

# Package ‘pammtools’

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add_cif	<i>Add cumulative incidence function to data</i>
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### Description

Add cumulative incidence function to data

### Usage

```
add_cif(newdata, object, ...)
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```
## Default S3 method:
add_cif(
  newdata,
  object,
  ci = TRUE,
  overwrite = FALSE,
  alpha = 0.05,
  n_sim = 500L,
  cause_var = "cause",
  time_var = NULL,
  ...
)
```

### Arguments

newdata	A data frame or list containing the values of the model covariates at which predictions are required. If this is not provided then predictions corresponding to the original data are returned. If newdata is provided then it should contain all the variables needed for prediction: a warning is generated if not. See details for use with <code>link{linear.functional.terms}</code> .
object	a fitted gam object as produced by <code>gam()</code> .
...	Further arguments passed to <code>predict.gam</code> and <code>get_hazard</code>
ci	logical. Indicates if confidence intervals should be calculated. Defaults to TRUE.
overwrite	Should hazard columns be overwritten if already present in the data set? Defaults to FALSE. If TRUE, columns with names <code>c("hazard", "se", "lower", "upper")</code> will be overwritten.
alpha	The alpha level for confidence/credible intervals.
n_sim	Number of simulations (draws from posterior of estimated coefficients) on which estimation of CIFs and their confidence/credible intervals will be based on.
cause_var	Character. Column name of the 'cause' variable.
time_var	Name of the variable used for the baseline hazard. If not given, defaults to "tend" for <code>gam</code> fits, else "interval". The latter is assumed to be a factor, the former numeric.

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add_hazard	<i>Add predicted (cumulative) hazard to data set</i>
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### Description

Add (cumulative) hazard based on the provided data set and model. If `ci=TRUE` confidence intervals (CI) are also added. Their width can be controlled via the `se_mult` argument. The method by which the CI are calculated can be specified by `ci_type`. This is a wrapper around `predict.gam`. When reference is specified, the (log-)hazard ratio is calculated.

### Usage

```
add_hazard(newdata, object, ...)

## Default S3 method:
add_hazard(
  newdata,
  object,
  reference = NULL,
  type = c("response", "link"),
  ci = TRUE,
  se_mult = 2,
  ci_type = c("default", "delta", "sim"),
  overwrite = FALSE,
  time_var = NULL,
  ...
)

add_cumu_hazard(
  newdata,
  object,
  ci = TRUE,
  se_mult = 2,
  overwrite = FALSE,
  time_var = NULL,
  interval_length = "intlen",
  ...
)
```

### Arguments

newdata	A data frame or list containing the values of the model covariates at which predictions are required. If this is not provided then predictions corresponding to the original data are returned. If newdata is provided then it should contain all the variables needed for prediction: a warning is generated if not. See details for use with <code>link{linear.functional.terms}</code> .
object	a fitted gam object as produced by <code>gam()</code> .

...	Further arguments passed to <code>predict.gam</code> and <code>get_hazard</code>
reference	A data frame with number of rows equal to <code>nrow(newdata)</code> or one, or a named list with (partial) covariate specifications. See examples.
type	Either "response" or "link". The former calculates hazard, the latter the log-hazard.
ci	logical. Indicates if confidence intervals should be calculated. Defaults to TRUE.
se_mult	Factor by which standard errors are multiplied for calculating the confidence intervals.
ci_type	The method by which standard errors/confidence intervals will be calculated. Default transforms the linear predictor at respective intervals. "delta" calculates CIs based on the standard error calculated by the Delta method. "sim" draws the property of interest from its posterior based on the normal distribution of the estimated coefficients. See <a href="#">here</a> for details and empirical evaluation.
overwrite	Should hazard columns be overwritten if already present in the data set? Defaults to FALSE. If TRUE, columns with names <code>c("hazard", "se", "lower", "upper")</code> will be overwritten.
time_var	Name of the variable used for the baseline hazard. If not given, defaults to "tend" for <code>gam</code> fits, else "interval". The latter is assumed to be a factor, the former numeric.
interval_length	The variable in <code>newdata</code> containing the interval lengths. Can be either bare unquoted variable name or character. Defaults to "intlen".

### See Also

[predict.gam](#), [add\\_surv\\_prob](#)

### Examples

```
ped <- tumor[1:50,] %>% as_ped(Surv(days, status)~ age)
pam <- mgcv::gam(ped_status ~ s(tend)+age, data = ped, family=poisson(), offset=offset)
ped_info(ped) %>% add_hazard(pam, type="link")
ped_info(ped) %>% add_hazard(pam, type = "response")
ped_info(ped) %>% add_cumu_hazard(pam)
```

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add_surv_prob	<i>Add survival probability estimates</i>
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### Description

Given suitable data (i.e. data with all columns used for estimation of the model), this functions adds a column `surv_prob` containing survival probabilities for the specified covariate and follow-up information (and CIs `surv_lower`, `surv_upper` if `ci=TRUE`).

**Usage**

```
add_surv_prob(
  newdata,
  object,
  ci = TRUE,
  se_mult = 2,
  overwrite = FALSE,
  time_var = NULL,
  interval_length = "intlen",
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>newdata</code>	A data frame or list containing the values of the model covariates at which predictions are required. If this is not provided then predictions corresponding to the original data are returned. If <code>newdata</code> is provided then it should contain all the variables needed for prediction: a warning is generated if not. See details for use with <code>link{linear.functional.terms}</code> .
<code>object</code>	a fitted <code>gam</code> object as produced by <code>gam()</code> .
<code>ci</code>	logical. Indicates if confidence intervals should be calculated. Defaults to <code>TRUE</code> .
<code>se_mult</code>	Factor by which standard errors are multiplied for calculating the confidence intervals.
<code>overwrite</code>	Should hazard columns be overwritten if already present in the data set? Defaults to <code>FALSE</code> . If <code>TRUE</code> , columns with names <code>c("hazard", "se", "lower", "upper")</code> will be overwritten.
<code>time_var</code>	Name of the variable used for the baseline hazard. If not given, defaults to <code>"tend"</code> for <code>gam</code> fits, else <code>"interval"</code> . The latter is assumed to be a factor, the former numeric.
<code>interval_length</code>	The variable in <code>newdata</code> containing the interval lengths. Can be either bare unquoted variable name or character. Defaults to <code>"intlen"</code> .
<code>...</code>	Further arguments passed to <code>predict.gam</code> and <code>get_hazard</code>

**See Also**

[predict.gam](#), [add\\_surv\\_prob](#)

**Examples**

