

Package ‘LexisPlotR’

January 20, 2025

Type Package

Title Plot Lexis Diagrams for Demographic Purposes

Version 0.4.0

Maintainer Philipp Ottolinger <philipp@ottolinger.de>

Description Plots empty Lexis grids, adds lifelines and highlights certain areas of the grid, like cohorts and age groups.

Imports ggplot2, dplyr, tidyr

Suggests knitr, HMDHFDplus

Depends R (>= 2.10)

Encoding UTF-8

LazyData true

License GPL-2

URL <https://github.com/ottlngr/LexisPlotR>

RoxygenNote 6.1.1

NeedsCompilation no

Author Philipp Ottolinger [cre, aut],
Marieke Smilde-Becker [ctb]

Repository CRAN

Date/Publication 2020-01-12 13:30:03 UTC

Contents

lexis.age	2
lexis.cohort	3
lexis.grid	4
lexis.grid2	5
lexis.hmd	6
lexis.lifeline	7
lexis.survey	8
lexis.year	9

lexis_age	10
lexis_cohort	11
lexis_grid	12
lexis_lifeline	13
lexis_polygon	14
lexis_year	15
lifelines_sample	16
prepare.hmd	16
tidy_triangle_data	17
Index	18

lexis.age*Deprecated. Emphasize a certain age in Lexis grid***Description**

Add a coloured rectangle to an existing Lexis grid to highlight a certain age in that Lexis grid.

Usage

```
lexis.age(lg, age, fill = lpr_colours()[2], alpha = 0.7, d = 1)
```

Arguments

lg	an existing object originally created with <code>lexis.grid()</code> .
age	numeric, set the age to highlight.
fill	character, set colour to fill the rectangle. Default is "yellow".
alpha	numeric, set alpha, the level of transparency for <code>fill</code> . Default is 0.5.
d	numeric, set the size of the age groups. Default is 1.

Details

Takes an existing Lexis grid and adds a coloured rectangle that highlights all triangles belonging to a certain age.

Value

A `ggplot2` object.

Author(s)

Philipp Ottolinger

Examples

```
## Not run:
library(LexisPlotR)
lexis <- lexis.grid2(year.start = 1900, year.end = 1905, age.start = 0, age.end = 5)
lexis <- lexis.age(lg = lexis, age = 3)

## End(Not run)
```

lexis.cohort

Deprecated. Emphasize a certain cohort in a Lexis grid

Description

Takes an existing Lexis grid and adds a coloured rectangle to highlight a certain cohort.

Usage

```
lexis.cohort(lg, cohort, fill = lpr_colours()[4], alpha = 0.7, d = 1)
```

Arguments

lg	an existing object originally created with <code>lexis.grid()</code> .
cohort	numeric, set the cohort to highlight.
fill	character, set the colour of the rectangle. Default is "green".
alpha	numeric, set the level of transparency of the rectangle. Default is 0.5.
d	numeric, set the size of the age groups. Default is 1.

Details

Takes an existing Lexis grid and adds a coloured rectangle to the plot. The rectangle will highlight a certain cohort in the Lexis grid.

Author(s)

Philipp Ottolinger

Examples

```
## Not run:
library(LexisPlotR)
lg <- lexis.grid(year.start = 1900, year.end = 1905, age.start = 0, age.end = 5)
lexis.cohort(lg = lg, cohort = 1901)

## End(Not run)
```

`lexis.grid` *Deprecated. Plot a Lexis grid*

Description

`lexis.grid()` plots the basic Lexis grid.

Usage

```
lexis.grid(year.start, year.end, age.start, age.end, lwd = 0.3,
           force.equal = T)
```

Arguments

<code>year.start</code>	integer, set the year the Lexis Diagram starts with.
<code>year.end</code>	integer, set the year the Lexis Diagram ends with.
<code>age.start</code>	integer, set the age the Lexis Diagram starts with.
<code>age.end</code>	integer, set the age the Lexis Diagram ends with.
<code>lwd</code>	numeric, set the linewidth of the grid.
<code>force.equal</code>	logical, by default <code>lexis.grid</code> uses <code>ggplot2::coord_fixed()</code> to ensure isosceles triangles. Set <code>FALSE</code> to allow for a non-isosceles appearance.

