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anchors	<i>Display the anchors of a circumplex instrument</i>
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Description

Display the anchors of a circumplex instrument including the total number of anchors and each anchor’s numerical value and text label. Anchors are the response options that respondents select from (e.g., 0 = No, 1 = Yes).

Usage

anchors(x)

Arguments

x Required. An object of the instrument class.

Value

The same input object. Prints text to console.

See Also

Other instrument functions: [instruments\(\)](#), [items\(\)](#), [norms\(\)](#), [scales\(\)](#)

Examples

```
anchors(csip)
```

angle_unwrap

Unwrap a sequence of angles onto a continuous branch

Description

Unwrap a temporally ordered sequence of angular displacements (e.g., one displacement per measurement wave) onto a continuous numeric branch, so that a trajectory drifting across the 0/360 boundary becomes a smooth sequence suitable for linear growth modeling. Each input is first wrapped to [0, 360) (any real numbers are accepted); the output then starts at the first wave's wrapped value and accumulates the shortest signed rotation between successive waves, so successive values never differ by more than 180 degrees. For example, `c(350, 10, 30)` unwraps to `c(350, 370, 390)`.

Usage

```
angle_unwrap(x)
```

Arguments

x A numeric vector of angles in degrees, in temporal order. Any real values are accepted and are wrapped to [0, 360) first.

Details

Two conventions are pinned. An exact 180-degree step is directionally ambiguous; it is resolved as +180 (ascending), matching the package's contrast convention of reporting an exact half-turn as +180. A missing wave makes every subsequent step branch-ambiguous, so NA propagates from the missing wave onward rather than silently bridging the gap.

Unwrapping assumes the sequence really does move by less than a half-turn between successive waves; when the truth moves faster than the sampling (or persons occupy heterogeneous locations with no common branch), the unwrapped branch is wrong without warning. See the package's growth modeling vignette for these failure modes and the bivariate (x, y) alternative that avoids them.

Value

A plain numeric vector of the same length: the unwrapped angles in degrees on a continuous branch anchored at the first wave's wrapped value. Values may legitimately fall outside [0, 360); the LM = 360 reporting convention applies to displacements, not to the unwrapped branch (an input of 360 anchors at 0).

Examples

```
angle_unwrap(c(350, 10, 30))  
angle_unwrap(c(10, 350, 330))  
angle_unwrap(c(350, NA, 30))
```

aw2009*Standardized octant scores on hypothetical circumplex scales*

Description

A small example dataset containing standardized scores on eight hypothetical circumplex scales. Taken from Wright, Pincus, Conroy, & Hilsenroth (2009).

Usage

```
aw2009
```

Format

A data frame with 5 observations and 8 variables:

PA circumplex scale at 90 degrees

BC circumplex scale at 135 degrees

DE circumplex scale at 180 degrees

FG circumplex scale at 225 degrees

HI circumplex scale at 270 degrees

JK circumplex scale at 315 degrees

LM circumplex scale at 360 degrees

NO circumplex scale at 45 degrees

Source

[doi:10.1080/00223890902935696](https://doi.org/10.1080/00223890902935696)

axes_reliability	<i>Reliability of the circumplex axes (Strack, Jacobs & Grosse Holtforth, 2013)</i>
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Description

Estimate the reliability (and standard error of measurement) of the two circumplex axes of an instrument with the item-level restricted tau-equivalent CFA of Strack, Jacobs, and Grosse Holtforth (2013). The model decomposes each item's variance into orthogonal components – a general factor, the two circumplex axes, scale specificity, block specificity for a blockwise instrument, and item specificity – and reads the axes' reliability off the isolated axes-variance component with the Spearman-Brown formula. It is a confirmatory, item-level complement to `fit_structure()`'s exploratory scale-level criteria.

Usage

```
axes_reliability(
  data = NULL,
  items,
  angles = NULL,
  instrument = NULL,
  cormat = NULL,
  n = NULL,
  blocks = NULL,
  sd = "std",
  missing = c("listwise", "fiml")
)
```

Arguments

<code>data</code>	A data frame (or matrix) containing the circumplex items. Supply exactly one of <code>data</code> or <code>cormat</code> .
<code>items</code>	Item selection. With <code>instrument</code> , a character vector of column names (or numeric indices) giving all items in item-number order, as in <code>score()</code> . Without <code>instrument</code> , a list with one element per scale, each a character vector (or numeric indices) of that scale's item columns.
<code>angles</code>	A numeric vector of the scales' angles in degrees (one per scale), required for the explicit map and forbidden with <code>instrument</code> (which supplies its own). Must be equally spaced around the circle, at any rotation, with at least four scales; <code>octants()</code> gives the canonical eight. Angles outside $[0, 360)$ are reduced onto their circumplex positions, so 0 and 360 name the same position.
<code>instrument</code>	Optional. A <code>circumplex_instrument</code> object supplying the scale angles and item membership (<code>Scales\$Angle</code> , <code>Scales\$Items</code>).
<code>cormat</code>	An item correlation matrix (the matrix-input path), symmetric with a unit diagonal and positive definite, with <code>dimnames</code> naming the items. Supply exactly one of <code>data</code> or <code>cormat</code> .

n	For the cormat path, the sample size (number of observations) the correlation matrix was computed from. Required with cormat, and not accepted with data (which carries its own).
blocks	Optional. For a blockwise instrument, a list with one element per administration block, each a character vector (or numeric indices) of that block's item columns – the same shape items takes for scales. The blocks must partition the items: every item in exactly one block. Supplying them adds the block-specificity component to the model; see "Blockwise instruments" below.
sd	The scale for the standard error of measurement: "std" (the default) reports the z-standardized SEM $\sqrt{1 - \text{reliability}}$; "raw" uses each axis composite's observed raw SD; or a numeric vector (length 1, recycled, or length 2 for the X and Y axes) of axis SDs. A supplied numeric SD must be finite and positive; anything else is refused rather than carried into the reported SEM.
missing	How item-level missing data are handled on the data path: "listwise" (the default; complete cases only) or "fiml" (full-information maximum likelihood, via lavaan's <code>missing = "ml"</code>), which uses every respondent who answered at least one item. Not available with cormat, which carries no missing cells.

Details

The model is fit to the item **correlation** matrix (the items are z-standardized) as a flat fixed-links CFA: every item loads on the two axes with fixed cosine weights, on a general factor with weight one, on its scale's specificity factor with weight one, and – when blocks are supplied and identified – on its block's specificity factor with weight one; the two axis variances are held equal (the circumplex "no preferred rotation" axiom), every scale-specificity variance shares one value and every block-specificity variance shares one value, while item errors stay free (tau-equivalent). Only the axes-variance component feeds reliability.

The Nunnally-Bernstein axis reliability (`nb_reliability`) is reported alongside for comparison: it **overestimates** axis reliability when scale specificity is large, because it charges scale-specificity variance to the axis rather than isolating it (Strack et al. 2013, Figure 3). It needs each scale's coefficient alpha, which is undefined for a scale carrying a single item, so it is reported as NA with a stated reason whenever any scale has fewer than two items – as Strack et al. themselves do, leaving it blank for such instruments.

Because the model is fit to the item **correlation** matrix as if it were a covariance matrix (the paper's own practice), the component point estimates and the reliabilities are correct, and both the component standard errors and the global test statistic are **corrected** for that metric (Cudeck, 1989; Satorra & Bentler, 1994). Results are reported **per axis** (X and Y): for a balanced instrument the two axes carry the same axes-variance estimate and differ only through `item_n`.

What the correction does. Normal-theory maximum likelihood prices its standard errors for a sample **covariance** input, while this estimator consumes a sample **correlation** matrix, whose diagonal cannot vary at all and whose off-diagonal cells are less variable than the corresponding covariances. Left uncorrected, that mismatch **overstates** sampling variability by about 40% for an instrument whose axes carry a lot of variance (an axes variance of .35), and **understates** it slightly for weak-axes, strong-general instruments – so it could not be stated honestly by any fixed caveat, because it changes sign across the range of instruments this function accepts. The reported SEs are therefore adjusted to the correlation metric and are calibrated uncertainty, not order-of-magnitude guidance. They are typically **smaller** than the standard errors printed in Strack et al. (2013), whose LISREL

values carry the uncorrected approximation. Point estimates, reliabilities, and SEM are unchanged by the correction. What lavaan reported before it is kept in `details$se_uncorrected`.

The global test statistic carries the same mismatch in the other direction, and is corrected too. Left alone it is too **small** – fit is flattered, because the sample correlations the estimator consumes vary less than the covariances the reference chi-square is derived for. `chisq`, `pvalue`, `rmsea` and `cfi` are therefore reported as Satorra-Bentler-type **scaled** values, `chisq` divided by a factor computed at the fitted matrix (Satorra & Bentler, 1994), with `cfi` additionally scaling its own baseline model. The factor is not a constant: it is recomputed for every fit, which is the point – the size of the distortion depends on the instrument. `df` and `srmr` are **unchanged**, being a count of restrictions and a residual summary rather than test statistics with a reference distribution. What lavaan reported before the scaling is kept in `details$fit_uncorrected`, and the two factors in `details$scaling_factor`.

One thing the scaling is **not**: it is not a robustness correction for non-normal data. The factor is computed under normal theory throughout, and it corrects one thing only – that the estimator consumes a sample correlation matrix where normal-theory maximum likelihood prices a sample covariance matrix. It does not license the model against skewed or heavy-tailed items, and it is unrelated to the Satorra-Bentler scaled statistics reported by `ssm_sem()`'s robust estimators, which correct for non-normality on the covariance metric.

The scaled statistic matches its reference chi-square in **mean**; it is not exact, and it does not make a badly misspecified model fit. If the factor cannot be computed, all four are NA with the reason in `details$fit_scaling_failed` – never the uncorrected value in their place. One refusal is shared with the component-SE correction, under one stated criterion evaluated in the metric the reported numbers are computed in: a fitted covariance matrix whose correlation form `cov2cor()` is degenerate is refused by both surfaces. Which degeneracies those are is settled in two steps. A matrix whose smallest eigenvalue, relative to its largest, falls at or below $\sqrt{p \cdot \text{Machine\$double.eps} / 1e-5}$ is not refused for that alone; it is *checked*. The check replays this fit's own arithmetic in roughly 31-digit precision and estimates the relative error the numbers it produced actually carry – three of them: the corrected standard errors, the factor the scaled statistics are divided by, and the ratio that multiplies the reported standard error on the `missing = "fiml"` path. The fit computes whenever the WORST of those three is within the accuracy target $1e-4$. Of the reachable geometries measured below the floor, all but one committed counterexample estimate around $1e-11$ and compute. A fit whose worst estimate exceeds the target, or that the check cannot price at all, is refused as "uncertified", and its warning names that same worst estimate. The three are read as one because both surfaces refuse as a unit, so a fit on any path can be refused on the FIML ratio's estimate even where that ratio is not part of what it reports. That $1e-5$ in the floor is not itself the tolerance: it is the accuracy target $1e-4$, the largest relative error a reported standard error may carry, divided by the factor of 10 by which the floor's a-priori error bound may undershoot the error it stands for. The accuracy target is set from two channels that do not depend on the sample size – the resolution the standard errors are printed at, and the coverage of a nominal 95% Wald interval – and is corroborated by a third, the standard error's own sampling variability, under which a numerical error at the target is about a tenth of the statistical noise already in the number for a typical design (relative sampling coefficient $a = 1/\sqrt{2}$) at n up to about $5e5$. That endpoint scales as $1e6 \cdot a^2$, so at the least favorable geometry measured, $a = 0.045$, it falls to n of about $2e3$ – below the n of about $1e4$ typical of published circumplex correlation matrices. Above whichever endpoint the design's own coefficient sets, the guarantee is the fixed target alone, not noise dominance. The derivation and the premises it rests on are stated beside the constant in the source. The refusal says which degeneracy happened: "indefinite" when the smallest eigenvalue is decisively negative (below $-\lambda_{\max} \cdot \sqrt{p \cdot \text{Machine\$double.eps}}$) – beyond the fit's own numerical noise band, so it is a statement about the model, which no arithmetic check can

license), "singular" when the matrix carries non-finite entries or a nonpositive fitted variance, and "uncertified" when the per-fit check could not place this fit's numbers inside the accuracy target – roundoff-level negativity, exact singularity and severe ill-conditioning all arrive here (a numerical caution). Either way the corrected standard errors and the four scaled statistics go NA together (each with its own warning naming that reason) rather than one surface refusing while the other silently scales. The standard-error surface additionally applies the same criterion to the raw fitted matrix, which one internal arm of its computation – the uncorrected normal-theory pricing, kept only as a diagnostic tie to lavaan's own standard errors – inverts. A matrix degenerate only in the raw metric (wildly unequal fitted variances over a well-conditioned correlation structure) refuses that internal arm alone: the reported standard errors and scaled fit statistics all compute – `details$sse_correction_failed` and `details$fit_scaling_failed` are both NULL, and no warning or note fires, because every reported number is present and priced in the metric the criterion cleared – and the internal refusal is recorded, silently, in `details$naive_reason` under the same reason vocabulary. Under the shared criterion the two surfaces' user-facing refusals therefore agree exactly: whatever the criterion refuses for the scaled statistics it refuses for the standard errors with the same reason, and nothing the raw metric alone refuses touches either. (Each surface retains its own refusals outside the criterion – the saturated-model door below touches only the fit statistics, and either surface's internal computation can still refuse on its own.) On a unit-diagonal fitted matrix the two metrics coincide. Separately, a saturated model ($df = 0$) is refused as "saturated" before any scaling arithmetic runs – a refusal that touches only the four scaled statistics; the corrected standard errors still compute. (A $df = 0$ fit is reachable today only at the internal helpers' documented contract boundary: `axes_reliability()` itself refuses the three-item maps that could saturate.) `df` and `srmr` still report.

If you cross-check against lavaan, match the variant. The scaled `chisq`, `pvalue`, `rmsea` and `cfi` here are built with the definitions lavaan calls `chisq.scaled`, `pvalue.scaled`, `rmsea.scaled` and `cfi.scaled` – the mean-adjusted Satorra-Bentler forms, `cfi` scaling its baseline term as well as its model term. They are **not** the `*.robust` forms (`cfi.robust`, `rmsea.robust`), which apply the Brosseau-Liard/Savalei adjustment and give different numbers from the same inputs. And because the model is estimated with plain maximum likelihood, the scaling being applied here rather than by lavaan, `fitMeasures()` on an equivalent fit reports the **uncorrected** values – those in `details$fit_uncorrected` – under the bare names `chisq`, `pvalue`, `rmsea` and `cfi`. It reports no `*.scaled` or `*.robust` measure at all on such a fit: lavaan supplies those only for a genuinely scaled estimator such as "MLM" or "MLR", and silently returns a shorter vector when asked for one it does not have. So a cross-check against lavaan's bare `cfi` will disagree with `$fit$cfi`, a request for `cfi.robust` will come back empty rather than disagreeing, and neither outcome is a defect. `details$baseline` and `details$scaling_factor` carry what you need to rebuild the reported values yourself.

Value

An object of class `circumplex_axes_reliability` with `print()` and `summary()` methods: `results` (one row per axis: the axes variance, `item_n`, reliability, SEM, Nunnally-Bernstein reliability, and boundary flag), `components` (the estimated variance components with SEs – four rows by default, three when scale specificity was dropped, five when block specificity was fitted), `fit` (global fit indices), and `details` (including `zeta1_fitted` and `zeta2_fitted`, whether scale and block specificity were in the model, `blocks`, the block labels when a block map was supplied, `nb_reason`, why the Nunnally-Bernstein comparison is NA, missing, which missing-data treatment lavaan actually used, `n_complete`, the complete-case count, `min_coverage`, the fewest respondents behind

any item pair, `se_uncorrected`, the component standard errors as normal-theory maximum likelihood reports them before the correlation-structure correction, `se_correction_failed`, NULL when that correction succeeded or a string naming why the reported SEs are NA – notably the shared degeneracy criterion’s two literals (evaluated on `cov2cor()` of the fitted covariance matrix; the eigenvalue floor $\sqrt{p \times \text{Machine\$double.eps} / 1e-5}$) decides which fits are *checked* by the per-fit accuracy check rather than which are refused, where the $1e-5$ is the $1e-4$ accuracy target divided by the floor’s factor-of-10 calibration ceiling, and the target’s noise-dominance reading is calibrated for n up to about $5e5$ at a typical design ($a = 1/\sqrt{2}$) and only to about $2e3$ at the least favorable geometry measured ($a = 0.045$): “indefinite” for a decisively negative smallest eigenvalue (below $-\text{lambda_max} \times \sqrt{p \times \text{Machine\$double.eps}}$), a statement about the model, and “uncertified” where the check could not place this fit’s numbers inside the accuracy target, a numerical caution whose warning names the estimated relative error – which also sets `fit_scaling_failed` when the shared criterion is what tripped it – `naive_reason`, NULL unless the internal uncorrected arm (the diagnostic tie to lavaan’s own standard errors) was refused while every reported number computed, whether by the same criterion evaluated on the raw fitted matrix or by that arm’s own pricing (“singular”, “unidentified”, “indefinite”, and “ill_conditioned” – the raw arm is refused by the floor itself and never reaches the per-fit check, so this is the one field on which that literal still appears); it is deliberately silent – no warning or printed note accompanies it – `fit_uncorrected`, the six fit statistics as lavaan reports them before the correlation-metric scaling, `scaling_factor`, the two Satorra-Bentler factors (model and baseline), and `fit_scaling_failed`, NULL when the scaling succeeded or a string naming why `chisq`, `pvalue`, `rmsea` and `cfi` are NA). `details` also carries `n_moments`, the number of distinct analyzed moments $p^* = p(p+1)/2$, and `baseline`, the independence model’s **unscaled** `chisq` and `df`. Those two, with `fit$chisq`, `fit$df` and the baseline element of `scaling_factor` – five inputs, since the baseline chi-square must be scaled by its own factor before it is used – reproduce the reported `cfi`. Note that `details$baseline` and the baseline element of `details$scaling_factor` are different quantities that share a name: the first is a chi-square and `df` pair, the second a scaling factor. `fit` carries `chisq`, `df`, `pvalue`, `rmsea`, `cfi` and `srmr`; the four chi-square-derived values are scaled and `df` and `srmr` are not. Three sample sizes sit beside each other in `details` and are not interchangeable. `n` is the one the fit was priced at – the number of rows the estimator was actually handed, after listwise deletion or after dropping rows with no observed item, and the `n` you supplied on the correlation-matrix path. It is the `N` to divide `n_moments` by when locating a fit on the calibration table in `vignette("axes-reliability")`. `n_total` is the number of rows supplied before any of that, and `n_complete` the number answering every item. `n_complete` and `min_coverage` are present on every path so that a caller can read them unconditionally, and are NA where they carry no information: `min_coverage` outside `missing = "fiml"`, and both of them when a correlation matrix was supplied in place of raw data.

How well calibrated is the test, and at what sample size

The scaling fixes the metric error, and the χ^2 test built on it is asymptotically exact: its rejection rate approaches the nominal α as the number of distinct moments $p^* = p(p+1)/2$ falls relative to N . Measured by simulation at one population (8 octant scales, 3 items each, axes variance .35), the rejection rate at $\alpha = .05$ runs .092, .079, .062, .054 at $p^*/N = 0.50, 0.25, 0.12, 0.06$ – reaching the nominal band by p^*/N of about 0.06. That is a sweep at a single population, not a general threshold.

At $N = 600$ the χ^2 test **over-rejects**: measured .06 to .11 at three populations chosen to bracket the range of instruments this function accepts. The uncorrected statistic under-rejects over the same range, at .02 to .03, and – unlike the scaled one – moves *further* from nominal as N grows, because

its error is asymptotic while the scaled statistic's is a finite-sample one that shrinks away.

The over-rejection at a fixed N grows with instrument size (larger df) and shrinks with N . So a p -value near whatever threshold you are using deserves caution at moderate N and a large item count – but note the direction: the scaled test **over-flags** misfit rather than flattering it, which is the safer error and the opposite of what the uncorrected statistic did.

