The germinationmetrics Package: A Brief Introduction

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Overview

The package germinationmetrics is a collection of functions which implements various methods for describing the time-course of germination in terms of single-value germination indices as well as fitted curves.

The goal of this vignette is to introduce the users to these functions and get started in describing sequentially recorded germination count data. This document assumes a basic knowledge of R programming language.



Installation

The package can be installed using the following functions:

```
# Install from CRAN
install.packages('germinationmetrics', dependencies=TRUE)

# Install development version from Github
devtools::install_github("aravind-j/germinationmetrics")
```

Then the package can be loaded using the function

```
library(germinationmetrics)
```

Version History

The current version of the package is 0.1.2. The previous versions are as follows.

Table 1. Version history of germinationmetrics R package.

Version	Date
0.1.0	2018-04-17
0.1.1	2018-07-26
0.1.1.1	2018-10-16

To know detailed history of changes use news(package='germinationmetrics').

Germination count data

Typically in a germination test, the germination count data of a fixed number of seeds is recorded at regular intervals for a definite period of time or until all the seeds have germinated. These germination count data can be either partial or cumulative (Table 2).

Table 2: A typical germination count data.

intervals	counts	cumulative.counts
1	0	0
2	0	0
3	0	0
4	0	0
5	4	4
6	17	21
7	10	31
8	7	38
9	1	39
10	0	39
11	1	40
12	0	40
13	0	40
14	0	40

The time-course of germination can be plotted as follows:



Single-value germination indices

The details about the single-value germination indices implemented in **germinationmetrics** are described in Table 3.

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Table 3: Single-value germination indices implemented in germinationmetrics.

Germination index	function	Details	Unit	Measures	Reference
Germination percentage or Germinability (GP)	GermPercent	It is computed as follows: $GP = \frac{N_g}{N_t} \times 100$ Where, N_g is the number of germinated seeds and N_t is the total number of seeds.	Percentage (%)	Germination capacity	ISTA (2015)
Time for the first germination or Germination time lag (t_0)	FirstGermTime	It is the time for first germination to occur (e.g. First day of germination)	time	Germination time	Edwards (1932); Czabator (1962); Goloff and Bazzaz (1975); Labouriau (1983a); Ranal (1999); Quintanilla et al. (2000)
Time for the last germination (t_g)	LastGermTime	It is the time for last germination to occur (e.g. Last day of germination)	time	Germination time	Edwards (1932)
Time spread of germination or Germination distribution	TimeSpreadGerm	It is the difference between time for last germination (t_g) and time for first germination (t_0) . Time spread of germination = $t_g - t_0$	time	Germination time	Al-Mudaris (1998); Schrader and Graves (2000); Kader (2005)
Peak period of germination or Modal time of germination	PeakGermTime	It is the time in which highest frequency of germinated seeds are observed and need not be unique.	time	Germination time	Ranal and Santana (2006)
Median germination time (t_{50}) (Coolbear)	t50	It is the time to reach 50% of final/maximum germination. With argument method specified as "coolbear", it is computed according to the formula by (Coolbear et al., 1984) as follows: $t_{50} = T_i + \frac{(\frac{N+1}{2} - N_i)(T_j - T_i)}{N_j - N_i}$ Where, t_{50} is the median germination time, N is the final number of germinated seeds and N_i and N_j are the total number of seeds germinated in adjacent counts at time T_i and T_j respectively, when $N_i < \frac{N+1}{2} < N_j$.	time	Germination time	Coolbear et al. (1984)

Germination index	function	Details	Unit	Measures	Reference
Median germination time (t_{50}) (Farooq)	t50	With argument method specified as "farooq", it is computed according to the formula by (Coolbear et al., 1984) as follows: $t_{50} = T_i + \frac{(\frac{N}{2} - N_i)(T_j - T_i)}{N_j - N_i}$ Where, t_{50} is the median germination time, N is the final number of germinated seeds and N_i and N_j are the total number of seeds germinated in adjacent counts at time T_i and T_j respectively, when $N_i < \frac{N}{2} < N_j$.	time	Germination time	Farooq et al. (2005)
Mean germination time or Mean length of incubation time (\overline{T}) or Germination resistance (GR) or Sprouting index (SI)	MeanGermTime	It is the average length of time required for maximum germination of a seed lot and is estimated according to the following formula. $\overline{T} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k N_i T_i}{\sum_{i=1}^k N_i}$ Where, T_i is the time from the start of the experiment to the i th observation, N_i is the number of seeds germinated in the i th time (not the accumulated number, but the number correspondent to the i th observation) and k is the last time of germination. It is the inverse of mean germination rate (\overline{V}) . $\overline{T} = \frac{1}{\overline{V}}$	time	Germination time	Edmond and Drapala (1958); Czabator (1962); Smith and Millet (1964); Gordon (1969); Gordon (1971); Ellis and Roberts (1980) Labouriau (1983a); Ranal and Santana (2006)
Variance of germination time (s_T^2)	VarGermTime	It is computed according to the following formula. $s_T^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k N_i (T_i - \overline{T})^2}{\sum_{i=1}^k N_i - 1}$ Where, T_i is the time from the start of the experiment to the i th observation, N_i is the number of seeds germinated in the i th time (not the accumulated number, but the number correspondent to the i th observation) and k is the last time of	time	Germination time	Labouriau (1983a); Ranal and Santana (2006)

