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arc_sine	<i>arc_sine</i>
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**Description**

Arcsine of a Percentage

**Usage**

```
arc_sine(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                    A percentage.

**Value**

The arcsine transformation of x.

**Examples**

```
arc_sine(30.1)
```

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asterix	<i>Indicate Significance with Stars</i>
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**Description**

Indicate Significance with Stars

**Usage**

```
asterix(prob)
```

**Arguments**

prob                    p value

**Details**

Returns '\*\*\*', for  $p < 0.001$ , '\*\*' for  $p < 0.01$ , '\*' for  $p < 0.05$ .

**Value**

Character vector of asterisks indicating significance level.

**Examples**

```
asterix(0.039)
```

avg\_alpha

*Average Alpha Diversity (faster implementation)***Description**

Calculates alpha-diversity metrics from n samplings of an OTU table to a constant number of counts per sample.

**Usage**

```
avg_alpha(
  otu,
  sampling_depth,
  iterations = 100,
  sum_method = c("median", "mean"),
  ncores = 1
)
```

**Arguments**

otu	An OTU table as a data frame or matrix with samples as rows and taxa as columns.
sampling_depth	The number of counts per sample in the sampled OTU table
iterations	The number of times the OTU table should be sampled.
sum_method	Method ("median" or "mean") for summarizing replication results.
ncores	Number of cores to use for parallel execution. Default 1 (no parallelism).

**Details**

This implementation focuses on speed: - vectorizes the alpha-metric calculations (avoids repeated calls to `vegan::diversity` and `vegan::specnumber`) - uses base R operations (`rowSums`, logical ops, arithmetic) which are much faster in tight loops - optionally parallelizes replicates across cores (platform-aware).

The OTU data frame supplied must be in typical `vegan` format: samples as row names and taxa as column names. The minimum row sum must be greater than or equal to the sampling depth.

By default the `sum_method` is `mean`. For a similar function in `QIIME2`, the default `sum_method` is `median`.

**Value**

Returns a dataframe with Shannon, Observed, Pielou, Simpson and Inverse Simpson for each sample in an OTU table.

**Examples**

```
{
data(BCI)
otu <- BCI[rowSums(BCI) > 400, ]
avg_alpha(otu, sampling_depth = 400, iterations = 100)
}
```

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check_primer_hits	<i>Check Primer Hits</i>
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### Description

Determine hits of all orientations of primers to paired sequence files.

### Usage

```
check_primer_hits(
  path,
  fwd_pattern = "_R1.fastq",
  rev_pattern = "_R2.fastq",
  fwd_primer = "GGAAGTAAAAGTCGTAACAAGG",
  rev_primer = "GCTGCGTTCTTCATCGATGC"
)
```

### Arguments

path	Path to paired sequence files
fwd_pattern	Portion of file name that distinguishes forward read files. The default is "_R1.fastq"
rev_pattern	Portion of the file name that distinguishes the reverse file. The default is "_R2.fastq"
fwd_primer	Nucleotide sequence of the forward primer
rev_primer	Nucleotide sequence of the reverse primer

### Details

This function is for checking the effectiveness of primer trimming of ITS sequences. Because the ITS region varies in length, it is possible for forward sequences to extend past the reverse primer region and vice-versa, leading to what Robert Edgar calls staggered pairs if the sequences are merged.

The fwd\_pattern and rev\_pattern must contain the file extension. The defaults are "\_R1.fastq" and "\_R2.fastq".

Default primers are ITS5 (forward) and ITS2 (reverse) from White et.al 1990.

ITS5: "GGAAGTAAAAGTCGTAACAAGG"

ITS2: "GCTGCGTTCTTCATCGATGC"

### Value

A table of hits to the sequences by all primer orientations

### Examples

```
# This takes a while
path <- system.file("extdata", package = "QsRutils")
check_primer_hits(
  path = path,
  fwd_pattern = "raw_1.fastq.gz",
  rev_pattern = "raw_2.fastq.gz",
  fwd_primer = "GGAAGTAAAAGTCGTAACAAGG",
```

```
rev_primer = "GCTGCGTTCTTCATCGATGC"  
)
```

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check\_var

*Check Variance*

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### Description

Tests for Heterogeneity of Variances in make\_comparisons Result

### Usage