```
ped <- tumor[1:50,] %>% as_ped(Surv(days, status)~ age)
pam <- mgcv::gam(ped_status ~ s(tend)+age, data=ped, family=poisson(), offset=offset)
ped_info(ped) %>% add_surv_prob(pam, ci=TRUE)
```

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add_tdc	<i>Add time-dependent covariate to a data set</i>
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### Description

Given a data set in standard format (with one row per subject/observation), this function adds a column with the specified exposure time points and a column with respective exposures, created from `rng_fun`. This function should usually only be used to create data sets passed to `sim_pexp`.

### Usage

```
add_tdc(data, tz, rng_fun, ...)
```

### Arguments

<code>data</code>	A data set with variables specified in formula.
<code>tz</code>	A numeric vector of exposure times (relative to the beginning of the follow-up time <code>t</code> )
<code>rng_fun</code>	A random number generating function that creates the time-dependent covariates at time points <code>tz</code> . First argument of the function should be <code>n</code> , the number of random numbers to generate. Within <code>add_tdc</code> , <code>n</code> will be set to <code>length(tz)</code> .
<code>...</code>	Currently not used.

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add_term	<i>Embeds the data set with the specified (relative) term contribution</i>
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### Description

Adds the contribution of a specific term to the linear predictor to the data specified by `newdata`. Essentially a wrapper to `predict.gam`, with `type="terms"`. Thus most arguments and their documentation below is from `predict.gam`.

### Usage

```
add_term(newdata, object, term, reference = NULL, ci = TRUE, se_mult = 2, ...)
```

### Arguments

<code>newdata</code>	A data frame or list containing the values of the model covariates at which predictions are required. If this is not provided then predictions corresponding to the original data are returned. If <code>newdata</code> is provided then it should contain all the variables needed for prediction: a warning is generated if not. See details for use with <code>link{linear.functional.terms}</code> .
<code>object</code>	a fitted <code>gam</code> object as produced by <code>gam()</code> .

term	A character (vector) or regular expression indicating for which term(s) information should be extracted and added to data set.
reference	A data frame with number of rows equal to <code>nrow(newdata)</code> or one, or a named list with (partial) covariate specifications. See examples.
ci	logical. Indicates if confidence intervals should be calculated. Defaults to TRUE.
se_mult	The factor by which standard errors are multiplied to form confidence intervals.
...	Further arguments passed to <code>predict.gam</code>

### Examples

```
library(ggplot2)
ped <- as_ped(tumor, Surv(days, status)~ age, cut = seq(0, 2000, by = 100))
pam <- mgcv::gam(ped_status ~ s(tend) + s(age), family = poisson(),
  offset = offset, data = ped)
#term contribution for sequence of ages
s_age <- ped %>% make_newdata(age = seq_range(age, 50)) %>%
  add_term(pam, term = "age")
ggplot(s_age, aes(x = age, y = fit)) + geom_line() +
  geom_ribbon(aes(ymin = ci_lower, ymax = ci_upper), alpha = .3)
# term contribution relative to mean age
s_age2 <- ped %>% make_newdata(age = seq_range(age, 50)) %>%
  add_term(pam, term = "age", reference = list(age = mean(.$age)))
ggplot(s_age2, aes(x = age, y = fit)) + geom_line() +
  geom_ribbon(aes(ymin = ci_lower, ymax = ci_upper), alpha = .3)
```

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as.data.frame.crps      *Transform crps object to data.frame*

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### Description

A `as.data.frame` S3 method for objects of class `crps`.

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'crps'
as.data.frame(x, row.names = NULL, optional = FALSE, ...)
```

### Arguments

x	An object of class <code>crps</code> . See <code>crps</code> .
row.names	NULL or a character vector giving the row names for the data frame. Missing values are not allowed.
optional	logical. If TRUE, setting row names and converting column names (to syntactic names: see <code>make.names</code> ) is optional. Note that all of R's <code>base</code> package <code>as.data.frame()</code> methods use <code>optional</code> only for column names treatment, basically with the meaning of <code>data.frame(*, check.names = !optional)</code> . See also the <code>make.names</code> argument of the <code>matrix</code> method.



... additional arguments to be passed to or from methods.

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daily *Time-dependent covariates of the [patient](#) data set.*

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### Description

This data set contains the time-dependent covariates (TDCs) for the [patient](#) data set. Note that nutrition was protocolled for at most 12 days after ICU admission. The data set includes:

**CombinedID** Unique patient identifier. Can be used to merge with [patient](#) data

**Study\_Day** The calendar (!) day at which calories (or proteins) were administered

**caloriesPercentage** The percentage of target calories supplied to the patient by the ICU staff

**proteinGproKG** The amount of protein supplied to the patient by the ICU staff

### Usage

```
daily
```

### Format

An object of class `tbl_df` (inherits from `tbl`, `data.frame`) with 18797 rows and 4 columns.

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`geom_hazard` *(Cumulative) (Step-) Hazard Plots.*

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### Description

`geom_hazard` is an extension of the `geom_line`, and is optimized for (cumulative) hazard plots. Essentially, it adds a (0,0) row to the data, if not already the case. Stolen from the `RmcdPlugin.KMggplot2` (slightly modified).