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Germination index	function	Details	Unit	Measures	Reference
Standard error of germination time $(s_{\overline{T}})$	SEGermTime	It signifies the accuracy of the calculation of the mean germination time. It is estimated according to the following formula: $s_{\overline{T}} = \sqrt{\frac{s_T^2}{\sum_{i=1}^k N_i}}$ Where, N_i is the number of seeds germinated in the i th time (not the accumulated number, but the number correspondent to the i th observation) and k is the last time of germination.	time	Germination time	Labouriau (1983a); Ranal and Santana (2006)
Mean germination rate (\overline{V})	MeanGermRate	It is computed according to the following formula: $\overline{V} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k N_i}{\sum_{i=1}^k N_i T_i}$ Where, T_i is the time from the start of the experiment to the i th observation, N_i is the number of seeds germinated in the i th time (not the accumulated number, but the number correspondent to the i th observation) and k is the last time of germination. It is the inverse of mean germination time (\overline{T}) . $\overline{V} = \frac{1}{\overline{T}}$	time ⁻¹	Germination rate	Labouriau and Valadares (1976); Labouriau (1983b); Ranal and Santana (2006)
Coefficient of velocity of germination (CVG) or Coefficient of rate of germination (CRG) or Kotowski's coefficient of velocity	CVG	It is estimated according to the following formula. $CVG = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k N_i}{\sum_{i=1}^k N_i T_i} \times 100$ $CVG = \overline{V} \times 100$ Where, T_i is the time from the start of the experiment to the i th observation, N_i is the number of seeds germinated in the i th time (not the accumulated number, but the number correspondent to the i th observation) and k is the last time of germination.	% day ⁻¹	Germination rate	Kotowski (1926), Nichols and Heydecker (1968); Bewley and Black (1994); Labouriau (1983b); Scott et al. (1984)
Variance of germination rate $\left(s_{V}^{2}\right)$	VarGermRate	It is calculated according to the following formula. $s_V^2=\overline{V}^4\times s_T^2$ Where, s_T^2 is the variance of germination time.	$time^{-2}$	Germination rate	Labouriau (1983b); Ranal and Santana (2006)

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Standard error of germination rate $(s_{\overline{V}})$	SEGermRate	It is estimated according to the following formula. $s_{\overline{V}} = \sqrt{\frac{s_V^2}{\sum_{i=1}^k N_i}}$ Where, N_i is the number of seeds germinated in the i th time (not the accumulated number, but the number correspondent to the i th observation) and k is the last time of germination.	time ⁻¹	Germination rate	Labouriau (1983b); Ranal and Santana (2006)
Germination rate as the reciprocal of the median time (v_{50})	GermRateRecip	It is the reciprocal of the median germination time (t_{50}) . $v_{50} = \frac{1}{t_{50}}$	${ m time}^{-1}$	Germination rate	Went (1957); Labouriau (1983b); Ranal and Santana (2006)
Speed of germination or Germination rate Index or index of velocity of germination or Emergence rate index (Germination index according to AOSA)	GermSpeed	It is the rate of germination in terms of the total number of seeds that germinate in a time interval. It is estimated as follows: $S = \frac{N_1}{T_1} + \frac{N_2}{T_2} + \frac{N_3}{T_3} + \dots + \frac{N_n}{T_n}$ Where, $N_1, N_2, N_3, \dots, N_n$ are the number of germinated seeds observed at time (days or hours) $T_1, T_2, T_3, \dots, T_n$ after sowing. (Not accumulated/cumulative number, but the number of seeds that germinated at the specific time). Instead of germination counts, germination percentages may also be used for computation of speed of germination.	$\% \ { m time^{-1}}$	Mixed	Throneberry and Smith (1955); Maguire (1962); Allan et al. (1962); Kendrick and Frankland (1969); Bouton et al. (1976); AOSA (1983); Khandakar and Bradbeer (1983); Bradbeer (1988); Wardle et al. (1991)
Speed of accumulated germination	GermSpeedAccumulato	It is estimated as follows: $S_{accumulated} = \frac{N_1}{T_1} + \frac{N_1 + N_2}{T_2} + \frac{N_1 + N_2 + N_3}{T_3} + \dots + \frac{N_1 + N_2 + N_3}{T_7}$ Where, $N_1, N_2, N_3, \dots, N_n$ are the number of germinated seeds observed at time (days or hours) $T_1, T_2, T_3, \dots, T_n$ after sowing. (Not accumulated/cumulative number, but the number of seeds that germinated at the specific time). Instead of germination counts, germination percentages may also be used for computation of speed of germination.	$\% \ \mathrm{time^{-1}}$	Mixed	Bradbeer (1988); Wardle et al. (1991); Haugland and Brandsaeter (1996); Santana and Ranal (2004)
Corrected germination rate index	GermSpeedCorrected	It is computed as follows: $S_{corrected} = \frac{S}{FGP}$ Where, FGP : the final germination percentage or germinability.	time ⁻¹	Mixed	Evetts and Burnside (1972)