```
check_var(otu.pc.transformed, group.vector)
```

### Arguments

otu.pc.transformed  
An OTU matrix of transformed data. Taxa are rows.

group.vector A vector of treatments.

### Value

Prints test results to the console.

### See Also

make\_comparisons

### Examples

```
# Transform species matrix to proportion;  
# Check variances for the first three species  
# in the dune data set grouped by Management.  
data(dune)  
data(dune.env)  
dune <- vegan::decostand(dune, method = "total")  
dune <- dune[, 1:3]  
dune <- t(dune)  
check_var(dune, dune.env$Management)
```

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cld_dunn	<i>CLDs from DUNN</i>
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**Description**

Generate compact letter displays from `Dunn.test` results

**Usage**

```
cld_dunn(dunn_rslt, significance = 0.05)
```

**Arguments**

<code>dunn_rslt</code>	The result of the function <code>dunn.test::dunn.test</code>
<code>significance</code>	The alpha level for statistical significance

**Value**

A character vector of CLDs - groups of significantly different treatment groups

**Examples**

```
# Example cribbed and modified from the kruskal.test documentation
x <- c(2.9, 3.0, 2.5, 2.6, 3.2) # normal subjects
y <- c(3.8, 2.7, 4.0, 2.4)     # with obstructive airway disease
z <- c(2.8, 3.4, 3.7, 2.2, 2.0) # with asbestosis
x <- c(x, y, z)
g <- factor(rep(1:3, c(5, 4, 5)),
            labels = c("Normal",
                      "COPD",
                      "Asbestosis"))
dunn_rslt <- dunn.test::dunn.test(x, g)
cld_dunn(dunn_rslt, significance = 0.05)
```

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cld_hsd	<i>Make CLD tibble from Tukey HSD Results</i>
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**Description**

Makes a tibble for adding compact letter assignments to a boxplot using `HSD.test` results.

**Usage**

```
cld_hsd(hsd_rslt, y_pos = "boxtop")
```

**Arguments**

hsd\_rslt            The result of the HSD.test function of package agricolae  
y\_pos              The y-position in relation to the boxplots. Choices are at the top of the box ("boxtop", the default) or at the maximum group value ("max").

**Details**

hsd\_rslt must be created with agricolae::HSD.test

**Value**

A tibble with columns for treatment groups (x), the y-positions of the treatment CLD (y), and the CLD letters indicating significantly different treatments.

**Examples**

```
data("iris")  
model <- lm(Petal.Length ~ Species, data = iris)  
hsd_rslt <- agricolae::HSD.test(model, trt="Species")  
cld_hsd(hsd_rslt)
```

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clear_warnings	<i>Clear Warnings</i>
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**Description**

Clears all warning messages from the base environment.

**Usage**

```
clear_warnings()
```

**Details**

Sometimes when working in the console R retains a list of warnings such that they keep being reported after the function call which originated them. This function removes them so that they are not a nuisance

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
clear_warnings()  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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comb	<i>comb</i>
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**Description**

Calculates the number of combinations of n things drawn r at a time.

**Usage**

```
comb(n, r, repetition = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

n	The total number of items.
r	The number of items to be drawn.
repetition	A logical, whether or not repetitions are allowed. FALSE by default.

**Value**

An integer giving the number of ways a set of r items can be drawn from a set of n items.

**Examples**

```
comb(5, 3)
comb(5, 3, repetition = TRUE)
```

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comp_assemble	<i>Assemble Comparison Parts</i>
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**Description**

Assembles Comparison Data Frame

**Usage**

```
comp_assemble(part1, part2, part3)
```

**Arguments**

part1	Result from comp_means_sd
part2	Result from comp_make_f_tests
part3	Result from comp_comparisons

**Value**

A summary data frame of differential abundances by taxon and treatment.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
See vignette  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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comp_comparisons	<i>Make Comparisons</i>
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**Description**

Calculates the treatment comparison portion of a table comparing relative abundances of each taxon among treatments.