### Usage

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

```

geom_stephazard(
  mapping = NULL,
  data = NULL,
  stat = "identity",
  position = "identity",
  direction = "vh",
  na.rm = FALSE,
  show.legend = NA,
  inherit.aes = TRUE,
  ...
)

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

```

### Arguments

mapping	Set of aesthetic mappings created by <code>aes()</code> . If specified and <code>inherit.aes = TRUE</code> (the default), it is combined with the default mapping at the top level of the plot. You must supply mapping if there is no plot mapping.
data	The data to be displayed in this layer. There are three options: If <code>NULL</code> , the default, the data is inherited from the plot data as specified in the call to <code>ggplot()</code> . A <code>data.frame</code> , or other object, will override the plot data. All objects will be fortified to produce a data frame. See <code>fortify()</code> for which variables will be created. A function will be called with a single argument, the plot data. The return value must be a <code>data.frame</code> , and will be used as the layer data. A function can be created from a formula (e.g. <code>~ head(.x, 10)</code> ).
stat	The statistical transformation to use on the data for this layer, either as a ggproto Geom subclass or as a string naming the stat stripped of the <code>stat_</code> prefix (e.g. "count" rather than "stat_count")
position	Position adjustment, either as a string naming the adjustment (e.g. "jitter" to use <code>position_jitter</code> ), or the result of a call to a position adjustment function. Use the latter if you need to change the settings of the adjustment.
na.rm	If <code>FALSE</code> , the default, missing values are removed with a warning. If <code>TRUE</code> , missing values are silently removed.
show.legend	logical. Should this layer be included in the legends? <code>NA</code> , the default, includes if any aesthetics are mapped. <code>FALSE</code> never includes, and <code>TRUE</code> always includes. It can also be a named logical vector to finely select the aesthetics to display.

inherit.aes	If FALSE, overrides the default aesthetics, rather than combining with them. This is most useful for helper functions that define both data and aesthetics and shouldn't inherit behaviour from the default plot specification, e.g. <code>borders()</code> .
...	Other arguments passed on to <code>layer()</code> . These are often aesthetics, used to set an aesthetic to a fixed value, like <code>colour = "red"</code> or <code>size = 3</code> . They may also be parameters to the paired geom/stat.
direction	direction of stairs: 'vh' for vertical then horizontal, 'hv' for horizontal then vertical, or 'mid' for step half-way between adjacent x-values.

**See Also**

[geom\\_line](#), [geom\\_step](#).

**Examples**

```
library(ggplot2)
library(pammtools)
ped <- tumor[10:50,] %>% as_ped(Surv(days, status)~1)
pam <- mgcv::gam(ped_status ~ s(tend), data=ped, family = poisson(), offset = offset)
ndf <- make_newdata(ped, tend = unique(tend)) %>% add_hazard(pam)
# piece-wise constant hazards
ggplot(ndf, aes(x = tend, y = hazard)) +
  geom_vline(xintercept = c(0, ndf$tend[c(1, (nrow(ndf)-2):nrow(ndf))]), lty = 3) +
  geom_hline(yintercept = c(ndf$hazard[1:3], ndf$hazard[nrow(ndf)]), lty = 3) +
  geom_stephazard() +
  geom_step(col=2) +
  geom_step(col=2, lty = 2, direction="vh")

# cumulative hazard
ndf <- ndf %>% add_cumu_hazard(pam)
ggplot(ndf, aes(x = tend, y = cumu_hazard)) +
  geom_hazard() +
  geom_line(col=2) # doesn't start at (0, 0)

# survival probability
ndf <- ndf %>% add_surv_prob(pam)
ggplot(ndf, aes(x = tend, y = surv_prob)) +
  geom_surv() +
  geom_line(col=2) # doesn't start at c(0,1)
```

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geom\_stepribbon

*Step ribbon plots.*

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**Description**

`geom_stepribbon` is an extension of the `geom_ribbon`, and is optimized for Kaplan-Meier plots with pointwise confidence intervals or a confidence band. The default `direction`-argument "hv" is appropriate for right-continuous step functions like the hazard rates etc returned by `pammtools`.

**Usage**

```
geom_stepribbon(
  mapping = NULL,
  data = NULL,
  stat = "identity",
  position = "identity",
  direction = "hv",
  na.rm = FALSE,
  show.legend = NA,
  inherit.aes = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

mapping	Set of aesthetic mappings created by <a href="#">aes()</a> . If specified and <code>inherit.aes = TRUE</code> (the default), it is combined with the default mapping at the top level of the plot. You must supply mapping if there is no plot mapping.
data	The data to be displayed in this layer. There are three options: If <code>NULL</code> , the default, the data is inherited from the plot data as specified in the call to <a href="#">ggplot()</a> . A <code>data.frame</code> , or other object, will override the plot data. All objects will be fortified to produce a data frame. See <a href="#">fortify()</a> for which variables will be created. A function will be called with a single argument, the plot data. The return value must be a <code>data.frame</code> , and will be used as the layer data. A function can be created from a formula (e.g. <code>~ head(.x, 10)</code> ).
stat	The statistical transformation to use on the data for this layer, either as a <code>ggproto</code> <code>Geom</code> subclass or as a string naming the stat stripped of the <code>stat_</code> prefix (e.g. "count" rather than "stat_count")
position	Position adjustment, either as a string naming the adjustment (e.g. "jitter" to use <code>position_jitter</code> ), or the result of a call to a position adjustment function. Use the latter if you need to change the settings of the adjustment.
direction	direction of stairs: 'vh' for vertical then horizontal, 'hv' for horizontal then vertical, or 'mid' for step half-way between adjacent x-values.
na.rm	If <code>FALSE</code> , the default, missing values are removed with a warning. If <code>TRUE</code> , missing values are silently removed.
show.legend	logical. Should this layer be included in the legends? <code>NA</code> , the default, includes if any aesthetics are mapped. <code>FALSE</code> never includes, and <code>TRUE</code> always includes. It can also be a named logical vector to finely select the aesthetics to display.
inherit.aes	If <code>FALSE</code> , overrides the default aesthetics, rather than combining with them. This is most useful for helper functions that define both data and aesthetics and shouldn't inherit behaviour from the default plot specification, e.g. <a href="#">borders()</a> .
...	Other arguments passed on to <a href="#">layer()</a> . These are often aesthetics, used to set an aesthetic to a fixed value, like <code>colour = "red"</code> or <code>size = 3</code> . They may also be parameters to the paired <code>geom/stat</code> .

**See Also**

[geom\\_ribbon](#) `geom_stepribbon` inherits from `geom_ribbon`.

**Examples**

