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add_paths	<i>Add paths to an object of class 'tidy_sem'</i>
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Description

Add paths to an object of class `tidy_sem`, or replace existing paths. The paths must be specified as `model.syntax`, and separated by commas.

Usage

```
add_paths(model, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>model</code>	An object of class <code>tidy_sem</code> .
<code>...</code>	Paths to add or substitute, specified in <code>lavaan{model.syntax}</code> , and separated by commas.

Details

Currently, only the `lavaan{lavaan}` commands `~`, `~~`, `=~`, and `~1` are parsed.

This function relies on `lavaan` `model.syntax` to convert syntax strings to `lavaan` parameter tables. By default, it uses the arguments `int.ov.free = TRUE`, `int.lv.free = FALSE`, `auto.fix.first = TRUE`, `auto.fix.single = TRUE`, `auto.var = TRUE`, `auto.cov.lv.x = TRUE`, `auto.efa = TRUE`, `auto.th = TRUE`, `auto.delta = TRUE`, `auto.cov.y = TRUE`, akin to `sem` and `cfa`.

Value

An object of class `tidy_sem`.

See Also

[model.syntax](#)

Examples

```
library(lavaan)
df <- iris[, 1:4]
names(df) <- paste0("x_", 1:4)
model <- tidy_sem(df)
model <- measurement(model)
model <- add_paths(model, x =~ a*x_1 + b*x_2 + a*x_3 + b*x_4)
res <- estimate_lavaan(model)
summary(res)
```

as_lavaan

Convert tidy_sem to 'lavaan' syntax

Description

Final stage in the 'tidySEM' workflow for syntax generation: Convert the `tidy_sem` object to `lavaan` syntax in tabular format (see [model.syntax](#)).

Usage

```
as_lavaan(x, ...)
```

Arguments

`x` An object of class `tidy_sem`
`...` Additional parameters to be passed to and from functions.

Value

Character vector.

Examples

```
mod <- list(syntax = structure(list(lhs = "x", op = "~", rhs = "y",
                                  free = TRUE, value = "", label = "",
                                  category = "", aspect = "")),
           class = "data.frame", row.names = c(NA, -1L))
class(mod) <- "tidy_sem"
as_lavaan(mod)
```

as_mplus

Convert tidy_sem to 'Mplus' syntax

Description

Final stage in the 'tidySEM' workflow for syntax generation: Convert the tidy_sem object to 'Mplus' syntax.

Usage

```
as_mplus(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x An object of class tidy_sem.
... Additional parameters to be passed to and from functions.

Value

Character vector.

Examples

```
mod <- list(syntax = structure(list(lhs = "x", op = "~", rhs = "y",
                                  free = TRUE, value = "", label = "",
                                  category = "", aspect = "")),
           class = "data.frame", row.names = c(NA, -1L))
class(mod) <- "tidy_sem"
as_mplus(mod)
```

`conf_int`*Format confidence intervals*

Description

Creates 'APA'-formatted confidence intervals, either from an object for which a method exists, or from the arguments `lb` and `ub`. When argument `x` is a numeric vector, it is also possible to construct a confidence interval using the standard error (`se`) and a percentile interval (`ci`).

Usage

```
conf_int(x, digits = 2, se = NULL, lb = NULL, ub = NULL, ci = 95)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	Optional. An object for which a method exists.
<code>digits</code>	Integer. The number of digits to round the confidence boundaries to.
<code>se</code>	Optional, numeric. Standard error of the parameters.
<code>lb</code>	Optional, numeric. Lower boundary of confidence intervals.
<code>ub</code>	Optional, numeric. Upper boundary of confidence intervals.
<code>ci</code>	Optional, numeric. What percentage CI to use (only used when computing CI from a numeric vector <code>x</code> , and the standard error <code>se</code> , based on a normal distribution).

Value

A character vector of formatted confidence intervals.

Author(s)

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See Also

`table_results` `est_sig`

Other Reporting tools: [est_sig\(\)](#), [table_results\(\)](#)

Examples

