\\_by\\_pickHardThreshold](#) (using WGCNA function [pickHardThreshold.fromSimilarity](#) that finds a suitable cutoff value to get a scale-free network). If no method is given, no reduction will be performed. When using the reduction method 'p\_value' the user can specify an alpha significance value and a method for p-value adjustment. When using the reduction by 'pickHardThreshold' a R<sup>2</sup> cutoff and a cut vector can be specified.

**Usage**

```

generate_reduced_graph(
  adjacency_matrix,
  measurement_data,
  identifiers,
  handling_missing_data = "all.obs",
  reduction_method = "pickHardTreshold",
  r_squared_cutoff = 0.85,
  cut_vector = seq(0.2, 0.8, by = 0.01),
  mean_number_edges = NULL,
  edge_density = NULL,
  p_value_adjustment_method = "BH",
  reduction_alpha = 0.05,
  n_threads = 1,
  parallel_chunk_size = 10^6,
  print_graph_info = TRUE
)

```

**Arguments**

**adjacency\_matrix** [matrix] Adjacency matrix of correlations computed using `cor` in `compute_correlation_matrices`

**measurement\_data** [data.frame] Data frame containing the respective raw data (e.g. mRNA expression data, protein abundance, etc.) to the adjacency matrix. Analyzed components (e.g. genes) in rows, samples (e.g. patients) in columns.

**identifiers** [data.frame] Data frame containing biological identifiers and the corresponding node ID created in `compute_correlation_matrices` via `create_unique_layer_node_ids`. The column containing node IDs has to be named 'node\_id'.

**handling\_missing\_data** ["all.obs"|"pairwise.complete.obs"] Specifying the handling of missing data during correlation matrix computation. (default: all.obs)

**reduction\_method** ["pickHardThreshold"|"p\_value"] A character string specifying the method to be used for network reduction. 'p\_value' for hard thresholding based on the statistical significance of the computed correlation. 'pickHardThreshold' for a cutoff based on the scale-freeness criterion (calls `pickHardThreshold`). (default: pickHardThreshold)

**r\_squared\_cutoff** [float] A number indicating the desired minimum scale free topology fitting index  $R^2$  for reduction using `pickHardThreshold`. (default: 0.85)

**cut\_vector** [sequence of float] A vector of hard threshold cuts for which the scale free topology fit indices are to be calculated during reduction with `pickHardThreshold`. (default: seq(0.2, 0.8, by = 0.01))

**mean\_number\_edges** [int] Find a suitable edge weight cutoff employing `pickHardThreshold` to reduce the network to at most the specified mean number of edges. Attention:

	This parameter overwrites the 'r_squared_cutoff' and 'edge_density' parameters if not set to NULL. (default: NULL)
edge_density	[float] Find a suitable edge weight cutoff employing <a href="#">pickHardThreshold</a> to reduce the network to at most the specified edge density. Attention: This parameter overwrites the 'r_squared_cutoff' parameter if not set to NULL. (default: NULL)
p_value_adjustment_method	["holm" "hochberg" "hommel" "bonferroni" "BH" "BY" "fdr" "none"] String of the correction method applied to p-values. Passed to <a href="#">p.adjust</a> . (default: "BH")
reduction_alpha	[float] A number indicating the significance value for correlation p-values during reduction. Not-significant edges are dropped. (default: 0.05)
n_threads	[int] Number of threads for parallel computation of p-values during p-value reduction. (default: 1)
parallel_chunk_size	[int] Number of p-values in smallest work unit when computing in parallel during network reduction with method 'p_value'. (default: 10^6)
print_graph_info	[bool] Specifying if a summary of the reduced graph should be printed to the console after network generation. (default: TRUE)

**Value**

iGraph graph object of the reduced network.

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get_layer	<i>[INTERNAL] Fetch layer by name from layer object</i>
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**Description**

[INTERNAL] Get a layer by its name from a layer object created with [make\\_layer](#), e.g., [layers\\_example](#).

**Usage**

```
get_layer(name, layers)
```

**Arguments**

name	The layer to fetch
layers	A layers object <a href="#">layers_example</a>

**Value**

Returns the layer along with layer names

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get\_layer\_setting      *[INTERNAL] Get layer (and group) settings*

---

### Description

Returns specified setting for a specific network layer (and group).