All of that evidence is **complete-data**. Under `missing = "fiml"` the scaled statistic is calibrated in mean, but its rejection rate has not been measured, so none of the rates above should be read as applying to that path.

A related detail, in case you check: the fitted model does **not** reproduce the correlation matrix's unit diagonal exactly, and that is expected rather than a defect. With the loadings fixed, the stationarity condition available for a free item error is the *weighted* diagonal, not the raw one, so off-diagonal sampling misfit leaks into the implied diagonal at roughly the sampling standard error of a correlation.

Which instruments this accepts

Any set of **equally spaced** scale angles, at any rotation: the canonical octants, an interstitial set rotated 22.5 degrees off the axes, or a non-octant count such as six or twelve scales. What matters is equal spacing, not the count or the starting angle – for any equally spaced set of k scales, each axis draws the same effective test length ($k / 2$ per item), which is what keeps the equal-axis-variance restriction as innocuous as it is for octants.

Scales may carry **one item each**, as Strack et al.'s types e and f do. With a single item at every position no two items share a scale, so the scale-specificity component is not identified and is dropped from the model rather than estimated: the components table then has three rows instead of four, and `details$zeta1_fitted` is FALSE. A *mixed* instrument still estimates it – one multi-item scale supplies the information, and the shared-value restriction carries it to the rest.

Two limits. At least **four** scales are required: with three, every pair of scales sits the same angular distance apart, and the general, axes, and scale-specificity variances are then not separately identified. And spacing must be equal, not merely close – a quasi-circumplex is refused rather than approximated, since Strack et al. (2013) excluded such instruments from the model's validation. Every scale needs at least one item.

The model is two-dimensional. Instruments whose items span three dimensions – spherical designs such as SYMLOG (Strack et al.'s type f) – are out of scope, even though Strack et al. (2013) analyze one; their Table 3 SYMLOG rows arise from a three-axis sphere model, not from any configuration this function accepts.

Missing data

`missing = "listwise"` is the default: only complete cases are used, and a message reports how many there were. Pairwise-deletion correlations are never used on either setting.

`missing = "fiml"` instead estimates from every respondent who answered at least one item, by full-information maximum likelihood. Two assumptions come with it, and both are stronger than listwise deletion's: the data must be **missing at random** (missingness may depend on values you observed, but not on the unobserved values themselves) **and multivariate normal**. Under MCAR — the special case where missingness is unrelated to anything — listwise deletion is *consistent*, merely inefficient, so FIML buys precision there and not correctness. Under MAR listwise deletion is genuinely biased and FIML is not, which is when the switch is worth its assumptions.

The items are standardized by the saturated model's own FIML means and SDs, never by the means and SDs of whichever cells happen to be observed, and those standardized columns feed a single FIML fit. The reported standard errors are observed-information standard errors on that standardized metric, conditional on the standardization constants (they do not propagate the uncertainty in the constants themselves). They carry the same correlation-metric correction as every other path, applied multiplicatively so that the observed information's own pricing of the missing data survives it. What the correction does not reach is the uncertainty in the standardization constants above. At mild rates that residual is too small to pin down: at 2%, 5%, and 10% cellwise missingness it measures 0.1%, 0.8%, and 1.8%, all well inside the Monte-Carlo error of the comparison itself (about 3.6% over 200 replicates), so its size is bounded but its direction at those rates is not established.

It becomes measurable, and **anti-conservative**, as missingness grows. Over 201 replicates at 15% cellwise MCAR the reported standard errors average about 7% **below** the estimator's actual sampling variability, so at that rate a confidence interval built from them is slightly too narrow. Note the direction reverses: the mild-rate figures above, such as they are, sit on the conservative side. Treat heavy missingness as the regime where these standard errors are least trustworthy, and prefer a resampling interval there if the uncertainty matters to your conclusion.

The global fit statistics are scaled on this path too, by the same factor the complete-data paths use rather than one rebuilt from the FIML fit's own saturated stage. That is deliberate and follows the standard errors above: lavaan's FIML chi-square is already referenced against the FIML saturated loglikelihood, so it already prices the missing information, while the scaling factor's normal-theory reference is exactly 1 – which makes the factor a metric-only ratio. A factor that priced missingness a second time would double-count it.

Two results are unavailable under `missing = "fiml"`, both because they need items observed by every respondent: the Nunnally-Bernstein comparison is NA with a stated reason, and `sd = "raw"` is refused — supply the axis SDs numerically instead.

A note on provenance: Strack et al. (2013) report no missing-data analyses, so nothing about the FIML path rests on their results. It is certified against this package's own synthetic oracle, where the true variance components are known by construction.

Boundary solutions

This contract governs every input path – raw items on either missing setting, and a supplied correlation matrix alike. A boundary fit returns NA reliability and SEM with a warning and a boundary flag rather than a clipped, negative, or missing value. A fit counts as a boundary when the estimated axes variance falls outside $(0, 1)$ – at or below zero the axes carry no variance to be reliable, and at or above one they carry all of it, which drives the Spearman-Brown reliability to one or beyond, leaving the standard error of measurement at zero or undefined – or when any estimated variance is negative.

Supplying a correlation matrix instead of raw data

Give `cormat` and `n` in place of `data` to estimate from an item correlation matrix that someone else published, with no raw data in hand. The matrix must be symmetric, positive definite, and carry a unit diagonal (the model assumes unit-variance items); `items` selects and orders its rows by name, so the matrix's own column order does not matter. Estimates are identical to those the raw-data path would give for the same matrix.

Two results are unavailable on this path, because both need the respondents' own item scores rather than their correlations: the Nunnally-Bernstein comparison is reported as NA (it needs each scale's

alpha and the axis composite's variance), and `sd = "raw"` is refused (there are no scale scores to take an observed SD from). Supply the axis SDs numerically if you want SEM on a raw scale.

Blockwise instruments

Some circumplex instruments are administered in **blocks** – items grouped by something other than their scale – which carries a block-specificity variance of its own (Strack et al. 2013 report it as high as 6.7%). Supply blocks to estimate it as a fifth component: the components table then carries a `zeta2` row and `details$zeta2_fitted` is TRUE. The package's instrument objects record no block structure, so the map comes from you.

Block specificity is estimable only when the blocks are not a relabelling of something the model already has. If every block coincides with a scale, or all items share one block, or every item sits in its own block, the component explains nothing the others do not; it is dropped from the model, `details$zeta2_fitted` is FALSE, and the component table keeps its four rows. That decision is read off the data's own moment structure rather than from a rule of thumb about how the blocks look, so it also catches maps whose redundancy is not obvious by eye.

What omitting blocks costs depends on the block geometry, and it is not a uniform penalty. The general factor never gives block variance back, so `xi2` is inflated under most layouts and unchanged under a few; it is never deflated. The axes variance – the one reliability is read from – moves only when block membership carries information about the angular distance between items, over and above what sharing a scale already says.

The clean case is worth stating exactly, because it is both common and checkable: **when each block draws exactly one item from every scale**, every within-block pair is a different-scale pair and the blocks span every pair of scale positions equally often. Block membership then says nothing about angular distance, and `xi1`, the reliability, and the SEM are unaffected – the component is worth estimating for its own sake, but ignoring it costs the reliability nothing.

Away from that case the bias runs in either direction and **"the blocks are spread evenly around the circle" is not the test**. Blocks that pair diametrically opposite scales are as dispersed as a block can be – their angles average to the centre of the circle – and at eight scales they still pull `xi1` about 9% below truth, because every within-block pair sits half a turn apart and that is emphatically information about angular distance. Blocks covering contiguous arcs pull it the other way, about 12% above. When the blocks are neither one item per scale nor obviously arbitrary, estimate the component rather than reasoning about the geometry.

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See Also

`fit_structure()` for exploratory circumplex-structure criteria.

Examples

```
# A simulated 32-item octant dataset (four items per octant scale).
data("simulated_items")

# Map the item columns to their eight scales (four items each), in the
# octants() angle order, then estimate the axes reliability.
items <- split(names(simulated_items), rep(1:8, each = 4))
res <- axes_reliability(simulated_items, items = items, angles = octants())
res
summary(res)

# The same estimates from the item correlation matrix alone, as when
# reanalyzing a matrix published without its raw data.
axes_reliability(
  cormat = cor(simulated_items), items = items, angles = octants(),
  n = nrow(simulated_items)
)
```

coord_circumplex	<i>Circumplex coordinate system</i>
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Description

A **ggplot2** coordinate system that maps Structural Summary Method parameters onto the circular circumplex canvas: the displacement aesthetic (degrees, counterclockwise from the right, with the 0/360 pole labelled 360) becomes the angle and the amplitude aesthetic becomes the radius. It owns the amplitude-to-radius scaling, so `geom_ssm_point()` and `geom_ssm_arc()` no longer take an `amax`, and the canvas and data layers can never disagree.

Usage

```
coord_circumplex(amax = NULL, center = 0, r_axis_angle = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>amax</code>	Optional. A single positive number giving the amplitude represented by the outer ring. <code>NULL</code> (the default) trains it from the data (as <code>ssm_plot_circle()</code> does).
<code>center</code>	Optional. A single number giving the amplitude at the center of the circle (default = 0). Ring labels and the amplitude-to-radius mapping are guaranteed to agree.
<code>r_axis_angle</code>	Optional. A single number giving the displacement (in degrees) along which the amplitude (radial) axis and its labels are drawn. <code>NULL</code> (the default) places it automatically in the widest gap between the displacement spokes, so the amplitude labels never collide with a spoke label.
<code>...</code>	Reserved for future extensions; currently unused.

Details

`coord_circumplex()` subclasses `ggplot2::coord_radial()` and hard-pins the angular convention (displacement 0 at the right, increasing counterclockwise, the 0/360 range with no expansion) so the circumplex angle invariants survive the transform. The amplitude at the circle's center and at its outer ring are the radial limits, set once here.

Value

A **ggplot2** coordinate system that can be added to a plot with `+`.

See Also

Other circumplex layers: `geom_ssm_arc()`, `geom_ssm_path()`, `geom_ssm_point()`, `ggcircumplex()`, `scale_x_circumplex()`, `theme_circumplex()`

Examples

```
data("jz2017")
res <- ssm_analyze(jz2017, scales = 2:9, measures = "NARPD")
ggplot2::ggplot(res$results) +
  coord_circumplex(amax = 0.5) +
  geom_ssm_point(ggplot2::aes(amplitude = a_est, displacement = d_est))
```

cpm_fit

Fit Browne's circular stochastic process model (circumplex fit statistics)

Description

Estimate Browne's (1992) circular stochastic process model (CPM) for the correlational structure of a set of circumplex scales or items, the native replacement for the archived `CircE` package. Each variable is modeled as a point on a circle at an estimated angle, with a communality index and a shared correlation function; the fit of that structure is summarized with the usual covariance-structure indices (chi-square, RMSEA, SRMR, CFI, TLI).

Usage

```
cpm_fit(
  data = NULL,
  scales = NULL,
  angles = octants(),
  cormat = NULL,
  n = NULL,
  m = 3,
  model = c("quasi-circumplex", "constrained-angles", "equal-communality", "circulant"),
  scaling = c("unit", "free"),
  reference = 1,
```

```

interval = 0.95,
ci_method = c("bootstrap", "analytic"),
boots = 2000,
listwise = TRUE
)

```

Arguments

data	A data frame or matrix containing the circumplex scales (raw-data path). Supply exactly one of data or cormat.
scales	For the raw-data path, a character vector of column names (or a numeric vector of column indexes) selecting the circumplex scales. For the cormat path, optional labels for the variables (defaults to the matrix dimnames, or V1, V2, ...).
angles	A numeric vector of the theoretical angular displacement of each scale, in degrees, used both as the reference/identifying angle and as optimization start values (default = <code>octants()</code>). Its length must match the number of scales.
cormat	A correlation matrix (the matrix-input path, CircE-style). Supply exactly one of data or cormat. Must be symmetric with a unit diagonal and positive definite.
n	For the cormat path, the sample size (number of observations) the correlation matrix was computed from. The test statistic uses $N - 1$ (the Wishart degrees of freedom); pass the raw sample size here.
m	The number of harmonics in the correlation function (default = 3, the octant-scale convention). Capped at $\text{floor}((p - 1) / 2)$ for the free-angle variants and $\text{floor}(p / 2)$ for the fixed-angle variants.
model	The model variant (design of Browne 1992): "quasi-circumplex" (default; free angles and communalities), "constrained-angles" (angles fixed at their theoretical values), "equal-communality" (a single shared communality), or "circulant" (both constraints).
scaling	The covariance-scaling family, orthogonal to model: "unit" (default) fits the correlation structure with a unit model-implied diagonal (the historical behaviour); "free" fits Browne's covariance structure $\Sigma = D_{\sigma} P D_{\sigma}$ with p free variance scales, the parameterization CIRCUM and CircE use, so <code>cpm_fit()</code> can reproduce their published output exactly. Free scaling adds p parameters but leaves the degrees of freedom unchanged (it fits the p extra diagonal covariance moments). For the model test the two families are calibration-indistinguishable at correlation input — in paired simulation at the measured truths (n from 250 to 50,000) their test statistics differed by well under 1 percent of the degrees of freedom — so neither family's chi-square is more trustworthy than the other's. (The two statistics are close but not interchangeable digit-for-digit: the free family nests the unit family, and its optimizer is additionally started from the unit solution, so on the same input the free statistic never exceeds the unit statistic beyond the engine's numerical tolerance — fits whose boundary harmonics are polished away are compared on their own reduced model.) "unit" remains the default because free scaling buys no inferential benefit for correlation input while adding p parameters whose analytic standard errors are frequently undefined below $n = 2000$; choose "free" when the goal is reproducing published CIRCUM/CircE results. The fitted $\hat{\sigma}^2$ are reported as a VarRatio column (the

	ratio of reproduced to input variance); they carry no confidence interval. The analytic intervals for the remaining parameters follow the same sample-size caution as the default family: their coverage regime was measured (the free-family coverage oracle) to match it, so <code>summary()</code> cautions below $n = 2000$ and in near-boundary fits. The input is still a correlation matrix (unit diagonal).
reference	The index into scales of the variable whose angle is fixed at its theoretical value to identify the rotation (default = 1).
interval	The confidence level for the parameter intervals (default = 0.95). The RMSEA interval is always the conventional 90 percent.
ci_method	How to construct the parameter confidence intervals: "bootstrap" (the default on the raw-data path) resamples rows, recomputes the correlation matrix, and refits the model warm-started from the reported solution; "analytic" uses Wald intervals from the information matrix. On the cormat path only "analytic" is available (there is no raw data to resample), and it is the default there.
boots	The number of bootstrap resamples for <code>ci_method = "bootstrap"</code> (default = 2000).
listwise	Whether to handle missing values by listwise deletion. Only listwise deletion is supported in this release (default = TRUE).

Value

A `circumplex_cpm` object: a list with results (a data frame of estimated angles and communality indices with confidence intervals), `betas` (the correlation-function weights), `fit` (the fit indices), `corfun` (the estimated correlation function), `matrices` (the sample and model-implied matrices and residuals), and `details` (model, diagnostics, and settings). See `print.circumplex_cpm()` and `summary.circumplex_cpm()`.

Confidence intervals

The bootstrap (the raw-data default) refits the model to each resampled correlation matrix, warm-started from the reported solution, and forms percentile intervals; angle replicates are pooled with the package's circular quantile machinery, so an angle interval that straddles the 0/360 boundary is reported wrapped (its lower limit numerically exceeds its upper limit, as with displacement intervals in `ssm_analyze()`). Resamples with a degenerate (non-positive-definite) correlation matrix or a refit failing the convergence acceptance criterion are excluded with a warning reporting how many; the intervals are then conditional on estimability. Analytic (Wald) intervals are asymptotically valid but can materially mis-cover at field-typical sample sizes; `summary()` prints a caution below $n = 2000$. Analytic angle intervals are reported on the unwrapped branch of the estimate (endpoints may fall outside $[0, 360)$ near the boundary).

Reproducibility

Only the bootstrap consumes R's random number stream; the engine's point estimates, fit indices, and the analytic intervals are deterministic, so the estimates are identical across seeds and the default cormat-path fit never touches the stream. Call `set.seed()` immediately before `cpm_fit()` for reproducible bootstrap intervals. All resample indices are drawn in one block before any refitting, so a given seed yields the same intervals regardless of how many replicates are later excluded.

References

Browne, M. W. (1992). Circumplex models for correlation matrices. *Psychometrika*, 57(4), 469-497.

See Also

Other analysis functions: [cpm_simulate\(\)](#), [ssm_analyze\(\)](#), [ssm_analyze_long\(\)](#), [ssm_ci_accuracy\(\)](#), [ssm_draws\(\)](#), [ssm_parameters\(\)](#), [ssm_parameters_id\(\)](#), [ssm_score\(\)](#), [ssm_sem\(\)](#), [ssm_sem_parameters\(\)](#), [summary.circumplex_ssm_id\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# Raw-data path on the eight IIP-SC octant scales (bootstrap CIs; a small
# `boots` keeps the example fast -- the default is 2000)
data("jz2017")
scales <- c("PA", "BC", "DE", "FG", "HI", "JK", "LM", "NO")
set.seed(12345)
fit <- cpm_fit(jz2017, scales = scales, boots = 100)
fit

# Matrix-input path (supply the sample size; analytic CIs)
R <- cor(jz2017[scales])
cpm_fit(cormat = R, scales = scales, n = nrow(jz2017))
```

cpm_simulate

Simulate data from a fitted circular process model

Description

Draw n standardized observations from the model-implied correlation matrix $\hat{P}$ of a fitted [cpm_fit\(\)](#) object, using the low-rank factor representation $P = \Lambda\Lambda^\top + (I - D_\zeta^2)$ (Browne, 1992; design sec. 1.3/sec. 5.4). Each observation is generated as $x = \Lambda z + (I - D_\zeta^2)^{1/2}\varepsilon$ with independent standard-normal common-factor scores z and unique deviates ε , so the draws are exactly positive semidefinite by construction (no eigenvalue clamping) and their population correlation matrix is $\hat{P}$ exactly.

Usage

```
cpm_simulate(object, n)
```

Arguments

object	A circumplex_cpm object from cpm_fit() .
n	The number of observations (rows) to simulate; a positive whole number.

Details

This is the mean-based simulation path of the SSM CI-trustworthiness diagnostic (`ssm_ci_accuracy()`; the M4 Brief-B contract): a caller draws standardized data here and rescales it to a group's means and SDs. The correlation-based (augmented scales-plus-measures) path is **not** produced here – it reduces to the returned population block `object$matrices$Phat`, from which the caller assembles and repairs its own joint matrix.

Value

A numeric matrix with `n` rows and one column per fitted scale, columns in the fitted scale order with `colnames` set to the scale names (`rownames` are `NULL`). The population covariance is `object$matrices$Phat`, so `cov()` of the returned matrix converges to it as `n` grows. Under the default unit scaling `Phat` is a correlation matrix (zero-mean, unit-variance margins), so `cor()` converges to it too; under `scaling = "free"` the margins carry the fitted variance ratios $\hat{\sigma}^2$.

Reproducibility

`cpm_simulate()` consumes R's global random number stream (the common-factor scores then the unique deviates, drawn in that fixed order), so it follows the package's `set.seed()`-immediately-before convention: a given seed reproduces the draw exactly. It is one of the package's stochastic entry points (alongside `ssm_analyze()` and the bootstrap path of `cpm_fit()`); the fit itself is deterministic.

References

Browne, M. W. (1992). Circumplex models for correlation matrices. *Psychometrika*, 57(4), 469-497.