```
library(ggplot2)
huron <- data.frame(year = 1875:1972, level = as.vector(LakeHuron))
h <- ggplot(huron, aes(year))
h + geom_stepribbon(aes(ymin = level - 1, ymax = level + 1), fill = "grey70") +
  geom_step(aes(y = level))
h + geom_ribbon(aes(ymin = level - 1, ymax = level + 1), fill = "grey70") +
  geom_line(aes(y = level))
```

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`get_cum_coef`

*Extract cumulative coefficients (cumulative hazard differences)*

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**Description**

These functions are designed to extract (or mimic) the cumulative coefficients usually used in additive hazards models (Aalen model) to depict (time-varying) covariate effects. For PAMMs, these are the differences between the cumulative hazard rates where all covariates except one have the identical values. For a numeric covariate of interest, this calculates  $\Lambda(t|x+1) - \Lambda(t|x)$ . For non-numeric covariates the cumulative hazard of the reference level is subtracted from the cumulative hazards evaluated at all non reference levels. Standard errors are calculated using the delta method.

**Usage**

```
get_cum_coef(model, data = NULL, terms, ...)

## S3 method for class 'gam'
get_cum_coef(model, data, terms, ...)

## S3 method for class 'aalen'
get_cum_coef(model, data = NULL, terms, ci = TRUE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'cox.aalen'
get_cum_coef(model, data = NULL, terms, ci = TRUE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>model</code>	Object from which to extract cumulative coefficients.
<code>data</code>	Additional data if necessary.
<code>terms</code>	A character vector of variables for which the cumulative coefficient should be calculated.
<code>...</code>	Further arguments passed to methods.
<code>ci</code>	Logical. Indicates if confidence intervals should be returned as well.

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get_cumu_eff	<i>Calculate (or plot) cumulative effect for all time-points of the follow-up</i>
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**Description**

Calculate (or plot) cumulative effect for all time-points of the follow-up

**Usage**

```
get_cumu_eff(data, model, term, z1, z2 = NULL, se_mult = 2)
```

```
gg_cumu_eff(data, model, term, z1, z2 = NULL, se_mult = 2, ci = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

data	Data used to fit the model.
model	A suitable model object which will be used to estimate the partial effect of term.
term	A character string indicating the model term for which partial effects should be plotted.
z1	The exposure profile for which to calculate the cumulative effect. Can be either a single number or a vector of same length as unique observation time points.
z2	If provided, calculated cumulative effect is for the difference between the two exposure profiles ( $g(z1,t) - g(z2,t)$ ).
se_mult	Multiplicative factor used to calculate confidence intervals (e.g., lower = fit - 2*se).
ci	Logical. Indicates if confidence intervals for the term of interest should be calculated/plotted. Defaults to TRUE.

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get_intervals	<i>Information on intervals in which times fall</i>
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**Description**

Information on intervals in which times fall

**Usage**

```
get_intervals(x, times, ...)
```

```
## Default S3 method:
```

```
get_intervals(x, times, left.open = TRUE, rightmost.closed = TRUE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	An object from which interval information can be obtained, see <a href="#">int_info</a> .
<code>times</code>	A vector of times for which corresponding interval information should be returned.
<code>...</code>	Further arguments passed to <a href="#">findInterval</a> .
<code>left.open</code>	logical; if true all the intervals are open at left and closed at right; in the formulas below, $\leq$ should be swapped with $<$ (and $>$ with $\geq$ ), and <code>rightmost.closed</code> means ‘leftmost is closed’. This may be useful, e.g., in survival analysis computations.
<code>rightmost.closed</code>	logical; if true, the rightmost interval, <code>vec[N-1] .. vec[N]</code> is treated as <i>closed</i> , see below.

**Value**

A data.frame containing information on intervals in which values of times fall.

**See Also**

[findInterval](#) [int\\_info](#)

**Examples**

```
set.seed(111018)
brks <- c(0, 4.5, 5, 10, 30)
int_info(brks)
x <- runif(3, 0, 30)
x
get_intervals(brks, x)
```

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get\_laglead

*Construct or extract data that represents a lag-lead window*

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**Description**

Constructs lag-lead window data set from raw inputs or from data objects with suitable information stored in attributes, e.g., objects created by [as\\_ped](#).

**Usage**

```
get_laglead(x, ...)

## Default S3 method:
get_laglead(x, tz, ll_fun, ...)

## S3 method for class 'data.frame'
get_laglead(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	Either a numeric vector of follow-up cut points or a suitable object.
...	Further arguments passed to methods.
tz	A vector of exposure times
ll_fun	Function that specifies how the lag-lead matrix should be constructed. First argument is the follow up time second argument is the time of exposure.

**Examples**

```
get_laglead(0:10, tz=-5:5, ll_fun=function(t, tz) { t >= tz + 2 & t <= tz + 2 + 3})
gg_laglead(0:10, tz=-5:5, ll_fun=function(t, tz) { t >= tz + 2 & t <= tz + 2 + 3})
```

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get_plotinfo	<i>Extract plot information for all special model terms</i>
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**Description**

Given a mgcv `gamObject`, returns the information used for the default plots produced by `plot.gam`.

**Usage**

```
get_plotinfo(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	a fitted gam object as produced by <code>gam()</code> .
...	Further arguments passed to <code>plot.gam</code>

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get_terms	<i>Extract the partial effects of non-linear model terms</i>
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**Description**

This function basically creates a new df from data for each term in terms, creating a range from minimum and maximum of the `predict(fit, newdata=df, type="terms")`. Terms are then stacked to a tidy data frame.