### Usage

```
get_layer_setting(layer, group, settings, setting_name)
```

### Arguments

layer	[list] A network layer created by <a href="#">make_layer</a>
group	[string] A network group
settings	[list] Named list of settings created by <a href="#">drdimont_settings</a>
setting_name	[string] String indicating the setting to return.

### Value

Setting value(s) for this layer (and group)

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graph\_metrics      *Analysis of metrics of an iGraph object*

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### Description

This helper function prints or returns multiple metrics of arbitrary iGraph graph object.

### Usage

```
graph_metrics(graph, verbose = TRUE, return = FALSE)
```

### Arguments

graph	[igraph] iGraph object to analyze.
verbose	[bool] If TRUE graph information is printed.
return	[bool] If TRUE graph information is returned from function.

### Value

Named list of metrics including vertex count, edge count, number of components, size of largest component and the relative frequency of zero degree vertices.



## Examples

```
adj_mat <- matrix(rnorm(36), nrow=6)
graph <- igraph::graph_from_adjacency_matrix(adj_mat)
DrDimont::graph_metrics(graph, verbose=TRUE, return=FALSE)
```

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individual\_graphs\_example  
*Individual graphs*

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## Description

Exemplary intermediate pipeline output: Individual graphs example data built by [generate\\_individual\\_graphs](#). Graphs were created from [correlation\\_matrices\\_example](#) and reduced by the 'pickHardThreshold' reduction method. Used settings were:

## Usage

```
individual_graphs_example
```

## Format

A named list with 2 items.

**graphs** A named list with two groups.

**groupA** Graphs associated with 'groupA'

**mrna** Graph

**protein** Graph

**phosphosite** Graph

**metabolite** Graph

**groupB** same structure as 'groupA'

**annotations** A named list containing data frames of mappings of assigned node IDs to the user-provided component identifiers for nodes in 'groupA' or 'groupB' and all nodes

**groupA** Annotations associated with 'groupA'

**mrna** Data frame

**protein** Data frame

**phosphosite** Data frame

**metabolite** Data frame

**groupB** same structure as 'groupA'

**both** same structure as 'groupA'

## Details

```
settings <- drdimont_settings( reduction_method=list(default="pickHardThreshold"),  
r_squared=list( default=0.8, groupA=list(metabolite=0.45), groupB=list(metabolite=0.15)),  
cut_vector=list( default=seq(0.3, 0.7, 0.01), metabolite=seq(0.1, 0.65, 0.01)))
```

A subset of the original data by Krug et al. (2020) and randomly sampled metabolite data from [layers\\_example](#) was used to generate the correlation matrices and individual graphs. They were created from data stratified by estrogen receptor (ER) status: 'groupA' contains data of ER+ patients and 'groupB' of ER- patients.

## Source

Krug, Karsten et al. "Proteogenomic Landscape of Breast Cancer Tumorigenesis and Targeted Therapy." Cell vol. 183,5 (2020): 1436-1456.e31. doi:10.1016/j.cell.2020.10.036

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install\_python\_dependencies

*Installs python dependencies needed for interaction score computation*

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## Description

Uses specified pip or conda executable (default: pip3) to install all required python modules. When using conda, the currently active environment is used. Commands run are 'pip install -r requirements' or 'conda install -file requirements'. Installs the following requirements: numpy, tqdm, python-igraph and ray

## Usage

```
install_python_dependencies(package_manager = "pip3")
```

## Arguments

package\_manager

[string] The package manager command or path to use (default: pip3)

## Value

No return value, called to install python dependencies

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interaction\_score\_graphs\_example  
*Interaction score graphs*

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### Description

Exemplary intermediate pipeline output: Interaction score graphs example data built by [generate\\_interaction\\_score\\_graphs](#) using [combined\\_graphs\\_example](#) and [drug\\_target\\_edges\\_example](#). A named list (elements 'groupA' and 'groupB'). Each element contains an iGraph object containing edge attributes: the correlation values as 'weight' and the interaction score as 'interactionweight'.

### Usage

```
interaction_score_graphs_example
```

### Format

A named list with 2 items.

**groupA** iGraph graph object containing the interaction score as weight for groupA.

**groupB**

### Details

A subset of the original data by Krug et al. (2020) and randomly sampled metabolite data from [layers\\_example](#) was used to generate the correlation matrices, individual graphs and combined graphs. They were created from data stratified by estrogen receptor (ER) status: 'groupA' contains data of ER+ patients and 'groupB' of ER- patients. Drug-gene interactions were used from The Drug Gene Interaction Database.