```
conf_int(x = c(1.325, 2.432), se = c(.05336, .00325))
```

`cors` *Generate syntax for correlations*

Description

Generate syntax for correlations between variables.

Usage

```
cors(x, ...)
```

Arguments

`x` Object for which a method exists. If `x` is an object of class `tidy_sem`, then correlations between all observed and latent variables in the data dictionary of that object are computed, by default. If `x` is a character vector, all elements of the vector are used.

`...` Optional additional character vectors of variables to be correlated. If `x` is an object of class `tidy_sem`, then up to two vectors can be provided. If `x` is a vector, then one more optional vector can be provided. When no additional vectors of variable names are provided, only the correlations among the elements of `x` are returned.

Value

An object of class `tidy_sem`.

Examples

```
dict <- tidy_sem(c("bfi_1", "bfi_2", "bfi_3", "bfi_4", "bfi_5"))
cors(dict, c("bfi_1", "bfi_2"))
```

`create_scales` *Create scale scores from observed variables*

Description

This function calculates mean or sum scores from a `data.frame` and a named list describing the items in each scale. It returns the scores, a scale descriptive table, and a scale correlation table. It relies on several functions from the `psych` package.

Usage

```

create_scales(
  x,
  keys.list,
  missing = TRUE,
  impute = "none",
  omega = NULL,
  digits = 2,
  ...
)

## S3 method for class 'tidy_sem'
create_scales(
  x,
  keys.list,
  missing = TRUE,
  impute = "none",
  omega = NULL,
  digits = 2,
  ...
)

```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	A data frame containing all variables referenced in the <code>keys.list</code> , or an object of class <code>tidy_sem</code> .
<code>keys.list</code>	A named list, indicating which variables belong to which scale.
<code>missing</code>	Whether to use rows with partially missing values. Default: <code>TRUE</code> .
<code>impute</code>	Method for handling missing values, Default: <code>'none'</code> . This default method uses all available data to calculate scale scores, which is acceptable for mean scales, but not for sum scales.
<code>omega</code>	Which of McDonald's omega coefficients to report. Default: <code>NULL</code> ; valid options include: <code>"omega_h"</code> , <code>"omega_lim"</code> , <code>"alpha"</code> , <code>"omega_tot"</code> , <code>"G6"</code> .
<code>digits</code>	Number of digits for rounding, Default: <code>2</code>
<code>...</code>	Additional parameters to pass to and from functions.

Details

For scales with less than 3 items, Cronbach's alpha might not be suitable as an estimate of reliability. For such scales, the Spearman-Brown reliability coefficient for two-item scales is computed, as described in Eisinga, R., Grotenhuis, M. te, & Pelzer, B. (2012). The reliability of a two-item scale: Pearson, Cronbach, or Spearman-Brown? *International Journal of Public Health*, 58(4), 637–642. <doi:10.1007/s00038-012-0416-3>. These coefficients are marked with "(sb)".

Value

List with elements: `$descriptives`, `$correlations`, and `$scores`.

Examples

```
out <- create_scales(iris, keys.list = list(scalename =
  c("Sepal.Length", "Sepal.Width", "Petal.Length", "Petal.Width")))
out$descriptives
dict <- tidy_sem(iris, split = "\\.")
create_scales(dict)
```

descriptives	<i>Describe a dataset</i>
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Description

Provide descriptive statistics for a dataset.

Usage

```
descriptives(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x	An object for which a method exists.
...	Additional arguments.

Value

A data.frame with descriptive statistics for x.

Examples

```
descriptives(iris)
```

dictionary	<i>Extract dictionary from tidy_sem</i>
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Description

Provides access to the dictionary element of a tidy_sem object. This can be used to return or assign to the dictionary element.

Usage

```
dictionary(x)

dictionary(x) <- value
```


Arguments

x Object of class tidy_sem.
value A valid value for dictionary(x).