**Usage**

```
comp_comparisons(  
  otu.pc,  
  otu.pc.trans,  
  grps,  
  p.adjust.method = "BH",  
  pool.sd = FALSE  
)
```

**Arguments**

otu.pc	An OTU table of percentages.
otu.pc.trans	An OTU table of transformed data.
grps	A vector of treatment groups for which to make comparisons.
p.adjust.method	Adjustment method for multiple comparisons.
pool.sd	A logical, whether or not to pool standard deviations.

**Value**

A data frame of differences in relative abundances among treatments.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
See vignette  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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comp_make_f_tests	<i>Make F Tests</i>
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**Description**

Calculates omnibus F tests to be included in a table comparing relative abundances of each taxon among treatments.

**Usage**

```
comp_make_f_tests(otu.pc.trans, grps, var.equal = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

otu.pc.trans	An OTU table of transformed data from comp_prepare_otu_table.
grps	A vector of treatment groups for which to make comparisons.
var.equal	Logical, whether or not to assume variances equal.

**Value**

A data frame of the F-test results.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
See vignette  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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comp_means_sd	<i>Calculate Means and Standard Deviations</i>
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**Description**

Calculates means and standard deviation for each taxon to be included in a table comparing relative abundances of each taxon among treatments.

**Usage**

```
comp_means_sd(otu.pc)
```

**Arguments**

otu.pc	An OTU table with data as percentages.
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**Details**

The OTU table should be created with comp\_prepare\_otu\_table.

**Value**

A data frame with means and standard deviations by taxon.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
See vignette  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

comp\_prepare\_otu\_table

*Prepare OTU Table*

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**Description**

Make OTU tables for making comparisons of relative abundances among treatments.

**Usage**

```
comp_prepare_otu_table(  
  expt.taxon.pc,  
  grps = "Treatment",  
  transformation = "sqrt_arc_sine"  
)
```

**Arguments**

`expt.taxon.pc` Phyloseq object from `comp_prepare_phyloseq` with percentages in the `otu_table`.  
`grps` Factor in sample data for which to make comparisons.  
`transformation` Transformation function to use.

**Details**

`transformation` may be "none" or a user-supplied function name in quotation marks or any of the built-in transformations("arc\_sine", "log\_arc\_sine", or "sqrt\_arc\_sine"). The "+sqrt\_arc\_sine" has generally proven most effective.

**Value**

A list consisting of an OTU table with percentages, an OTU table with transformed data, and a vector of treatment groups.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
See vignette  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

 comp\_prepare\_phyloseq *Prepare Phyloseq*


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**Description**

Prepares a phyloseq object for making comparisons of relative abundances among treatments.

**Usage**

```
comp_prepare_phyloseq(expt, taxrank = "Phylum", pc.filter = 0.01)
```

**Arguments**

expt	Experiment level phyloseq object.
taxrank	Taxonomic rank for which to make comparisons.
pc.filter	Minimum percentage of total counts to include rank in result.

**Details**

The `otu_table` in one of the returned objects has been transformed to percentages based on the original phyloseq object supplied. The taxa in both have been filtered to include only OTUs initially present at  $\geq$  `pc.filter` times the original total counts. For both only `taxrank` is included in the `tax_table`.

**Value**

A list of two modified experiemnt level phyloseq objects

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
See vignette

## End(Not run)
```

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 deg2rad                      *deg2rad*


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**Description**

Degrees to radians

**Usage**

```
deg2rad(x)
```

**Arguments**

x	Angle in degrees
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**Value**

Angle in radians.

**Examples**

```
deg2rad(90)
```

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format\_taxon

*Format a taxon*

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**Description**

Formats a taxon so that it will be properly italicized in a ggplot

**Usage**

```
format_taxon(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                    A string representing a phylum, class, etc.

**Details**

If a taxon begins with an upper case letter followed by lower case letters and does not contain an underscore, it is wrapped in asterisks. If it begins with an upper case letter followed by lower case letters and contains an underscore, the portion before the underscore is wrapped in asterisks, the underscore removed and any letters following the underscore left alone. If a taxon contains all upper case letters or digits it is not a proper taxon and is left alone.

**Value**

The string with asterisks properly inserted.

**Examples**

```
format_taxon("UAB")
format_taxon("Pseudomonas_B")
format_taxon("Pseudomonas")
```

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generate_password	<i>Generate a Password</i>
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**Description**

Generates a random character string of specified length.

**Usage**