**Usage**

```
get_terms(data, fit, terms, ...)
```



**Arguments**

data	A data frame containing variables used to fit the model. Only first row will be used.
fit	A fitted object of class <a href="#">gam</a> .
terms	A character vector (can be length one). Specifies the terms for which partial effects will be returned
...	Further arguments passed to <a href="#">seq_range</a> .

**Value**

A tibble with 5 columns.

**Examples**

```
library(survival)
fit <- coxph(Surv(time, status) ~ pspline(karno) + pspline(age), data=veteran)
terms_df <- veteran %>% get_terms(fit, terms = c("karno", "age"))
head(terms_df)
tail(terms_df)
```

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gg\_fixed

*Forrest plot of fixed coefficients*


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**Description**

Given a model object, returns a data frame with columns variable, coef (coefficient), ci\_lower (lower 95\ ci\_upper (upper 95\

**Usage**

```
gg_fixed(x, intercept = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	A model object.
intercept	Logical, indicating whether intercept term should be included. Defaults to FALSE.
...	Currently not used.

**See Also**

[tidy\\_fixed](#)

**Examples**

```
g <- mgcv::gam(Sepal.Length ~ Sepal.Width + Petal.Length + Petal.Width + Species,
data=iris)
gg_fixed(g, intercept=TRUE)
gg_fixed(g)
```

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`gg_laglead`*Plot Lag-Lead windows*

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### Description

Given data defining a Lag-lead window, returns respective plot as a `ggplot2` object.

### Usage

```
gg_laglead(x, ...)  
  
## Default S3 method:  
gg_laglead(x, tz, ll_fun, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'LL_df'  
gg_laglead(  
  x,  
  high_col = "grey20",  
  low_col = "whitesmoke",  
  grid_col = "lightgrey",  
  ...  
)  
  
## S3 method for class 'nested_fdf'  
gg_laglead(x, ...)
```

### Arguments

<code>x</code>	Either a numeric vector of follow-up cut points or a suitable object.
<code>...</code>	Further arguments passed to methods.
<code>tz</code>	A vector of exposure times
<code>ll_fun</code>	Function that specifies how the lag-lead matrix should be constructed. First argument is the follow up time second argument is the time of exposure.
<code>high_col</code>	Color used to highlight exposure times within the lag-lead window.
<code>low_col</code>	Color of exposure times outside the lag-lead window.
<code>grid_col</code>	Color of grid lines.

### See Also

`get_laglead`

**Examples**

```
## Example 1: supply t, tz, ll_fun directly
gg_laglead(1:10, tz=-5:5,
  ll_fun=function(t, tz) { t >= tz + 2 & t <= tz + 2 + 3})

## Example 2: extract information on t, tz, ll_from data with respective attributes
data("simdf_elra", package = "pamtools")
gg_laglead(simdf_elra)
```

gg\_partial

*Visualize effect estimates for specific covariate combinations***Description**

Depending on the plot function and input, creates either a 1-dimensional slices, bivariate surface or (1D) cumulative effect.

**Usage**

```
gg_partial(data, model, term, ..., reference = NULL, ci = TRUE)
```

```
gg_partial_ll(
  data,
  model,
  term,
  ...,
  reference = NULL,
  ci = FALSE,
  time_var = "tend"
)
```

```
get_partial_ll(
  data,
  model,
  term,
  ...,
  reference = NULL,
  ci = FALSE,
  time_var = "tend"
)
```

**Arguments**

data	Data used to fit the model.
model	A suitable model object which will be used to estimate the partial effect of term.
term	A character string indicating the model term for which partial effects should be plotted.

...	Covariate specifications (expressions) that will be evaluated by looking for variables in <code>x</code> . Must be of the form <code>z = f(z)</code> where <code>z</code> is a variable in the data set and <code>f</code> a known function that can be usefully applied to <code>z</code> . Note that this is also necessary for single value specifications (e.g. <code>age = c(50)</code> ). For data in PED (piece-wise exponential data) format, one can also specify the time argument, but see "Details" an "Examples" below.
reference	If specified, should be a list with covariate value pairs, e.g. <code>list(x1 = 1, x2=50)</code> . The calculated partial effect will be relative to an observation specified in reference.
ci	Logical. Indicates if confidence intervals for the term of interest should be calculated/plotted. Defaults to TRUE.
time_var	The name of the variable that was used in model to represent follow-up time.

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gg\_re

*Plot Normal QQ plots for random effects*


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### Description

Plot Normal QQ plots for random effects

### Usage

```
gg_re(x, ...)
```

### Arguments

<code>x</code>	a fitted gam object as produced by <code>gam()</code> .
...	Further arguments passed to <code>plot.gam</code>

### See Also

[tidy\\_re](#)

### Examples

```
library(pamtools)
data("patient")
ped <- patient %>%
  dplyr::slice(1:100) %>%
  as_ped(Surv(Survdays, PatientDied)~ ApacheIIScore + CombinedicuID, id="CombinedID")
pam <- mgcv::gam(ped_status ~ s(tend) + ApacheIIScore + s(CombinedicuID, bs="re"),
  data=ped, family=poisson(), offset=offset)
gg_re(pam)
plot(pam, select = 2)
```

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gg_slice	<i>Plot 1D (smooth) effects</i>
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### Description

Flexible, high-level plotting function for (non-linear) effects conditional on further covariate specifications and potentially relative to a comparison specification.

### Usage