Value

data.frame

Examples

```
dict <- tidy_sem(iris, split = "\\.")  
dictionary(dict)
```

edges	<i>Extract edges from sem_graph</i>
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Description

Provides access to the edges element of a sem_graph object. This can be used to return or assign to the edges element.

Usage

```
edges(x)  
edges(x) <- value
```

Arguments

x Object of class sem_graph.
value A valid value for edges(x).

Value

data.frame

Examples

```
edg <- data.frame(from = "x", to = "y")  
p <- prepare_graph(edges = edg, layout = get_layout("x", "y", rows = 1))  
edges(p)
```

edit_graph	<i>Edit graph elements</i>
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Description

Evaluate an R expression within the environment of the elements of a `sem_graph` object, and return the modified `sem_graph`.

Usage

```
edit_graph(x, expr, element = "edges", ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	An object of class <code>sem_graph</code> .
<code>expr</code>	expression to evaluate.
<code>element</code>	Character. The element of the <code>sem_graph</code> to edit, defaults to "edges".
<code>...</code>	Arguments passed on to within .

Value

An object of class `sem_graph`.

Examples

```
p <- prepare_graph(layout = get_layout("x", rows = 1))
p <- edit_graph(p, {colour = "blue"}, element = "nodes")
plot(p)
```

estimate_lavaan	<i>Estimate tidy_sem using 'lavaan'</i>
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Description

This function is a wrapper for the [lavaan](#) estimating functions. By default, the wrapper uses [sem](#), but users can also specify [lavaan](#), [cfa](#), or [growth](#).

Usage

```
estimate_lavaan(x, func = "sem", ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	An object of class <code>tidy_sem</code> .
<code>func</code>	The lavaan modeling function to invoke, Default: 'sem'.
<code>...</code>	Additional parameters passed to the estimating function.

Value

An object of class lavaan.

Examples

```
library(lavaan)
model <- tidy_sem(iris, "\\.")
model <- measurement(model)
res <- estimate_lavaan(model)
summary(res)
```

estimate_mplus	<i>Estimate tidy_sem using 'Mplus'</i>
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Description

This function is a wrapper for the functions `mplusObject` and `mplusModeler`. Using this function requires 'Mplus' to be installed.

Usage

```
estimate_mplus(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x	An object of class tidy_sem.
...	Additional parameters passed to <code>mplusObject</code> and <code>mplusModeler</code> . These arguments are matched to the correct function by name. The arguments <code>rdata</code> , and <code>MODEL</code> cannot be edited, as they are determined from the tidy_sem object.

Details

The arguments `dataout`, `modelout`, and `run` are optional. If these are not specified, the model will be run in `tempdir`.

Value

An object of class `mplusObject`.

Examples

```
library(MplusAutomation)
model <- tidy_sem(iris, "\\.")
model <- measurement(model)
if(mplusAvailable() == 0){
  estimate_mplus(model)
}
```

est_sig	<i>Add significance asterisks to object</i>
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Description

Takes an object, and adds significance asterisks.

Usage

```
est_sig(x, digits = 2, sig = NULL)
```

Arguments

x	An object for which a method exists. This will be treated as numeric by the default method.
digits	Integer. The number of digits to round the estimate column to.
sig	Optional, a vector of p-values for the default method.

Value

A character vector of formatted estimates.

Author(s)

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See Also

`table_results`

Other Reporting tools: [conf_int\(\)](#), [table_results\(\)](#)

Examples

```
est_sig(c(.222, .3333), sig = c(.054, .045))
```

get_data	<i>Extract data from tidy_sem</i>
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Description

Provides access to the data element of a `tidy_sem` object. This can be used to return or assign to the data element.

Usage

```
get_data(x)

get_data(x) <- value
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	Object of class <code>tidy_sem</code> .
<code>value</code>	A valid value for <code>get_data(x)</code> .