```
generate_password(n, type = "alpha_numeric")
```

**Arguments**

n	Number of characters in password.
type	c("alpha_numeric", "anything_else")

**Details**

If type equals "alpha\_numeric" (the default), only alpha-numeric characters are used to generate the password. If type does not equal "alpha\_numeric" then at least one non-alpha-numeric symbol will be included in the password. In either case, the alpha characters used are both upper and lower case.

**Value**

A character string.

**Examples**

```
generate_password(8)
```

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get_groups	<i>get_groups</i>
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**Description**

Assign treatment groups based on pairwise t-tests.

**Usage**

```
get_groups(ptt.rslt, alpha = 0.05, rm.subset = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

ptt.rslt	Result from the stats function pairwise.t.test.
alpha	Confidence level.
rm.subset	A logical; remove group subsets if true.

## Details

This function aids in making letter assignments as to which treatments are significantly different. Also returns a square matrix of alpha values for all pairwise differences. This square matrix can serve as input to the multcompLetters function of the multcompView package which provides letter assignments. If rm.subset is FALSE, then groups such as {A,B} and {A, B, C} may be reported. This is redundant in the sense the {A, B} is a subset of {A, B, C}. In this case if rm.subset is FALSE, the group {A, B} is not reported.

## Value

A list consisting of groups of treatment groups that are not significantly different and a matrix of p values.

## See Also

make\_letter\_assignments

## Examples

```
attach(airquality)
Month <- factor(Month, labels = month.abb[5:9])
ptt.rslt <- pairwise.t.test(Ozone, Month)
detach(airquality)
get_groups(ptt.rslt, alpha = 0.05, rm.subset = FALSE)
```

---

get\_plot\_limits

*Get ggplot Plot Limits*

---

## Description

Gets the ranges for the width and height of a ggplot panel.

## Usage

```
get_plot_limits(plot)
```

## Arguments

plot                    A plot created with ggplot2

## Value

A list: xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax

## Examples

```
library(ggplot2)
data(iris)
plt <- ggplot(data=iris, aes(x=Species, y=Petal.Length)) + geom_boxplot()
get_plot_limits(plt)
```

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goods	<i>Calculate Good's Coverage</i>
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**Description**

Calculates Good's coverage from a community data matrix with samples as rows and OTUs as columns.

**Usage**

```
goods(com)
```

**Arguments**

com                    a vegan compatible community data matrix.

**Value**

A table with the headings number of singletons, number of sequences, and Good's coverage for each sample in rows.

**References**

Good, I. J. 1953. The Population Frequencies of Species and the Estimation of Population Parameters. *Biometrika* 40:237-264.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
goods(species_matrix)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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hash_dna_seqs	<i>Hash DNA sequences</i>
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**Description**

Renames sequences in a multi-fasta file with the MD5 hash of each sequence.

**Usage**

```
hash_dna_seqs(seqs)
```

**Arguments**

seqs                    A list of DNA sequences

**Details**

Taxa names for the ASV table returned by the R version of DADA2 are the sequences themselves. This function renames them with the MD5 hash of each sequences so that the results are directly comparable QIIME2/DADA2 results.

**Value**

DNA sequences renamed with their hashes.

**Examples**

```
seqs <- ">ASV1
AGTTTGATCATGGCTCAGATTGAACGCTGGCGGCAGGCCTAACACATGCAAGTCGAACGGTAACAGGAAG"
hash_dna_seqs(seqs)
```

---

its.root	<i>An Experiment Level phyloseq Object</i>
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**Description**

Based on ITS2 sequences amplified from corn roots.

