

# Package ‘pathRender’

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Rgraphviz.

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coloredGraph-class      *Class "coloredGraph"*

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### Description

a graph to which color attributes have been attached

### Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form `new("coloredGraph", nodes, edgeL, edgemode)`. these are `graphNEL` instances with some additional `graphData`

### Slots

nodes: Object of class "vector" ~~  
 edgeL: Object of class "list" ~~  
 edgeData: Object of class "attrData" ~~  
 nodeData: Object of class "attrData" ~~  
 renderInfo: Object of class "renderInfo" ~~  
 graphData: Object of class "list" ~~

### Extends

Class "[graphNEL-class](#)", directly. Class "[graph-class](#)", by class "graphNEL", distance 2.

### Methods

**plot** signature(x = "coloredGraph"): ...

### Examples

```
showClass("coloredGraph")
example(randomGraph)
nn = nodes(g1)
x = runif(length(nn))
names(x) = nn
h1 = colorNodes(g1, x, colorRampPalette(brewer.pal(9, "Blues"))(length(nn)),
  pwayRendAttrs)
h1
plot(h1)
```

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colorNodes	<i>attach node coloring information to a graphNEL instance</i>
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## Description

attach node coloring information to a graphNEL instance

## Usage

```
colorNodes(g, nodeAss, pal, attgen)
```

## Arguments

<code>g</code>	graphNEL instance
<code>nodeAss</code>	color map for nodes: vector with elements evaluating to colors and nodes as element names
<code>pal</code>	a palette (use <code>colorRampPalette</code> for color interpolation)
<code>attgen</code>	attribute generating function – <code>pwayRendAttrs</code> is prototype

## Value

a graphNEL instance with additional rendering data

## Author(s)

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## Examples

```
example(randomGraph)
nn = nodes(g1)
x = runif(length(nn))
names(x) = nn
h1 = colorNodes(g1, x, colorRampPalette(brewer.pal(9, "Blues"))(length(nn)),
  pwayRendAttrs)
h1
```

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graphcMAP *obtain a graph object corresponding to a cMAP pathway*

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### Description

obtain a graph object corresponding to a cMAP pathway

### Usage

```
graphcMAP(pname)
```

### Arguments

pname            character token identifying a KEGG or cMAP pathway

### Details

reuses code from pathRender but emits a [graphNEL-class](#) instance with some additional information for rendering

### Value

an instance of pwayGraph, which extends graphNEL

### Author(s)

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### Examples

```
G1 = graphcMAP("p53pathway")
G1
nodes(G1)
if (require(Rgraphviz)) plot(G1)
```

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plotExGraph *plot a gene network, coloring nodes according to relative expression values*

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### Description

plot a gene network, coloring nodes according to relative expression values

### Usage

```
plotExGraph(g, es, sampind=1, pal=colorRampPalette(brewer.pal(9, "Blues"))(length(nodes(g))), attgen=
```

**Arguments**

g	graph representing a gene network
es	an ExpressionSet instance
sampind	sample to be used to obtain relative expression values
pal	palette for coloring the nodes
attgen	attribute generating function

**Details**

plots a colored network on the current graphics display

**Value**

as returned by Rgraphviz plot method for graphNEL instances

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**Examples**

```
library(graph)
data(pancrCaIni)
library(ALL)
data(ALL)
library(hgu95av2.db)
collap1 = reduceES( ALL, nodes(pancrCaIni), revmap(hgu95av2SYMBOL), "symbol", mean )
library(RColorBrewer)
plotExGraph( pancrCaIni, collap1, 1 )
```

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pwayGraph-class

*Class "pwayGraph" – extension to graphNEL for pathway rendering*

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**Description**

extension to graphNEL for pathway rendering

**Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created by calls of the form `new("pwayGraph", nodes, edgeL, edgemode)`.

There is a plot method that will work reasonably well if the plotting surface is big enough.

**Slots**

**pwaySource:** Object of class "character" KEGG or BIOCARTA  
**nodes:** Object of class "vector" pathway constituents in the native vocabulary  
**edgeL:** Object of class "list" constituent relations in the native vocabulary  
**edgeData:** Object of class "attrData" relationship attributes  
**nodeData:** Object of class "attrData" node attributes  
**renderInfo:** Object of class "renderInfo" render info  
**graphData:** Object of class "list" this holds the special rendering attributes for edges and nodes, for nodes it seems particularly important to have fixedsize = FALSE

**Extends**

Class `graphNEL-class`, directly. Class `graph-class`, by class "graphNEL", distance 2.

**Methods**

**plot** signature(x = "pwayGraph"): renders the pathway

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**Examples**

```

showClass("pwayGraph")
G1 = graphcMAP("stresspathway")
G1@graphData$attrs$labels[1:10]

```

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reduceES

*collapse the assay values in an ExpressionSet to a set of specified genes, using a statistic when multiple probes map to a given gene*

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**Description**

collapse the assay values in an ExpressionSet to a set of specified genes, using a statistic when multiple probes map to a given gene

**Usage**

```
reduceES(es, annovect, ann2featMap, pdvname="symbol", collapseFun=NULL)
```

**Arguments**

es	ExpressionSet instance
annovec	genes to retain
ann2featMap	either an AnnDbBimap from AnnotationDbi (typically constructed with revmap()), or a named vector mapping from symbols to probe set IDs
pdvname	featureData variable name to be used to hold the annotations of variables kept
collapseFun	statistical function for collapsing data across probes mapping to the same gene

**Value**

An ExpressionSet instance limited to genes in annovec, condensed if necessary using collapseFun to get one number per gene from multiple probes

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**Examples**

```
library(ALL)
data(ALL)
library(hgu95av2.db)
rr = revmap(hgu95av2SYMBOL)
exprs(reduceES(ALL[,1:3], c("BCL2", "CPNE1"), rr, "sym", mean))
```

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rendercMAPPathway      *Render pathways from cMAP*

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**Description**

Build graphs based on pathway or interaction data from cMAP database, render them using Rgraphviz.

**Usage**

```
rendercMAPPathway(pname, ino=0)
```

**Arguments**

pname	name of the pathway to render
ino	index of the interaction in the given pathway to render

**Details**

For a given pathway in cMAP database, we build a subgraph for each interaction in the pathway, join them together to form the graph for the complete pathway. The subgraphs for interactions and the graph for the pathway include info for rendering, such as labels/shapes/fillcolors for nodes, colors/styles/weights for edges. If user specifies an index of interaction, only the interaction is rendered. Otherwise, the complete pathway is rendered.

**Value**

None. A graphical output is presented.

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**Examples**

```
rendercMAPPPathway("plateletappathway")  
rendercMAPPPathway("plateletappathway", 5)  
rendercMAPPPathway("hsa00601")  
rendercMAPPPathway("hsa00601", 10)
```

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