Value

`data.frame`

Examples

```
dict <- tidy_sem(iris, split = "\\.")
get_data(dict)
```

get_edges	<i>Extract edges from a SEM model object</i>
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Description

Attempts to extract edges from a SEM model object, where edges are defined as regression paths and covariances between variables (nodes).

Usage

```
get_edges(x, label = "est_sig", ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	A model object of class <code>mplusObject</code> or <code>lavaan</code> .
<code>label</code>	Character, indicating which column to use for edge labels. Defaults to <code>'est_sig'</code> , which consists of the estimate value with significance asterisks.
<code>...</code>	Additional parameters to be passed to and from other functions.

Value

An object of class 'tidy_edges'

Examples

```
library(lavaan)
res <- sem("dist ~ speed", cars)
get_edges(res)
```

get_layout.lavaan	<i>Generate graph layout</i>
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Description

Generate a tidy_layout for a SEM graph.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'lavaan'
get_layout(x, ..., layout_algorithm = "layout_as_tree")

get_layout(x, ...)

## Default S3 method:
get_layout(x, ..., rows = NULL)
```

Arguments

x	An object for which a method exists; currently, methods exist for character, lavaan, and mplus.model objects.
...	Character arguments corresponding to layout elements. Use node names, empty strings (""), or NA values.
layout_algorithm	Optional argument for fit model objects. Character string, indicating which igraph layout algorithm to apply to position the nodes. Defaults to "layout_as_tree"; see details for more options.
rows	Numeric, indicating the number of rows of the graph.

Details

There are three ways to generate a layout:

1. Specify the layout in the call to get_layout() by providing node names and the number of rows to create a layout matrix. Empty strings ("") or NA can be used for empty cells. See Example 1.

2. Call `get_layout()` on a model object or `tidy_results` object. It will use the function `layout_as_tree`, or any other layout function from the `igraph` package, to generate a rudimentary layout. See Example 2.
3. Instead of using `get_layout()`, just use a `matrix` or `data.frame` with your layout. For example, specify the layout in a spreadsheet program, and load it into R (see Example 3). Or, copy the layout to the clipboard from your spreadsheet program, and load it from the clipboard (see Example 4)

The layout algorithms imported from `igraph` are: `c("layout_as_star", "layout_as_tree", "layout_in_circle", "layo`
 These can be used by specifying the optional argument `layout_algorithm = ""`.

Value

Object of class `'tidy_layout'`

Examples

```
# Example 1
get_layout("c", NA, "d",
           NA, "e", NA, rows = 2)

# Example 2
library(lavaan)
fit <- cfa(' visual =~ x1 + x2 + x3 ',
          data = HolzingerSwineford1939[1:50, ])
get_layout(fit)

## Not run:
# Example 3
# Here, we first write the layout to .csv, but you could create it in a
# spreadsheet program, and save the spreadsheet to .csv:
write.csv(matrix(c("c", "", "d", "", "e", ""), nrow = 2, byrow = TRUE),
          file = file.path(tempdir(), "example3.csv"), row.names = FALSE)
# Now, we load the .csv:
read.csv(file.path(tempdir(), "example3.csv"))

# Example 4
# For this example, make your layout in a spreadsheet program, select it, and
# copy to clipboard. Reading from the clipboard works differently in Windows
# and Mac. For this example, I used Microsoft Excel.
# On Windows, run:
read.table("clipboard", sep = "\t")
# On Mac, run:
read.table(pipe("pbpaste"), sep="\t")

## End(Not run)
```

get_nodes	<i>Extract nodes from a SEM model object</i>
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Description

Attempts to extract nodes from a SEM model object, where nodes are defined as observed or latent variables.

Usage

```
get_nodes(x, label = "est_sig", ...)
```

Arguments

x	A model object of class <code>mplusObject</code> or <code>lavaan</code> .
label	Character, indicating which column to use for node labels. Nodes are labeled with mean values of the observed/latent variables they represent. Defaults to 'est_sig', which consists of the estimate value with significance asterisks.
...	Additional parameters to be passed to and from other functions.