See Also

[cpm_fit\(\)](#)

Other analysis functions: [cpm_fit\(\)](#), [ssm_analyze\(\)](#), [ssm_analyze_long\(\)](#), [ssm_ci_accuracy\(\)](#), [ssm_draws\(\)](#), [ssm_parameters\(\)](#), [ssm_parameters_id\(\)](#), [ssm_score\(\)](#), [ssm_sem\(\)](#), [ssm_sem_parameters\(\)](#), [summary.circumplex_ssm_id\(\)](#)

Examples

```
data("jz2017")
scales <- c("PA", "BC", "DE", "FG", "HI", "JK", "LM", "NO")
fit <- cpm_fit(cormat = cor(jz2017[scales]), scales = scales,
              n = nrow(jz2017))
set.seed(1)
x <- cpm_simulate(fit, n = 500)
round(cor(x) - fit$matrices$Phat, 2)
```

fit_structure

*Evaluate circumplex structure (Acton & Revelle, 2004)***Description**

Run the exploratory circumplex-structure criteria of Acton and Revelle (2004) on a set of scales and return one object bundling all of the tests. Four criteria are computed from the first two unrotated principal-axis factors of the scales' correlation matrix – the **Fisher Test** of equal axes, the **Gap Test** of equal spacing, the **Variance Test** (VT2) and **Rotation Test** of interstitiality – and each statistic is classified against simulation-derived, scoring- and scale-count-specific cutoffs. A fifth test, **RANDALL** (Hubert & Arabie, 1987; Tracey, 1997), evaluates the hypothesised circular *order* of the scales with a randomization test that yields a genuine p-value.

Usage

```
fit_structure(
  data,
  scales,
  scoring = c("deviation", "raw"),
  ridge = 0,
  n_perm = NULL,
  listwise = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

data	A data frame (or matrix) containing the circumplex scales.
scales	A character vector of column names (or a numeric vector of column indexes) selecting the circumplex scales, in hypothesised circular order (the order is RANDALL's order hypothesis). At least four scales are required.
scoring	Either "deviation" (the default; row-mean-center the scales before analysis) or "raw" (analyze the scores as given). Selects the matching interpretive cutoffs.
ridge	A non-negative ridge added to the diagonal of the correlation matrix (then rescaled to a unit diagonal) to repair a non-positive-definite matrix before factoring; default 0, which matches the cutoff calibration. Raise it only if factoring fails, noting that a nonzero ridge moves the statistics off the calibrated scale.
n_perm	NULL (the default) to compute RANDALL's p-value by exact enumeration, available for up to nine scales; otherwise a single positive whole number of Monte Carlo relabelings (required for ten or more scales). The Monte Carlo path draws from the global RNG stream, so set a seed with <code>set.seed()</code> beforehand for reproducibility. Ten or more scales require n_perm (exact enumeration is infeasible); supplying it is validated up front, before any criteria are computed.
listwise	A logical indicating whether missing values are handled by listwise deletion (TRUE, the default) or pairwise deletion (FALSE), matching <code>ssm_analyze()</code> . Listwise deletion gives all five tests one complete-case correlation matrix, which is the metric the interpretive cutoffs were calibrated on; pairwise deletion can yield a non-positive-definite matrix and moves the statistics off that calibrated scale.

Details

The four factor-analytic criteria have the most power when there is no large general factor, which *deviation scoring* (centering each respondent on their own mean across the scales, exactly what `ipsatize()` does) approximates by removing it (Acton & Revelle, 2004, p. 9). Deviation scoring is therefore the default and is applied to all five tests; pass `scoring = "raw"` to leave the scores untouched. The two scorings carry different cutoffs, matched automatically.

The interpretive cutoffs are **heuristic likelihood classifications read off simulated distributions, not significance tests**, and they are specific to the number of scales. Only eight scales (the canonical octant instrument) are calibrated; with any other count the statistics are still reported but no interpretation is attached (see `print()/summary()`). The cutoffs were re-derived under Acton and Revelle's own generating model at eight scales; see `vignette("evaluating-circumplex-structure")`. RANDALL needs no cutoffs: with up to nine scales its null distribution is enumerated exactly, so its p-value is available at any scale count of four or more.

Value

An object of class `circumplex_structure` with `print()`, `summary()`, and `plot()` methods. Its components are `results` (a data frame with one row per factor-analytic criterion: statistic, cutoffs, and interpretive category), `randall` (the RANDALL index, p-value, and method), `loadings` (the two unrotated principal-axis factors), and `details`.

References

- Acton, G. S., & Revelle, W. (2004). Evaluation of ten psychometric criteria for circumplex structure. *Methods of Psychological Research Online*, 9(1), 1-27.
- Hubert, L., & Arabie, P. (1987). Evaluating order hypotheses within proximity matrices. *Psychological Bulletin*, 102(1), 172-178.
- Tracey, T. J. G. (1997). RANDALL: A Microsoft FORTRAN program for a randomization test of hypothesized order relations. *Educational and Psychological Measurement*, 57(1), 164-168.

See Also

`cpm_fit()` for a confirmatory circumplex model; `ipsatize()` for deviation scoring.

Examples

```
data("jz2017")
scales <- c("PA", "BC", "DE", "FG", "HI", "JK", "LM", "NO")
res <- fit_structure(jz2017, scales = scales)
res
summary(res)
```

geom_ssm_arc

Draw SSM confidence-region arcs in circumplex space

Description

A **ggplot2** layer that draws, for each profile, the wedge spanning its amplitude confidence interval (radially) and its displacement confidence interval (angularly) on a circumplex canvas built with `coord_circumplex()` (for example the canvas from `ggcircumplex()`). The bounds are supplied directly in SSM units; the coordinate system bends the (displacement, amplitude) rectangle into an annular wedge.

Usage

```
geom_ssm_arc(
  mapping = NULL,
  data = NULL,
  stat = "identity",
  position = "identity",
  ...,
  amax = NULL,
  n = NULL,
  na.rm = TRUE,
  show.legend = NA,
  inherit.aes = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

mapping, data, stat, position, show.legend, inherit.aes, ...	Standard ggplot2 layer arguments. mapping must supply the amplitude_min, amplitude_max, displacement_min, and displacement_max aesthetics.
amax	(Deprecated) The amplitude represented by the outer ring is now owned by <code>coord_circumplex()</code> ; a value supplied here is ignored with a one-time note.
n	(Deprecated) Arc smoothness is now owned by the coordinate system, which curves the wedge automatically; a value supplied here is ignored with a one-time note.
na.rm	If FALSE, warn (with the dropped-row count) before removing profiles with an incomplete confidence region (a missing amplitude or displacement bound); if TRUE (the default) remove them silently.

Details

Each arc spans **counterclockwise** from displacement_min to displacement_max (both in degrees). Supply them in $[0, 360]$ (a bound of exactly 360 is the 0/360 pole under the package's LM = 360 labeling). A displacement_min greater than displacement_max is read as an interval that crosses the 0/360 seam and is drawn the short way across it (e.g. 350 → 10 is a 20 degree

arc, matching how the package stores a displacement CI that straddles the boundary). The interval must describe less than a full circle; bounds that imply a span of 360 degrees or more (for example, values outside $[0, 360]$) are rejected, since they do not name a unique arc.

Value

A **ggplot2** layer.

See Also

Other circumplex layers: [coord_circumplex\(\)](#), [geom_ssm_path\(\)](#), [geom_ssm_point\(\)](#), [ggcircumplex\(\)](#), [scale_x_circumplex\(\)](#), [theme_circumplex\(\)](#)

Examples

```
data("jz2017")
res <- ssm_analyze(jz2017, scales = 2:9, measures = "NARPD")
ggcircumplex(octants(), amax = 0.5) +
  geom_ssm_arc(
    data = res$results,
    mapping = ggplot2::aes(
      amplitude_min = a_lci, amplitude_max = a_uci,
      displacement_min = d_lci, displacement_max = d_uci
    ),
    alpha = 0.4
  )
```

geom_ssm_path

Draw a profile's movement across occasions in circumplex space

Description

A **ggplot2** layer that connects a profile's successive positions on a circumplex canvas built with [coord_circumplex\(\)](#) (for example the canvas from [ggcircumplex\(\)](#)), so change in amplitude and displacement reads as movement through circumplex space. Each segment is curved along the polar geodesic by the coordinate system, which owns the transform; the layer owns the ordering, the 0/360 seam handling, and the optional arrowheads.

Usage

```
geom_ssm_path(
  mapping = NULL,
  data = NULL,
  stat = "identity",
  position = "identity",
  ...,
  arrow = NULL,
  na.rm = TRUE,
```

```

    show.legend = NA,
    inherit.aes = TRUE
  )

```

Arguments

mapping, data, stat, position, show.legend, inherit.aes, ...	Standard ggplot2 layer arguments. mapping must supply the amplitude and displacement aesthetics.
arrow	An arrow specification produced by <code>ggplot2::arrow()</code> , or NULL (the default) for a path drawn without arrowheads. Arrowheads mark the direction of time along the path.
na.rm	If FALSE, warn when occasions with no location are removed from the ends of a path; if TRUE (the default) remove them silently. Occasions with no location in the <i>middle</i> of a path break it either way.

Details

Points are connected in the order the rows appear in the data, exactly as `ggplot2::geom_path()` does, and the group aesthetic separates one series from another. Sort the data into time order before plotting: an occasion label sorted as text puts T10 before T2, which silently reverses time. `ssm_plot_circle(path = TRUE)` does this sorting for you, taking the order from the object's own occasion list.

Consecutive occasions are joined the **short** way around the circle. The displacements of each group are unwrapped onto a continuous branch before the coordinate system sees them, so a step from 350 to 10 degrees is drawn as the 20 degree arc across the pole rather than a 340 degree sweep the long way round. Unwrapped values may therefore fall outside $[0, 360)$. This assumes the profile rotates less than a half-turn between consecutive occasions at which its displacement is defined; no data can verify that, so widely spaced occasions should be read with it in mind.

An occasion with no defined location – a flat or zero-amplitude profile, whose displacement is undefined – **breaks** the path rather than being interpolated through, and the segment after the gap is still drawn on the correct branch. Non-finite amplitudes and displacements are treated the same way, since an infinite angle names no position on the circle.

Value

A **ggplot2** layer.

See Also

Other circumplex layers: `coord_circumplex()`, `geom_ssm_arc()`, `geom_ssm_point()`, `ggcircumplex()`, `scale_x_circumplex()`, `theme_circumplex()`

Examples

```

data("jz2017")
scales <- c("PA", "BC", "DE", "FG", "HI", "JK", "LM", "NO")
# Three occasions that actually move: shifting the octant scores by one
# position rotates the fitted profile by 45 degrees per occasion.

```

```

waves <- lapply(1:3, function(k) {
  idx <- ((seq_along(scales) - 1 + (k - 1)) %% length(scales)) + 1
  d <- jz2017[, scales[idx]]
  names(d) <- scales
  d$id <- seq_len(nrow(d))
  d$occasion <- paste0("T", k)
  d
})
res <- ssm_analyze_long(do.call(rbind, waves),
  scales = scales, id = "id", occasion = "occasion"
)
ggcircumplex(octants(), amax = 0.5) +
  geom_ssm_point(
    data = res$results,
    mapping = ggplot2::aes(amplitude = a_est, displacement = d_est),
    size = 2
  ) +
  geom_ssm_path(
    data = res$results,
    mapping = ggplot2::aes(amplitude = a_est, displacement = d_est),
    arrow = ggplot2::arrow(
      length = ggplot2::unit(0.18, "inches"), type = "closed"
    )
  )
)

```

geom_ssm_point

Draw SSM profile points in circumplex space

Description

A **ggplot2** layer that places a point for each profile at its amplitude and displacement on a circumplex canvas built with [coord_circumplex\(\)](#) (for example the canvas from [ggcircumplex\(\)](#)). The amplitude and displacement are supplied directly in SSM units (amplitude in the score metric, displacement in degrees); the coordinate system performs the polar transform.

Usage

```

geom_ssm_point(
  mapping = NULL,
  data = NULL,
  stat = "identity",
  position = "identity",
  ...,
  amax = NULL,
  na.rm = TRUE,
  show.legend = NA,
  inherit.aes = TRUE
)

```

Arguments

mapping, data, stat, position, show.legend, inherit.aes, ...
 Standard **ggplot2** layer arguments. mapping must supply the amplitude and displacement aesthetics.

amax
 (Deprecated) The amplitude represented by the outer ring is now owned by `coord_circumplex()`; a value supplied here is ignored with a one-time note.

na.rm
 If FALSE, warn (with the dropped-row count) before removing profiles with a missing displacement or amplitude, since they have no location on the circle; if TRUE (the default) remove them silently.

Value

A **ggplot2** layer.

See Also

Other circumplex layers: `coord_circumplex()`, `geom_ssm_arc()`, `geom_ssm_path()`, `ggcircumplex()`, `scale_x_circumplex()`, `theme_circumplex()`

Examples

```
data("jz2017")
res <- ssm_analyze(jz2017, scales = 2:9, measures = "NARPD")
ggcircumplex(octants(), amax = 0.5) +
  geom_ssm_point(
    data = res$results,
    mapping = ggplot2::aes(amplitude = a_est, displacement = d_est)
  )
```

ggcircumplex

Create a circumplex plotting canvas

Description

Build an empty circular canvas – the amplitude rings, displacement spokes, and scale labels that circumplex figures are drawn on – as a **ggplot2** object. Additional layers (points, arcs, annotations) can be added to it with `+`, so it serves as the reusable foundation for custom circumplex visualizations. The package's own `ssm_plot_circle()` draws on the same canvas.

Usage

```
ggcircumplex(
  angles = octants(),
  labels = NULL,
  amax = 0.5,
  font_size = 12,
  instrument = NULL
)
```

Arguments

angles	Optional. A numeric vector of the angular position (in degrees) of each circumplex scale, going counterclockwise from the right (default = <code>octants()</code>). Ignored if <code>instrument</code> is supplied.
labels	Optional. Either <code>NULL</code> or a character vector of text labels to draw around the circle, one per angle and in the same order (default = <code>NULL</code> , which draws the numeric angles). If <code>instrument</code> is supplied, <code>NULL</code> uses the instrument's scale abbreviations.
amax	Optional. A single positive number giving the amplitude at the outer ring, which sets the amplitude-axis labels; the center of the circle is fixed at amplitude 0 (default = 0.5).
font_size	Optional. A single positive number giving the size (in pt) of the scale and amplitude labels (default = 12).
instrument	Optional. Either <code>NULL</code> or a <code>circumplex_instrument</code> object (see <code>instrument()</code>). When supplied, the scale angles and (unless <code>labels</code> is given) the scale abbreviations are taken from the instrument (default = <code>NULL</code>).

Value

A **ggplot2** object containing the empty circumplex canvas.

See Also

`coord_circumplex()`, which owns the transform this canvas is built on; `ssm_plot_circle()`, which draws SSM results on this canvas.

Other circumplex layers: `coord_circumplex()`, `geom_ssm_arc()`, `geom_ssm_path()`, `geom_ssm_point()`, `scale_x_circumplex()`, `theme_circumplex()`

Examples

```
# A default octant canvas
ggcircumplex()

# Label the scales with their circumplex pole abbreviations
ggcircumplex(octants(), labels = PANO())

# Derive the angles and labels from a circumplex instrument
ggcircumplex(instrument = csip)
```

html_render

Format and render data frame as HTML table

Description

Format a data frame as an HTML table and render it to the web viewer.

Usage

```
html_render(df, caption = NULL, align = "l", ...)
```

Arguments

<code>df</code>	A data frame to be rendered as an HTML table.
<code>caption</code>	A string to be displayed above the table.
<code>align</code>	A string indicating the alignment of the cells (default = "l").
<code>...</code>	Other arguments to pass to <code>htmlTable</code> .

Value

HTML syntax for the `df` table.

See Also

Other table functions: [ssm_table\(\)](#)

instruments	<i>List all available instruments</i>
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Description

The `circumplex` package includes information about numerous circumplex instruments including instructions for scoring and standardizing items. Individual instruments can be loaded using the `instrument` function.

Usage

```
instruments()
```

See Also

Other instrument functions: [anchors\(\)](#), [items\(\)](#), [norms\(\)](#), [scales\(\)](#)

Examples

```
instruments()
```

ipsatize*Ipsatize circumplex items using deviation scoring across variables*

Description

Rescore each circumplex item using deviation scoring across variables. In other words, subtract each observation's mean response from each response. This effectively removes the presence of a general factor, which can make certain circumplex fit analyses more powerful.

Usage

```
ipsatize(data, items, na.rm = TRUE, prefix = "", suffix = "_i", append = TRUE)
```

Arguments

<code>data</code>	Required. A data frame or matrix containing at least circumplex scales.
<code>items</code>	Required. A character vector containing the column names, or a numeric vector containing column indexes, of item variables in <code>data</code> to be ipsatized.
<code>na.rm</code>	Optional. A logical that determines whether missing values should be ignored during the calculation of the mean during ipsatization (default = TRUE).
<code>prefix</code>	Optional. A string that will be added to the start of each <code>items</code> name in the output (default = "").
<code>suffix</code>	Optional. A string that will be added to the end of each <code>items</code> name in the output (default = "_i").
<code>append</code>	Optional. A logical that determines whether to append the ipsatized scores to <code>data</code> in the output or just return the ipsatized scores alone (default = TRUE).

Value

A data frame that matches `data` except that the variables specified in `items` have been rescored using ipsatization.

See Also

Other tidying functions: [norm_standardize\(\)](#), [score\(\)](#), [self_standardize\(\)](#)

Examples

```
data("raw_iipsc")
ipsatize(raw_iipsc, items = 1:32)
ipsatize(raw_iipsc, items = sprintf("IIP%02d", 1:32))
```

 items

Display the items of a circumplex instrument

Description

Display the items of a circumplex instrument including the total number of items and each item's number and text. The item ordering/numbering displayed here is the same ordering/numbering assumed by the `score()` function.

Usage

```
items(x)
```

Arguments

x Required. An object of the instrument class.

Value

The same input object. Prints text to console.

See Also

Other instrument functions: [anchors\(\)](#), [instruments\(\)](#), [norms\(\)](#), [scales\(\)](#)

Examples

```
items(csip)
```

 jz2017

Raw octant scores on real circumplex scales with covariates

Description

A large example dataset containing gender, raw mean scores on the Inventory of Interpersonal Problems - Short Circumplex (IIP-SC), and raw sum scores on the Personality Diagnostic Questionnaire - 4th Edition Plus (PDQ-4+).

Usage

```
jz2017
```

Format

A data frame with 1166 observations and 19 variables:

Gender Self-reported Gender
PA Domineering Problems (IIP-SC) 90 degrees
BC Vindictive Problems (IIP-SC) 135 degrees
DE Cold Problems (IIP-SC) 180 degrees
FG Socially Avoidant Problems (IIP-SC) 225 degrees
HI Nonassertive Problems(IIP-SC) 270 degrees
JK Easily Exploited Problems (IIP-SC) 315 degrees
LM Overly Nurturant Problems (IIP-SC) 360 degrees
NO Intrusive Problems (IIP-SC) 45 degrees
PARPD Paranoid PD Symptoms (PDQ-4+)
SCZPD Schizoid PD Symptoms (PDQ-4+)
SZTPD Schizotypal PD Symptoms (PDQ-4+)
ASPD Antisocial PD Symptoms (PDQ-4+)
BORPD Borderline PD Symptoms (PDQ-4+)
HISPD Histrionic PD Symptoms (PDQ-4+)
NARPD Narcissistic PD Symptoms (PDQ-4+)
AVPD Avoidant PD Symptoms (PDQ-4+)
DPNPD Dependent PD Symptoms (PDQ-4+)
OCPD Obsessive-Compulsive PD Symptoms (PDQ-4+)

Source

[doi:10.1177/1073191115621795](https://doi.org/10.1177/1073191115621795)

norms

Display the norms for a circumplex instrument

Description

Display the norms for a circumplex instrument including the total number of normative data sets available and each data set's number, sample size, population, and source reference and hyperlink. If another normative data set exists that is not yet included in the package, please let us know.

Usage

`norms(x)`

Arguments

x Required. An object of the instrument class.

Details

The population is a short standardized label chosen by this package so that samples can be compared across instruments; it is deliberately broader than the description the original source gives. Several instruments normed on students at a single named university, in a stated period or region, are all labelled "American college students" here. Consult the reference and hyperlink printed alongside it for the source's own description of the sample before treating a normative sample as representative of a population.