### Source

Krug, Karsten et al. "Proteogenomic Landscape of Breast Cancer Tumorigenesis and Targeted Therapy." Cell vol. 183,5 (2020): 1436-1456.e31. doi:10.1016/j.cell.2020.10.036

The Drug Gene Interaction Database: <https://www.dgidb.org/>

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inter\_layer\_edgelist\_by\_id  
*[INTERNAL] Inter layer connections by identifiers*

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### Description

[INTERNAL] Returns an edge list defining the connections between two layers of the network.

**Usage**

```
inter_layer_edgelist_by_id(annotation_A, annotation_B, connection, weight = 1)
```

**Arguments**

annotation_A, annotation_B	[data.frame] Annotation tables specifying the identifiers of the nodes of a network
connection	[string] String of identifier to connect on
weight	[int/vector] Integer or vector specifying the weight of the inter-layer connections.

**Value**

Data frame with columns from, to and weight

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```
inter_layer_edgelist_by_table
  [INTERNAL] Interaction table to iGraph graph object
```

---

**Description**

[INTERNAL] Returns an edge list defining the connections between two layers of the network based on an interaction table supplied by the user.

**Usage**

```
inter_layer_edgelist_by_table(
  annotation_A,
  annotation_B,
  interaction_table,
  weight_column
)
```

**Arguments**

annotation_A, annotation_B	[data.frame] Annotation tables specifying the identifiers of the nodes of a network
interaction_table	[data.frame] Table specifying the interaction / connections between the two layers
weight_column	[string] Name of the column in 'interaction_table' giving the weight of the inter-layer edges.

**Value**

Data frame with columns from, to and weight

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layers_example	<i>Formatted layers object</i>
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## Description

Exemplary intermediate pipeline output containing a correctly formatted layers list.

## Usage

```
layers_example
```

## Format

A list with 4 items. Each layer list contains 2 groups and a ‘name’ element. Each group contains ‘data’ and ‘identifiers’. The structure for one individual layer:

**groupA** Data associated with ‘groupA’

**data** Raw data. Components (e.g. genes or proteins) in columns, samples in rows

**identifiers** Data frame containing one column per ID

**groupB** Data associated with ‘groupB’

**data** see above

**identifiers** see above

**name** Name of the layer

## Details

List containing four layer items created by [make\\_layer](#). Each layer contains ‘data’ and ‘identifiers’ stratified by group and a ‘name’ element giving the layer name. The data contained in this example refers to mRNA, protein, phosphosite and metabolite layers. The mRNA, protein and phosphosite data was adapted and reduced from Krug et al. (2020) containing data from the Clinical Proteomic Tumor Analysis Consortium (CPTAC). The metabolite data was sampled randomly to generate distributions similar to those reported, e.g., in Terunuma et al. (2014). The ‘data’ elements contain the raw data with samples as columns and molecular entities as rows. The ‘identifiers’ elements contain layer specific identifiers for the molecular entities, e.g. gene\_name.

## Source

Terunuma, Atsushi et al. “MYC-driven accumulation of 2-hydroxyglutarate is associated with breast cancer prognosis.” *The Journal of clinical investigation* vol. 124,1 (2014): 398-412. doi:10.1172/JCI71180

Krug, Karsten et al. “Proteogenomic Landscape of Breast Cancer Tumorigenesis and Targeted Therapy.” *Cell* vol. 183,5 (2020): 1436-1456.e31. doi:10.1016/j.cell.2020.10.036

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load\_interaction\_score\_output

*[INTERNAL] Loads output of python script for interaction score calculation*

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### Description

[INTERNAL] Loads data generated by [calculate\\_interaction\\_score](#). Python output files are graphs in 'gml' format for each of both groups.

### Usage

```
load_interaction_score_output(saving_path, graphB_null)
```

### Arguments

saving_path	[string] Path to save intermediate output of DrDimont's functions. Default is current working directory. Directory to use for writing intermediate data when passing input and output between Python and R. Directory to load python output from
graphB_null	[bool] Specifying if graphB of 'groupB' is given (FALSE) or not (TRUE). (default: FALSE)

### Value

A named list (elements 'groupA' and 'groupB'). Each element contains an iGraph object containing the interaction score as edge attribute.

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make_connection	<i>Specify connection between two individual layers</i>
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### Description

Helper function to transform input data to the required pipeline input format. This helper function creates a list that specifies the connection between two layers. The connection can be based on IDs present in the identifiers of both layer or an interaction table containing a mapping of the connections and edge weights. Additionally, the supplied input is checked. Allows easy conversion of raw data into the structure accepted by [run\\_pipeline](#).

**\_\_IMPORTANT:\_\_** If a connection is established based on id this ID has to be present in the identifiers of both layers, they have to be named identically and the IDs have to be formatted identically as these are matched by an inner join operation (refer to [make\\_layer](#)).

### Usage