Details

The function determines the aspect ratio of the x- and y-axis to enforce isosceles triangles. The aspect ratio will not be effected by defining width and height in `pdf()` or other graphic devices.

Because the returned object is a ggplot2 graph, the overall appearance of the graph can be edited by adding `themes()` to the plot.

Value

The functions returns a ggplot2-plot.

Author(s)

Philipp Ottolinger

Examples

```
## Not run:
library(LexisPlotR)
lexis.grid(year.start = 1900, year.end = 1905, age.start = 0, age.end = 5)

## End(Not run)
```

lexis.grid2 *Deprecated. Plot a Lexis grid*

Description

lexis.grid() plots the basic Lexis grid.

Usage

```
lexis.grid2(year.start, year.end, age.start, age.end, lwd = 0.3,  
force.equal = T, d = 1)
```

Arguments

year.start	integer, set the year the Lexis Diagram starts with.
year.end	integer, set the year the Lexis Diagram ends with.
age.start	integer, set the age the Lexis Diagram starts with.
age.end	integer, set the age the Lexis Diagram ends with.
lwd	numeric, set the linewidth of the grid.
force.equal	logical, by default lexis.grid uses ggplot2::coord_fixed() to ensure isosceles triangles. Set FALSE to allow for a non-isosceles appearance.
d	numeric, set the size of the age groups. Default is 1.

Details

The function determines the aspect ratio of the x- and y-axis to enforce isosceles triangles. The aspect ratio will not be effected by defining width and height in pdf() or other graphic devices.

Because the returned object is a ggplot2 graph, the overall appearance of the graph can be edited by adding themes() to the plot.

Value

The functions returns a ggplot2-plot.

Author(s)

Philipp Ottolinger

Examples

```
## Not run:  
library(LexisPlotR)  
lexis.grid(year.start = 1900, year.end = 1905, age.start = 0, age.end = 5)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

lexis.hmd*Deprecated. Fill Lexis triangles by HMD data*

Description

The function opens an existing Lexis grid and fill the triangles according to data from the Human Mortality Database.

Usage

```
lexis.hmd(lg, hmd.data, column)
```

Arguments

lg	an existing object originally created with <code>lexis.grid()</code> .
hmd.data	a <code>data.frame</code> created with <code>prepare.hmd()</code> .
column	character, the name of the column of <code>hmd.data</code> the triangles shall be filled with.

Details

The function creates a subset of `hmd.data` that fits in the dimensions of the existing Lexis grid. The triangles will be filled according to the data in `column`.

Author(s)

Philipp Ottolinger

Examples

```
## Not run:
library(LexisPlotR)
lg <- lexis.grid(year.start = 1980, year.end = 1985, age.start = 0, age.end = 5)
# Load sample data
path <- system.file("extdata", "Deaths_lexis_sample.txt", package = "LexisPlotR")
deaths.triangles <- prepare.hmd(path)
lexis.hmd(lg = lg, hmd.data = deaths.triangles, column = "Total")

### Plot data not explicitly present in HMD data
deaths.triangles$RatioMale <- deaths.triangles$Male / deaths.triangles$Total
lexis.hmd(lg, deaths.triangles, "RatioMale")

## End(Not run)
```

lexis.lifeline *Deprecated. Plot lifelines into a Lexis grid*

Description

Add lifelines to an existing Lexis grid.

Usage

```
lexis.lifeline(lg, entry, exit = NA, lineends = F,  
               colour = lpr_colours()[7], alpha = 1, lwd = 0.5)
```

Arguments

lg	an existing object originally created with <code>lexis.grid()</code> .
entry	character, set the entry or birth date of an individual in format "YYYY-MM-DD".
exit	character, set the exit or death date of an individual in format "YYYY-MM-DD". Default is NA (no exit or death observed).
lineends	logical, if TRUE lineends will be marked. Default is FALSE.
colour	character, set the colour of the lifelines. Default is "red".
alpha	numeric, set the transparency of the lifelines. Default is 1 (no transparency).
lwd	numeric, set the linewidth of the lifelines. Default is 0.5.

Details

Takes an existing Lexis grid and adds lifelines to the grid. Input can be a single dates or dates from a vector.

Value

A ggplot2 object.

Author(s)

Philipp Ottolinger

Examples