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Weighted germination percentage (WGP)	WeightGermPercent	It is estimated as follows: $WGP = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{t} (t-i+1)N_i}{t\times N}\times 100$ Where, N_i is the number of seeds that germinated in the time interval i (not cumulative, but partial count), N is the total number of seeds tested and t is the total number of time intervals.		Mixed	Reddy et al. (1985); Reddy (1978)
Mean germination percentage per unit time (\overline{GP})	MeanGermPercent	It is estimated as follows: $\overline{G} = \frac{GP}{T_n}$ Where, GP is the final germination percentage and T_n is the total number of intervals (e.g. days) required for final germination.		Mixed	Czabator (1962)
Number of seeds germinated per unit time \overline{N}	MeanGermNumber	It is estimated as follows: $\overline{N} = \frac{N_g}{T_n}$ Where, N_g is the number of germinated seeds and T_n is the total number of intervals (e.g. days) required for final germination.		Mixed	Khamassi et al. (2013)
Timson's index $[\sum 10 \text{ (Ten summation)}, \sum 5 \text{ or } \sum 20] \text{ or Germination energy index } (GEI)$	TimsonsIndex	It is the progressive total of cumulative germination percentage recorded at specific intervals for a set period of time and is estimated in terms of cumulative germination percentage (G_i) as follows: $\sum n = \sum_{i=1}^t G_i$ Where, G_i is the cumulative germination percentage in time interval i and t is the total number of time intervals. It also estimated in terms of partial germination percentage as follows: $\sum n = \sum_{i=1}^t g_i(t-j)$ Where, g_i is the germination (not cumulative, but partial germination) in time interval i (i varying from 0 to t) and t is the total number of time intervals and $j = i-1$.		Mixed	Grose and Zimmer (1958); Timson (1965); Brown and Mayer (1988); Baskin and Baskin (1998); Goodchild and Walker (1971)

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Modified Timson's index (Labouriau)	TimsonsIndex	It is estimated as Timson's index T divided by the sum of partial germination percentages. $T_{mod} = \frac{T}{\sum_{i=1}^t g_i}$		Mixed	Ranal and Santana (2006)
Modified Timson's index (Khan and Unger)	TimsonsIndex	It is estimated as Timson's index (T) divided by the number of intervals $(t).$ $T_{mod} = \frac{T}{t} \label{eq:Tmod}$		Mixed	Khan and Ungar (1984)
George's index	GermRateGeorge	It is estimated as follows: $GR = \sum_{i=1}^t N_i K_i$ Where N_i is the number of seeds germinated by i th interval and K_i is the number of intervals(eg. days) until the end of the test.		Mixed	George (1961); Tucker and Wright (1965); Nichols and Heydecker (1968)
Peak value(PV) (Czabator) or Emergence Energy (EE)	PeakValue	It is the accumulated number of seeds germinated at the point on the germination curve at which the rate of germination starts to decrease. It is computed as the maximum quotient obtained by dividing successive cumulative germination values by the relevant incubation time.		Mixed	Czabator (1962); Bonner (1967)
Germination value (GV) (Czabator)	GermValue	It is computed as follows: $GV = PV \times MDG$ Where, PV is the peak value and MDG is the mean daily germination percentage from the onset of germination. It can also be computed for other time intervals of successive germination counts, by replacing MDG with the mean germination percentage per unit time (\overline{GP}) .		Mixed	Czabator (1962)

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Germination value (GV) (Diavanshir and Pourbiek)	GermValue	It is computed as follows: $GV = \frac{\sum DGS}{N} \times GP \times k$ Where, DGS is the daily germination speed computed by dividing cumulative germination percentage by the number of days since the since the onset of germination, N is the frequency or number of DGS calculated during the test, GP is the germination percentage expressed over 100 and k is a constant. The value of k is decided on the basis of average daily speed of germination $(\frac{\sum DGS}{N})$. If it is less than 10, then k value of 10 can be used and if it is more than 10, then value of 7 or 8 can be used for k . GV value can be modified (GV_{mod}) , to consider the entire duration from the beginning of the test instead of just from the onset of germination.		Mixed	Djavanshir and Pourbeik (1976); Brown and Mayer (1988)
Coefficient of uniformity of germination (CUG)	CUGerm	It is computed as follows: $CV_T = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k N_i}{\sum_{i=1}^k (\overline{T} - T_i)^2 N_i}$ Where, \overline{T} is the the mean germination time, T_i is the time from the start of the experiment to the i th observation (day for the example); N_i is the number of seeds germinated in the i th time (not the accumulated number, but the number correspondent to the i th observation), and k is the last time of germination.		Germinatin unifromity	Heydecker (1972); Bewley and Black (1994)
Coefficient of variation of the germination time (CV_T)	CVGermTime	It is estimated as follows: $CV_T=\sqrt{\frac{s_T^2}{\overline{T}}}$ Where, s_T^2 is the variance of germination time and \overline{T} is the mean germination time.		Germinatin unifromity	Ranal and Santana (2006)
Synchronization index (\overline{E}) or Uncertainty of the germination process (U) or informational entropy (H)	GermUncertainty	It is estimated as follows: $\overline{E} = -\sum_{i=1}^k f_i \log_2 f_i$ Where, f_i is the relative frequency of germination $(f_i = \frac{N_i}{\sum_{i=1}^k N_i}), N_i \text{ is the number of seeds germinated on the } i\text{th time and } k \text{ is the last day of observation.}$	bit	Germination synchrony	Shannon (1948); Labouriau and Valadares (1976); Labouriau (1983b)