For most samples the label names the group they were drawn from rather than a frame they were drawn to represent – but not for all of them, and which is which is recorded per sample in the Kind column and printed as the sample's reference kind:

standardization sample The sample was drawn to represent a defined population, so its mean and standard deviation estimate that population's. Only the IIP-32 and IIP-64 samples are of this kind.

identified published source The sample's octant statistics are printed in an identified source – a study report or an author's norms page – and describe that group of people rather than any wider frame.

no identified source The sample's octant statistics appear in no source that has been identified, whatever is known about the sample itself, and should be treated as unverified.

See vignette("using-instruments") for what the shipped reference samples are and how to choose among them.

Value

The same input object. Prints text to console.

See Also

Other instrument functions: [anchors\(\)](#), [instruments\(\)](#), [items\(\)](#), [scales\(\)](#)

Examples

```
norms(csip)
```

norm_standardize	<i>Standardize circumplex scales using normative data</i>
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Description

Take in a data frame containing circumplex scales, angle definitions for each scale, and an instrument whose normative data will be used, and return that same data frame with each specified circumplex scale transformed into standard scores (i.e., z-scores) based on comparison to that instrument's normative sample.

Usage

```
norm_standardize(
  data,
  scales,
  angles = octants(),
  instrument,
  sample = 1,
  prefix = "",
  suffix = "_z",
  append = TRUE,
  quiet = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

data	Required. A data frame or matrix containing at least circumplex scales.
scales	Required. A character vector containing the column names, or a numeric vector containing the column indexes, for the variables (scale scores) to be standardized.
angles	Required. A numeric vector containing the angular displacement of each circumplex scale included in scales (in degrees). Can use the <code>octants()</code> , <code>poles()</code> , or <code>quadrants()</code> convenience functions. Each angle is matched to the instrument's normative data by angular position, so 0 and 360 degrees are treated as the same angle; an angle with no matching normative row (or with more than one) produces an informative error.
instrument	Required. An instrument object from the package. To see the available circumplex instruments, see <code>instruments()</code> .
sample	Required. An integer corresponding to the normative sample to use in standardizing the scale scores (default = 1). See <code>?norms</code> to see the normative samples available for an instrument. Two conditions are refused with an error rather than used: a sample the instrument does not carry (the error lists the sample numbers it does), and a sample whose mean scores fall outside the instrument's own response range, which cannot be on the same metric as the scores being standardized. <code>norms()</code> lists the alternatives in both cases.

prefix	Optional. A string to include at the beginning of the newly calculated scale variables' names, before the scale name and suffix (default = "").
suffix	Optional. A string to include at the end of the newly calculated scale variables' names, after the scale name and prefix (default = "_z").
append	Optional. A logical that determines whether the calculated standardized scores should be added as columns to data in the output or the standardized scores alone should be output (default = TRUE).
quiet	Optional. A logical that suppresses the message naming the normative sample used (default = FALSE). Set to TRUE in loops, knitted documents, and anywhere else the message is noise; the returned attribute below records the same facts either way.

Details

The sample the scores are compared against is a result-determining choice, not a technicality: different samples of the same instrument can move a respondent's z-scores by more than half a standard deviation. So unless `quiet = TRUE`, every successful call reports which sample it used, how large that sample was, and how it is described, and every call attaches the same facts to the result (see the Value section below). Use `norms()` to see the samples an instrument carries before choosing one.

Value

A data frame that contains the norm-standardized versions of scales. It carries a "norm_sample" attribute – a list with elements Instrument, Sample, Size, Population and Kind – recording which normative sample produced the scores and what kind of reference distribution it is (see `norms()` for the three kinds), so a script that never sees the console can still report what its z-scores are relative to. Retrieve it with `attr(x, "norm_sample")`.

See Also

Other tidying functions: `ipsatize()`, `score()`, `self_standardize()`

Examples

```
data("jz2017")
norm_standardize(jz2017, scales = 2:9, instrument = iipsc, sample = 1)

# The IIP-SC carries more than one normative sample. Omitting `sample` takes
# the first, and the message says which one that was.
z <- norm_standardize(jz2017, scales = 2:9, instrument = iipsc)
attr(z, "norm_sample")
```

octants	<i>Angular displacements for octant circumplex scales</i>
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Description

Return a vector of angular displacements, in degrees, for eight equally spaced circumplex scales corresponding to the circumplex octants. Can be passed to the `angles` parameter of other functions in this package.

Usage

```
octants()
```

Value

A numeric vector with eight elements, each corresponding to the angular displacement (in degrees) of a subscale, in the following order: PA, BC, DE, FG, HI, JK, LM, NO.

Examples

```
octants()
```

PANO	<i>Two-letter abbreviations for octant circumplex scales</i>
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Description

Return a vector of abbreviations for octant circumplex scales, from PA to NO.

Usage

```
PANO(case = "upper")
```

Arguments

<code>case</code>	An optional string that determines whether the abbreviations should be in upper-case or lowercase. (default = "upper")
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Value

A character vector with eight elements, each corresponding to the abbreviation of an octant subscale: PA, BC, DE, FG, HI, JK, LM, NO.

Examples

```
PANO()
PANO(case = "lower")
```

```
plot.circumplex_ci_accuracy
```

Plot SSM CI accuracy across the amplitude ladder

Description

Draw the empirical coverage from an `ssm_ci_accuracy()` run against its amplitude-ladder conditions: one panel per SSM parameter (including displacement conditional on guardrail certification), one line per profile row, with 95% Wilson score intervals as error bars, Bradley's (1978) liberal robustness band shaded, and the nominal confidence level as a dashed line. Amplitude rungs whose coverage is structurally zero (a percentile interval of strictly positive amplitude replicates cannot contain a zero truth; see `ssm_ci_accuracy()`) are drawn as open symbols. This is a Cartesian diagnostic plot, not a circumplex figure.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'circumplex_ci_accuracy'
plot(x, ...)
```

Arguments

```
x          A circumplex_ci_accuracy object from ssm_ci_accuracy().
...        Currently ignored.
```

Value

A `ggplot2` object.

See Also

Other ssm functions: `ssm_analyze()`, `ssm_analyze_long()`, `ssm_ci_accuracy()`, `ssm_draws()`, `ssm_parameters()`, `ssm_parameters_id()`, `ssm_score()`, `ssm_sem()`, `ssm_sem_parameters()`, `ssm_table()`, `summary.circumplex_ssm_id()`

Other visualization functions: `ssm_plot_circle()`, `ssm_plot_contrast()`, `ssm_plot_curve()`, `ssm_plot_trajectory()`

Examples

```
data("jz2017")
set.seed(12345)
res <- ssm_analyze(
  jz2017[1:200, ],
  scales = c("PA", "BC", "DE", "FG", "HI", "JK", "LM", "NO"),
  boots = 100
)
set.seed(23456)
acc <- ssm_ci_accuracy(res, reps = 25)
plot(acc)
```

plot.circumplex_cpm *Plot a circular process model fit*

Description

Draw the estimated item configuration of a `cpm_fit()` object on the circular canvas from `ggcircumplex()`. Each scale is placed at its *estimated* angle (θ), at a radius given by its communality (ζ^2 , the share of its variance explained by the common circumplex factors), so items that the model explains well sit near the outer ring and items it explains poorly sit near the centre. The canvas spokes mark the *theoretical* angles supplied to `cpm_fit()`, so the gap between a point and its spoke shows how far the estimated angle departed from the hypothesised one. Where the confidence intervals are estimable, a wedge spans each item's angle CI (angularly) and communality CI (radially).

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'circumplex_cpm'
plot(x, amax = 1, angle_labels = NULL, legend = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	A circumplex_cpm object from <code>cpm_fit()</code> .
<code>amax</code>	A single positive number giving the communality represented by the canvas's outer ring (default = 1, the maximum possible communality).
<code>angle_labels</code>	Either NULL or a character vector of spoke labels, one per scale in the fitted order. NULL (default) labels the spokes with the scale names.
<code>legend</code>	A logical: draw a legend keying the colours to the scale names (default = TRUE).
<code>...</code>	Not used. Supplying an unrecognized argument produces a warning.

Value

A **ggplot2** object.

See Also

`cpm_fit()`, `ggcircumplex()`

Examples

```
data("jz2017")
scales <- c("PA", "BC", "DE", "FG", "HI", "JK", "LM", "NO")
set.seed(12345)
fit <- cpm_fit(jz2017, scales = scales, boots = 100)
plot(fit)
```

plot.circumplex_structure

Plot a circumplex-structure configuration

Description

Draw the two-factor loading configuration of a `fit_structure()` object on the circular canvas from `ggcircumplex()`. Each scale is placed at its estimated angle (`atan2` of its two principal-axis loadings) and at a radius given by its communality (the share of its variance on the first two factors), so a clean circumplex shows the scales spread evenly around a ring of similar radius, unequal axes show scales at differing radii (what the Fisher Test measures), and simple structure shows scales bunched near a few angles (what the Gap and interstitiality tests measure). The canvas spokes mark the same estimated angles, labelled by scale.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'circumplex_structure'
plot(x, amax = 1, legend = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	A <code>circumplex_structure</code> object from <code>fit_structure()</code> .
<code>amax</code>	A single positive number giving the communality represented by the canvas's outer ring (default = 1). Principal-axis communalities can exceed 1 in a Heywood case; when any scale's communality exceeds <code>amax</code> the ring is expanded to contain it, so no point is ever drawn outside the canvas.
<code>legend</code>	A logical: draw a legend keying the colours to the scale names (default = TRUE).
<code>...</code>	Not used. Supplying an unrecognized argument produces a warning.

Value

A **ggplot2** object.

See Also

`fit_structure()`, `ggcircumplex()`

Examples

```
data("jz2017")
scales <- c("PA", "BC", "DE", "FG", "HI", "JK", "LM", "NO")
plot(fit_structure(jz2017, scales = scales))
```

poles	<i>Angular displacements for pole circumplex scales</i>
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Description

Return a vector of angular displacements, in degrees, for four equally spaced circumplex scales corresponding to the circumplex poles. Can be passed to the `angles` parameter of other functions in this package.

Usage

```
poles()
```

Value

A numeric vector with four elements, each corresponding to the angular displacement (in degrees) of a subscale, in the following order: PA, DE, HI, LM.

Examples

```
poles()
```

```
print.circumplex_axes_reliability
```

Print circumplex axes-reliability results

Description

Compact display of an `axes_reliability()` object: the per-axis reliability, SEM, and Nunnally-Bernstein comparison, with the correlation-as-covariance standard-error caveat.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'circumplex_axes_reliability'
print(x, digits = 3, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	A <code>circumplex_axes_reliability</code> object.
<code>digits</code>	The number of decimal places to display (default = 3).
<code>...</code>	Not used.

Value

`x`, invisibly.

```
print.circumplex_cpm
```

Print a circular process model fit

Description

Compact display of a `cpm_fit()` object: the estimated angles and communality indices with confidence intervals, a one-line fit summary, and any boundary/convergence notes.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'circumplex_cpm'
print(x, digits = 3, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	A <code>circumplex_cpm</code> object.
<code>digits</code>	The number of decimal places to display (default = 3).
<code>...</code>	Not used.

Value

`x`, invisibly.

```
print.circumplex_structure
```

Print circumplex-structure test results

Description

Compact display of a `fit_structure()` object: the four factor-analytic criteria with their statistics and interpretive classifications, and the RANDALL order test with its randomization p-value.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'circumplex_structure'
print(x, digits = 3, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	A <code>circumplex_structure</code> object.
<code>digits</code>	The number of decimal places to display (default = 3).
<code>...</code>	Not used.

Value

`x`, invisibly.

`quadrants`*Angular displacements for quadrant circumplex scales*

Description

Return a vector of angular displacements, in degrees, for four equally spaced circumplex scales corresponding to the circumplex quadrants. Can be passed to the `angles` parameter of other functions in this package.

Usage

```
quadrants()
```

Value

A numeric vector with eight elements, each corresponding to the angular displacement (in degrees) of a subscale, in the following order: BC, FG, JK, NO.

Examples

```
quadrants()
```

`raw_iipsc`*Raw item responses on real circumplex scales*

Description

A small example dataset containing raw item responses on the Inventory of Interpersonal Problems, Short Circumplex (IIP-SC). This data set is useful for testing functions that operate on item-level data.

Usage

```
raw_iipsc
```

Format

A data frame with 10 observations and 32 variables.

scales

Display the scales of a circumplex instrument

Description

Display the scales of a circumplex instrument including the total number of scales and each scale's abbreviation, hypothetical angle, and text label.

Usage

```
scales(x, items = FALSE)
```

Arguments

x	Required. An object of the instrument class.
items	Optional. A logical determining whether the items for each scale should be displayed below its other information (default = FALSE).

Value

The same input object. Prints text to console.

See Also

Other instrument functions: [anchors\(\)](#), [instruments\(\)](#), [items\(\)](#), [norms\(\)](#)

Examples

```
scales(csip)
scales(csip, items = TRUE)
```

scale_x_circumplex

Angle-labeled x-axis scale for circumplex plots

Description

A **ggplot2** continuous position scale for the angle axis of a linear circumplex plot, such as the score-by-angle curve drawn by `ssm_plot_curve()`. It places axis breaks at the circumplex scale angles and labels them, by default, with their angular position in degrees. Custom text labels or a `circumplex_instrument` can be supplied instead, using the same conventions as [ggcircumplex\(\)](#), so the linear axis and the circular canvas label their scales consistently.

Usage

```
scale_x_circumplex(angles = octants(), labels = NULL, instrument = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

angles	Optional. A numeric vector of the angular position (in degrees) of each circumplex scale (default = <code>octants()</code>). Ignored if <code>instrument</code> is supplied.
labels	Optional. Either <code>NULL</code> or a character vector of axis labels, one per angle and in the same order (default = <code>NULL</code> , which labels each break with its angle in degrees, or with the instrument's scale abbreviations when <code>instrument</code> is supplied).
instrument	Optional. Either <code>NULL</code> or a <code>circumplex_instrument</code> object (see <code>instrument()</code>) from which to take the scale angles and (unless <code>labels</code> is given) abbreviations (default = <code>NULL</code>).
...	Additional arguments passed to <code>ggplot2::scale_x_continuous()</code> , such as <code>name</code> or <code>limits</code> .

Value

A **ggplot2** scale object that can be added to a plot with `+`.

See Also

Other circumplex layers: `coord_circumplex()`, `geom_ssm_arc()`, `geom_ssm_path()`, `geom_ssm_point()`, `ggcircumplex()`, `theme_circumplex()`

Examples

```
# Degree-labeled angle axis
scale_x_circumplex(octants())

# Label the axis with an instrument's scale abbreviations
scale_x_circumplex(instrument = csip)
```

score	<i>Score circumplex scales from item responses</i>
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Description

Calculate mean scores on circumplex scales from item responses by using the scoring instructions stored in an instrument object from the package.

Usage

```
score(
  data,
  items,
  instrument,
  na.rm = TRUE,
  prefix = "",
  suffix = "",
  append = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

data	Required. A data frame or matrix containing at least circumplex scales.
items	Required. The variable names or column numbers for the variables in .data that contain all the circumplex items from a single circumplex measure, in ascending order from item 1 to item N.
instrument	Required. An instrument object from the package. To see the available circumplex instruments, use instruments().
na.rm	Optional. A logical that determines if missing values should be omitted from the calculation of scores (default = TRUE). When set to TRUE, scales with missing data are essentially calculated with mean imputation.
prefix	Optional. A string to include at the beginning of the newly calculated scale variables' names, before Abbrev from key and suffix (default = "").
suffix	Optional. A string to include at the end of the newly calculated scale variables' names, after Abbrev from key and prefix (default = "").
append	Optional. A logical that determines whether the calculated score variables will be appended to data or returned on their own (default = TRUE).

Value

A data frame that matches .data except that new variables are appended that contain mean scores on each variable included in key.

See Also

Other tidying functions: [ipsatize\(\)](#), [norm_standardize\(\)](#), [self_standardize\(\)](#)

Examples

```
data("raw_iipsc")
score(raw_iipsc, items = 1:32, instrument = iipsc, prefix = "IIPSC_")
```

self_standardize	<i>Standardize circumplex scales using sample data</i>
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Description

Take in a data frame containing circumplex scales (or items) and return that same data frame with each specified variable transformed into standard scores (i.e., z-scores) based on observed means and SDs.

Usage

```
self_standardize(  
  data,  
  scales,  
  na.rm = TRUE,  
  prefix = "",  
  suffix = "_z",  
  append = TRUE  
)
```

Arguments

<code>data</code>	Required. A data frame or matrix containing at least circumplex scales.
<code>scales</code>	Required. A character vector containing the column names, or a numeric vector containing the column indexes, for the variables (scale scores) to be standardized.
<code>na.rm</code>	Optional. A logical that determines whether to remove missing values from scales when calculating the means and SDs used for standardization (default = TRUE).
<code>prefix</code>	Optional. A string to include at the beginning of the newly calculated scale variables' names, before the scale name and <code>suffix</code> (default = "").
<code>suffix</code>	Optional. A string to include at the end of the newly calculated scale variables' names, after the scale name and <code>prefix</code> (default = "_z").
<code>append</code>	Optional. A logical that determines whether the calculated standardized scores should be added as columns to <code>data</code> in the output or the standardized scores alone should be output (default = TRUE).

Value

A data frame that contains the self-standardized versions of scales.

See Also

Other tidying functions: [ipsatize\(\)](#), [norm_standardize\(\)](#), [score\(\)](#)

Examples

```
self_standardize(aw2009, scales = 1:8)
```

simulated_items	<i>Simulated item responses on octant circumplex scales</i>
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Description

A simulated item-level dataset for demonstrating `axes_reliability()`. It contains 1-7 Likert responses from 500 respondents on 32 items – four items on each of the eight octant circumplex scales (PA at 90 degrees through NO at 45 degrees, following `octants()`). The items were drawn from the five-component population of Strack, Jacobs, and Grosse Holtforth (2013): a general factor, two equal circumplex axes (axes variance .18), one shared scale-specificity component (.10), no block specificity (the instrument is not blockwise, so that fifth component is zero here), and free item error, giving an axes reliability of about .78. The data are synthetic – there is no public raw-data source for the method – and are generated by a seeded script (`data-raw/simulated_items.R`).

Usage

```
simulated_items
```

Format

A data frame with 500 observations and 32 variables named PA_1–PA_4, BC_1–BC_4, ..., NO_1–NO_4 (four items per octant scale).

References

Strack, S., Jacobs, K. A., & Grosse Holtforth, M. (2013). The reliability of circumplex axes. *SAGE Open*, 3(2). doi:10.1177/2158244013486115

ssm_analyze	<i>Perform analyses using the Structural Summary Method</i>
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Description

Calculate SSM parameters with confidence intervals (bootstrapped by default, or Monte Carlo via method) for a variety of different analysis types. Depending on what arguments are supplied, either mean-based or correlation-based analyses will be performed, one or more groups will be used to stratify the data, and contrasts between groups or measures will be calculated.