Value

An object of class 'tidy_nodes'

Examples

```
library(lavaan)
res <- sem("dist ~ speed", cars)
get_nodes(res)
```

graph_sem	<i>Render a graph</i>
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Description

Render a graph based on a layout, and either nodes and edges, or a model object.

Usage

```
graph_sem(...)

## Default S3 method:
graph_sem(
  edges = NULL,
  layout = NULL,
```



```

    nodes = NULL,
    rect_width = 1.2,
    rect_height = 0.8,
    ellipses_width = 1,
    ellipses_height = 1,
    variance_diameter = 0.8,
    spacing_x = 2,
    spacing_y = 2,
    text_size = 4,
    curvature = 60,
    angle = NULL,
    fix_coord = FALSE,
    ...
)

## S3 method for class 'lavaan'
graph_sem(
  model,
  label = "est_sig",
  edges = get_edges(x = model, label = label),
  layout = get_layout(x = model),
  nodes = get_nodes(x = model, label = label),
  ...
)

## S3 method for class 'mplus.model'
graph_sem(
  model,
  label = "est_sig",
  edges = get_edges(x = model, label = label),
  layout = get_layout(x = model),
  nodes = get_nodes(x = model, label = label),
  ...
)

```

Arguments

...	Additional arguments passed to and from functions.
edges	Object of class 'tidy_edges', or a data.frame with (at least) the columns c("from", "to"), and optionally, c("arrow", "label", "connect_from", "connect_to", "curvature").
layout	A matrix (or data.frame) that describes the layout; see get_layout .
nodes	Optional, object of class 'tidy_nodes', created with the get_nodes function, or a data.frame with (at least) the column c("name"), and optionally, c("shape", "label"). If set to NULL (the default), nodes are inferred from the layout and edges arguments.
rect_width	Width of rectangles (used to display observed variables), Default: 1.2
rect_height	Height of rectangles (used to display observed variables), Default: 0.8

ellipses_width	Width of ellipses (used to display latent variables), Default: 1
ellipses_height	Height of ellipses (used to display latent variables), Default: 1
variance_diameter	Diameter of variance circles, Default: .8
spacing_x	Spacing between columns of the graph, Default: 1
spacing_y	Spacing between rows of the graph, Default: 1
text_size	Point size of text, Default: 4
curvature	Curvature of curved edges. The curve is a circle segment originating in a point that forms a triangle with the two connected points, with angles at the two connected points equal to curvature. To flip a curved edge, use a negative value for curvature. Default: 60
angle	Angle used to connect nodes by the top and bottom. Defaults to NULL, which means Euclidean distance is used to determine the shortest distance between node sides. A numeric value between 0-180 can be provided, where 0 means that only nodes with the same x-coordinates are connected top-to-bottom, and 180 means that all nodes are connected top-to-bottom.
fix_coord	Whether or not to fix the aspect ratio of the graph. Does not work with multi-group or multilevel models. Default: FALSE.
model	Instead of the edges argument, it is also possible to use the model argument and pass an object for which a method exists (e.g., <code>mplus.model</code> or <code>lavaan</code>).
label	Character, indicating which column to use for node labels. Nodes are labeled with mean values of the observed/latent variables they represent. Defaults to <code>'est_sig'</code> , which consists of the estimate value with significance asterisks.

Details

The default interface simply Runs the functions `prepare_graph` and `plot`. The alternative interface first runs `get_nodes` and `get_edges` on the `model` argument.

Value

Object of class `'sem_graph'`

Examples

```
library(lavaan)
res <- sem("dist ~ speed", cars)
graph_sem(res)
```

measurement	<i>Generate syntax for a measurement model</i>
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Description

Generate syntax for a measurement model for latent variables. This function relies on [add_paths](#) to generate syntax.