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Germination index	function	Details	Unit	Measures	Reference
Synchrony of germination (Z index)	GermSynchrony	It is computed as follows: $Z = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k C_{N_i,2}}{C_{\Sigma N_i,2}}$ Where, $C_{N_i,2}$ is the partial combination of the two germinated seeds from among N_i , the number of seeds germinated on the i th time (estimated as $C_{N_i,2} = \frac{Ni(Ni-1)}{2}$) and $C_{\Sigma N_i,2}$ is the partial combination of the two germinated seeds from among the total number of seeds germinated at the final count, assuming that all seeds that germinated did so simultaneously.		Germination synchrony	Primack (1985); Ranal and Santana (2006)

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Examples

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GermPercent()
x \leftarrow c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
y \leftarrow c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 21, 31, 38, 39, 39, 40, 40, 40, 40)
# From partial germination counts
GermPercent(germ.counts = x, total.seeds = 50)
[1] 80
# From cumulative germination counts
GermPercent(germ.counts = y, total.seeds = 50, partial = FALSE)
[1] 80
# From number of germinated seeds
GermPercent(germinated.seeds = 40, total.seeds = 50)
[1] 80
FirstGermTime(), LastGermTime(), PeakGermTime(), TimeSpreadGerm()
x \leftarrow c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
y \leftarrow c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 21, 31, 38, 39, 39, 40, 40, 40, 40)
z \leftarrow c(0, 0, 0, 0, 11, 11, 9, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
int <- 1:length(x)</pre>
# From partial germination counts
FirstGermTime(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)
[1] 5
LastGermTime(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)
[1] 11
TimeSpreadGerm(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)
[1] 6
PeakGermTime(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)
[1] 6
# For multiple peak germination times
PeakGermTime(germ.counts = z, intervals = int)
Warning in PeakGermTime(germ.counts = z, intervals = int): Multiple peak
germination times exist.
[1] 5 6
# From cumulative germination counts
FirstGermTime(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE)
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LastGermTime(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE)
[1] 11
TimeSpreadGerm(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE)
PeakGermTime(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE)
[1] 6
# For multiple peak germination time
PeakGermTime(germ.counts = cumsum(z), intervals = int, partial = FALSE)
Warning in PeakGermTime(germ.counts = cumsum(z), intervals = int, partial =
FALSE): Multiple peak germination times exist.
[1] 5 6
t50()
x \leftarrow c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
y \leftarrow c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 21, 31, 38, 39, 39, 40, 40, 40, 40)
int <- 1:length(x)</pre>
# From partial germination counts
#-----
t50(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, method = "coolbear")
[1] 5.970588
t50(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, method = "farooq")
[1] 5.941176
# From cumulative germination counts
#-----
t50(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE, method = "coolbear")
[1] 5.970588
t50(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE, method = "farooq")
[1] 5.941176
MeanGermTime(), VarGermTime(), SEGermTime(), CVGermTime()
x \leftarrow c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
y \leftarrow c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 21, 31, 38, 39, 39, 40, 40, 40, 40)
int <- 1:length(x)</pre>
# From partial germination counts
MeanGermTime(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)
[1] 6.7
VarGermTime(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)
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[1] 1.446154