Usage

```
ssm_analyze(
  data,
  scales = NULL,
  angles = octants(),
  measures = NULL,
  grouping = NULL,
```

```

    contrast = FALSE,
    boots = 2000,
    interval = 0.95,
    listwise = TRUE,
    measures_labels = NULL,
    parallel = "no",
    ncpus = 1,
    method = "bootstrap",
    occasions = NULL
)

```

Arguments

<code>data</code>	Required. A data frame or matrix containing at least circumplex scales.
<code>scales</code>	Required unless <code>occasions</code> is supplied (the two are mutually exclusive). A character vector of column names, or a numeric vector of column indexes, from data that contains the circumplex scale scores to be analyzed.
<code>angles</code>	Optional. A numeric vector containing the angular displacement of each circumplex scale included in <code>scales</code> (in degrees). (default = <code>octants()</code>). The closed-form SSM estimator used here equals the ordinary-least-squares cosine fit for equally spaced angles (e.g., octants at 45-degree intervals) – more generally, for any angle set satisfying first- and second-harmonic balance. For angle sets violating that balance (generic unequally spaced sets), it is the conventional Gurtman estimator, not a least-squares fit, and the reported model fit is then no longer a bounded R-squared in $[0, 1]$ (it can fall below 0).
<code>measures</code>	Optional. Either <code>NULL</code> or a character vector of column names from data that contains one or more variables to be correlated with the circumplex scales and analyzed using correlation-based SSM analyses.
<code>grouping</code>	Optional. Either <code>NULL</code> or a string that contains the column name from data of the variable that indicates the group membership of each observation.
<code>contrast</code>	Optional. A logical indicating whether to output the difference between two measures', two groups', or two occasions' SSM parameters. Can only be set to <code>TRUE</code> when exactly one of these holds: two measures and one group; one measure and two groups; no measures and two groups; or two occasions and one group (default = <code>FALSE</code>). The contrast is always the second level minus the first. For two groups, this is the second level of grouping alphabetically, unless grouping is already a factor with an explicit level order, in which case that order is used. For two measures, this is simply the second entry of measures as given (no reordering). For two occasions, it is the second listed element of occasions minus the first (list order as supplied – temporal order – never alphabetical). The direction is shown in the result's Label (e.g., "Male - Female").
<code>boots</code>	Optional. A single positive whole number indicating how many bootstrap resamples (or, when <code>method = "montecarlo"</code> , Monte Carlo draws) to use when estimating the confidence intervals (default = 2000).
<code>interval</code>	Optional. A single positive number between 0 and 1 (exclusive) that indicates what confidence level to use when estimating the confidence intervals (default = 0.95).

<code>listwise</code>	Optional. A logical indicating whether missing values should be handled by listwise deletion (TRUE) or pairwise deletion (FALSE). Note that pairwise deletion may result in different missing data patterns in each bootstrap resample and is slower to compute (default = TRUE). Occasions analyses require <code>listwise = TRUE</code> : a person missing any occasion is dropped from all occasions (complete cases across waves), so the paired contrast stays a within-person comparison. Note the selection caution: complete-cases-across-waves estimates completers' change, which can differ from population change when dropout relates to the outcome.
<code>measures_labels</code>	Optional. Either NULL or a character vector providing a label for each measure provided in <code>measures</code> (in the same order) to appear in the results as well as tables and plots derived from the results.
<code>parallel</code>	Optional. A string indicating whether to distribute the bootstrap computation across multiple CPU cores: "no" (default), "multicore" (process forking; available on macOS and Linux, ignored on Windows), or "snow" (a local PSOCK cluster; available on all platforms). Passed to <code>boot</code> . Because the bootstrap resample indices are drawn in the main R process before any work is distributed, results for a given <code>set.seed()</code> are identical regardless of the <code>parallel</code> and <code>ncpus</code> settings.
<code>ncpus</code>	Optional. A single positive whole number indicating how many CPU cores to use when <code>parallel</code> is not "no" (default = 1).
<code>method</code>	Optional. A string indicating how to estimate the confidence intervals: "bootstrap" (default) resamples the data, whereas "montecarlo" draws parameter replicates from the asymptotic sampling distribution of the group mean vector (mean-based analyses) or the measure-scale correlation vector (correlation-based analyses) – a multivariate normal with empirically estimated covariance – and propagates them through the SSM parameter transformation. The Monte Carlo method is much faster for large samples but relies on the asymptotic normality of the means or correlations, so prefer the bootstrap for small samples; it also requires listwise-complete data. Correlations are drawn jointly across measures within each group on the Fisher z scale and back-transformed. The <code>parallel</code> and <code>ncpus</code> arguments apply only to the bootstrap.
<code>occasions</code>	Optional. Either NULL or a named list of character or numeric vectors, each selecting the same circumplex scales measured at one occasion, in the same scale order, all of length <code>length(angles)</code> (e.g., <code>occasions = list(T1 = c("PA_1", ..., "NO_1"), T2 = c("PA_2", ..., "NO_2"))</code>). Mutually exclusive with <code>scales</code> (and not combinable with <code>measures</code>). Data must be wide – one row per person – so persons remain the resampling unit and within-person dependence across occasions is preserved in both engines. Results gain an <code>Occasion</code> column (labels are <code>names(occasions)</code> , defaulting to <code>T1..Tk</code>); this column is present only for occasions analyses. Grouping is time-invariant by construction (one group per person-row). Cross-occasion column alignment is validated by stem matching; when the columns have no common stem structure, positional alignment is assumed and messaged.

Value

A list containing the results and description of the analysis.

results	A data frame with the SSM parameter estimates
details	A list with the number of bootstrap resamples or Monte Carlo draws (boots), the confidence interval percentage level (interval), the angular displacement of scales (angles), and the interval estimation method (method)
call	A language object containing the function call that created this object
scores	A data frame containing the mean scale scores
type	A string indicating what type of SSM analysis was done

The profile displacement parameter is reported in the half-open interval $[0, 360)$ degrees. A profile that peaks exactly at the 0/360 degree boundary is reported as approximately 360 (equivalently 0, the same direction); which of the two appears is a floating-point detail and both denote the same pole. A displacement *confidence-interval endpoint* that lands exactly on that pole is always reported as 360 (never 0), matching the package's $LM = 360$ labeling. Contrast displacements are instead reported as a signed difference in $(-180, 180]$ degrees (see the "Contrast" block in the printed output).

Degenerate profiles (flat or zero-amplitude) have undefined displacement (and fit, if flat), which is reported as NA with a warning. Bootstrap resamples that produce degenerate profiles (e.g., a resampled measure with zero variance) are excluded from the confidence intervals with a warning reporting how many were dropped; the intervals are then conditional on estimability.

$[0, 360)$ degrees. A profile that peaks exactly at the 0/360 degree boundary is reported as approximately 360 (equivalently 0, the same direction); which of the two appears is a floating-point detail and both denote the same pole. A displacement *confidence-interval endpoint* that lands exactly on that pole is always reported as 360 (never 0), matching the package's $LM = 360$ labeling. Contrast displacements are instead reported as a signed difference in $(-180, 180]$ degrees (see the "Contrast" block in the printed output).

Reproducibility

This function consumes R's random number stream (so do `cpm_fit(ci_method = "bootstrap")`, `cpm_simulate()`, and `ssm_ci_accuracy()`; `ssm_score()/ssm_parameters()` and the tidying functions are deterministic). Call `set.seed()` immediately before `ssm_analyze()` for reproducible confidence intervals:

- **Bootstrap** (`method = "bootstrap"`, the default): the same seed gives byte-identical results, *regardless of* the `parallel/ncpus` settings (see their descriptions below), because `boot::boot()` draws all resample indices from the seed before any work is parallelized.
- **Monte Carlo** (`method = "montecarlo"`): the same seed gives byte-identical results. Adding a group or measure, or reordering scales/measures, changes the random draw sequence, so results are reproducible for a fixed call but will not match after such structural edits even with the same seed.
- The two methods are **not** expected to agree numerically for the same seed – they consume the random stream in unrelated ways. Their statistical agreement (validated on real data; see `vignette("introduction-to-ssm-analysis")`) is a separate property from RNG reproducibility.

- Increasing `boots` changes the CI by design (more resamples/draws should tighten Monte Carlo error), so results are not expected to be stable across different `boots` values, only within a fixed call.

Occasions (repeated measures)

Supplying occasions analyzes the same circumplex scales measured at $k \geq 2$ occasions on the same persons (wide data, one row per person). Each occasion yields its own profile row; with `contrast = TRUE` (exactly 2 occasions, single group) the paired within-person contrast is estimated with both engines preserving the within-person dependence (the bootstrap resamples persons; the Monte Carlo engine draws the stacked occasion mean vectors jointly).

Interpretation notes. A paired displacement-contrast CI is interpretable only when *both* occasions' amplitudes are reliably nonzero (both profiles print without the amplitude note); if only one occasion's profile is interpretable, do not read the contrast as directional change. Paired designs are not unconditionally more efficient than independent groups: the paired elevation contrast has a narrower CI exactly when the within-person elevation correlation is positive, while for the amplitude and displacement contrasts the paired CI is narrower only when the gradient-projected cross-occasion covariance is positive – under isotropic dependence this is proportional to $\cos(\text{displacement change})$, so paired CIs are narrower for displacement changes under 90 degrees and can be *wider* than independent-groups CIs for changes beyond 90 degrees, even with strongly positive within-person correlation.

With `method = "montecarlo"` the per-group draw has dimension $k \times p$ (occasions times scales); group sizes should comfortably exceed $k \times p$ for the asymptotic covariance to be well estimated (the percentile bootstrap is the safer small-sample choice). Grouping is time-invariant by construction (one group per person-row).

See Also

Other ssm functions: `plot.circumplex_ci_accuracy()`, `ssm_analyze_long()`, `ssm_ci_accuracy()`, `ssm_draws()`, `ssm_parameters()`, `ssm_parameters_id()`, `ssm_score()`, `ssm_sem()`, `ssm_sem_parameters()`, `ssm_table()`, `summary.circumplex_ssm_id()`

Other analysis functions: `cpm_fit()`, `cpm_simulate()`, `ssm_analyze_long()`, `ssm_ci_accuracy()`, `ssm_draws()`, `ssm_parameters()`, `ssm_parameters_id()`, `ssm_score()`, `ssm_sem()`, `ssm_sem_parameters()`, `summary.circumplex_ssm_id()`

Examples

`boots` is lowered from its default of 2000 throughout these examples so
they run quickly; a reported analysis should use the default.

```
# Load example data
data("jz2017")
```

```
# Single-group mean-based SSM
ssm_analyze(
  jz2017,
  scales = c("PA", "BC", "DE", "FG", "HI", "JK", "LM", "NO"),
  boots = 200
)
```

```
# Single-group correlation-based SSM
ssm_analyze(
  jz2017,
  scales = c("PA", "BC", "DE", "FG", "HI", "JK", "LM", "NO"),
  measures = c("NARPD", "ASPD"),
  boots = 200
)

# Monte Carlo confidence intervals (faster for large samples)
ssm_analyze(
  jz2017,
  scales = c("PA", "BC", "DE", "FG", "HI", "JK", "LM", "NO"),
  method = "montecarlo",
  boots = 200
)

# Multiple-group mean-based SSM
ssm_analyze(
  jz2017,
  scales = c("PA", "BC", "DE", "FG", "HI", "JK", "LM", "NO"),
  grouping = "Gender",
  boots = 200
)

# Multiple-group mean-based SSM with contrast
ssm_analyze(
  jz2017,
  scales = c("PA", "BC", "DE", "FG", "HI", "JK", "LM", "NO"),
  grouping = "Gender",
  contrast = TRUE,
  boots = 200
)

# Single-group correlation-based SSM with contrast
ssm_analyze(
  jz2017,
  scales = c("PA", "BC", "DE", "FG", "HI", "JK", "LM", "NO"),
  measures = c("NARPD", "ASPD"),
  contrast = TRUE,
  boots = 200
)

# Multiple-group correlation-based SSM
ssm_analyze(
  jz2017,
  scales = c("PA", "BC", "DE", "FG", "HI", "JK", "LM", "NO"),
  measures = "NARPD",
  grouping = "Gender",
  boots = 200
)

# Multiple-group correlation-based SSM with contrast
```

```
ssm_analyze(
  jz2017,
  scales = c("PA", "BC", "DE", "FG", "HI", "JK", "LM", "NO"),
  measures = "NARPD",
  grouping = "Gender",
  contrast = TRUE,
  boots = 200
)
```

ssm_analyze_long

Perform SSM analyses on long-format repeated-measures data

Description

A convenience wrapper around the occasions interface of `ssm_analyze()` for data stored in long format (one row per person per occasion). It reshapes the data into the wide, one-row-per-person layout that `ssm_analyze()` consumes and then delegates to it; all estimation is performed by `ssm_analyze()` unchanged. See the occasions argument of `ssm_analyze()` for the analysis semantics – per-occasion profiles, paired within-person contrasts, and the listwise-only handling of missing waves (a person missing any occasion is dropped from all occasions).

Usage

```
ssm_analyze_long(
  data,
  scales,
  angles = octants(),
  id,
  occasion,
  grouping = NULL,
  contrast = FALSE,
  boots = 2000,
  interval = 0.95,
  parallel = "no",
  ncpus = 1,
  method = "bootstrap"
)
```

Arguments

data	Required. A data frame (or matrix) in long format containing an identifier column, an occasion column, and the circumplex scale scores (one set of score columns, repeated across occasions in different rows).
scales	Required. A character vector of column names, or a numeric vector of column indexes, giving the circumplex scale scores in data (the same scales measured at every occasion).

angles	Optional. A numeric vector containing the angular displacement of each circumplex scale included in scales (in degrees) (default = <code>octants()</code>).
id	Required. A single column name or index identifying the person that each row belongs to.
occasion	Required. A single column name or index identifying the occasion (wave) that each row belongs to. Occasion order – which governs the second-minus-first direction of a paired contrast – is taken from the factor levels of this column when it is a factor, and otherwise from the order in which the occasions first appear in data. It is never sorted alphabetically, so a T10/T2 pair keeps its supplied order.
grouping	Optional. A single column name or index giving a time-invariant grouping variable (one value per person; an error is raised if a person's grouping value varies across occasions).
contrast	Optional. A logical value; if TRUE (and the data contain exactly two occasions in a single group), the paired within-person contrast (second occasion minus first) is calculated (default = FALSE).
boots, interval, parallel, ncpus, method	Optional. Passed through to <code>ssm_analyze()</code> ; see its documentation.

Value

A list containing the results and description of the analysis, as returned by `ssm_analyze()` (with an Occasion column). See `ssm_analyze()`.

See Also

`ssm_analyze()` for the wide-format interface and the analysis semantics this wrapper delegates to.

Other ssm functions: `plot.circumplex_ci_accuracy()`, `ssm_analyze()`, `ssm_ci_accuracy()`, `ssm_draws()`, `ssm_parameters()`, `ssm_parameters_id()`, `ssm_score()`, `ssm_sem()`, `ssm_sem_parameters()`, `ssm_table()`, `summary.circumplex_ssm_id()`

Other analysis functions: `cpm_fit()`, `cpm_simulate()`, `ssm_analyze()`, `ssm_ci_accuracy()`, `ssm_draws()`, `ssm_parameters()`, `ssm_parameters_id()`, `ssm_score()`, `ssm_sem()`, `ssm_sem_parameters()`, `summary.circumplex_ssm_id()`

Examples

```
# `boots` is lowered from its default of 2000 throughout these examples so
# they run quickly; a reported analysis should use the default.

# Build a small two-occasion dataset in long format (one row per person per
# occasion). In practice `data` already stores the repeated occasions this
# way; here we stack two copies of jz2017 as an illustration.
data("jz2017")
scales <- c("PA", "BC", "DE", "FG", "HI", "JK", "LM", "NO")
t1 <- jz2017[, scales]
t1$id <- seq_len(nrow(t1))
t1$occasion <- "T1"
t2 <- t1
```

```

t2$occasion <- "T2"
long <- rbind(t1, t2)

# Per-occasion SSM profiles from long-format data
ssm_analyze_long(
  long, scales = scales, id = "id", occasion = "occasion",
  boots = 200
)

```

ssm_ci_accuracy

Assess the accuracy of SSM confidence intervals by simulation

Description

Estimate, by simulation, whether the confidence intervals of a fitted `ssm_analyze()` object would cover the true SSM parameters at their nominal rate if the population looked like the fitted estimates, at the observed sample size(s). Following Zimmermann & Wright (2017), the population's scale intercorrelation structure is characterized by fitting Browne's (1992) circular process model (`cpm_fit()`) to the pooled within-group scale correlations; each of reps datasets is then simulated from that plug-in population at the object's exact group sizes and the object's own interval procedure (same engine, same boots, same interval) is rerun on it. Coverage is reported per profile row, parameter, and amplitude condition, with 95% Wilson score intervals classified against Bradley's (1978) liberal robustness band at the as-estimated condition.

Usage

```

ssm_ci_accuracy(
  ssm_object,
  reps = 1000,
  amplitude_factors = c(1, 0.5, 0.25, 0),
  structure = c("cpm", "observed"),
  m = NULL,
  cpm = NULL,
  data = NULL,
  parallel = "no",
  ncpus = 1
)

```

Arguments

<code>ssm_object</code>	Required. A <code>circumplex_ssm</code> object from <code>ssm_analyze()</code> .
<code>reps</code>	Optional. The number of simulated datasets per amplitude condition (default = 1000, binomial SE about 0.7 percentage points; 500 is a reasonable quick-look floor).

amplitude_factors	Optional. Numeric vector of amplitude scaling factors in $[0, 1]$ defining the ladder conditions (default = $c(1, 0.5, 0.25, 0)$). Must include 1, the as-estimated condition that the verdict is keyed to. Applied to every profile row jointly.
structure	Optional. "cpm" (default) simulates from the Browne model's model-implied scale correlations; "observed" bypasses the model and uses the pooled within-group correlation matrix directly (a sensitivity switch: if the two verdicts differ, structure uncertainty is itself material). Not accepted for occasions analyses, whose population is always the observed stacked cross-occasion covariance (no model is fit).
m	Optional. The number of harmonics passed to <code>cpm_fit()</code> (default NULL uses $\min(3, \text{floor}((p - 1) / 2))$).
cpm	Optional. A pre-fitted <code>circumplex_cpm</code> object to reuse for the population structure instead of refitting (its scales must match the ssm object's). Must be a unit-scaling fit (the default <code>cpm_fit()</code> scaling); a free-scaling fit models a covariance structure and is not a valid population correlation structure for this diagnostic. Ignored when <code>structure = "observed"</code> ; not accepted for occasions analyses.
data	Optional. The original data set, required only for ssm objects created before sufficient statistics were stored at analysis time; the statistics are then recomputed and checked against the stored profile vectors.
parallel	Optional. "no" (default), "multicore", or "snow"; distributes the simulation replicates across ncpus cores. Results are identical for a given seed regardless of these settings (see Reproducibility).
ncpus	Optional. Number of cores when parallel is not "no" (default = 1).

Details

Displacement coverage is angular: the truth is inside the reported interval as an arc (membership modulo 360 degrees), so populations peaking at the 0/360 boundary and contrast intervals reported beyond ± 180 degrees are handled without special-casing. Because displacement is only interpreted when the printed amplitude guardrail certifies it, displacement coverage is also reported conditional on certification under the shipped decision rule $a_{lci} / (a_{uci} - a_{lci}) \geq 0.35$ (the rule the printed `ssm_analyze()` output applies): the amplitude CI's lower bound must sit at least 0.35 CI widths above zero. The rule is scale-free (invariant to the score metric) and print-independent, so no scale-dependent threshold is reported; the 0.35 constant is calibrated for the default 95% confidence interval. A contrast row is a signed difference, not a prototypicality measure, so `print.circumplex_ssm()` never certification-gates it; its displacement verdict and printed coverage are therefore reported unconditionally (matching that profiles-only stance). Its certification-conditional coverage – where "certified" means both profile rows were certified – is still computed and retained in the returned object as a descriptive that no display consumes.

The `amplitude_factors` ladder manufactures populations whose closed-form amplitude is scaled toward zero (the regime where percentile amplitude intervals are theoretically weakest) while keeping the residual profile content fixed. The ladder is defined through the estimator functional (a 3×3 solve on the images of 1, cos, and sin), so the condition-c truths are exact for any angle spacing: elevation is unchanged and the amplitude is exactly c times the estimate. Truths are nevertheless recomputed from each condition's population profile. At $c = 0$ amplitude coverage is structurally

zero (a percentile interval of strictly positive amplitude replicates cannot contain 0; such rows are flagged in the `Structural` column) and displacement truth is undefined (reported NA); the guardrail certification rate carries the inferential weight there, and the informative rungs for amplitude coverage are the small $c > 0$ ones.

When a profile row's amplitude estimate is itself below half its observed CI width, the relative ladder degenerates: the analysis already sits in the near-zero regime. One absolute rung is then added at the certification margin (c chosen so c times the amplitude estimate equals the observed amplitude-CI half-width, the largest such c across affected rows) and `summary()` notes the regime. On the correlation path this rung is dropped with a warning if it would push a population correlation to ± 1 .