```
## Not run:  
lg <- lexis.grid(year.start = 1900, year.end = 1905, age.start = 0, age.end = 5)  
lexis.lifeline(lg = lg, entry = "1901-09-23")  
lexis.lifeline(lg = lg, entry = "1901-09-23", exit = "1904-03-03")  
## End(Not run)
```

lexis.survey	<i>Deprecated. Emphasize a survey range in a Lexis grid Takes an existing Lexis grid and adds a coloured parallelogram to highlight a survey range.</i>
--------------	---

Description

Deprecated. Emphasize a survey range in a Lexis grid Takes an existing Lexis grid and adds a coloured parallelogram to highlight a survey range.

Usage

```
lexis.survey(lg, from_date, to_date, from_age, to_age,
            fill = lpr_colours()[6], alpha = 0.7)
```

Arguments

lg	an existing object originally created with <code>lexis.grid()</code> .
from_date	character, set the beginning of the survey in format "YYYY-MM-DD".
to_date	character, set the end of the survey in format "YYYY-MM-DD".
from_age	numeric, set the starting age of the survey.
to_age	numeric, set the ending age of the survey.
fill	character, set the colour to fill the parallelogram. Default is "orange".
alpha	numeric, set the transparency of the fill colour. Default is 0.5.

Details

The function can be used to plot the time and age range of a survey. Use `from_date` and `to_date` to specify the time range the survey took place and `from_age` and `to_age` to define the considered ages of participants/observations.

Author(s)

Philipp Ottolinger

Examples

```
## Not run:
library(LexisPlotR)
lg <- lexis.grid(year.start = 1980, year.end = 1990, age.start = 30, age.end = 40)
lexis.survey(lg, from_date = "1982-09-01", to_date = "1986-03-01", from_age = 32, to_age = 36)

## End(Not run)
```

lexis.year*Deprecated. Emphasize a certain year in Lexis grid.*

Description

Takes an existing Lexis grid and adds a coloured rectangle to highlight a certain age.

Usage

```
lexis.year(lg, year, fill = lpr_colours()[3], alpha = 0.7, d = 1)
```

Arguments

lg	an existing object originally created with <code>lexis.grid()</code> .
year	numeric, set the year to highlight.
fill	character, set the colour of the rectangle. Default is "blue".
alpha	numeric, set the transparency of the rectangle. Default is 0.5.
d	numeric, set the size of the age groups. Default is 1.

Details

Takes an existing Lexis grid and adds a coloured rectangle to the plot. The rectangle will highlight a certain year in the grid.

Value

A ggplot2 object.

Author(s)

Philipp Ottoliner

Examples

```
## Not run:  
lg <- lexis.grid(year.start = 1900, year.end = 1905, age.start = 0, age.end = 5)  
lexis.year(lg = lg, year = 1902)  
## End(Not run)
```

lexis_age*Emphasize a certain age in Lexis grid***Description**

Add a coloured rectangle to an existing Lexis grid to highlight a certain age in that Lexis grid.

Usage

```
lexis_age(lg, age, delta = 1, fill = lexisplotr_colours()[1],
          alpha = 0.7)
```

Arguments

<code>lg</code>	an existing object originally created with <code>lexis_grid()</code> .
<code>age</code>	numeric, set the age to highlight.
<code>delta</code>	numeric, set the size of the age groups. Default is 1.
<code>fill</code>	character, set colour to fill the rectangle.
<code>alpha</code>	numeric, set alpha, the level of transparency for <code>fill</code> . Default is 0.5.

Details

Takes an existing Lexis grid and adds a coloured rectangle that highlights all triangles belonging to a certain age.

Value

A ggplot2 object.

Author(s)

Philipp Ottolinger

Examples

```
library(LexisPlotR)
lexis <- lexis_grid(year_start = 1900, year_end = 1905, age_start = 0, age_end = 5)
lexis <- lexis_age(lg = lexis, age = 3)
```

lexis_cohort	<i>Emphasize a certain cohort in a Lexis grid</i>
--------------	---

Description

Takes an existing Lexis grid and adds a coloured rectangle to highlight a certain cohort.

Usage