Usage

```
measurement(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x	An object for which a method exists, including <code>tidy_sem</code> (generated using dictionary , or <code>data.frame</code> (for which dictionary will be run first).
...	Additional parameters passed to add_paths .

Value

An object of class `tidy_sem`.

Examples

```
dict <- tidy_sem(c("bfi_1", "bfi_2", "bfi_3", "bfi_4", "bfi_5"))
measurement(dict)
```

<code>mplus_expand_names</code>	<i>Expand abbreviated Mplus variable names</i>
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Description

Expand the Mplus syntax for abbreviating lists of variable names.

Usage

```
mplus_expand_names(x)
```

Arguments

x	Atomic character string containing the variable names section of an Mplus syntax file.
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Value

Character vector of names.

Examples

```
mpplus_expand_names("test1-test12")
```

nodes	<i>Extract nodes from sem_graph</i>
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Description

Provides access to the nodes element of a sem_graph object. This can be used to return or assign to the nodes element.

Usage

```
nodes(x)
nodes(x) <- value
```

Arguments

x	Object of class sem_graph.
value	A valid value for nodes(x).

Value

data.frame

Examples

```
edg <- data.frame(from = "x", to = "y")
p <- prepare_graph(edges = edg, layout = get_layout("x", "y", rows = 1))
nodes(p)
```

prepare_graph	<i>Prepare graph data</i>
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Description

Prepare an object of class sem_graph, containing data objects that can be rendered into a SEM graph. Using this function allows users to manually change the default graph specification before plotting it. Input consists of (at least) a layout, and either nodes and edges, or a model object.

Usage

```

prepare_graph(...)

## Default S3 method:
prepare_graph(
  edges = NULL,
  layout = NULL,
  nodes = NULL,
  rect_width = 1.2,
  rect_height = 0.8,
  ellipses_width = 1,
  ellipses_height = 1,
  variance_diameter = 0.8,
  spacing_x = 2,
  spacing_y = 2,
  text_size = 4,
  curvature = 60,
  angle = NULL,
  fix_coord = FALSE,
  ...
)

## S3 method for class 'lavaan'
prepare_graph(
  model,
  label = "est_sig",
  edges = get_edges(x = model, label = label),
  layout = get_layout(x = model),
  nodes = get_nodes(x = model, label = label),
  ...
)

## S3 method for class 'mplus.model'
prepare_graph(
  model,
  label = "est_sig",
  edges = get_edges(x = model, label = label),
  layout = get_layout(x = model),
  nodes = get_nodes(x = model, label = label),
  ...
)

```

Arguments

...	Additional arguments passed to and from functions.
edges	Object of class 'tidy_edges', or a data.frame with (at least) the columns <code>c("from", "to")</code> , and optionally, <code>c("arrow", "label", "connect_from", "connect_to", "curvature")</code> .
layout	A matrix (or data.frame) that describes the layout; see get_layout .

nodes	Optional, object of class 'tidy_nodes', created with the <code>get_nodes</code> function, or a <code>data.frame</code> with (at least) the column <code>c("name")</code> , and optionally, <code>c("shape", "label")</code> . If set to <code>NULL</code> (the default), nodes are inferred from the <code>layout</code> and <code>edges</code> arguments.
rect_width	Width of rectangles (used to display observed variables), Default: 1.2
rect_height	Height of rectangles (used to display observed variables), Default: 0.8
ellipses_width	Width of ellipses (used to display latent variables), Default: 1
ellipses_height	Height of ellipses (used to display latent variables), Default: 1
variance_diameter	Diameter of variance circles, Default: .8
spacing_x	Spacing between columns of the graph, Default: 1
spacing_y	Spacing between rows of the graph, Default: 1
text_size	Point size of text, Default: 4
curvature	Curvature of curved edges. The curve is a circle segment originating in a point that forms a triangle with the two connected points, with angles at the two connected points equal to curvature. To flip a curved edge, use a negative value for curvature. Default: 60
angle	Angle used to connect nodes by the top and bottom. Defaults to <code>NULL</code> , which means Euclidean distance is used to determine the shortest distance between node sides. A numeric value between 0-180 can be provided, where 0 means that only nodes with the same x-coordinates are connected top-to-bottom, and 180 means that all nodes are connected top-to-bottom.
fix_coord	Whether or not to fix the aspect ratio of the graph. Does not work with multi-group or multilevel models. Default: <code>FALSE</code> .
model	Instead of the <code>edges</code> argument, it is also possible to use the <code>model</code> argument and pass an object for which a method exists (e.g., <code>mplus.model</code> or <code>lavaan</code>).
label	Character, indicating which column to use for node labels. Nodes are labeled with mean values of the observed/latent variables they represent. Defaults to 'est_sig', which consists of the estimate value with significance asterisks.

Value

Object of class 'sem_graph'

Examples