**Usage**

```
its.root
```

**Format**

A phyloseq object with otu\_table, sample\_data and tax\_table. The sample\_data variables are:

**P** Phosporous level, H or L

**Genotype** One of three: 2, 3, and C

**Label** A code for treatments: 2HR, 2LR, 3HR, 3LR, CHR, CLR

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log_arc_sine	<i>log_arc_sine</i>
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**Description**

Log of the arc-sine Transfromation of a Percentage

**Usage**

```
log_arc_sine(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                      A percentage.

**Value**

The common logarithm of the arcsine transformation of x.

**Examples**

```
log_arc_sine(x = 30.1)
```

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 make\_comparisons

*Make Multiple Comparisons on Transformed Data*


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**Description**

Makes multiple comparisons of the relative abundances of taxa between treatment groups using the pairwise.t.test. Data may be transformed by a user supplied function. Three are included in this package.

**Usage**

```
make_comparisons(
  expt,
  taxrank = "Phylum",
  grps = "Treatment",
  transformation = "none",
  pc.filter = 0.01,
  p.adjust.method = "BH",
  pool.sd = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

expt	Experiment level phyloseq object.
taxrank	Rank for which to make comparisons.
grps	Factor in sample data for which to make comparisons.
transformation	Transformation function to use.
pc.filter	Minimum percentage of total counts to include rank in result.
p.adjust.method	Adjustment method for multiple comparisons.
pool.sd	Logical, whether or not to pool standard deviations.

**Details**

transformation may be "none" or a user-supplied function name in quotation marks or any of the built-it transformations ("arc\_sine", "log\_arc\_sine", or "sqrt\_arc\_sine"). The "sqrt\_arc\_sine" has generally proven most effective.

**Value**

A data frame with taxa as rows and results in columns.

**See Also**

arc\_sine, log\_arc\_sine, sqrt\_arc\_sine, check\_var

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
See vignette  
  
## End(Not run)
```

---

make\_letter\_assignments

*Make Letter Assignments*

---

**Description**

Makes letter assignments for treatment groups that are not significantly different.

**Usage**

```
make_letter_assignments(p tt.rs lt, significance = 0.05)
```

**Arguments**

ptt.rs.lt            Output from the pairwise.t.test function.  
significance        Alpha level to be declared a significant difference.

**Details**

Letter assignments are made using Piepho's algorithm.

**Value**

Lists of letter assignments.

**References**

Piepho, H. P. 2004. An algorithm for a letter-based representation of all-pairwise comparisons. *Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics* \*\*13\*\*:456-466.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
make_letter_assignments(p tt.rs.lt, significance = 0.05)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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merge_2_frames	<i>Merge Two Data Frames</i>
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**Description**

Merge two data frames by their row names.

**Usage**

```
merge_2_frames(one, two)
```

**Arguments**

one	A data frame.
two	A second data frame.

**Details**

Merges data frames by common row names. This function differs from `merge.data.frames` in that the merged data frame returned has row names and not a new column of the row names.

**Value**

A merged data frame.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
merge_2_frames(dataframe_1, dataframe_2)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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ord_labels	<i>Make Ordination Axis Labels</i>
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**Description**

Makes ordination axis labels that include, if appropriate, the % total variance explained by each axis.

**Usage**

```
ord_labels(ord)
```

**Arguments**

ord	A vegan ordination object.
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**Details**

If there are no eigenvalues in ord, or if any eigenvalues are less than 0, each element of the vector returned has the form "DIMn" where N is the axis number. Otherwise, each element of the vector returned has the form "AxisN xx.x%" where "Axis" is taken from the vector of eigenvalues in ord if they are named or simply "DIM" if they are not, N is the number of the axis, and xx.x is the % of total variance explained by the axis.

**Value**

A character vector, each element of which can be used to label the corresponding axis of an ordination plot.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
ord_labels(nmds_ordination)
ord_labels(pca_ordination)
ord_labels(pcoa_ordination))

## End(Not run)
```

---

pca\_labels

*Make PCA Axis Labels*

---

**Description**

Makes PCA axis labels that include the

**Usage**

```
pca_labels(pca)
```

**Arguments**

pca                    Object containig the results of vegan's rda function.

**Details**

Each element of the vector returned has the form "PCAn xx.x

**Value**

A character vector, each element of which can be used to label the corresponding axis of a PCA plot.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
pca_labels(pca_ordination)

## End(Not run)
```

---

perm	<i>Permutations</i>
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**Description**

Returns the number of permutations of n things taken r at a time.

**Usage**

```
perm(n, r, repetition = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

n	Total number of items.
r	Number of items drawn.
repetition	A logical, whether or not repetitions are allowed. FALSE by default.

**Value**

An integer giving how many ways m things can be drawn n at a time.