```
lexis_cohort(lg, cohort, delta = 1, fill = lexisplotr_colours()[3],  
alpha = 0.7)
```

Arguments

lg	an existing object originally created with <code>lexis_grid()</code> .
cohort	numeric, set the cohort to highlight.
delta	numeric, set the size of the age groups. Default is 1.
fill	character, set the colour of the rectangle.
alpha	numeric, set the level of transparency of the rectangle. Default is 0.5.

Details

Takes an existing Lexis grid and adds a coloured rectangle to the plot. The rectangle will highlight a certain cohort in the Lexis grid.

Author(s)

Philipp Ottolinger

Examples

```
library(LexisPlotR)  
lg <- lexis_grid(year_start = 1900, year_end = 1905, age_start = 0, age_end = 5)  
lexis_cohort(lg = lg, cohort = 1901)
```

lexis_grid*Plot a Lexis grid***Description**

`lexis_grid()` plots the basic Lexis grid.

Usage

```
lexis_grid(year_start, year_end, age_start, age_end, delta = 1,
           lwd = 0.3, force_equal = TRUE)
```

Arguments

<code>year_start</code>	integer, set the year the Lexis Diagram starts with.
<code>year_end</code>	integer, set the year the Lexis Diagram ends with.
<code>age_start</code>	integer, set the age the Lexis Diagram starts with.
<code>age_end</code>	integer, set the age the Lexis Diagram ends with.
<code>delta</code>	numeric, set the size of the age groups. Default is 1.
<code>lwd</code>	numeric, set the linewidth of the grid.
<code>force_equal</code>	logical, by default <code>lexis_grid</code> uses <code>ggplot2::coord_fixed()</code> to ensure isosceles triangles. Set FALSE to allow for a non-isosceles appearance.

Details

The function determines the aspect ratio of the x- and y-axis to enforce isosceles triangles. The aspect ratio will not be effected by defining width and height in `pdf()` or other graphic devices.

Because the returned object is a `ggplot2` graph, the overall appearance of the graph can be edited by adding `themes()` to the plot.

Value

A `ggplot` object.

Author(s)

Philipp Ottolinger

Examples

```
library(LexisPlotR)
lexis_grid(year_start = 1900, year_end = 1905, age_start = 0, age_end = 5)
```

lexis_lifeline	<i>Plot lifelines into a Lexis grid</i>
----------------	---

Description

Add lifelines to an existing Lexis grid.

Usage

```
lexis_lifeline(lg, birth, entry = NA, exit = NA, lineends = FALSE,  
               colour = lexisplotr_colours()[5], alpha = 1, lwd = 0.5)
```

Arguments

lg	an existing object originally created with <code>lexis_grid()</code> .
birth	character, set the birth date of an individual in format "YYYY-MM-DD".
entry	character, set the entry of an individual in format "YYYY-MM-DD". Optional.
exit	character, set the exit or death date of an individual in format "YYYY-MM-DD". Optional.
lineends	logical, if TRUE lineends will be marked. Default is FALSE.
colour	character, set the colour of the lifelines.
alpha	numeric, set the transparency of the lifelines. Default is 1 (no transparency).
lwd	numeric, set the linewidth of the lifelines. Default is 0.5.

Details

Takes an existing Lexis grid and adds lifelines to the grid. Input can be a single dates or dates from a vector.

Value

A ggplot2 object.

Author(s)

Philipp Ottolinger

Examples

```
lg <- lexis_grid(year_start = 1900, year_end = 1905, age_start = 0, age_end = 5)  
lexis_lifeline(lg = lg, birth = "1901-09-23")  
lexis_lifeline(lg = lg, birth = "1901-09-23", entry = "1902-04-01")  
lexis_lifeline(lg = lg, birth = "1901-09-23", exit = "1904-10-31")
```

lexis_polygon	<i>Plot a polygon inside a Lexis grid Takes an existing Lexis grid and adds a polygon.</i>
---------------	--

Description

Plot a polygon inside a Lexis grid Takes an existing Lexis grid and adds a polygon.

Usage