```
library(lavaan)
res <- sem("dist ~ speed", cars)
prepare_graph(res)
```

skew_kurtosis	<i>Calculate skew and kurtosis</i>
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Description

Calculate skew and kurtosis, standard errors for both, and the estimates divided by two times the standard error. If this latter quantity exceeds an absolute value of 1, the skew/kurtosis is significant. With very large sample sizes, significant skew/kurtosis is common.

Usage

```
skew_kurtosis(x, verbose = FALSE, se = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

x	An object for which a method exists.
verbose	Logical. Whether or not to print messages to the console, Default: FALSE
se	Whether or not to return the standard errors, Default: FALSE
...	Additional arguments to pass to and from functions.

Value

A matrix of skew and kurtosis statistics for x.

Examples

```
skew_kurtosis(datasets::anscombe)
```

syntax	<i>Extract syntax from tidy_sem</i>
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Description

Provides access to the syntax element of a tidy_sem object. This can be used to return or assign to the syntax element.

Usage

```
syntax(x)
```

```
syntax(x) <- value
```

Arguments

x	Object of class tidy_sem.
value	A valid value for syntax(x).

Value

data.frame

Examples

```
dict <- tidy_sem(iris, split = "\\.")
dict <- add_paths(dict, Sepal.Width ~~ Sepal.Length)
syntax(dict)
```

table_cors	<i>Extract correlation tables</i>
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Description

Extracts a publication-ready covariance or correlation matrix from an object for which a method exists.

Usage

```
table_cors(x, value_column = "est_sig_std", digits = 2, ...)
```

Arguments

x	An object for which a method exists.
value_column	Character. Name of the column to use to propagate the matrix. Defaults to "est_sig_std", the standardized estimate with significance asterisks.
digits	Number of digits to round to when formatting values.
...	Additional arguments passed to and from methods.

Value

A Matrix or a list of matrices (in case there are between/within correlation matrices).

Author(s)

Caspar J. van Lissa

Examples

```
library(lavaan)
HS.model <- ' visual =~ x1 + x2 + x3
             textual =~ x4 + x5 + x6
             speed   =~ x7 + x8 + x9 '
fit <- cfa(HS.model,
           data = HolzingerSwineford1939,
           group = "school")
table_cors(fit)
```

table_results	<i>Print results table formatted for publication</i>
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Description

Takes a model object, and formats it as a publication-ready table.

Usage

```
table_results(
  x,
  columns = c("label", "est_sig", "se", "pval", "confint", "group", "level"),
  digits = 2,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

x	A model object for which a method exists.
columns	A character vector of columns to retain from the results section. If this is set to NULL, all available columns are returned. Defaults to c("label", "est_sig", "se", "pval", "confint", "group", "level"). These correspond to 1) the parameter label, 2) estimate column with significance asterisks appended ($\ast < .05$, $\ast\ast < .01$, $\ast\ast\ast < .001$); 3) standard error, 4) p-value, 5) a formatted confidence interval, 6) grouping variable (if available), 7) level variable for multilevel models, if available.
digits	Number of digits to round to when formatting numeric columns.
...	Logical expressions used to filter the rows of results returned.

Value

A data.frame of formatted results.

Author(s)

Caspar J. van Lissa

See Also

Other Reporting tools: [conf_int\(\)](#), [est_sig\(\)](#)

Examples