Value

A `circumplex_ci_accuracy` object: a list with coverage (per Profile x Parameter x Condition: coverage, its Monte Carlo SE, the one-sided miss rates, median CI width, and for displacement the certification-conditional coverage with the number of certified replicates behind it – for a contrast row this conditional column is retained as a joint-certification descriptive that no display consumes; `Structural` flags the amplitude rows whose zero coverage is a theorem rather than a measurement), guardrail (per Profile x Condition: certification rate with its 95% Wilson score interval, the user-expectation benchmark $(1 - \text{interval}) / 2$, the stored false-certification caution decision at the $c = 0$ rung (Caution, true when the Wilson lower bound exceeds the benchmark; NA off that rung, and NA for a contrast row, which `print.circumplex_ssm()` never gates), fit-pass rate, and the branch-pathology rate – the rate at which a displacement point estimate falls geometrically outside its own interval), verdict (Wilson-vs-Bradley classification of elevation, amplitude, and displacement coverage at the as-estimated condition – a profile's displacement is classified certification-conditionally (Parameter "d_conditional"), a contrast's unconditionally (Parameter "d") – plus an overall worst-of row per profile; note the printed verdict headline additionally elevates to CAUTION whenever the guardrail Caution fired, so it can read worse than the overall coverage class), `cpm` (the embedded `cpm_fit()` object, or NULL when `structure = "observed"`), population (per profile row: the population profile vectors, truth parameters, and any positive-semidefiniteness repair magnitude, by condition), and details. The `plot()` method draws coverage against the amplitude ladder with the Bradley band shaded; `summary()` adds a plain-language verdict (see `summary.circumplex_ci_accuracy()`).

Reproducibility

This function is stochastic: call `set.seed()` immediately before it. It draws one `sample.int()` value from the caller's random number stream to seed an internal L'Ecuyer-CMRG stream, gives every simulated dataset its own deterministic substream, and then restores the caller's `.Random.seed` and generator kind on exit, so results for a given seed are identical regardless of `parallel/ncpus` and the caller's stream is advanced by exactly that one draw.

Limitations

Coverage is evaluated at the fitted structure, not the unknown truth ("would the procedure work in a population like your estimates", not "did your interval cover"). Simulated populations are multivariate normal with the fitted correlation structure; heavy tails or skew in the real data can degrade coverage further than reported. The diagnostic assesses the complete-data procedure (missing data are not simulated), and groups are assumed to share one circumplex structure. When the Browne

model fits poorly, the simulated population may misrepresent the data; the embedded fit and its diagnostics are returned for inspection.

For an occasions (repeated-measures) analysis the population is instead a multivariate normal with the *observed* stacked cross-occasion covariance (no circular-model idealization): the within-person dependence across occasions is carried directly, and no `structure/cpm` alternative is offered. When the stacked covariance is rank-deficient (per-group sample size at or below the number of occasions times scales) the simulated population is a proper degenerate normal, so the reported coverage and width remain valid but the fit-statistic pass rate is descriptive only. For a paired contrast, the joint-certification rate (both occasions certified) is reported as a descriptive caveat on the contrast's interpretability. Assessing the occasions object per occasion via `scales = one occasion's columns` instead uses the default `"cpm"` structure and can give slightly different per-occasion verdicts – a structure-sensitivity fact, not a bug.

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See Also

Other ssm functions: `plot.circumplex_ci_accuracy()`, `ssm_analyze()`, `ssm_analyze_long()`, `ssm_draws()`, `ssm_parameters()`, `ssm_parameters_id()`, `ssm_score()`, `ssm_sem()`, `ssm_sem_parameters()`, `ssm_table()`, `summary.circumplex_ssm_id()`

Other analysis functions: `cpm_fit()`, `cpm_simulate()`, `ssm_analyze()`, `ssm_analyze_long()`, `ssm_draws()`, `ssm_parameters()`, `ssm_parameters_id()`, `ssm_score()`, `ssm_sem()`, `ssm_sem_parameters()`, `summary.circumplex_ssm_id()`

Examples

```
data("jz2017")
set.seed(12345)
res <- ssm_analyze(
  jz2017[1:200, ],
  scales = c("PA", "BC", "DE", "FG", "HI", "JK", "LM", "NO"),
  boots = 100
)
# Small reps/boots keep the example fast; use the defaults in practice
set.seed(23456)
acc <- ssm_ci_accuracy(res, reps = 25, amplitude_factors = c(1, 0.25))
acc
summary(acc)
```

ssm_draws

Summarize posterior draws as SSM parameters

Description

Transform posterior draws from a user-fitted Bayesian model (e.g., a brms cosine regression) into Structural Summary Method parameter draws and summarize them with the package's circular-statistics machinery. Two draw shapes are accepted, distinguished explicitly (never guessed):

Usage

```
ssm_draws(draws, angles = NULL, interval = 0.95, type = NULL)
```

Arguments

draws	Required. A numeric matrix or data frame of posterior draws: one row per draw, columns per the shape rules above.
angles	Optional. A numeric vector of angular displacements (in degrees) for profile draws, one per column of draws; NULL (default) for parameter draws.
interval	Optional. A single number between 0 and 1 giving the credible level for the equal-tailed intervals (default = 0.95).
type	Optional. "parameters" or "profiles", required only where the shape is ambiguous (angles = NULL with exactly 3 columns); when given elsewhere it must not contradict angles.

Details

- **Parameter draws** (angles = NULL, type = "parameters"): a numeric matrix or data frame with exactly three columns interpreted **in column order** as (e, x, y) – elevation (intercept), the cosine coefficient (x), and the sine coefficient (y). Each row is mapped to amplitude $a = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ and displacement $d = \text{atan2}(y, x)$ wrapped to $[0, 360]$ (the 0/360 pole is reported as 360, the package's LM = 360 convention). Column names are not used to reorder: when names are present but do not look (intercept, cos, sin)-like, a message states the assumed mapping. A row with exactly zero amplitude has undefined displacement (NA); model fit is undefined for parameter draws (fit = NA) because no profile is available to measure it against.
- **Profile draws** (angles supplied): a numeric matrix with one column per circumplex scale ($\text{ncol}(\text{draws}) == \text{length}(\text{angles})$); each row goes through the closed-form SSM transform exactly as a bootstrap replicate would, inheriting the standing degenerate-profile NA semantics.

With angles = NULL and a column count other than 3 the input matches neither shape and an error explains both. With angles = NULL and exactly 3 columns the shape is ambiguous (a p = 3 instrument's profile draws look like parameter draws), so type = "parameters" is required.

Point estimates are posterior medians for e, x, y, a, and fit (amplitude is right-skewed, so a mean would be biased upward), and the circular mean for displacement. Marginal summaries are not jointly coherent: the reported a is not $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ of the reported (x, y), and the reported

d is not their direction – each is the honest marginal summary of its own posterior. Intervals are equal-tailed credible intervals (percentile quantiles of the draws), with displacement handled by the package’s circular quantile machinery (centered on the circular mean, so intervals straddling 0/360 wrap correctly). Draws with undefined displacement are excluded from the displacement summaries only, which are therefore conditional on estimability (measure-zero for continuous parameter-draw posteriors; can bind for profile draws). A diffuse posterior with zero circular resultant has an undefined circular mean, reported as NA rather than invented.

Note that independent priors on (x, y) induce a non-uniform prior on (a, d) – roughly Rayleigh-shaped on amplitude, with mass pushed away from a = 0 – so the prior on the SSM scale should be inspected (e.g., by prior-predictive simulation) rather than assumed flat; see the package’s Bayesian SSM vignette.

Value

An object of class "circumplex_ssm_draws" holding draws (the SSM parameter draws, one row per posterior draw, columns e, x, y, a, d, fit, displacement in degrees [0, 360], pole reported as 360), results (the point summaries and credible bounds), and details, whose certified field records the package’s displacement-interpretability certification applied to the amplitude credible interval ($a_lci / (a_uci - a_lci) \geq 0.35$): when it fails, the displacement interval is not interpretable and printing adds a note saying so. Printing shows the summary table; `summary()` adds the analysis details.

See Also

Other ssm functions: `plot.circumplex_ci_accuracy()`, `ssm_analyze()`, `ssm_analyze_long()`, `ssm_ci_accuracy()`, `ssm_parameters()`, `ssm_parameters_id()`, `ssm_score()`, `ssm_sem()`, `ssm_sem_parameters()`, `ssm_table()`, `summary.circumplex_ssm_id()`

Other analysis functions: `cpm_fit()`, `cpm_simulate()`, `ssm_analyze()`, `ssm_analyze_long()`, `ssm_ci_accuracy()`, `ssm_parameters()`, `ssm_parameters_id()`, `ssm_score()`, `ssm_sem()`, `ssm_sem_parameters()`, `summary.circumplex_ssm_id()`

Examples

```
# Parameter draws (e.g., brms fixed-effect draws b_Intercept, b_cos, b_sin)
set.seed(1)
draws <- cbind(rnorm(500, 0.4, 0.1), rnorm(500, 0.9, 0.1),
              rnorm(500, -0.3, 0.1))
ssm_draws(draws, type = "parameters")
```

ssm_parameters

Calculate Structural Summary Method parameters for a set of scores

Description

Calculate SSM parameters (without confidence intervals) for a set of scores and generate a data frame with customizable labels for each parameter value. This function requires the input to be a numeric vector (or coercable to one) and returns only the parameters. See `ssm_score()` for a similar function that calculates SSM parameters for each row of a data frame.

Usage

```
ssm_parameters(
  scores,
  angles = octants(),
  prefix = "",
  suffix = "",
  e_label = "Elev",
  x_label = "Xval",
  y_label = "Yval",
  a_label = "Ampl",
  d_label = "Disp",
  f_label = "Fit"
)
```

Arguments

scores	Required. A numeric vector (or single row data frame) containing one score for each of a set of circumplex scales.
angles	Required. A numeric vector containing the angular displacement of each circumplex scale included in scores (in degrees). The closed-form SSM estimator used here equals the ordinary-least-squares cosine fit for equally spaced angles (e.g., octants at 45-degree intervals) – more generally, for any angle set satisfying first- and second-harmonic balance. For angle sets violating that balance (generic unequally spaced sets), it is the conventional Gurtman estimator, not a least-squares fit, and the reported fit is then no longer a bounded R-squared in $[0, 1]$ (it can fall below 0).
prefix	Optional. A string to append to the beginning of all of the SSM parameters' variable names (default = "").
suffix	Optional. A string to append to the end of all of the SSM parameters' variable names (default = "").
e_label	Optional. A string representing the variable name of the SSM elevation parameter (default = "Elev").
x_label	Optional. A string representing the variable name of the SSM x-value parameter (default = "Xval").
y_label	Optional. A string representing the variable name of the SSM y-value parameter (default = "Yval").
a_label	Optional. A string representing the variable name of the SSM amplitude parameter (default = "Ampl").
d_label	Optional. A string representing the variable name of the SSM displacement parameter (default = "Disp").
f_label	Optional. A string representing the variable name of the SSM fit or R-squared value (default = "Fit"). This value is a bounded R-squared in $[0, 1]$ when the closed form coincides with the least-squares fit (equally spaced or otherwise harmonic-balanced angles; see angles).

Value

A data frame containing the SSM parameters calculated from scores. For degenerate profiles the undefined parameters are returned as NA with a warning: a flat profile (zero variance) has undefined displacement and fit, and a profile with real variance but zero amplitude (i.e., no first-harmonic component) has undefined displacement and a fit of 0. Note that this applies only to amplitudes that are zero up to machine precision; small real amplitudes are always estimated, and their uncertainty is expressed through confidence intervals (see [ssm_analyze\(\)](#)).

See Also

Other ssm functions: [plot.circumplex_ci_accuracy\(\)](#), [ssm_analyze\(\)](#), [ssm_analyze_long\(\)](#), [ssm_ci_accuracy\(\)](#), [ssm_draws\(\)](#), [ssm_parameters_id\(\)](#), [ssm_score\(\)](#), [ssm_sem\(\)](#), [ssm_sem_parameters\(\)](#), [ssm_table\(\)](#), [summary.circumplex_ssm_id\(\)](#)

Other analysis functions: [cpm_fit\(\)](#), [cpm_simulate\(\)](#), [ssm_analyze\(\)](#), [ssm_analyze_long\(\)](#), [ssm_ci_accuracy\(\)](#), [ssm_draws\(\)](#), [ssm_parameters_id\(\)](#), [ssm_score\(\)](#), [ssm_sem\(\)](#), [ssm_sem_parameters\(\)](#), [summary.circumplex_ssm_id\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# Manually enter octant scores
scores <- c(0.55, 0.58, 0.62, 0.76, 1.21, 1.21, 1.48, 0.90)
ssm_parameters(scores)

# Customize several of the labels
ssm_parameters(scores, x_label = "LOV", y_label = "DOM")

# Add a prefix to all labels
ssm_parameters(scores, prefix = "IIP_")
```

ssm_parameters_id	<i>Calculate SSM parameters for each person</i>
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Description

Score each person's own circumplex profile through the closed-form SSM transform and return a per-person parameter table. When `id` is `NULL`, every row of data is treated as one person's profile (like [ssm_score\(\)](#), but returning a fresh table rather than appending columns). When `id` names a column, rows sharing an `id` (e.g., occasions of intensive longitudinal data) are first averaged within person – each scale's mean uses that person's available (non-missing) rows – and the within-person mean profile is scored.

Usage

```
ssm_parameters_id(data, scales, angles = octants(), id = NULL)
```

Arguments

data	Required. A data frame or matrix containing at least circumplex scales, with one row per person or (with id) per person-occasion.
scales	Required. The variable names or column numbers for the variables in data that contain circumplex scales to be analyzed.
angles	Optional. A numeric vector containing the angular displacement of each circumplex scale included in scales, in degrees (default = <code>octants()</code>). The closed-form SSM estimator used here equals the ordinary-least-squares cosine fit for equally spaced angles – more generally, for any angle set satisfying first- and second-harmonic balance; see <code>ssm_parameters()</code> .
id	Optional. A single variable name or column number identifying persons. If NULL (default), each row is scored as its own person; otherwise rows sharing an id are averaged within person before scoring. Missing id values are an error (a person cannot be silently dropped).

Details

Degenerate profiles keep their row and are reported as NA, never silently dropped: a flat (zero-variance) profile has undefined displacement and fit, a profile with real variance but zero first-harmonic amplitude has undefined displacement and a fit of 0, and a person with a completely missing scale has an undefined profile (all parameters NA). The `na_rate` column exposes each person's share of missing scale cells so missingness is visible alongside its consequences.

Value

A data frame of class "circumplex_ssm_id" with one row per person, in order of first appearance: the id column (named after id, or id when NULL), `n_obs` (rows contributing to that person), `na_rate` (proportion of missing scale cells among those rows), and the SSM parameters `Elev`, `Xval`, `Yval`, `Ampl`, `Disp` (degrees in [0, 360], with the 0/360 pole reported as 360 per the package's LM = 360 convention), and `Fit`. Use `summary.circumplex_ssm_id()` for group-level summaries with circular statistics for displacement.

See Also

Other ssm functions: `plot.circumplex_ci_accuracy()`, `ssm_analyze()`, `ssm_analyze_long()`, `ssm_ci_accuracy()`, `ssm_draws()`, `ssm_parameters()`, `ssm_score()`, `ssm_sem()`, `ssm_sem_parameters()`, `ssm_table()`, `summary.circumplex_ssm_id()`

Other analysis functions: `cpm_fit()`, `cpm_simulate()`, `ssm_analyze()`, `ssm_analyze_long()`, `ssm_ci_accuracy()`, `ssm_draws()`, `ssm_parameters()`, `ssm_score()`, `ssm_sem()`, `ssm_sem_parameters()`, `summary.circumplex_ssm_id()`

Examples

```
data("aw2009")
ssm_parameters_id(
  aw2009,
  scales = c("PA", "BC", "DE", "FG", "HI", "JK", "LM", "NO")
)
```

ssm_plot_circle

*Create a Circular Plot of SSM Results***Description**

Take in the results of a Structural Summary Method analysis and plot the point and interval estimate for each row (e.g., group or measure) in a circular space quantified by displacement and amplitude.

Usage

```
ssm_plot_circle(
  ssm_object,
  amax = NULL,
  legend_font_size = 12,
  scale_font_size = 12,
  drop_lowfit = FALSE,
  repel = FALSE,
  angle_labels = NULL,
  palette = "Set2",
  vary_shapes = FALSE,
  path = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

ssm_object	Required. The output of <code>ssm_analyze()</code> .
amax	A positive real number corresponding to the radius of the circle. It is used to scale the amplitude values and will determine which amplitude labels are drawn.
legend_font_size	A positive real number corresponding to the size (in pt) of the text labels in the legend (default = 12).
scale_font_size	A positive real number corresponding to the size (in pt) of the text labels for the amplitude and displacement scales (default = 12).
drop_lowfit	A logical determining whether profiles with low model fit (<.70) should be omitted or plotted with dashed borders (default = FALSE).
repel	A logical determining whether each profile is labelled with a repelled text label (placed on the circumplex canvas by <code>coord_circumplex()</code> , so labels avoid overlapping each other and the points) instead of distinguished by colour and a legend (default = FALSE). Requires the ggrepel package.
angle_labels	A character vector specifying text labels to plot around the circle for each scale. Can also specify NULL to default to numerical angle labels or a vector of empty strings ("") to hide the labels. If not NULL, must have the same length and ordering as the angles argument to <code>ssm_analyze()</code> . (default = NULL)

palette	A string corresponding to the palette to be used from ColorBrewer for the color and fill aesthetics. If set to NULL, all points will appear blue and no legend will be there (useful for showing the coverage of a high number of variables).
vary_shapes	A logical determining whether profiles should each get their own shape or vary only by fill color. This only works when the number of profiles is five or less. (default = FALSE)
path	A logical determining whether each series' movement across occasions is drawn as an arrowed path on the circle (default = FALSE). Requires an SSM object with occasions, from <code>ssm_analyze()</code> with the occasions argument or from <code>ssm_analyze_long()</code> ; supplying TRUE for any other object is an error. Occasions are connected in the order they were supplied, never alphabetically, and the path is drawn the short way across the 0/360 boundary. An occasion whose displacement is undefined (a flat or zero-amplitude profile) breaks the path rather than being interpolated through. See <code>geom_ssm_path()</code> for the underlying layer.
...	Not used. Supplying an unrecognized argument produces a warning.

Value

A ggplot variable containing a completed circular plot.

See Also

Other visualization functions: `plot.circumplex_ci_accuracy()`, `ssm_plot_contrast()`, `ssm_plot_curve()`, `ssm_plot_trajectory()`

Examples

```
# `boots` is lowered from its default of 2000 throughout these examples so
# they run quickly; a reported analysis should use the default.
```

```
data("jz2017")
res <- ssm_analyze(
  jz2017,
  scales = 2:9,
  measures = c("NARPD", "ASPD"),
  boots = 200
)
ssm_plot_circle(res)
```

ssm_plot_contrast

Create a Difference Plot of SSM Contrast Results

Description

Take in the results of a Structural Summary Method analysis with pairwise contrasts and plot the point and interval estimates for each parameter's contrast (e.g., between groups or measures).