```
make_connection(from, to, connect_on, weight = 1, group = "both")
```

**Arguments**

from	[string] Character string referring to the name of the layer <b>from</b> which the connection should be established
to	[string] Character string referring to the name of the layer <b>to</b> which the connection should be established
connect_on	[string table] Specifies how the two layers should be connected. This can be based on a mutual ID or a table specifying interactions. Mutual ID: Character string specifying the name of an identifier that is present in both layers (e.g., 'NCBI ID' to connect proteins and mRNA). Interaction table: A table mapping two identifiers of two layers. The columns have exactly the same names as the identifiers of the layers. The table has to contain an additional column specifying the weight between two components/nodes (see 'weight' argument)
weight	[int string] Specifies the edge weight between the layers. This can be supplied as a number applied to every connection or a column of the interaction table. Fixed weight: A number specifying the weight of every connection between the layers. Based on interaction table: Character string specifying the name of a column in the table passed as the 'by' parameter which is used as edge weight. (default: 1)
group	["A" "B" "both"] Group for which to apply the connection. One of 'both', 'A' or 'B'. (default: "both")

**Value**

A named list (i.e., an inter-layer connection), that can be supplied to [run\\_pipeline](#).

**Examples**

```
data(metabolite_protein_interactions)
inter_layer_connections = list(make_connection(from='mrna', to='protein',
                                             connect_on='gene_name', weight=1),
                              make_connection(from='protein', to='phosphosite',
                                             connect_on='gene_name', weight=1),
                              make_connection(from='protein', to='metabolite',
                                             connect_on=metabolite_protein_interactions,
                                             weight='combined_score'))
```

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make\_drug\_target

*Reformat drug-target-interaction data*


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**Description**

Function to transform input data to required input format for [run\\_pipeline](#). Here the data that is needed to define drug-target interactions is formatted. When the reformatted output is passed to [run\\_pipeline](#) as drug\_target\_interactions argument, the differential integrated drug response score can be calculated for all the supplied drugs in interaction\_table.

**Usage**

```
make_drug_target(target_molecules, interaction_table, match_on)
```

**Arguments**

**target\_molecules** [string] Name of layer containing the drug targets. This name has to match the corresponding named item in the list of layers supplied to [run\\_pipeline](#).

**interaction\_table** [data.frame] Has to contain two columns. A column called 'drug\_name' containing names or identifiers of drugs. And a column with a name that matches an identifier in the layer supplied in 'target\_molecules'. Additional columns will be ignored in the pipeline. For example, if drugs target proteins and an identifier called 'ncbi\_id' was supplied in layer creation of the protein layer (see [make\\_layer](#)), this column should be called 'ncbi\_id' and contain the corresponding IDs of protein-drug targets. Any other ID present in the constructed layer could also be used.

**match\_on** [string] Column name of the data frame supplied in 'interaction\_table' that is used for matching drugs and target nodes in the graph (e.g. 'ncbi\_id').

**Value**

Named list of the input parameters in input format of [run\\_pipeline](#).

**Examples**

```
data(drug_gene_interactions)
drug_target_interactions <- make_drug_target(target_molecules='protein',
                                             interaction_table=drug_gene_interactions,
                                             match_on='gene_name')
```

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make_layer	<i>Creates individual molecular layers from raw data and unique identifiers</i>
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**Description**

Helper function to transform input data to required pipeline input format. Additionally, the supplied input is checked. Allows easy conversion of raw data into the structure accepted by [run\\_pipeline](#).

**Usage**

```
make_layer(
  name,
  data_groupA,
  data_groupB,
```



```

    identifiers_groupA,
    identifiers_groupB
  )

```

### Arguments

name [string] Name of the layer.

data\_groupA, data\_groupB [data.frame] Data frame containing raw molecular data of each group (each stratum). Analyzed components (e.g. genes) in columns, samples (e.g. patients) in rows.

identifiers\_groupA, identifiers\_groupB [data.frame] Data frame containing component identifiers (columns) of each component (rows) in the same order as the molecular data frame of each group. These identifiers are used to (a) interconnect graphs and (b) match drugs to drug targets. Must contain a column 'type' which identifies the nature of the component (e.g., "protein")

### Value

Named list containing the supplied data for each group (i.e., the data set for one layer), that can be supplied to [run\\_pipeline](#) and 'name' giving the name of the layer. Each sub-list contains the 'data' and the 'identifiers'.

### Examples