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SEGermTime(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)
[1] 0.1901416
CVGermTime(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)
[1] 0.1794868
# From cumulative germination counts
MeanGermTime(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE)
[1] 6.7
VarGermTime(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE)
[1] 19.04012
SEGermTime(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE)
[1] 0.2394781
CVGermTime(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE)
[1] 0.6512685
MeanGermRate(), CVG(), VarGermRate(), SEGermRate(), GermRateRecip()
x \leftarrow c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
y \leftarrow c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 21, 31, 38, 39, 39, 40, 40, 40, 40)
int <- 1:length(x)</pre>
# From partial germination counts
MeanGermRate(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)
[1] 0.1492537
CVG(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)
[1] 14.92537
VarGermRate(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)
[1] 0.0007176543
SEGermRate(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)
[1] 0.004235724
GermRateRecip(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, method = "coolbear")
[1] 0.1674877
GermRateRecip(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, method = "farooq")
[1] 0.1683168
# From cumulative germination counts
MeanGermRate(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE)
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[1] 0.1492537
CVG(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE)
[1] 14.92537
VarGermRate(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE)
[1] 0.009448666
SEGermRate(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE)
[1] 0.005334776
GermRateRecip(germ.counts = y, intervals = int,
              method = "coolbear", partial = FALSE)
[1] 0.1674877
GermRateRecip(germ.counts = y, intervals = int,
              method = "farooq", partial = FALSE)
[1] 0.1683168
GermSpeed(), GermSpeedAccumulated(), GermSpeedCorrected()
x \leftarrow c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
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int <- 1:length(x)</pre>
# From partial germination counts
GermSpeed(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)
[1] 6.138925
GermSpeedAccumulated(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)
[1] 34.61567
GermSpeedCorrected(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, total.seeds = 50,
                   method = "normal")
[1] 0.07673656
GermSpeedCorrected(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, total.seeds = 50,
                   method = "accumulated")
[1] 0.4326958
# From partial germination counts (with percentages instead of counts)
GermSpeed(germ.counts = x, intervals = int,
         percent = TRUE, total.seeds = 50)
[1] 12.27785
GermSpeedAccumulated(germ.counts = x, intervals = int,
                     percent = TRUE, total.seeds = 50)
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[1] 69.23134

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        percent = TRUE, total.seeds = 50)
[1] 12.27785
GermSpeedAccumulated(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE,
             percent = TRUE, total.seeds = 50)
[1] 69.23134
WeightGermPercent()
x \leftarrow c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
y \leftarrow c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 21, 31, 38, 39, 39, 40, 40, 40, 40)
int <- 1:length(x)</pre>
# From partial germination counts
#-----
WeightGermPercent(germ.counts = x, total.seeds = 50, intervals = int)
[1] 47.42857
# From cumulative germination counts
WeightGermPercent(germ.counts = y, total.seeds = 50, intervals = int,
                partial = FALSE)
```

```
MeanGermPercent(), MeanGermNumber()
x \leftarrow c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
y \leftarrow c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 21, 31, 38, 39, 39, 40, 40, 40, 40)
int <- 1:length(x)</pre>
# From partial germination counts
#-----
MeanGermPercent(germ.counts = x, total.seeds = 50, intervals = int)
[1] 5.714286
MeanGermNumber(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)
[1] 2.857143
# From cumulative germination counts
#-----
MeanGermPercent(germ.counts = y, total.seeds = 50, intervals = int, partial = FALSE)
[1] 5.714286
MeanGermNumber(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE)
[1] 2.857143
# From number of germinated seeds
MeanGermPercent(germinated.seeds = 40, total.seeds = 50, intervals = int)
[1] 5.714286
TimsonsIndex(), GermRateGeorge()
x \leftarrow c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
y \leftarrow c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 21, 31, 38, 39, 39, 40, 40, 40, 40)
int <- 1:length(x)</pre>
# From partial germination counts
# Wihout max specified
TimsonsIndex(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, total.seeds = 50)
[1] 664
TimsonsIndex(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, total.seeds = 50,
            modification = "none")
[1] 664
TimsonsIndex(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, total.seeds = 50,
            modification = "labouriau")
[1] 8.3
TimsonsIndex(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, total.seeds = 50,
           modification = "khanungar")
```

[1] 47.42857

```
# With max specified
TimsonsIndex(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, total.seeds = 50, max = 10)
[1] 344
TimsonsIndex(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, total.seeds = 50,
             max = 10, modification = "none")
[1] 344
TimsonsIndex(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, total.seeds = 50,
             max = 10, modification = "labouriau")
[1] 4.410256
TimsonsIndex(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, total.seeds = 50,
             max = 10, modification = "khanungar")
[1] 24.57143
# Wihout max specified
GermRateGeorge(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)
[1] 332
# With max specified
GermRateGeorge(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, max = 10)
[1] 172
GermRateGeorge(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, max = 14)
[1] 332
# From cumulative germination counts
# Wihout max specified
GermRateGeorge(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, partial = TRUE)
[1] 332
# With max specified
GermRateGeorge(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, partial = TRUE, max = 10)
[1] 172
GermRateGeorge(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, partial = TRUE, max = 14)
[1] 332
PeakValue(), GermValue()
x \leftarrow c(0, 0, 34, 40, 21, 10, 4, 5, 3, 5, 8, 7, 7, 6, 6, 4, 0, 2, 0, 2)
y \leftarrow c(0, 0, 34, 74, 95, 105, 109, 114, 117, 122, 130, 137, 144, 150,
      156, 160, 160, 162, 162, 164)
int <- 1:length(x)</pre>
total.seeds = 200
# From partial germination counts
```