**Examples**

```
perm(10, 5)
perm(10, 5, repetition = TRUE)
```

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plot_df	<i>A Data File in Long Format</i>
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**Description**

Used in Case 3 of the vignette `make_comparisons`

**Usage**

```
plot_df
```

**Format**

A data file in long format used for a ggplot. The `sample_data` variables are:

**Treatment** A code for genotype (2, 3, or C), P level (H or L) and sample type (R)

**Family** One of the families in Gigasporaceae

**Percent** Percent of total counts for family and treatment combination.

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plot\_transition\_stats *Plot DADA2 Transition Stats*

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### Description

Extracts a QIIME2/DADA2 transition stats file and returns a plot

### Usage

```
plot_transition_stats(trans_stats.qza)
```

### Arguments

trans\_stats.qza  
The transitions stats file output by QIIME2 DADA2

### Details

Beginning with QIIME2 version 2025.7 the DADA2 plugin requires output of a compressed (qza) file of the transition stats. This function makes a ggplot plot from the data in that file. It is useful in determining how well DADA2 has corrected read errors.

### Value

A ggplot of the transition probabilities

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prop\_filter *Filter OTUs by Abundance*

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### Description

Allows subsetting of a phyloseq object according to the relative abundance of OTUs in a minimal number of samples. Returns a logical vector of OTUs that are at least  $n\%$  of the sequences in at least  $m$  samples.

### Usage

```
prop_filter(x, n, m)
```

### Arguments

x                    A phyloseq object.  
n                    Minimum percentage to keep OTU.  
m                    Minimum number of samples.

### Details

The function creates a logical vector to be used in subsetting a phyloseq object according to the relative abundance of OTUs in a given number of samples. For example, if  $n = 1$  and  $m = 2$ , then the OTUs to be kept must represent at least 1% of the sequences in at least 2 samples. The vector is then used as an argument to the phyloseq object 'prune\_taxa'.

**Value**

A logical vector of OTUs to keep.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
prop_filter(expt, 1, 5)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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QsRutils

*QsRutils: R Functions Useful for Community Ecology*

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**Description**

The QsRutils package contains functions I have written to make some aspects of using phyloseq and vegan simpler. I originally called the package MyRutils, but that does not make much sense if I am posting it publically!

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rad2deg

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**Description**

Radians to degrees

**Usage**

```
rad2deg(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                      Angle in radians

**Value**

Angle in degrees.

**Examples**

```
rad2deg(pi * 0.5)
```

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rda_labels	<i>Make RDA Axis Labels</i>
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**Description**

Makes RDA axis labels that include the

**Usage**

```
rda_labels(rda)
```

**Arguments**

rda                    Object that contains CCA result from vegan's rda function.

**Details**

Each element of the vector returned has the form "RDAn xx.x"

**Value**

A character vector, each element of which can be used to label the corresponding axis of an RDA plot.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
rda_labels(rda_ordination)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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root_phyloseq_tree	<i>Root Tree in phyloseq Object</i>
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**Description**

Roots an unrooted tree in a phyloseq object

**Usage**

```
root_phyloseq_tree(phylo)
```

**Arguments**

phylo                    A phyloseq object containing an unrooted tree

**Details**

The tree is rooted by the longest terminal branch.

**Value**

The same phyloseq object with a rooted tree

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
expt.rooted <- root_phyloseq_tree(expt.unrooted)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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se	<i>Standard error</i>
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**Description**

Calculates the standard error of a numeric vector

**Usage**

```
se(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                    A numeric vector

**Details**

NA values are ignored.

**Value**

The standard error of the numeric vector

**Examples**

```
x <- c(1,2,3,4,5, NA)  
se(x)
```

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sqrt_arc_sine	<i>sqrt_arc_sine</i>
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**Description**

Square Root of the arc-sine of a Percentage

**Usage**

```
sqrt_arc_sine(x)
```

**Arguments**

x	A percentage.
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**Value**

The square root of the arcsine transformation of x.

**Examples**

```
sqrt_arc_sine(30.1)
```

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srs_p	<i>srs_p</i>
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**Description**

Normalize sample counts using scaling with ranked subsampling (SRS)

**Usage**

```
srs_p(p)
```

**Arguments**

p	a phyloseq object containing an OTU table
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**Details**

This is an alternative to "rarefying" an OTU table to a constant sample size. The phyloseq object submitted must be pruned to the desired sample size before using this function.