```

data(protein_data)

protein_layer <- make_layer(
  name="protein",
  data_groupA=t(protein_data$groupA[, c(-1,-2)]),
  data_groupB=t(protein_data$groupB[, c(-1,-2)]),
  identifiers_groupA=data.frame(gene_name=protein_data$groupA$gene_name,
                                ref_seq=protein_data$groupA$ref_seq),
  identifiers_groupB=data.frame(gene_name=protein_data$groupB$gene_name,
                                ref_seq=protein_data$groupB$ref_seq))

```

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metabolite\_data

*Metabolomics data*


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### Description

Metabolomics analysis of breast cancer patients data sampled randomly to generate distributions similar to those reported (e.g., in Terunuma et al. (2014)). The data is stratified by estrogen receptor (ER) expression status ('groupA' = ER+, 'groupB' = ER-). The data was reduced to 50 metabolites. For each group a data frame is given containing the raw data with the metabolites as rows and the samples as columns. The first three columns contain the metabolite identifiers (biochemical\_name, metabolon\_id and pubchem\_id).

**Usage**

metabolite\_data

**Format**

**groupA** ER+ data; data.frame: first three columns contain metabolite identifiers biochemical\_name, metabolon\_id and pubchem\_id; other columns are samples containing the quantified metabolite data per metabolite

**groupB** ER- data; data.frame: first three columns contain metabolite identifiers biochemical\_name, metabolon\_id and pubchem\_id; other columns are samples containing the quantified metabolite data per metabolite

**Source**

Terunuma, Atsushi et al. "MYC-driven accumulation of 2-hydroxyglutarate is associated with breast cancer prognosis." The Journal of clinical investigation vol. 124,1 (2014): 398-412. doi:10.1172/JCI71180

<https://www.metabolon.com>

Pubchem IDs: <https://pubchem.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov>

MetaboAnalyst: <https://www.metaboanalyst.ca/faces/upload/ConvertView.xhtml>

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metabolite\_protein\_interactions

*Metabolite protein interaction data*

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**Description**

Data frame providing interactions of metabolites and proteins. The data was taken from the STITCH Database.

**Usage**

metabolite\_protein\_interactions

**Format**

A data frame with 3 columns.

**pubchem\_id** Pubchem IDs defining interacting metabolites

**gene\_name** gene names defining interacting proteins

**combined\_score** Score describing the strength of metabolite-protein interaction

**Source**

STITCH DB: <http://stitch.embl.de/>

Pubchem IDs: <https://pubchem.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov>

STRING DB: <https://string-db.org/>

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mrna_data	<i>mRNA expression data</i>
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### Description

mRNA analysis of breast cancer patients data from Krug et al. (2020) (data from the Clinical Proteomic Tumor Analysis Consortium (CPTAC)). The data is stratified by estrogen receptor (ER) expression status ('groupA' = ER+, 'groupB' = ER-). The data was reduced to 50 genes. For each group a data frame is given containing the raw data with the mRNA/gene as rows and the samples as columns. The first column contains the gene identifiers (gene\_name).

### Usage

```
mrna_data
```

### Format

**groupA** ER+ data; data.frame: first column contains mRNA/gene identifier gene\_name; other columns are samples containing the quantified mRNA data per gene

**groupB** ER- data; data.frame: first column contains mRNA/gene identifier gene\_name; other columns are samples containing the quantified mRNA data per gene

### Source

Krug, Karsten et al. "Proteogenomic Landscape of Breast Cancer Tumorigenesis and Targeted Therapy." Cell vol. 183,5 (2020): 1436-1456.e31. doi:10.1016/j.cell.2020.10.036

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network_reduction_by_pickHardThreshold	<i>[INTERNAL] Reduces network based on WGCNA::pickHardThreshold function</i>
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### Description

[INTERNAL] This function uses [pickHardThreshold.fromSimilarity](#) to analyze scale free topology for multiple hard thresholds. A cutoff is estimated, if no cutoff is found the function terminates with an error message. All values below the cutoff will be set to NA and the reduced adjacency is returned.

**Usage**