```
lexis_polygon(lg, x, y, group = 1, fill = lexisplotr_colours()[4],  
alpha = 0.7)
```

Arguments

lg	an existing object originally created with <code>lexis_grid()</code> .
x	vector describing the x coordinates of the polygon. Format: YYYY-MM-DD.
y	vector describing the y coordinates of the polygon
group	vector describing the groups of coordinates.
fill	character, fill colour of the polygon.
alpha	numeric, transparency of the fill colour. Default: 0.7.

Details

The function can be used to plot a polygon inside a Lexis grid.

Author(s)

Philipp Ottolinger

Examples

```
## Not run:  
library(LexisPlotR)  
lg <- lexis_grid(year_start = 1900, year_end = 1905, age_start = 0, age_end = 5)  
lexis_polygon(lg, x = c("1901-06-30", "1904-06-30", "1904-06-30", "1901-06-30"), y = c(2,2,4,4))  
## End(Not run)
```

lexis_year	<i>Emphasize a certain year in Lexis grid.</i>
------------	--

Description

Takes an existing Lexis grid and adds a coloured rectangle to highlight a certain age.

Usage

```
lexis_year(lg, year, delta = 1, fill = lexisplotr_colours()[2],  
          alpha = 0.7)
```

Arguments

lg	an existing object originally created with <code>lexis_grid()</code> .
year	numeric, set the year to highlight.
delta	numeric, set the size of the age groups. Default is 1.
fill	character, set the colour of the rectangle.
alpha	numeric, set the transparency of the rectangle. Default is 0.5.

Details

Takes an existing Lexis grid and adds a coloured rectangle to the plot. The rectangle will highlight a certain year in the grid.

Value

A ggplot2 object.

Author(s)

Philipp Ottoliner

Examples

```
lg <- lexis_grid(year_start = 1900, year_end = 1905, age_start = 0, age_end = 5)  
lexis_year(lg = lg, year = 1902)
```

`lifelines_sample` *Data for 300 random lifelines*

Description

This dataset contains 300 random entry dates and 150 exit dates for demonstration purposes.

Usage

```
lifelines_sample
```

Format

A data frame with 300 rows and 2 variables:

entry entry or birth dates.

exit exit or death dates, NA if not observed.

`prepare.hmd` *Deprecated. Prepare HMD data for lexis.hmd()*

Description

`prepare.hmd()` prepares the raw 'Deaths by Lexis triangles' HMD data for further use by `lexis.hmd`.

Usage

```
prepare.hmd(file)
```

Arguments

file the name of the 'Deaths by Lexis triangles' file downloaded from the Human Mortality Database.

Details

This function reads the raw data into R and transforms data to numeric and Date. Furthermore seven columns (`upper`, `x1`, `x2`, `x3`, `y1`, `y2`, `y3`) that contain the coordinates of the triangles will be added. The age group 110+ will be removed from the data.

Author(s)

Philipp Ottolinger

Examples

```
## Not run:  
library(LexisPlotR)  
# Load sample data  
path <- system.file("extdata", "Deaths_lexis_sample.txt", package = "LexisPlotR")  
deaths.triangles <- prepare.hmd(path)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

tidy_triangle_data *Tidy triangular data (Lexis triangles)*

Description

Take raw data from a data source (e.g. Human Mortality Database) and make it 'tidy'.

Usage

```
tidy_triangle_data(triangle_data, source = "HMD")
```

Arguments

triangle_data data.frame, A data.frame containing raw triangle data.
source character, The source of the raw data. Supported sources: HMD.

Details

When using raw triangular data from HMD or other sources, the data is not well prepared for further use. tidy_triangular_data does some transformations to prepare the data, mainly for visualization using ggplot2.

Value

A data.frame.

Author(s)

Philipp Ottolinger

Examples

```
## Not run:  
triangles <- readHMDweb("RUS", "Deaths_lexis", "your@email.com", "your_password")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

Index

* **datasets**
 lifelines_sample, 16

 lexis.age, 2
 lexis.cohort, 3
 lexis.grid, 4
 lexis.grid2, 5
 lexis.hmd, 6
 lexis.lifeline, 7
 lexis.survey, 8
 lexis.year, 9
 lexis_age, 10
 lexis_cohort, 11
 lexis_grid, 12
 lexis_lifeline, 13
 lexis_polygon, 14
 lexis_year, 15
 lifelines_sample, 16

 prepare.hmd, 16

 tidy_triangle_data, 17