```
PeakValue(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, total.seeds = 200)
[1] 9.5
GermValue(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, total.seeds = 200,
         method = "czabator")
$`Germination Value`
[1] 38.95
[[2]]
   germ.counts intervals Cumulative.germ.counts Cumulative.germ.percent
                       3
            34
                                             34
                                                                    17.0
4
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                                             74
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5
            21
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7
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8
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                                            117
10
             5
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                                            122
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11
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                                                                    0.08
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                      20
                                            164
                                                                    82.0
        DGS
3 5.666667
4 9.250000
5 9.500000
6 8.750000
7 7.785714
8 7.125000
9 6.500000
10 6.100000
11 5.909091
12 5.708333
13 5.538462
14 5.357143
15 5.200000
16 5.000000
17 4.705882
18 4.500000
19 4.263158
20 4.100000
GermValue(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, total.seeds = 200,
         method = "dp", k = 10)
```

\$`Germination Value`

[1] 53.36595

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[[2]]
   germ.counts intervals Cumulative.germ.counts Cumulative.germ.percent
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        DGS SumDGSbyN
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3 5.666667 5.666667 9.633333
4 9.250000 7.458333 27.595833
5 9.500000 8.138889 38.659722
6 8.750000 8.291667 43.531250
7 7.785714 8.190476 44.638095
8 7.125000 8.012897 45.673512
9 6.500000 7.796769 45.611097
10 6.100000 7.584673 46.266503
11 5.909091 7.398497 48.090230
12 5.708333 7.229481 49.521942
13 5.538462 7.075752 50.945411
14 5.357143 6.932534 51.994006
15 5.200000 6.799262 53.034246
16 5.000000 6.670744 53.365948
17 4.705882 6.539753 52.318022
18 4.500000 6.412268 51.939373
19 4.263158 6.285850 50.915385
20 4.100000 6.164414 50.548194
$testend
[1] 16
GermValue(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, total.seeds = 200,
          method = "czabator", from.onset = FALSE)
$`Germination Value`
[1] 38.95
[[2]]
   germ.counts intervals Cumulative.germ.counts Cumulative.germ.percent
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5 9.500000
6 8.750000
7 7.785714
8 7.125000
9 6.500000
10 6.100000
11 5.909091
12 5.708333
13 5.538462
14 5.357143
15 5.200000
16 5.000000
17 4.705882
18 4.500000
19 4.263158
20 4.100000
GermValue(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, total.seeds = 200,
          method = "dp", k = 10, from.onset = FALSE)
$`Germination Value`
[1] 46.6952
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[[2]]

_	L-J J			
	germ.counts	intervals	Cumulative.germ.counts	Cumulative.germ.percent
1	0	1	0	0.0
2	0	2	0	0.0
3	34	3	34	17.0
4	40	4	74	37.0
5	21	5	95	47.5
6	10	6	105	52.5
7	4	7	109	54.5

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       DGS SumDGSbyN
                           GV
1 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000
2 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000
3 5.666667 1.888889 3.211111
4 9.250000 3.729167 13.797917
5 9.500000 4.883333 23.195833
6 8.750000 5.527778 29.020833
7 7.785714 5.850340 31.884354
8 7.125000 6.009673 34.255134
9 6.500000 6.064153 35.475298
10 6.100000 6.067738 37.013202
11 5.909091 6.053316 39.346552
12 5.708333 6.024567 41.268285
13 5.538462 5.987174 43.107655
14 5.357143 5.942172 44.566291
15 5.200000 5.892694 45.963013
16 5.000000 5.836901 46.695205
17 4.705882 5.770370 46.162961
18 4.500000 5.699794 46.168331
19 4.263158 5.624182 45.555871
20 4.100000 5.547972 45.493374
$testend
[1] 16
# From cumulative germination counts
#-----
PeakValue(germ.counts = y, interval = int, total.seeds = 200,
         partial = FALSE)
[1] 9.5
GermValue(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, total.seeds = 200,
         partial = FALSE, method = "czabator")
$`Germination Value`
[1] 38.95
[[2]]
   germ.counts intervals Cumulative.germ.counts Cumulative.germ.percent
3
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        DGS
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4 9.250000
5 9.500000
6 8.750000
7 7.785714
8 7.125000
9 6.500000
10 6.100000
11 5.909091
12 5.708333
13 5.538462
14 5.357143
15 5.200000
16 5.000000
17 4.705882
18 4.500000
19 4.263158
20 4.100000
GermValue(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, total.seeds = 200,
          partial = FALSE, method = "dp", k = 10)
$`Germination Value`
[1] 53.36595
[[2]]
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	germ.counts	${\tt intervals}$	${\tt Cumulative.germ.counts}$	Cumulative.germ.percent	
3	34	3	34	17.0	
4	40	4	74	37.0	
5	21	5	95	47.5	
6	10	6	105	52.5	
7	4	7	109	54.5	
8	5	8	114	57.0	
9	3	9	117	58.5	
10	5	10	122	61.0	
11	8	11	130	65.0	
12	7	12	137	68.5	
13	7	13	144	72.0	

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       DGS SumDGSbyN
                            GV
3 5.666667 5.666667 9.633333
4 9.250000 7.458333 27.595833
5 9.500000 8.138889 38.659722
6 8.750000 8.291667 43.531250
7 7.785714 8.190476 44.638095
8 7.125000 8.012897 45.673512
9 6.500000 7.796769 45.611097
10 6.100000 7.584673 46.266503
11 5.909091 7.398497 48.090230
12 5.708333 7.229481 49.521942
13 5.538462 7.075752 50.945411
14 5.357143 6.932534 51.994006
15 5.200000 6.799262 53.034246
16 5.000000 6.670744 53.365948
17 4.705882 6.539753 52.318022
18 4.500000 6.412268 51.939373
19 4.263158 6.285850 50.915385
20 4.100000 6.164414 50.548194
$testend
[1] 16
GermValue(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, total.seeds = 200,
         partial = FALSE, method = "czabator", from.onset = FALSE)
$`Germination Value`
```