```
network_reduction_by_pickHardThreshold(
  adjacency_matrix,
  r_squared_cutoff = 0.85,
  cut_vector = seq(0.2, 0.8, by = 0.01),
  mean_number_edges = NULL,
  edge_density = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

`adjacency_matrix` [matrix] Adjacency matrix of correlations computed using `cor` in `compute_correlation_matrices`

`r_squared_cutoff` [float] A number indicating the desired minimum scale free topology fitting index  $R^2$  for reduction using `pickHardThreshold`. (default: 0.85)

`cut_vector` [sequence of float] A vector of hard threshold cuts for which the scale free topology fit indices are to be calculated during reduction with `pickHardThreshold`. (default: `seq(0.2, 0.8, by = 0.01)`)

`mean_number_edges` [int] Find a suitable edge weight cutoff employing `pickHardThreshold` to reduce the network to at most the specified mean number of edges. Attention: This parameter overwrites the `'r_squared_cutoff'` and `'edge_density'` parameters if not set to `NULL`. (default: `NULL`)

`edge_density` [float] Find a suitable edge weight cutoff employing `pickHardThreshold` to reduce the network to at most the specified edge density. Attention: This parameter overwrites the `'r_squared_cutoff'` parameter if not set to `NULL`. (default: `NULL`)

**Value**

A reduced adjacency matrix of correlations with NA's inserted at positions below estimated cutoff.

**Source**

The original implementation of `pickHardThreshold` is used from `pickHardThreshold.fromSimilarity`

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network\_reduction\_by\_p\_value

*[INTERNAL] Reduce the the entries in an adjacency matrix by thresholding on p-values*

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**Description**

[INTERNAL] This function reduces an adjacency matrix of correlations based on p-values. If computations are done non-parallel [corPvalueStudent](#) is used. If computations are done in parallel, our own parallel implementation ([corPvalueStudentParallel](#)) of this function to calculate Student asymptotic p-values taking the number of samples into account is used. P-values are adjusted using [p.adjust](#) function. The upper triangle without diagonal entries of the adjacency matrix is passed for faster computation. P-values can be adjusted using one of several methods. A significance threshold 'alpha' can be set. All value entries below this threshold within the initial adjacency matrix will be set to NA. If a default cluster is registered with the 'parallel' package the computation will happen in parallel automatically.

**Usage**

```
network_reduction_by_p_value(
  adjacency_matrix,
  number_of_samples,
  p_value_adjustment_method = "BH",
  reduction_alpha = 0.05,
  parallel_chunk_size = 10^6
)
```

**Arguments**

`adjacency_matrix`  
[matrix] Adjacency matrix of correlations computed using [cor](#) in [compute\\_correlation\\_matrices](#)

`number_of_samples`  
[int|matrix] The number of samples used to calculate the correlation matrix. Computed applying [sample\\_size](#)

`p_value_adjustment_method`  
["holm"|"hochberg"|"hommel"|"bonferroni"|"BH"|"BY"|"fdr"|"none"] String of the correction method applied to p-values. Passed to [p.adjust](#). (default: "BH")

`reduction_alpha`  
[float] A number indicating the significance value for correlation p-values during reduction. Not-significant edges are dropped. (default: 0.05)

`parallel_chunk_size`  
[int] Number of p-values in smallest work unit when computing in parallel during network reduction with method 'p\_value'. (default: 10^6)

**Value**

A reduced adjacency matrix with NA's at matrix entries with p-values below threshold.

**Source**

[corPvalueStudent](#)

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phosphosite\_data      *Phosphosite data*

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### Description

Phosphosite analysis of breast cancer patients data from Krug et al. (2020) (data from the Clinical Proteomic Tumor Analysis Consortium (CPTAC)). The data is stratified by estrogen receptor (ER) expression status ('groupA' = ER+, 'groupB' = ER-). The data was reduced to 50 genes. For each group a data frame is given containing the raw data with the phosphosites as rows and the samples as columns. The first three columns contain the phosphosite and protein identifiers (site\_id, ref\_seq and gene\_name).