Usage

```
ssm_plot_contrast(
  ssm_object,
  drop_xy = FALSE,
  sig_color = "#fc8d62",
  ns_color = "white",
  linesize = 1.25,
  fontsize = 12,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

ssm_object	Required. The results output of <code>ssm_analyze()</code> .
drop_xy	A logical determining whether the X-Value and Y-Value parameters should be removed from the plot (default = FALSE).
sig_color	Optional. A string corresponding to the color to use to denote significant contrasts (default = "#fc8d62").
ns_color	Optional. A string corresponding to the color to use to denote non-significant contrasts (default = "white").
linesize	Optional. A positive number corresponding to the size of the point range elements in mm (default = 1.5).
fontsize	Optional. A positive number corresponding to the size of the axis labels, numbers, and facet headings in pt (default = 12).
...	Not used. Supplying an unrecognized argument produces a warning.

Value

A ggplot variable containing difference point-ranges faceted by SSM parameter. An interval that does not contain the value of zero has $p < .05$.

See Also

Other visualization functions: [plot.circumplex_ci_accuracy\(\)](#), [ssm_plot_circle\(\)](#), [ssm_plot_curve\(\)](#), [ssm_plot_trajectory\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# `boots` is lowered from its default of 2000 throughout these examples so
# they run quickly; a reported analysis should use the default.
```

```
data("jz2017")
res <- ssm_analyze(
  jz2017,
  scales = 2:9,
  measures = c("NARPD", "ASPD"),
  contrast = TRUE,
```

```

    boots = 200
  )
  ssm_plot_contrast(res)

```

ssm_plot_curve

Create a Curve Plot of SSM Results

Description

Take in the results of a Structural Summary Method analysis and plot the scores by angle and the estimated SSM curve.

Usage

```

ssm_plot_curve(
  ssm_object,
  angle_labels = NULL,
  base_size = 11,
  drop_lowfit = FALSE,
  ...
)

```

Arguments

ssm_object	Required. The results output of <code>ssm_analyze()</code> .
angle_labels	Optional. Either NULL or a character vector that determines the x-axis labels. If NULL, the labels will be the angle numbers. If a character vector, must be the same length and in the same order as the angles argument to <code>ssm_analyze()</code> (default = NULL).
base_size	Optional. A positive number corresponding to the base font size in pts (default = 11).
drop_lowfit	Optional. A logical indicating whether to omit profiles with low fit (<.70) or include them with dashed lines (default = FALSE).
...	Not used. Supplying an unrecognized argument produces a warning.

Value

A ggplot object depicting the SSM curve(s) of each profile.

See Also

Other visualization functions: [plot.circumplex_ci_accuracy\(\)](#), [ssm_plot_circle\(\)](#), [ssm_plot_contrast\(\)](#), [ssm_plot_trajectory\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# `boots` is lowered from its default of 2000 throughout these examples so  
# they run quickly; a reported analysis should use the default.
```

```
data("jz2017")  
res <- ssm_analyze(  
  jz2017,  
  scales = 2:9,  
  measures = 10:13,  
  boots = 200  
)  
ssm_plot_curve(res)  
ssm_plot_curve(res, angle_labels = PAN0())
```

ssm_plot_trajectory *Create a Trajectory Plot of SSM Results Over Time*

Description

Plot each Structural Summary Method parameter against time, one facet per parameter, with its confidence interval as a band. This is a Cartesian diagnostic plot, not a circumplex figure: the horizontal axis is time, not angle.

Usage

```
ssm_plot_trajectory(x, ...)  
  
## Default S3 method:  
ssm_plot_trajectory(x, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'circumplex_ssm'  
ssm_plot_trajectory(x, drop_xy = FALSE, base_size = 11, na.rm = TRUE, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'data.frame'  
ssm_plot_trajectory(  
  x,  
  time,  
  drop_xy = FALSE,  
  base_size = 11,  
  na.rm = TRUE,  
  ...  
)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	An SSM results object produced by <code>ssm_analyze()</code> with the <code>occasions</code> argument or by <code>ssm_analyze_long()</code> , or a trajectory table (a data frame) as described above.
<code>...</code>	Not used. Supplying an unrecognized argument produces a warning.
<code>drop_xy</code>	A logical determining whether the X-value and Y-value panels should be omitted (default = FALSE), leaving elevation, amplitude, and displacement.
<code>base_size</code>	A positive number determining the base font size of the plot (default = 11).
<code>na.rm</code>	A logical determining whether time points that cannot be plotted (no defined displacement) are dropped silently (default = TRUE) or with a warning naming how many were removed (FALSE).
<code>time</code>	A string naming the numeric time column of a trajectory table. Required for the data frame method; unused for SSM objects.

Details

Two kinds of input are accepted, and they differ only in their time axis:

- An **SSM results object** with `occasions`, from `ssm_analyze()` with the `occasions` argument or from `ssm_analyze_long()`. Occasions are discrete and ordered, so the axis is discrete.
- A **trajectory table**: a data frame with one row per time point, a numeric time column named by `time`, and the columns `a_est`, `a_lci`, `a_uci`, `d_est`, `d_lci`, and `d_uci` (optionally the `e_*`, `x_*`, and `y_*` triples, and a logical `certified` column). This is the shape a model-based workflow assembles by evaluating a fitted growth model at each time point and passing the draws through `ssm_draws()`; see `vignette("growth-ssm-analysis")`. The axis is continuous, so unequally spaced time points are drawn at their actual spacing.

Both paths share one implementation of the displacement unwrap and the certification marking described below.

The displacement panel is drawn on an *unwrapped* branch, so a profile whose displacement crosses the 0/360 boundary renders as one continuous path rather than jumping a full turn. Values on that panel may therefore fall outside [0, 360); each confidence bound is placed at its signed angular distance from its own estimate. Unwrapping assumes the profile rotates less than a half-turn between consecutive time points at which its displacement is defined – no data can verify this, so time points that are far apart, or a series with a gap, should be read with that in mind.

Occasions appear in the order they were supplied to `ssm_analyze()` (or in the occasion factor's level order for `ssm_analyze_long()`), never in alphabetical order.

On the displacement panel, a time point whose amplitude confidence interval is too close to zero for its displacement to be interpretable is drawn as a hollow point; see `ssm_analyze()` for the certification rule. For an SSM object the verdict is computed from the amplitude interval; for a trajectory table it is read from the optional `certified` column, and when that column is absent no interpretability claim is made or shown. A profile with no defined displacement at all (a flat profile) leaves a gap in that panel.

A contrast row is never plotted as a time point – it is a difference, not a time point. Use `ssm_plot_contrast()` for it.

Value

A ggplot object depicting each SSM parameter's trajectory over time, with confidence bands.

See Also

[geom_ssm_path\(\)](#) and [ssm_plot_circle\(path = TRUE\)](#), which draw the same change across occasions as movement on the circumplex canvas rather than as parameter-by-time panels.

Other visualization functions: [plot.circumplex_ci_accuracy\(\)](#), [ssm_plot_circle\(\)](#), [ssm_plot_contrast\(\)](#), [ssm_plot_curve\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# `boots` is lowered from its default of 2000 throughout these examples so
# they run quickly; a reported analysis should use the default.
```

```
data("jz2017")
scales <- c("PA", "BC", "DE", "FG", "HI", "JK", "LM", "NO")
t1 <- jz2017[, scales]
t1$id <- seq_len(nrow(t1))
t1$occasion <- "T1"
t2 <- t1
t2$occasion <- "T2"
res <- ssm_analyze_long(rbind(t1, t2),
  scales = scales, id = "id", occasion = "occasion",
  boots = 200
)
ssm_plot_trajectory(res)
ssm_plot_trajectory(res, drop_xy = TRUE)
```

```
# A model-based trajectory table, plotted on a continuous time axis
trajectory <- data.frame(
  wave = 0:4,
  a_est = c(0.60, 0.55, 0.52, 0.58, 0.63),
  a_lci = c(0.48, 0.43, 0.40, 0.46, 0.51),
  a_uci = c(0.72, 0.67, 0.64, 0.70, 0.75),
  d_est = c(350, 355, 2, 8, 12),
  d_lci = c(340, 345, 352, 358, 2),
  d_uci = c(0, 5, 12, 18, 22),
  certified = c(TRUE, TRUE, FALSE, TRUE, TRUE)
)
ssm_plot_trajectory(trajectory, time = "wave")
```

Description

Calculate the SSM parameters for each row of a data frame and add the results as additional columns. This can be useful when the SSM is being used for the description or visualization of individual data points rather than for statistical inference on groups of data points.

Usage

```
ssm_score(data, scales, angles = octants(), append = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>data</code>	Required. A data frame or matrix containing at least circumplex scales.
<code>scales</code>	Required. The variable names or column numbers for the variables in <code>.data</code> that contain circumplex scales to be analyzed.
<code>angles</code>	Required. A numeric vector containing the angular displacement of each circumplex scale included in <code>scales</code> (in degrees). The closed-form SSM estimator used here equals the ordinary-least-squares cosine fit for equally spaced angles (e.g., octants at 45-degree intervals) – more generally, for any angle set satisfying first- and second-harmonic balance. For angle sets violating that balance (generic unequally spaced sets), it is the conventional Gurtman estimator, not a least-squares fit, and the reported fit is then no longer a bounded R-squared in $[0, 1]$ (it can fall below 0).
<code>append</code>	Optional. A logical indicating whether to append the output to <code>data</code> or simply return the output (default = "TRUE").
<code>...</code>	Optional. Additional named arguments passed to <code>ssm_parameters()</code> , such as <code>prefix</code> and <code>suffix</code> ; each must be a single string. Unnamed or non-scalar arguments raise an error.

Value

A data frame containing `.data` plus six additional columns containing the SSM parameters (calculated rowwise).

See Also

Other ssm functions: `plot.circumplex_ci_accuracy()`, `ssm_analyze()`, `ssm_analyze_long()`, `ssm_ci_accuracy()`, `ssm_draws()`, `ssm_parameters()`, `ssm_parameters_id()`, `ssm_sem()`, `ssm_sem_parameters()`, `ssm_table()`, `summary.circumplex_ssm_id()`

Other analysis functions: `cpm_fit()`, `cpm_simulate()`, `ssm_analyze()`, `ssm_analyze_long()`, `ssm_ci_accuracy()`, `ssm_draws()`, `ssm_parameters()`, `ssm_parameters_id()`, `ssm_sem()`, `ssm_sem_parameters()`, `summary.circumplex_ssm_id()`

Examples

```
data("aw2009")
ssm_score(
  aw2009,
  scales = c("PA", "BC", "DE", "FG", "HI", "JK", "LM", "NO")
)
```

)

ssm_sem

Perform SEM-based (latent-variable) SSM analyses

Description

Estimate the Structural Summary Method profile that one or more external measures show against the *latent* circumplex content of a set of scales – the disattenuated analog of the correlation-based [ssm_analyze\(\)](#) – from a structural equation model with the scale angles held fixed at their theoretical values. The measurement model is generated by [ssm_sem_syntax\(\)](#) and fitted with **lavaan** on raw covariances; confidence intervals for all SSM parameters are constructed in-package by propagating draws of the model’s free parameters through the profile and SSM transforms and applying the same percentile/circular-quantile machinery as [ssm_analyze\(\)](#). No lavaan delta-method or percentile interval is ever used for amplitude or displacement (their intervals must respect the angular branch cut, which lavaan’s := machinery does not).

Usage

```
ssm_sem(
  data,
  scales,
  angles = octants(),
  measures = NULL,
  grouping = NULL,
  contrast = FALSE,
  model = c("scaled", "strict"),
  invariance = NULL,
  invariance_alpha = 0.05,
  ci_method = c("mvn", "boot"),
  boots = 2000,
  interval = 0.95,
  estimator = "MLR",
  se = "robust.huber.white",
  missing = c("listwise", "fiml"),
  parallel = "no",
  ncpus = 1,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

data	Required. A data frame or matrix containing at least the circumplex scales and measures.
scales	Required. A character vector of column names, or a numeric vector of column indexes, from data that contains the circumplex scale scores.

angles	Optional. A numeric vector containing the angular displacement of each circumplex scale included in scales, in degrees (default = <code>octants()</code>). The angles are fixed theoretical constants in the measurement model, never free parameters.
measures	Optional with grouping, required otherwise. A character vector (or numeric indexes) of one or more columns of data to be related to the latent circumplex content (the disattenuated correlation path). With grouping and measures = NULL, the latent MEAN path is analyzed instead: each group's model-implied latent mean profile, on the raw-score metric. (A single-group latent mean profile is not a product: factor means are not identified in one group.)
grouping	Optional. A string naming the column of data indicating group membership. With grouping, the fixed-angle measurement model is fitted as a multi-group model under an invariance ladder (configural, then metric, then – when required – scalar), and the latent SSM profiles are reported per group. The FIRST factor level is the reference group. With measures = NULL and grouping, the latent MEAN path is analyzed (each group's model-implied latent mean profile).
contrast	Optional. A logical (default = FALSE) requesting a difference of latent SSM parameters, always second minus first with the displacement contrast in $(-180, 180]$ degrees. Without grouping: exactly two measures (second measure minus first). With grouping: exactly two groups (second factor level minus first) and at most one measure – one measure gives the group contrast on that measure's latent profile, none gives the latent mean-path group contrast. The group contrast is invariance-gated; see invariance.
model	Optional. The measurement-model tier passed to <code>ssm_sem_syntax()</code> : "scaled" (default) or "strict".
invariance	Optional. The highest invariance rung to fit and REPORT ("configural", "metric", "scalar", or "strict_residuals"). NULL (default) uses the path's required rung: "metric" for the measure-profile path, "scalar" for the latent mean path. A group contrast is only computed if EVERY tested rung up through the path's required rung is retained by lavaan's own nested test (the scaled difference test under robust estimators) – a rejection at any lower rung rejects the constraints the contrast would be computed under. Rungs fitted ABOVE the required one are reported but never gate the contrast. On rejection, the returned object states the non-comparison and reports each group's separate configural profile instead (no contrast is rendered by any method). Under the strict tier the metric rung is vacuous (all loadings fixed) and is reported as such. The ladder table also reports <code>dcfi</code>, the change in CFI from the previous fitted rung (NA for configural and for the strict tier's vacuous metric rung), as a labeled secondary criterion: Cheung and Rensvold's (2002) general rule rejects an invariance step when CFI drops by more than .01 (their $\alpha = .01$). It is reported and never gates: comparable, the verdict, and the fit the estimation layer consumes are decided by the nested test alone, and the two criteria can legitimately disagree (a change in CFI is insensitive to sample size where the nested test is not). The retain/reject label prints only inside the envelope that simulation covers: exactly two groups, ML estimation, and a plain (non-robust) CFI. Three separate things put a fit outside it, and the printed note names which one applies. A robust estimator – the default "MLR", or "MLM" – makes lavaan report a robust CFI; so does missing = "fiml", even under estimator = "ML", so plain ML

is necessary for the label but not sufficient. "GLS", "WLS", "ULS" and "DWLS" are not ML estimation at all, though their CFI is plain-named. And more than two groups is outside the simulation whatever the estimator. In each case the `dcfi` value still prints, marked as not validated for that configuration and with no verdict attached.

Cheung and Rensvold simulated two groups, ML estimation, multivariate normal data, and Type I error only; robust CFI variants were not in their study, so no cutoff here was validated for one.

<code>invariance_alpha</code>	Optional. The alpha level for the invariance gating decision (default = 0.05). The gate is a modeling decision with a default test, not an oracle; the invariance table is always returned so other criteria can be applied.
<code>ci_method</code>	Optional. How to generate parameter replicates: "mvn" (default) draws from a multivariate normal with lavaan's asymptotic covariance of the free parameters (fast; one model fit); "boot" refits the model on boots bootstrap resamples via <code>lavaan::bootstrapLavaan()</code> (slow; robust to the normal approximation). Both engines feed the same in-package interval machinery.
<code>boots</code>	Optional. A single positive whole number indicating how many draws or bootstrap refits to use (default = 2000).
<code>interval</code>	Optional. A single number between 0 and 1 (exclusive) indicating the confidence level (default = 0.95).
<code>estimator</code>	Optional. The lavaan estimator (default = "MLR": maximum likelihood with robust "Huber-White" standard errors and a scaled test statistic, the standard choice for the skewed distributions typical of circumplex scale scores). The parameter estimates are identical to "ML"; what changes is the covariance the "mvn" engine propagates (already robust via se) and the test statistic behind the global fit indices that <code>print()</code> reports (robust/scaled versions are used when available).
<code>se</code>	Optional. The lavaan standard-error method for the fitted model (default = "robust.huber.white", the sandwich estimator). This does not affect the parameter estimates, only the covariance the "mvn" engine propagates: the fixed-angle measurement model is an approximation for real data, and the package's coverage validation found that sandwich-based draws keep the intervals calibrated for the model-conditional estimand under that misspecification where the plain ML covariance undercovers (displacement ~0.88 instead of 0.95, not improving with n). Set <code>se = "standard"</code> for the classical ML covariance.
<code>missing</code>	Optional. Either "listwise" (default; complete cases) or "fiml" (full-information maximum likelihood via lavaan's <code>missing = "ml"</code>).
<code>parallel, ncpus</code>	Optional. Passed to <code>lavaan::bootstrapLavaan()</code> when <code>ci_method = "boot"</code> (defaults "no" and 1): the bootstrap refits are independent and can be distributed across cores. Results for a given <code>set.seed()</code> are reproducible regardless of these settings (the seed lavaan receives drives its own parallel-safe RNG streams). Ignored by the "mvn" engine.
<code>...</code>	Optional. Additional arguments passed to <code>lavaan::cfa()</code> (e.g., bounds or estimator-control settings).

Details

The latent profile of a measure is its vector of model-implied *disattenuated* correlations with each scale's common (circumplex) content: the scale's error and unique parts are removed from the denominator, and the covariance is restricted to common content in the numerator. All latent quantities are conditional on the fixed-angle measurement model being adequate: global fit is reported by `print()`, and a poorly fitting measurement model makes the latent SSM parameters uninterpretable, not merely imprecise. The fixed angles are theoretical claims, not estimates (use `cpm_fit()` to examine an instrument's real geometry). Latent displacement is the first-harmonic direction of the saturation-modulated disattenuated profile – heterogeneous scale saturations rotate it exactly as they rotate the observed displacement; the latent layer removes the reliability modulation, nothing more. Model-implied disattenuated correlations at or beyond 1 indicate misspecification and are refused rather than summarized.

The point estimates and intervals are reported for elevation, x-value, y-value, amplitude, and displacement (no standard errors are printed anywhere, matching the package's estimate-plus-interval reporting surface). Unlike `ssm_analyze()`'s closed-form estimator, the latent transform is the ordinary-least-squares projection onto the cosine basis, so for unequally spaced angles the two functionals genuinely differ (they coincide exactly for equally spaced angles, and more generally under first- and second-harmonic balance); under OLS the fit value is a bounded R-squared in $[0, 1]$ at any spacing.

With grouping, the latent contrast this function computes and the observed contrast that `ssm_analyze()` computes answer different questions and are not substitutes. The *observed* contrast (`ssm_analyze()` with grouping) asks whether the groups' *measured* profiles differ: it is a difference of SSM parameters computed from each group's observed scores or correlations. It confounds structural difference, differential reliability, and measurement non-invariance – that is a property of its estimand, documented rather than a defect, and it requires no invariance assumption. The *latent* contrast (`ssm_sem()` with grouping) asks whether the groups' *constructs* differ, granted the instrument measures the same thing in both groups: it is a contrast on latent SSM parameters computed under cross-group equality constraints, disattenuated and conditional on measurement invariance. When the required invariance rung is rejected the latent contrast is not "more principled" – it is misspecified, and the function therefore returns an explicit non-comparison (the verdict plus each group's separate configural profile; no contrast is computed or rendered by any method). Neither estimand replaces the other; they answer different questions and can legitimately disagree.

The displacement contrast is reported as the second group level minus the first, in $(-180, 180]$ degrees, with branch-aligned circular intervals (endpoints may legitimately exceed ± 180 degrees near the boundary). Under the scaled tier the general-plane covariances are fixed to zero in all groups at all rungs (a stationarity-type assumption): a cross-group difference in a general factor's lean into the plane surfaces as misfit, and the strict tier is the tier that can express it. Under the strict tier the metric rung is vacuous (all loadings fixed) and is reported as such.

Value

A `circumplex_ssm_sem` object (a subclass of `circumplex_ssm`, so `ssm_table()` and the `ssm_plot_*` functions work on it), containing `results` (estimates and intervals), `scores` (the latent profile vectors), `details`, `call`, plus `sem` (the fitted lavaan model: the gate rung's fit for grouped analyses, or the configural fit when the gate was rejected), `invariance` (for grouped analyses: the ladder table – including the `dcfi` column and its `cr` retain/reject label, NA outside the criterion's validated scope – the comparable flag, the verdict text, the gate and required rungs, the alpha used, and `dcfi_scope`

recording that scope; NULL for single-group analyses), and model (tier, generated syntax for single-group fits, and the OLS projection weights).

Inadmissible parameter draws (a nonpositive common-part or measure variance, or a disattenuated correlation at or beyond 1) are dropped whole with a warning naming the causes; if more than 5% of draws are inadmissible the analysis stops with advice to use `ci_method = "boot"` or revise the model. Degenerate profiles (flat or zero-amplitude) keep the same per-parameter NA contract as `ssm_analyze()`.

Reproducibility

This function consumes R's random number stream for both `ci_method` settings ("mvn" through the package's own draws; "boot" through a seed handed to lavaan's bootstrap). Call `set.seed()` immediately before `ssm_sem()` for reproducible confidence intervals.

References

Cheung, G. W., & Rensvold, R. B. (2002). Evaluating goodness-of-fit indexes for testing measurement invariance. *Structural Equation Modeling*, 9(2), 233-255. (The dcfi secondary criterion. Their p. 251 sentence states the direction of the -.01 rule backwards relative to their own Table 5, whose critical values are the 1% lower tails of the simulated null distributions; this package follows the simulation.)

See Also

`ssm_analyze()` for the observed-score SSM, `ssm_sem_syntax()` for the generated measurement model, and `ssm_sem_parameters()` to reuse a lavaan fit you have modified or fitted yourself.

Other ssm functions: `plot.circumplex_ci_accuracy()`, `ssm_analyze()`, `ssm_analyze_long()`, `ssm_ci_accuracy()`, `ssm_draws()`, `ssm_parameters()`, `ssm_parameters_id()`, `ssm_score()`, `ssm_sem_parameters()`, `ssm_table()`, `summary.circumplex_ssm_id()`

Other analysis functions: `cpm_fit()`, `cpm_simulate()`, `ssm_analyze()`, `ssm_analyze_long()`, `ssm_ci_accuracy()`, `ssm_draws()`, `ssm_parameters()`, `ssm_parameters_id()`, `ssm_score()`, `ssm_sem_parameters()`, `summary.circumplex_ssm_id()`

Examples