[1] 38.95

[[2]]

[[2]]						
	germ.counts	intervals	Cumulative.germ.counts	Cumulative.germ.percent		
1	0	1	0	0.0		
2	0	2	0	0.0		
3	34	3	34	17.0		
4	40	4	74	37.0		
5	21	5	95	47.5		
6	10	6	105	52.5		
7	4	7	109	54.5		
8	5	8	114	57.0		
9	3	9	117	58.5		
1	5	10	122	61.0		
1	1 8	11	130	65.0		
1:	2 7	12	137	68.5		
1	3 7	13	144	72.0		
1	1 6	14	150	75.0		
1	5 6	15	156	78.0		
1	3 4	16	160	80.0		
1	7 0	17	160	80.0		

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18
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       DGS
1 0.000000
2 0.000000
3 5.666667
4 9.250000
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11 5.909091
12 5.708333
13 5.538462
14 5.357143
15 5.200000
16 5.000000
17 4.705882
18 4.500000
19 4.263158
20 4.100000
GermValue(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, total.seeds = 200,
         partial = FALSE, method = "dp", k = 10, from.onset = FALSE)
```

\$`Germination Value`

[1] 46.6952

[[2]]

germ.counts 0 0	intervals 1	Cumulative.germ.counts 0	${\tt Cumulative.germ.percent}$
	1	^	
0		U	0.0
	2	0	0.0
34	3	34	17.0
40	4	74	37.0
21	5	95	47.5
10	6	105	52.5
4	7	109	54.5
5	8	114	57.0
3	9	117	58.5
5	10	122	61.0
8	11	130	65.0
7	12	137	68.5
7	13	144	72.0
6	14	150	75.0
6	15	156	78.0
4	16	160	80.0
0	17	160	80.0
2	18	162	81.0
0	19	162	81.0
2	20	164	82.0
DGS Sum	nDGSbyN	GV	
0.000000 0.	.000000	.000000	
	10 4 5 3 5 8 7 7 6 6 4 0 2 0 2 DGS Sum	10 6 4 7 5 8 3 9 5 10 8 11 7 12 7 13 6 14 6 15 4 16 0 17 2 18 0 19 2 20 DGS SumDGSbyN	10 6 105 4 7 109 5 8 114 3 9 117 5 10 122 8 11 130 7 12 137 7 12 137 7 13 144 6 14 150 6 15 156 4 16 160 0 17 160 2 18 162 0 19 162 2 20 164 DGS SumDGSbyN GV

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2 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000
3 5.666667 1.888889 3.211111
4 9.250000 3.729167 13.797917
5 9.500000 4.883333 23.195833
6 8.750000 5.527778 29.020833
7 7.785714 5.850340 31.884354
8 7.125000 6.009673 34.255134
9 6.500000 6.064153 35.475298
10 6.100000 6.067738 37.013202
11 5.909091 6.053316 39.346552
12 5.708333 6.024567 41.268285
13 5.538462 5.987174 43.107655
14 5.357143 5.942172 44.566291
15 5.200000 5.892694 45.963013
16 5.000000 5.836901 46.695205
17 4.705882 5.770370 46.162961
18 4.500000 5.699794 46.168331
19 4.263158 5.624182 45.555871
20 4.100000 5.547972 45.493374
$testend
[1] 16
CUGerm()
x \leftarrow c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
y \leftarrow c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 21, 31, 38, 39, 39, 40, 40, 40, 40)
int <- 1:length(x)</pre>
# From partial germination counts
#-----
CUGerm(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)
[1] 0.7092199
# From cumulative germination counts
#-----
CUGerm(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE)
[1] 0.05267935
GermSynchrony(), GermUncertainty()
x \leftarrow c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
y \leftarrow c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 21, 31, 38, 39, 39, 40, 40, 40, 40)
int <- 1:length(x)</pre>
# From partial germination counts
#-----
GermSynchrony(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)
[1] 0.2666667
GermUncertainty(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)
```

[1] 2.062987

```
# From cumulative germination counts
#------
GermSynchrony(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE)
```

[1] 0.2666667

GermUncertainty(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE)

[1] 2.062987

Curve fitting

Several mathematical functions have been used to fit the cumulative germination count data and describe the germination process such as Richard's, Weibull, logistic, log-logistic, gaussian, four-parameter hill function etc. Currently germinationmetrics implements the four-parameter hill function to fit the count data and computed various associated metrics.