### Usage

phosphosite\_data

### Format

**groupA** ER+ data; data.frame: first three columns contain phosphosite and protein identifiers site\_id, ref\_seq and gene\_name; other columns are samples containing the quantified phosphosite data per phosphosite

**groupB** ER- data; data.frame: first three columns contain phosphosite and protein identifiers site\_id, ref\_seq and gene\_name; other columns are samples containing the quantified phosphosite data per phosphosite

### Source

Krug, Karsten et al. "Proteogenomic Landscape of Breast Cancer Tumorigenesis and Targeted Therapy." Cell vol. 183,5 (2020): 1436-1456.e31. doi:10.1016/j.cell.2020.10.036

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protein\_data      *Protein data*

---

### Description

Protein analysis of breast cancer patients data from Krug et al. (2020) (data from the Clinical Proteomic Tumor Analysis Consortium (CPTAC)). The data is stratified by estrogen receptor (ER) expression status ('groupA' = ER+, 'groupB' = ER-). The data was reduced to 50 genes. For each group a data frame is given containing the raw data with the proteins as rows and the samples as columns. The first two columns contain the protein identifiers (ref\_seq and gene\_name).

### Usage

protein\_data

**Format**

**groupA** ER+ data; data.frame: first two columns contain protein identifiers ref\_seq and gene\_name; other columns are samples containing the quantified proteomics data per protein

**groupB** ER- data; data.frame: first two columns contain protein identifiers ref\_seq and gene\_name; other columns are samples containing the quantified proteomics data per protein

**Source**

Krug, Karsten et al. "Proteogenomic Landscape of Breast Cancer Tumorigenesis and Targeted Therapy." Cell vol. 183,5 (2020): 1436-1456.e31. doi:10.1016/j.cell.2020.10.036

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return_errors	<i>Return detected errors</i>
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**Description**

Throws an error in case errors have been passed to the function. Messages describing the detected errors are printed.

**Usage**

```
return_errors(errors)
```

**Arguments**

errors            [string] Character string vector containing error messages.

**Value**

No return value, writes error messages to console

**Examples**

```
layer <- DrDimont::layers_example[[2]]  
return_errors(check_layer(layer))
```

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`run_pipeline`*Execute all DrDimont pipeline steps sequentially*

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## Description

This wrapper function executes all necessary steps to generate differential integrated drug response scores from the formatted input data. The following input data is required (and detailed below):

- \* Layers of stratified molecular data.
- \* Additional connections between the layers.
- \* Interactions between drugs and nodes in the network.
- \* Settings for pipeline execution.

As this function runs through all steps of the DrDimont pipeline it can take a long time to complete, especially if the supplied molecular data is rather large. Several prompts will be printed to supply information on how the pipeline is proceeding. Calculation of the interaction score by [generate\\_interaction\\_score\\_graphs](#) requires saving large-scale graphs to file and calling a python script. This handover may take time.

Eventually a data frame is returned containing the supplied drug name and its associated differential drug response score computed by DrDimont.

## Usage

```
run_pipeline(  
  layers,  
  inter_layer_connections,  
  drug_target_interactions,  
  settings  
)
```

## Arguments

- |                                       |  |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| <code>layers</code>                   | [list] Named list with different network layers containing data and identifiers for both groups. The required input format is a list with names corresponding to the content of the respective layer (e.g., "protein"). Each named element has to contain the molecular data and corresponding identifiers formatted by <a href="#">make_layer</a> . |
| <code>inter_layer_connections</code>  | [list] A list with specified inter-layer connections. This list contains one or more elements defining individual inter-layer connections created by <a href="#">make_connection</a> .   |
| <code>drug_target_interactions</code> | [list] A list specifying drug-target interactions for drug response score computation. The required input format of this list is created by <a href="#">make_drug_target</a> . The drug response score is calculated for all drugs contained in this object.   |
| <code>settings</code>                 | [list] A named list containing pipeline settings. The settings list has to be initialized by <a href="#">drdimont_settings</a> . Items in the named list can be adjusted as desired.   |



**Value**

Data frame containing drug name and associated differential integrated drug response score. If Python is not installed or the interaction score computation fails for some other reason, NULL is returned instead.