```
data("jz2017")
set.seed(12345)
res <- ssm_sem(
  jz2017,
  scales = c("PA", "BC", "DE", "FG", "HI", "JK", "LM", "NO"),
  measures = "NARPD",
  boots = 500
)
res
summary(res)
```

ssm_sem_parameters	<i>Calculate latent SSM parameters from a fitted lavaan measurement model</i>
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Description

The low-level adapter behind `ssm_sem()`: take an already fitted **lavaan** model of a fixed-angle circumplex measurement structure (as generated by `ssm_sem_syntax()`, possibly user-modified – e.g., a partial-invariance respecification) and compute latent SSM parameter estimates with in-package confidence intervals. Compatibility with the expected parameter structure is checked structurally (the named loading, factor-covariance, and measure-covariance parameters must be present), not by provenance.

Usage

```
ssm_sem_parameters(
  fit,
  scales,
  angles = octants(),
  measures = NULL,
  ci_method = c("mvn", "boot"),
  boots = 2000,
  interval = 0.95,
  contrast = FALSE,
  parallel = "no",
  ncpus = 1
)
```

Arguments

<code>fit</code>	Required. A fitted lavaan object whose model preserves the <code>ssm_sem_syntax()</code> parameter structure (factors g, cx, cy; the measures covarying with them). For <code>ci_method = "mvn"</code> , fit the model with robust (sandwich) standard errors (lavaan's <code>se = "robust.huber.white"</code> , <code>ssm_sem()</code> 's default) so the propagated covariance stays valid when the fixed-angle model is an approximation; see the <code>se</code> argument of <code>ssm_sem()</code> .
<code>scales</code>	Required. A character vector with the scale (indicator) names, in the same order as <code>angles</code> .
<code>angles</code>	Optional. A numeric vector of the scales' theoretical angles in degrees (default = <code>octants()</code>). Must be the angles the model was generated with.
<code>measures</code>	Optional for multi-group fits, required otherwise. A character vector of the measure names; NULL on a multi-group fit selects the latent MEAN path (the fit must carry the mean structure: scale intercepts and latent means).
<code>ci_method</code> , <code>boots</code> , <code>interval</code> , <code>contrast</code> , <code>parallel</code> , <code>ncpus</code>	See <code>ssm_sem()</code> . Note that for a multi-group fit the CONTRAST DIRECTION (and the group labels in the output) follows the fit's own group order – lavaan's

default is order of appearance in the data unless `group.label` was supplied at fitting time – so read the direction from the output’s Group column, not from factor-level conventions.

Details

Important: multi-group fits are supported here as the partial-invariance escape hatch, and this path *bypasses* the invariance gating that `ssm_sem()` applies. Where `ssm_sem()` fits a configural-metric-scalar ladder and refuses a latent group contrast when the required rung is rejected, `ssm_sem_parameters()` computes the contrast from whatever multi-group fit you supply without testing invariance at all. You own the comparability claim: the groups are compared on this instrument’s latent metric only to the extent the model you fitted makes them comparable.

Value

A `circumplex_ssm_sem` object; see `ssm_sem()`.

Reproducibility

This function consumes R’s random number stream for both `ci_method` settings (“mvn” through the package’s own draws; “boot” through a seed handed to lavaan’s bootstrap). Call `set.seed()` immediately before `ssm_sem()` for reproducible confidence intervals.

See Also

Other ssm functions: `plot.circumplex_ci_accuracy()`, `ssm_analyze()`, `ssm_analyze_long()`, `ssm_ci_accuracy()`, `ssm_draws()`, `ssm_parameters()`, `ssm_parameters_id()`, `ssm_score()`, `ssm_sem()`, `ssm_table()`, `summary.circumplex_ssm_id()`

Other analysis functions: `cpm_fit()`, `cpm_simulate()`, `ssm_analyze()`, `ssm_analyze_long()`, `ssm_ci_accuracy()`, `ssm_draws()`, `ssm_parameters()`, `ssm_parameters_id()`, `ssm_score()`, `ssm_sem()`, `summary.circumplex_ssm_id()`

Examples

```
data("jz2017")
scales <- c("PA", "BC", "DE", "FG", "HI", "JK", "LM", "NO")
syn <- ssm_sem_syntax(scales = scales, angles = octants(), measures = "NARPD")
# Robust (sandwich) SEs so the mvn engine propagates a
# misspecification-consistent covariance (ssm_sem()'s default)
fit <- lavaan::cfa(syn, data = jz2017, se = "robust.huber.white")
set.seed(12345)
ssm_sem_parameters(fit, scales = scales, measures = "NARPD", boots = 500)
```

ssm_sem_syntax	<i>Generate lavaan syntax for a fixed-angle circumplex measurement model</i>
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Description

Emit **lavaan** model syntax for a structural-equation-model formulation of the Structural Summary Method, with the circumplex scale angles held fixed at their theoretical values. This is the syntax-generation layer of the SEM-based SSM (see the package's design notes); it is a pure function of its arguments and does **not** require **lavaan** to be installed (only fitting the emitted model does).

Usage

```
ssm_sem_syntax(
  instrument = NULL,
  scales = NULL,
  angles = NULL,
  measures = NULL,
  model = c("scaled", "strict"),
  n_groups = 1,
  invariance = c("configural", "metric", "scalar", "strict_residuals"),
  include_defined = NULL
)
```

Arguments

instrument	Optional. A circumplex_instrument object; its scale abbreviations and angles are used. Supply this or both scales and angles.
scales	Optional. A character vector of circumplex scale (column) names. Ignored when instrument is supplied.
angles	Optional. A numeric vector of scale angles in degrees, the same length as scales. Ignored when instrument is supplied.
measures	Optional. Either NULL or a character vector of external measure (column) names to relate to the circumplex factors.
model	Optional. The measurement-model tier: "scaled" (default) or "strict". See Details.
n_groups	Optional. A single positive whole number: the number of groups for a multi-group model. 1 (default) emits the single-group model. When n_groups >= 2 the generator emits multi-group syntax with a mean structure and the invariance constraints selected by invariance; fitting it requires <code>lavaan::cfa()</code> called with <code>group =</code> a grouping variable whose number of levels equals n_groups. Group ordering follows the factor-level order of that variable: the first level is the reference group, whose factor metric (and, from the scalar rung, whose latent means) is fixed.

invariance	Optional. The cross-group invariance rung to emit when <code>n_groups >= 2</code> : "configural" (default), "metric", "scalar", or "strict_residuals". Must be left at its default when <code>n_groups == 1</code> (supplying it there is an error). Under the "strict" tier the "metric" rung is vacuous (all loadings are fixed) and emits the configural structure with an explanatory comment. See the package design notes (section 6.2) for the adapted fixed-angle invariance ladder.
include_defined	Optional. (Single-group models only: for <code>n_groups >= 2</code> the lines are unavailable and an explicit TRUE is ignored with a warning.) Whether to append inspection-only <code>:=</code> definitions of the covariance-metric (e, x, y) coordinates for each measure. NULL (default) emits them automatically under the "strict" tier when at least one measure is present (there they are linear), and omits them otherwise. TRUE forces emission (an error under "scaled", where they would be nonlinear); FALSE always suppresses them.

Details

Two model tiers are available. The "scaled" tier frees a general saturation and a circumplex saturation per scale while fixing each scale's angle; the circumplex plane is held isotropic and orthogonal, and the general factor is held orthogonal to the plane (freeing the general-plane covariances alongside free saturations makes the model locally unidentified exactly at zero covariance, so they cannot be estimated in this tier). The "strict" tier fixes every loading to the unit cosine pattern (1, cos(angle), sin(angle)) and frees the 3x3 factor covariance matrix – including the general-plane covariances, making it the tier that can model a general factor leaning into the plane. The angles enter only as evaluated cosine and sine constants; no angle is ever a free parameter.

The returned string always carries a `weights` attribute: the ordinary-least-squares projection matrix that maps a profile vector to the structural summary coordinates (e, x, y). For equally spaced angles this equals the conventional closed-form estimator; for unequally spaced angles it is the least-squares projection and can differ. The emitted syntax never contains `:=` definitions for amplitude or displacement: those are nonlinear functions whose confidence intervals must be constructed in-package, not by **lavaan**'s delta method (which ignores the angular branch cut).

Value

A single character string of **lavaan** model syntax, with attributes `angles` (a circumplex_degree vector), `scales`, `model`, `weights` (the 3-by-p OLS projection matrix, rows e, x, y), `n_groups`, and (when `n_groups >= 2`) `invariance`.

See Also

[ssm_analyze\(\)](#) for the observed-data SSM.

Examples

```
# Octant instrument, default scaled tier
syn <- ssm_sem_syntax(scales = paste0("s", 1:8), angles = octants())
attr(syn, "weights")
cat(syn)
```

ssm_table

Create HTML table from SSM results or contrasts

Description

Take in the results of an SSM analysis and return an HTML table with the desired formatting.

Usage

```
ssm_table(ssm_object, caption = NULL, drop_xy = FALSE, render = TRUE)
```

Arguments

ssm_object	Required. The results output of <code>ssm_analyze()</code> .
caption	A string to be displayed above the table (default = <code>NULL</code>).
drop_xy	A logical indicating whether the x-value and y-value parameters should be omitted from the output (default = <code>FALSE</code>).
render	A logical indicating whether the table should be displayed in the RStudio viewer or web browser (default = <code>TRUE</code>).

Value

A data frame containing the information for the HTML table. As a side-effect, may also output the HTML table to the web viewer.

See Also

Other ssm functions: [plot.circumplex_ci_accuracy\(\)](#), [ssm_analyze\(\)](#), [ssm_analyze_long\(\)](#), [ssm_ci_accuracy\(\)](#), [ssm_draws\(\)](#), [ssm_parameters\(\)](#), [ssm_parameters_id\(\)](#), [ssm_score\(\)](#), [ssm_sem\(\)](#), [ssm_sem_parameters\(\)](#), [summary.circumplex_ssm_id\(\)](#)

Other table functions: [html_render\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# `boots` is lowered from its default of 2000 throughout these examples so
# they run quickly; a reported analysis should use the default.
```

```
# Load example data
data("jz2017")
```

```
# Create table of profile results
res <- ssm_analyze(
  jz2017,
  scales = 2:9,
  measures = c("NARPD", "ASPD"),
  boots = 200
```

```

)
ssm_table(res)

# Create table of contrast results
res <- ssm_analyze(
  jz2017,
  scales = 2:9,
  measures = c("NARPD", "ASPD"),
  contrast = TRUE,
  boots = 200
)
ssm_table(res)

```

summary.circumplex_axes_reliability

Summarize circumplex axes-reliability results

Description

Fuller display of an `axes_reliability()` object: everything `print()` shows plus the estimated variance components (with standard errors) and the global fit indices.

Usage

```

## S3 method for class 'circumplex_axes_reliability'
summary(object, digits = 3, ...)

```

Arguments

<code>object</code>	A <code>circumplex_axes_reliability</code> object.
<code>digits</code>	The number of decimal places to display (default = 3).
<code>...</code>	Not used.

Value

object, invisibly.

```
summary.circumplex_ci_accuracy
```

Summarize the accuracy of SSM confidence intervals

Description

Print the full report of an `ssm_ci_accuracy()` run: the assessed configuration, a structure note describing the simulated population (with cautions when the structural model converged badly or fits poorly – benchmarks per Browne & Cudeck, 1993, and Hu & Bentler, 1999), the per-profile verdict blocks (coverage of elevation, amplitude, and certification-conditional displacement classified against Bradley’s liberal band; the guardrail false-certification caution), and the coverage and guardrail tables across the amplitude ladder.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'circumplex_ci_accuracy'
summary(object, digits = 3, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>object</code>	A <code>circumplex_ci_accuracy</code> object from <code>ssm_ci_accuracy()</code> .
<code>digits</code>	Number of digits to which table entries are rounded (default = 3).
<code>...</code>	Currently ignored.

Value

The object, invisibly.

References

Browne, M. W., & Cudeck, R. (1993). Alternative ways of assessing model fit. In K. A. Bollen & J. S. Long (Eds.), *Testing structural equation models* (pp. 136-162). Sage.

Hu, L., & Bentler, P. M. (1999). Cutoff criteria for fit indexes in covariance structure analysis: Conventional criteria versus new alternatives. *Structural Equation Modeling*, 6(1), 1-55.

```
summary.circumplex_cpm
```

Summarize a circular process model fit

Description

Fuller display of a `cpm_fit()` object: adds the correlation-function weights, the full set of fit indices, a residual summary (the largest absolute residual and the pair it belongs to), and all boundary/identification diagnostics in plain language. When the confidence intervals are analytic, prints a coverage caution calibrated by simulation: unconditionally when the sample size is modest ($N < 2000$, where Wald intervals mis-covered for every configuration studied), and up to $N = 50000$ when the fitted solution shows a boundary or weak-identification marker (Heywood communality, removed harmonic, small correlation-function weight, ill-conditioning, or competing near-tied optima), the regime where they mis-covered even at large N (see `cpm_fit()`). The vignette section *When a fit sits at a boundary* (`vignette("evaluating-circumplex-structure")`) glosses each marker and gives the interpretation and next steps when one fires. When the confidence intervals are bootstrap, any fired markers are instead listed in a descriptive note at every sample size; the note also states that what has been measured about the markers covers analytic intervals only (and not every marker was measured), so they are not validated as predictors of the bootstrap intervals.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'circumplex_cpm'
summary(object, digits = 3, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>object</code>	A <code>circumplex_cpm</code> object.
<code>digits</code>	The number of decimal places to display (default = 3).
<code>...</code>	Not used.

Value

object, invisibly.

```
summary.circumplex_ssm_id
```

Summarize per-person SSM parameters at the group level

Description

Aggregate a per-person SSM parameter table (from `ssm_parameters_id()`) into group-level summaries, using circular statistics for displacement: arithmetic means are meaningless for angles, so displacement is summarized by its circular mean (the direction of the summed unit vectors) and the mean resultant length (a 0 to 1 measure of directional concentration).

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'circumplex_ssm_id'
summary(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object Required. An object of class "circumplex_ssm_id" created by [ssm_parameters_id\(\)](#).
 ... Ignored (S3 consistency).

Details

Persons with undefined (NA) displacement are stripped before the circular aggregation – `n_na_d` reports how many – while the arithmetic means of the other parameters use all persons with defined values. Two aggregation caveats apply. (1) The circular mean of per-person displacements weights every person's direction equally; it is a *different quantity* from the displacement of the group mean profile (e.g., from [ssm_analyze\(\)](#)), which weights persons by amplitude – on heterogeneous samples the two can differ substantially. (2) By the triangle inequality, the amplitude of the group mean profile is at most the mean per-person amplitude (`a_mean`), strictly smaller when directions disperse; relatedly, the mean resultant length `d_res` falls below 1 as directions disperse.

Value

A one-row data frame with columns `n` (persons), `n_na_d` (persons with undefined displacement, excluded from the circular summaries), `e_mean`, `x_mean`, `y_mean`, `a_mean` (arithmetic means), `d_mean` (circular mean of displacement, degrees in $[0, 360]$, the 0/360 pole reported as 360), and `d_res` (mean resultant length in $[0, 1]$; NA when no displacement is defined, and undefined direction at zero resultant reports `d_mean = NA`).

See Also

Other ssm functions: [plot.circumplex_ci_accuracy\(\)](#), [ssm_analyze\(\)](#), [ssm_analyze_long\(\)](#), [ssm_ci_accuracy\(\)](#), [ssm_draws\(\)](#), [ssm_parameters\(\)](#), [ssm_parameters_id\(\)](#), [ssm_score\(\)](#), [ssm_sem\(\)](#), [ssm_sem_parameters\(\)](#), [ssm_table\(\)](#)

Other analysis functions: [cpm_fit\(\)](#), [cpm_simulate\(\)](#), [ssm_analyze\(\)](#), [ssm_analyze_long\(\)](#), [ssm_ci_accuracy\(\)](#), [ssm_draws\(\)](#), [ssm_parameters\(\)](#), [ssm_parameters_id\(\)](#), [ssm_score\(\)](#), [ssm_sem\(\)](#), [ssm_sem_parameters\(\)](#)

Examples

```
data("aw2009")
res <- ssm_parameters_id(
  aw2009,
  scales = c("PA", "BC", "DE", "FG", "HI", "JK", "LM", "NO")
)
summary(res)
```

summary.circumplex_structure

Summarize circumplex-structure test results

Description

Fuller display of a `fit_structure()` object: adds the interpretive cutoffs behind each classification, the estimated angle and communality of each scale, and the analysis settings.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'circumplex_structure'
summary(object, digits = 3, ...)
```

Arguments

object	A circumplex_structure object.
digits	The number of decimal places to display (default = 3).
...	Not used.

Value

object, invisibly.

theme_circumplex

Circumplex canvas theme

Description

The **ggplot2** theme applied to the circumplex canvas built by `ggcircumplex()`. It is built on `ggplot2::theme_minimal()` so that the amplitude rings, displacement spokes, and labels drawn by `coord_circumplex()` are themed panel furniture that respond to further theming. Apply it to a custom circumplex plot, and add `+ theme_*`() or `+ theme()` on top to restyle the canvas.

Usage

```
theme_circumplex(base_size = 12)
```

Arguments

base_size	A single positive number giving the base font size (in pt) for the theme (default = 12).
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Value

A **ggplot2** theme object, to be added to a plot with `+`.

See Also

Other circumplex layers: [coord_circumplex\(\)](#), [geom_ssm_arc\(\)](#), [geom_ssm_path\(\)](#), [geom_ssm_point\(\)](#), [ggcircumplex\(\)](#), [scale_x_circumplex\(\)](#)

Examples

```
# Restyle the canvas with a larger base font
ggcircumplex(octants()) + theme_circumplex(base_size = 16)
```

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