**Value**

a phyloseq object including an OTU table, all sample sums equal.

**Author(s)**

John Quensen

## References

Beule L, Karlovsky P. Improved normalization of species count data in ecology by scaling with ranked subsampling (SRS): application to microbial communities. PeerJ. 2020;8:e9593.

## Examples

```
## Not run:  
srs_p(p)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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```
subset_by_refseq_lengths  
      Subset physeq by refseq lengths
```

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## Description

Subset physeq by refseq lengths

## Usage

```
subset_by_refseq_lengths(p, min_len = 252, max_len = 255)
```

## Arguments

p	An experiment level phyloseq object with reference sequences
min_len	The minimum reference sequence length to keep
max_len	The maximum references sequences length to keep

## Details

Sometimes, due to sequencing errors, reference sequences have lengths less than and/or greater than the expected amplicon length. This function offers an easy way of removing such extraneous reference sequences from an experiment level phyloseq object. The default values for min\_len and max\_len are fro the V4 region of the 16S rRNA gene.

## Value

A phyloseq object filtered to have reference sequences within the length range specified.

## Examples

```
## Not run:  
p <- subset_by_refseq_lengths(p)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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subset_dist	<i>Subset Distance Matrix</i>
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## Description

Subsets a distance matrix.

## Usage

```
subset_dist(physeq, d.matrix)
```

## Arguments

physeq	An experiment level phyloseq object.
d.matrix	A distance matrix.

## Details

Some distance matrices take a long time to calculate for large data sets. This is especially true of unifracs and generalized unifracs distances calculated by GUniFrac. If distances are first calculated from data in a large experiment level phyloseq object and then it is desired to perform PERMANOVA (with adonis) on a subset of that object, this function provides a means of sub-setting the distance matrix so that it does not have to be calculated again for the subset data. The arguments are the distance matrix for the original phyloseq object and the smaller phyloseq object subset from the original.

## Value

A distance matrix of smaller dimensions.

## References

Chen J, Bittinger K, Charlson ES et al. (2012) Associating microbiome composition with environmental covariates using generalized UniFrac distances. *Bioinformatics*, 28, 2106-2113.

## Examples

```
otu <- veganotu(its.root)
d <- vegdist(otu)
d
str(d)
p <- subset_samples(its.root, P_Location == "LR")
d_sub <- QsRutils::subset_dist(p, d)
str(d_sub)
```

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veganotu	<i>Extract Vegan OTU Table</i>
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**Description**

Extracts a vegan compatible OTU table from a phyloseq object.

**Usage**

```
veganotu(physeq)
```

**Arguments**

physeq            A phyloseq object containing at least an OTU table.

**Value**

A matrix with samples in rows and OTUs in columns.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
veganotu(physeq)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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vegansam	<i>Extract Sample Data Table</i>
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**Description**

Extracts a sample data table from a phyloseq object.

**Usage**

```
vegansam(physeq)
```

**Arguments**

physeq            A phyloseq object containing sample\_data.

**Value**

A data frame with samples in rows and factors and/or variables in columns.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
vegansam(physeq)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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vegan_stand	<i>Standardize a Phyloseq OTU Table</i>
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**Description**

Applies any vegan decostand standardization method to a phyloseq OTU table.

**Usage**

```
vegan_stand(physeq, method = "hellinger", ...)
```

**Arguments**

physeq	A phyloseq object containing at least an OTU table.
method	A method from vegan's decostand function.
...	Other parameters passed to vegan's decostand function.

**Value**

Returns a phyloseq object with transformed OTU table.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
veganstand(expt, method = "hellinger")

## End(Not run)
```

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%wo%	<i>Remove elements from a vector</i>
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**Description**

Removes elements present in 'y' from 'x'.

**Usage**

```
x %wo% y
```

**Arguments**

x	A vector.
y	A vector of elements to remove from 'x'.

**Value**

A vector containing elements of 'x' that are not in 'y'.

`%wo%`

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### **Examples**

```
c(1, 2, 3, 4, 5) %wo% c(2, 4)
letters[1:5] %wo% c("b", "d")
```

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