```
gg_slice(data, model, term, ..., reference = NULL, ci = TRUE)
```

### Arguments

data	Data used to fit the model.
model	A suitable model object which will be used to estimate the partial effect of term.
term	A character string indicating the model term for which partial effects should be plotted.
...	Covariate specifications (expressions) that will be evaluated by looking for variables in x. Must be of the form $z = f(z)$ where z is a variable in the data set and f a known function that can be usefully applied to z. Note that this is also necessary for single value specifications (e.g. <code>age = c(50)</code> ). For data in PED (piece-wise exponential data) format, one can also specify the time argument, but see "Details" an "Examples" below.
reference	If specified, should be a list with covariate value pairs, e.g. <code>list(x1 = 1, x2=50)</code> . The calculated partial effect will be relative to an observation specified in reference.
ci	Logical. Indicates if confidence intervals for the term of interest should be calculated/plotted. Defaults to TRUE.

### Examples

```
ped <- tumor[1:200, ] %>% as_ped(Surv(days, status) ~ . )
model <- mgcv::gam(ped_status~s(tend) + s(age, by = complications), data=ped,
  family = poisson(), offset=offset)
make_newdata(ped, age = seq_range(age, 20), complications = levels(complications))
gg_slice(ped, model, "age", age=seq_range(age, 20), complications=levels(complications))
gg_slice(ped, model, "age", age=seq_range(age, 20), complications=levels(complications),
  ci = FALSE)
gg_slice(ped, model, "age", age=seq_range(age, 20), complications=levels(complications),
  reference=list(age = 50))
```

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 gg\_smooth

*Plot smooth 1d terms of gam objects*


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**Description**

Given a gam model this convenience function returns a plot of all smooth terms contained in the model. If more than one smooth is present, the different smooth are faceted.

**Usage**

```
gg_smooth(x, ...)

## Default S3 method:
gg_smooth(x, fit, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	A data frame or object of class <code>ped</code> .
...	Further arguments passed to <a href="#">get_terms</a>
fit	A model object.

**Value**

A [ggplot](#) object.

**See Also**

[get\\_terms](#)

**Examples**

```
g1 <- mgcv::gam(Sepal.Length ~ s(Sepal.Width) + s(Petal.Length), data=iris)
gg_smooth(iris, g1, terms=c("Sepal.Width", "Petal.Length"))
```

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 gg\_tensor

*Plot tensor product effects*


---

**Description**

Given a gam model this convenience function returns a `ggplot2` object depicting 2d smooth terms specified in the model as heat/contour plots. If more than one 2d smooth term is present individual terms are faceted.

**Usage**

```
gg_tensor(x, ci = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	a fitted gam object as produced by <code>gam()</code> .
ci	A logical value indicating whether confidence intervals should be calculated and returned. Defaults to TRUE.
...	Further arguments passed to <code>plot.gam</code>

**See Also**

[tidy\\_smooth2d](#)

**Examples**

```
g <- mgcv::gam(Sepal.Length ~ te(Sepal.Width, Petal.Length), data=iris)
gg_tensor(g)
gg_tensor(g, ci=TRUE)
gg_tensor(update(g, .~. + te(Petal.Width, Petal.Length)))
```

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make\_newdata

*Construct a data frame suitable for prediction*

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**Description**

This functions provides a flexible interface to create a data set that can be plugged in as `newdata` argument to a suitable `predict` function (or similar). The function is particularly useful in combination with one of the `add_*` functions, e.g., [add\\_term](#), [add\\_hazard](#), etc.

**Usage**

```
make_newdata(x, ...)

## Default S3 method:
make_newdata(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'ped'
make_newdata(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'fped'
make_newdata(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	A data frame (or object that inherits from <code>data.frame</code> ).
...	Covariate specifications (expressions) that will be evaluated by looking for variables in <code>x</code> . Must be of the form <code>z = f(z)</code> where <code>z</code> is a variable in the data set and <code>f</code> a known function that can be usefully applied to <code>z</code> . Note that this is also necessary for single value specifications (e.g. <code>age = c(50)</code> ). For data in PED (piece-wise exponential data) format, one can also specify the time argument, but see "Details" an "Examples" below.

## Details

Depending on the type of variables in  $x$ , mean or modus values will be used for variables not specified in `ellipsis` (see also `sample_info`). If  $x$  is an object that inherits from class `ped`, useful data set completion will be attempted depending on variables specified in `ellipsis`. This is especially useful, when creating a data set with different time points, e.g. to calculate survival probabilities over time (`add_surv_prob`) or to calculate a time-varying covariate effects (`add_term`). To do so, the time variable has to be specified in `...`, e.g., `tend = seq_range(tend, 20)`. The problem with this specification is that not all values produced by `seq_range(tend, 20)` will be actual values of `tend` used at the stage of estimation (and in general, it will often be tedious to specify exact `tend` values). `make_newdata` therefore finds the correct interval and sets `tend` to the respective interval endpoint. For example, if the intervals of the PED object are  $(0, 1]$ ,  $(1, 2]$  then `tend = 1.5` will be set to 2 and the remaining time-varying information (e.g. `offset`) completed accordingly. See examples below.

## Examples

```
# General functionality
tumor %>% make_newdata()
tumor %>% make_newdata(age=c(50))
tumor %>% make_newdata(days=seq_range(days, 3), age=c(50, 55))
tumor %>% make_newdata(days=seq_range(days, 3), status=unique(status), age=c(50, 55))
# mean/modus values of unspecified variables are calculated over whole data
tumor %>% make_newdata(sex=unique(sex))
tumor %>% group_by(sex) %>% make_newdata()

# Examples for PED data
ped <- tumor %>% slice(1:3) %>% as_ped(Surv(days, status)~., cut = c(0, 500, 1000))
ped %>% make_newdata(age=c(50, 55))

# if time information is specified, other time variables will be specified
# accordingly and offset calculated correctly
ped %>% make_newdata(tend = c(1000), age = c(50, 55))
ped %>% make_newdata(tend = unique(tend))
ped %>% group_by(sex) %>% make_newdata(tend = unique(tend))

# tend is set to the end point of respective interval:
ped <- tumor %>% as_ped(Surv(days, status)~.)
seq_range(ped$tend, 3)
make_newdata(ped, tend = seq_range(tend, 3))
```

## Description

`pammtools` provides functions and utilities that facilitate fitting Piece-wise Exponential Additive Mixed Models (PAMMs), including data transformation and other convenience functions for pre- and post-processing as well as plotting.



