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See Also

Useful links:

- <https://klausvigo.github.io/tanggle>
- <https://github.com/KlausVigo/tanggle>
- Report bugs at <https://github.com/KlausVigo/tanggle/issues>

geom_splitnet

geom_splitnet

Description

add splitnet layer

Usage

```
geom_splitnet(layout = "slanted", ...)
```

Arguments

layout	one of 'rectangular', 'slanted', 'circular', 'radial' or 'unrooted'
...	additional parameter

Value

splitnet layer

Author(s)

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Examples

```
data(yeast, package='phangorn')
dm <- phangorn::dist.ml(yeast)
nnet <- phangorn::neighborNet(dm)
ggplot(nnet, aes(x, y)) + geom_splitnet() + theme_tree()
```

ggevonet

*ggevonet***Description**

drawing phylogenetic tree from phylo object

Usage

```
ggevonet(tr, mapping = NULL, layout = "slanted", mrsd = NULL,
  as.Date = FALSE, yscale = "none", yscale_mapping = NULL,
  ladderize = FALSE, right = FALSE, branch.length = "branch.length",
  ndigits = NULL, min_crossing = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

tr	a evonet object
mapping	aes mapping
layout	one of 'rectangular', 'slanted'
mrsd	most recent sampling date
as.Date	logical whether using Date class in time tree
yscale	y scale
yscale_mapping	yscale mapping for category variable
ladderize	logical
right	logical
branch.length	variable for scaling branch, if 'none' draw cladogram
ndigits	number of digits to round numerical annotation variable
min_crossing	logical, rotate clades to minimize crossings
...	additional parameter

Value

tree

Author(s)

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See Also

[evonet](#), [ggtree](#)

Examples

```
(enet <- ape::read.evonet(text='((a:2,(b:1)#H1:1):1,(#H1,c:1):2);'))
ggevonet(enet) + geom_tiplab()
```

`ggsplitnet`*ggsplitnet*

Description

drawing phylogenetic tree from phylo object

Usage

```
ggsplitnet(tr, mapping = NULL, layout = "slanted", mrsd = NULL,  
  as.Date = FALSE, yscale = "none", yscale_mapping = NULL,  
  ladderize = FALSE, right = FALSE, branch.length = "branch.length",  
  ndigits = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>tr</code>	a network object
<code>mapping</code>	aes mapping
<code>layout</code>	so far only 'slanted' is supported.
<code>mrsd</code>	most recent sampling date
<code>as.Date</code>	logical whether using Date class in time tree
<code>yscale</code>	y scale
<code>yscale_mapping</code>	yscale mapping for category variable
<code>ladderize</code>	logical
<code>right</code>	logical
<code>branch.length</code>	variable for scaling branch, if 'none' draw cladogram
<code>ndigits</code>	number of digits to round numerical annotation variable
<code>...</code>	additional parameter

Value

tree

Author(s)

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References

Schliep, K., Potts, A. J., Morrison, D. A. and Grimm, G. W. (2017), Intertwining phylogenetic trees and networks. *Methods Ecol Evol.* **8**, 1212–1220. doi:10.1111/2041-210X.12760

See Also

[ggtree](#), [networkx](#), [consensusNet](#), [neighborNet](#)

Examples

```
data(yeast, package='phangorn')
dm <- phangorn::dist.ml(yeast)
nnet <- phangorn::neighborNet(dm)
ggsplitnet(nnet) + geom_tiplab2()
```

minimize_overlap

minimize_overlap reduces reticulation lines crossing over in plots

Description

minimize_overlap reduces reticulation lines crossing over in plots

Usage

```
minimize_overlap(x)
```

Arguments

x Tree of class 'evonet'

Value

A Tree with rotated nodes of class 'evonet'

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Examples

```
fishnet <- ape::read.evonet(text='(Xalvarezi,Xmayae,((Xsignum,((Xmonticolus,
(Xclemenciae_F2,#H25)),(((((((Xgordoni,Xmeyer),Xcouchianus),Xvariatus),
Xvelynae),(Xxiphidium,#H24)),Xmilleri),Xandersi),Xmaculatus),((Xmontezumae,
(Xcortez),Xbirmanni_GARC,Xmalinche_CHIC2))),((Xnigrens, Xmultilineatus),
(Xpygmaeus,Xcontinens))))#H24)),(Xhellerii)#H25));')
fishnet$edge.length <- NULL
new_tre <- minimize_overlap(fishnet)

par(mfrow=c(1,2))
ggevonet(fishnet, min_crossing = FALSE)
ggevonet(new_tre)

net2 <- ape::read.evonet(text='(15,(1,((14,((H1,(((12,13),(11,#H3)),(7,
((10)#H3,(8,9)))))),((((2,3))#H2,(6,(5,((H2,4))))#H1)))));')
# Cui et al. 2013 Evol.
new_net2 <- minimize_overlap(net2)
ggevonet(net2, min_crossing = FALSE)
ggevonet(new_net2)
```

node_depth_evonet	<i>Depth of Nodes</i>
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Description

These functions return the depths or heights of nodes and tips.

Usage

```
node_depth_evonet(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x	an object of class 'evonet'
...	Further arguments passed to or from other methods.

Value

a vector with the depth of the nodes

See Also

[node.depth](#)

Examples

```
z <- ape::read.evonet(text = '((1,((2,(3,(4)Y#H1)g)e,
(((Y#H1, 5)h,6)f)X#H2)c)a,((X#H2,7)d,8)b)r;')
nd <- node_depth_evonet(z)
z$edge.length <- nd[z$edge[,1]] - nd[z$edge[,2]]
ggevonet(z)
```

swap_hybrid_minor	<i>swap_hybrid_minor</i>
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Description

Swapping the minor edges of an evonet object

Usage

```
swap_hybrid_minor(x, hybrid_nodes, node_times = NULL)
```

Arguments

x	evonet object
hybrid_nodes	a vector of hybrid nodes to have their minor edges swapped
node_times	an optional argument with node times

Value

network

Examples

```
(enet <- ape::read.evonet(text='((a:2,(b:1)#H1:1):1,(#H1,c:1):2);'))  
ggevonet(enet) + geom_tiplab()  
swapped_enet<-swap_hybrid_minor(enet,6)  
ggevonet(swapped_enet) + geom_tiplab()
```


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