```
library(lavaan)
HS.model <- ' visual =~ x1 + x2 + x3
             textual =~ x4 + x5 + x6
             speed   =~ x7 + x8 + x9 '
fit <- cfa(HS.model,
```

```

      data = HolzingerSwineford1939,
      group = "school")
table_results(fit)

```

tidy_sem

Create a tidy_sem object

Description

Create an object of class `tidy_sem`, which has the following elements:

- `dictionary` An overview of the variables in the `tidy_sem` object, and their assignment to scale/latent variables.
- `data` Optionally, the `data.frame` containing the data referenced in `$dictionary`.
- `syntax` Optionally, syntax defining a SEM-model by reference to the variables contained in `$data`.

Usage

```
tidy_sem(x, split = "_")
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	An object for which a method exists, e.g., a vector of variable names, or a <code>data.frame</code> .
<code>split</code>	Character. Defining the regular expression used by <code>strsplit</code> to separate variable names into 1) the name of the scale/construct and 2) the number (or name) of the item.

Details

When `tidy_sem` is called on a character string or `data.frame`, it attempts to assign variables to superordinate scale/latent variables based on the variable name and the splitting character defined in the `split` argument. Thus, the function will assign the variable `"scale_01"` to a scale/latent variable called `"scale"` when `split = "_"`. Alternatively, if the variable name is `"construct.1"`, the split character `"\."` separates the `"construct"` name from item number `"1"`. The character `"."` is escaped with a double backslash, because it is a special character in regular expressions.

Value

An object of class `"tidy_sem"`

Author(s)

Caspar J. van Lissa

Examples

```
tidy_sem(c("bfi_1", "bfi_2", "bfi_3", "bfi_4", "bfi_5",
"macqj_1", "macqj_2", "macqj_3", "macqj_4", "macqj_5", "macqj_6",
"macqj_7", "macqj_8", "macqj_9", "macqj_10", "macqj_11",
"macqj_12", "macqj_13", "macqj_14", "macqj_15", "macqj_16",
"macqj_17", "macqj_18", "macqj_19", "macqj_20", "macqj_21",
"macqr_1", "macqr_2", "macqr_3", "macqr_4", "macqr_5", "macqr_6",
"macqr_7", "macqr_8", "macqr_9", "macqr_10", "macqr_11",
"macqr_12", "macqr_13", "macqr_14", "macqr_15", "macqr_16",
"macqr_17", "macqr_18", "macqr_19", "macqr_20", "macqr_21", "sex"))
tidy_sem(c("bfi_1", "bfi_2", "bfi_3", "bfi_4", "bfi_5",
"mac_q_j_1", "mac_q_j_2", "mac_q_j_3", "mac_q_j_4", "mac_q_j_5", "mac_q_j_6",
"mac_q_j_7", "mac_q_j_8", "mac_q_j_9", "mac_q_j_10", "mac_q_j_11",
"mac_q_j_12", "mac_q_j_13", "mac_q_j_14", "mac_q_j_15", "mac_q_j_16",
"mac_q_j_17", "mac_q_j_18", "mac_q_j_19", "mac_q_j_20", "mac_q_j_21",
"mac_q_r_1", "mac_q_r_2", "mac_q_r_3", "mac_q_r_4", "mac_q_r_5", "mac_q_r_6",
"mac_q_r_7", "mac_q_r_8", "mac_q_r_9", "mac_q_r_10", "mac_q_r_11",
"mac_q_r_12", "mac_q_r_13", "mac_q_r_14", "mac_q_r_15", "mac_q_r_16",
"mac_q_r_17", "mac_q_r_18", "mac_q_r_19", "mac_q_r_20", "mac_q_r_21"))
```

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