## Details

The best way to get an overview of the functionality provided and how to fit PAMMs is to view the vignettes available at <https://adibender.github.io/pammtools/articles/>. A summary of the vignettes' content is given below:

- **basics**: Introduction to PAMMs and basic modeling.
- **baseline**: Shows how to estimate and visualize baseline model (without covariates) and comparison to respective Cox-PH model.
- **convenience**: Convenience functions for post-processing and plotting PAMMs.
- **data-transformation**: Transforming data into a format suitable to fit PAMMs.
- **frailty**: Specifying "frailty" terms, i.e., random effects for PAMMs.
- **splines**: Specifying spline smooth terms for PAMMs.
- **strata**: Specifying stratified models in which each level of a grouping variable has a different baseline hazard.
- **tdcovar**: Dealing with time-dependent covariates.
- **tveffects**: Specifying time-varying effects.
- **left-truncation**: Estimation for left-truncated data.
- **competing-risks**: Competing risks analysis.

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patient

*Survival data of critically ill ICU patients*

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## Description

A data set containing the survival time (or hospital release time) among other covariates. The full data is available [here](#). The following variables are provided:

**Year** The year of ICU Admission

**CombinedicuID** Intensive Care Unit (ICU) ID

**CombinedID** Patient identifier

**Survdays** Survival time of patients. Here it is assumed that patients survive until  $t=30$  if released from hospital.

**PatientDied** Status indicator; 1=death, 0=censoring

**survhosp** Survival time in hospital. Here it is assumed that patients are censored at time of hospital release (potentially informative)

**Gender** Male or female

**Age** The patients age at Admission

**AdmCatID** Admission category: medical, surgical elective or surgical emergency

**ApacheIIScore** The patient's Apache II Score at Admission

**BMI** Patient's Body Mass Index

**DiagID2** Diagnosis at admission in 9 categories

**Usage**

```
patient
```

**Format**

An object of class `data.frame` with 2000 rows and 12 columns.

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ped\_info

*Extract interval information and median/modus values for covariates*

---

**Description**

Given an object of class `ped`, returns data frame with one row for each interval containing interval information, mean values for numerical variables and modus for non-numeric variables in the data set.

**Usage**

```
ped_info(ped)

## S3 method for class 'ped'
ped_info(ped)
```

**Arguments**

`ped` An object of class `ped` as returned by `as_ped`.

**Value**

A data frame with one row for each unique interval in `ped`.

**See Also**

[int\\_info](#), [sample\\_info](#)

**Examples**

```
ped <- tumor[1:4,] %>% as_ped(Surv(days, status)~ sex + age)
ped_info(ped)
```

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predictSurvProb.pamm *S3 method for pamm objects for compatibility with package pec*

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**Description**

S3 method for pamm objects for compatibility with package pec

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'pamm'
predictSurvProb(object, newdata, times, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	A fitted model from which to extract predicted survival probabilities
newdata	A data frame containing predictor variable combinations for which to compute predicted survival probabilities.
times	A vector of times in the range of the response variable, e.g. times when the response is a survival object, at which to return the survival probabilities.
...	Additional arguments that are passed on to the current method.

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seq_range	<i>Generate a sequence over the range of a vector</i>
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**Description**

Stolen from [here](#)

**Usage**

```
seq_range(x, n, by, trim = NULL, expand = NULL, pretty = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	A numeric vector
<code>n, by</code>	Specify the output sequence either by supplying the length of the sequence with <code>n</code> , or the spacing between value with <code>by</code> . Specifying both is an error. I recommend that you name these arguments in order to make it clear to the reader.
<code>trim</code>	Optionally, trim values off the tails. $\text{trim} / 2 * \text{length}(x)$ values are removed from each tail.
<code>expand</code>	Optionally, expand the range by $\text{expand} * (1 + \text{range}(x))$ (computed after trimming).
<code>pretty</code>	If TRUE, will generate a pretty sequence. If <code>n</code> is supplied, this will use <code>pretty()</code> instead of <code>seq()</code> . If <code>by</code> is supplied, it will round the first value to a multiple of <code>by</code> .

**Examples**

```
x <- rcauchy(100)
seq_range(x, n = 10)
seq_range(x, n = 10, trim = 0.1)
seq_range(x, by = 1, trim = 0.1)

# Make pretty sequences
y <- runif(100)
seq_range(y, n = 10)
seq_range(y, n = 10, pretty = TRUE)
seq_range(y, n = 10, expand = 0.5, pretty = TRUE)

seq_range(y, by = 0.1)
seq_range(y, by = 0.1, pretty = TRUE)
```

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simdf\_elra

*Simulated data with cumulative effects*


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**Description**

This is data simulated using the `sim_pexp` function. It contains two time-constant and two time-dependent covariates (observed on different exposure time grids). The code used for simulation is contained in the examples of `?sim_pexp`.

**Usage**

```
simdf_elra
```

**Format**

An object of class `nested_fdf` (inherits from `sim_df`, `tbl_df`, `tbl`, `data.frame`) with 250 rows and 9 columns.

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sim_pexp	<i>Simulate survival times from the piece-wise exponential distribution</i>
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## Description

Simulate survival times from the piece-wise exponential distribution

## Usage