**Examples**

```
data(drug_gene_interactions)
data(metabolite_protein_interactions)
data(layers_example)

example_inter_layer_connections = list(make_connection(from='mrna', to='protein',
                                                    connect_on='gene_name', weight=1),
                                     make_connection(from='protein', to='phosphosite',
                                                    connect_on='gene_name', weight=1),
                                     make_connection(from='protein', to='metabolite',
                                                    connect_on=metabolite_protein_interactions,
                                                    weight='combined_score'))

example_drug_target_interactions <- make_drug_target(target_molecules='protein',
                                                    interaction_table=drug_gene_interactions,
                                                    match_on='gene_name')

example_settings <- drdimont_settings(
  handling_missing_data=list(
    default="pairwise.complete.obs",
    mrna="all.obs"),
  reduction_method="pickHardThreshold",
  r_squared=list(default=0.65, metabolite=0.1),
  cut_vector=list(default=seq(0.2, 0.65, 0.01)),
  save_data=FALSE,
  python_executable="python")

run_pipeline(
  layers=layers_example,
  inter_layer_connections=example_inter_layer_connections,
  drug_target_interactions=example_drug_target_interactions,
  settings=example_settings)
```

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sample\_size

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*[INTERNAL] Sample size for correlation computation*


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**Description**

[INTERNAL] Depending on how missing data is handled in correlation matrix computation, the number of samples used is returned. If 'all.obs' is specified the number of rows (i.e. samples)

of the original data is returned. If 'pairwise.complete.obs' is specified the crossproduct of a matrix indicating the non-NA values is returned as matrix. This implementation was adopted from [corAndPvalue](#).

### Usage

```
sample_size(measurement_data, handling_missing_data)
```

### Arguments

measurement\_data

[data.frame] Data frame containing the respective raw data (e.g. mRNA expression data, protein abundance, etc.) to the adjacency matrix. Analyzed components (e.g. genes) in rows, samples (e.g. patients) in columns.

handling\_missing\_data

["all.obs"|"pairwise.complete.obs"] Specifying the handling of missing data during correlation matrix computation. (default: all.obs)

### Value

For 'all.obs' returns an integer indicating the number of samples in the supplied matrix (i.e. number of rows). For 'pairwise.complete.obs' returns a matrix in the same size of the correlation matrix indicating the number of samples for each correlation calculation.

### Source

Method to calculate samples in 'pairwise.complete.obs' adopted and improved from [corAndPvalue](#)

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set\_cluster

*[INTERNAL] Create and register cluster*

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### Description

[INTERNAL] Helper function to create and register a cluster for parallel computation of p-value reduction

### Usage

```
set_cluster(n_threads)
```

### Arguments

n\_threads

[int] Number of nodes in the cluster

### Value

No return value, called internally to create cluster

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shutdown_cluster	<i>[INTERNAL] Shutdown cluster and remove corresponding connections</i>
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### Description

[INTERNAL] Run this if the pipeline fails during parallel computation to clean the state. If a cluster is registered, this function stops it and removes corresponding connections. Ignores errors. Has no effect if no cluster is registered.

### Usage

```
shutdown_cluster()
```

### Value

No return value, called internally to shutdown cluster

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target_edge_list	<i>[INTERNAL] Get edges adjacent to target nodes</i>
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### Description

[INTERNAL] Based on the supplied graph and target nodes this function returns a list of edges that are directly adjacent to target nodes. These edges can be used for further computation to compute the integrated interaction scores and differential scores in the networks.

### Usage

```
target_edge_list(graph, target_nodes, group)
```

### Arguments

graph	[igraph] Combined graph (iGraph graph object) for a specific group
target_nodes	[data.frame] Has column 'node_id' (unique node IDs in the iGraph graph object that are targeted by drugs) and columns 'groupA' and 'groupB' (bool values specifying whether the node is contained in the combined graph of the group)
group	[string] Indicates which group 'groupA' or 'groupB' is analyzed

### Value

An edge list as a data frame.

---

`write_interaction_score_input`*[INTERNAL] Write edge lists and combined graphs to files*

---

**Description**

[INTERNAL] Writes the combined graphs and the drug target edge lists to files for passing them to the python interaction score script. Graphs are saved as 'gml' file. Edge lists are saved as 'tsv' file.

**Usage**

```
write_interaction_score_input(  
    combined_graphs,  
    drug_target_edgelist,  
    saving_path  
)
```

**Arguments**`combined_graphs`

[list] A named list (elements 'groupA' and 'groupB'). Each element contains the entire combined network (layers + inter-layer connections) as iGraph graph object.

`drug_target_edgelist`

[list] A named list (elements 'groupA' and 'groupB'). Each element contains the list of edges to be considered in the interaction score calculation as data frame (columns 'from', 'to' and 'weight')

`saving_path`

[string] Path to save intermediate output of DrDimont's functions. Default is current working directory.

**Value**

No return value, used internally

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