```
sim_pexp(formula, data, cut)
```

## Arguments

formula	An extended formula that specifies the linear predictor. If you want to include a smooth baseline or time-varying effects, use <code>t</code> within your formula as if it was a covariate in the data, although it is not and should not be included in the data provided to <code>sim_pexp</code> . See examples below.
data	A data set with variables specified in formula.
cut	A sequence of time-points starting with 0.

## Examples

```
library(survival)
library(dplyr)
library(pamtools)

# set number of observations/subjects
n <- 250
# create data set with variables which will affect the hazard rate.
df <- cbind.data.frame(x1 = runif (n, -3, 3), x2 = runif (n, 0, 6)) %>%
  as_tibble()
# the formula which specifies how covariates affect the hazard rate
f0 <- function(t) {
  dgamma(t, 8, 2) *6
}
form <- ~ -3.5 + f0(t) -0.5*x1 + sqrt(x2)
set.seed(24032018)
sim_df <- sim_pexp(form, df, 1:10)
head(sim_df)
plot(survfit(Surv(time, status)~1, data = sim_df ))

# for control, estimate with Cox PH
mod <- coxph(Surv(time, status) ~ x1 + pspline(x2), data=sim_df)
coef(mod)[1]
layout(matrix(1:2, nrow=1))
termpplot(mod, se = TRUE)

# and using PAMs
layout(1)
```

```

ped <- sim_df %>% as_ped(Surv(time, status)~., max_time=10)
library(mgcv)
pam <- gam(ped_status ~ s(tend) + x1 + s(x2), data=ped, family=poisson, offset=offset)
coef(pam)[2]
plot(pam, page=1)

## Not run:
# Example 2: Functional covariates/cumulative coefficients
# function to generate one exposure profile, tz is a vector of time points
# at which TDC z was observed
rng_z = function(nz) {
  as.numeric(arima.sim(n = nz, list(ar = c(.8, -.6))))
}
# two different exposure times for two different exposures
tz1 <- 1:10
tz2 <- -5:5
# generate exposures and add to data set
df <- df %>%
  add_tdc(tz1, rng_z) %>%
  add_tdc(tz2, rng_z)
df

# define tri-variate function of time, exposure time and exposure z
ft <- function(t, tmax) {
  -1*cos(t/tmax*pi)
}
fdnorm <- function(x) (dnorm(x,1.5,2)+1.5*dnorm(x,7.5,1))
wpeak2 <- function(lag) 15*dnorm(lag,8,10)
wdnorm <- function(lag) 5*(dnorm(lag,4,6)+dnorm(lag,25,4))
f_xyz1 <- function(t, tz, z) {
  ft(t, tmax=10) * 0.8*fdnorm(z)* wpeak2(t - tz)
}
f_xyz2 <- function(t, tz, z) {
  wdnorm(t-tz) * z
}

# define lag-lead window function
ll_fun <- function(t, tz) {t >= tz}
ll_fun2 <- function(t, tz) {t - 2 >= tz}
# simulate data with cumulative effect
sim_df <- sim_pexp(
  formula = ~ -3.5 + f0(t) -0.5*x1 + sqrt(x2)|
  fcumu(t, tz1, z.tz1, f_xyz=f_xyz1, ll_fun=ll_fun) +
  fcumu(t, tz2, z.tz2, f_xyz=f_xyz2, ll_fun=ll_fun2),
  data = df,
  cut = 0:10)

## End(Not run)

```

**Description**

This dataset originates from the Drakenstein child health study. The data contains the following variables:

**id** Randomly generated unique child ID

**t.start** The time at which the child enters the risk set for the  $k$ -th event

**t.stop** Time of  $k$ -th infection or censoring.

**enum** Event number. Maximum of 6.

**hiv**

**Usage**

```
staph
```

**Format**

An object of class `tbl_df` (inherits from `tbl`, `data.frame`) with 374 rows and 6 columns.

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tidy_re	<i>Extract random effects in tidy data format.</i>
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**Description**

Extract random effects in tidy data format.

**Usage**

```
tidy_re(x, keep = c("fit", "main", "xlab", "ylab"), ...)
```

**Arguments**

**x** a fitted `gam` object as produced by `gam()`.

**keep** A vector of variables to keep.

**...** Further arguments passed to `plot.gam`

**See Also**

[qqline](#)

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tidy_smooth	<i>Extract 1d smooth objects in tidy data format.</i>
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**Description**

Extract 1d smooth objects in tidy data format.

**Usage**

```
tidy_smooth(x, keep = c("x", "fit", "se", "xlab", "ylab"), ci = TRUE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	a fitted gam object as produced by gam().
keep	A vector of variables to keep.
ci	A logical value indicating whether confidence intervals should be calculated and returned. Defaults to TRUE.
...	Further arguments passed to <a href="#">plot.gam</a>

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tidy_smooth2d	<i>Extract 2d smooth objects in tidy format.</i>
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**Description**

Extract 2d smooth objects in tidy format.

**Usage**

```
tidy_smooth2d(
  x,
  keep = c("x", "y", "fit", "se", "xlab", "ylab", "main"),
  ci = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

x	a fitted gam object as produced by gam().
keep	A vector of variables to keep.
ci	A logical value indicating whether confidence intervals should be calculated and returned. Defaults to TRUE.
...	Further arguments passed to <a href="#">plot.gam</a>



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tumor

*Stomach area tumor data*

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### Description

Information on patients treated for a cancer disease located in the stomach area. The data set includes:

**days** Time from operation until death in days.

**status** Event indicator (0 = censored, 1 = death).

**age** The subject's age.

**sex** The subject's sex (male/female).

**charlson\_score** Charlson comorbidity score, 1-6.

**transfusion** Has subject received transfusions (no/yes).

**complications** Did major complications occur during operation (no/yes).

**metastases** Did the tumor develop metastases? (no/yes).

**resection** Was the operation accompanied by a major resection (no/yes).

### Usage

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### Format

An object of class `tbl_df` (inherits from `tbl`, `data.frame`) with 776 rows and 9 columns.

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