Four-parameter hill function

The four-parameter hill function defined as follows (El-Kassaby et al., 2008):

$$f(x) = y = y_0 + \frac{ax^b}{x^b + c^b}$$

Where, y is the cumulative germination percentage at time x, y_0 is the intercept on the y axis, a is the asymptote, b is a mathematical parameter controlling the shape and steepness of the germination curve and c is the "half-maximal activation level".

The details of various parameters that are computed from this function are given in Table 4.

Table 4 Germination parameters estimated from the four-parameter hill function.

Germination parameters	Details	Unit	Measures
y intercept (y_0)	The intercept on the y axis.		
Asymptote (a)	It is the maximum cumulative germination percentage, which is equivalent to germination capacity.	%	Germination capacity
Shape and steepness (b)	Mathematical parameter controlling the shape and steepness of the germination curve. The larger the b , the steeper the rise toward the asymptote a , and the shorter the time between germination onset and maximum germination.		Germination rate
Half-maximal activation level (c)	Time required for 50% of viable seeds to germinate.	time	Germination time
lag	It is the time at germination onset and is computed by solving four-parameter hill function after setting y to 0 as follows: $lag = b\sqrt{\frac{-y_0c^b}{a+y_0}}$		Germination time
D_{lag-50}	The duration between the time at germination onset (lag) and that at 50% germination (c) .	time	Germination time

Germination parameters	Details	Unit	Measures
$\overline{t_{50_{total}}}$	Time required for 50% of total seeds to germinate.	time	Germination time
$t_{50_{germinated}}$	Time required for 50% of viable/germinated seeds to germinate	time	Germination time
$t_{x_{total}}$	Time required for $x\%$ of total seeds to germinate.	time	Germination time
$t_{x_{germinated}}$	Time required for $x\%$ of viable/germinated seeds to germinate	time	Germination time
Uniformity $(U_{t_{max}-t_{min}})$	It is the time interval between the percentages of viable seeds specified in the arguments umin and umin to germinate.	time	Germination time
Time at maximum germination rate $(TMGR)$	The partial derivative of the four-parameter hill function gives the instantaneous rate of germination (s) as follows:	time	Germination time
	$s = \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = \frac{abc^b x^{b-1}}{(c^b + x^b)^2}$		
	From this function for instantaneous rate of germination, $TMGR$ can be estimated as follows:		
	$TMGR = b\sqrt{\frac{c^b(b-1)}{b+1}}$		
	It represents the point in time when the instantaneous rate of germination starts to decline.		
Area under the curve (AUC)	It is obtained by integration of the fitted curve between time 0 and time specified in the argument tmax.		Mixed
MGT	Calculated by integration of the fitted curve and proper normalisation.	time	Germination time
Skewness	It is computed as follows:		
	$\frac{MGT}{t_{50_{germinated}}}$		

Examples

FourPHFfit()

\$data

```
gp csgp intervals
        0
   0
                  1
1
                  2
2
   0
        0
3
   0
        0
                  3
        0
                  4
4
   0
5
  8
        8
                  5
6 34
       42
7
  20
       62
                  7
8
  14
       76
9
   2
       78
                 9
10 0
       78
                 10
11 2
       80
                 11
12 0
       80
                 12
13 0
       80
                 13
14 0
       80
                 14
$Parameters
 term estimate std.error statistic
                                        p.value
   a 80.000000 1.24158595 64.43372 1.973240e-14
    b 9.881947 0.70779379 13.96162 6.952322e-08
   c 6.034954 0.04952654 121.85294 3.399385e-17
  y0 0.000000 0.91607007 0.00000 1.000000e+00
                                logLik
     sigma isConv
                       finTol
                                            AIC
                                                     BIC deviance
1 1.769385 TRUE 1.490116e-08 -25.49868 60.99736 64.19265 31.30723
 df.residual
          10
$a
[1] 80
$ъ
[1] 9.881947
$c
[1] 6.034954
$y0
[1] 0
$lag
[1] 0
$Dlag50
[1] 6.034954
$t50.total
[1] 6.355122
$txp.total
[1] 4.956266 6.744598
$t50.Germinated
```

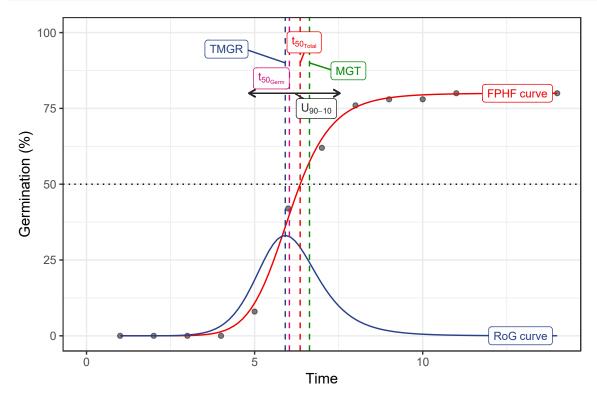
```
[1] 6.034954
$txp.Germinated
[1] 4.831809 6.287724
$Uniformity
       90
                  10 uniformity
 7.537688 4.831809 2.705880
$TMGR
[1] 5.912195
$AUC
[1] 1108.975
$MGT
[1] 6.632252
$Skewness
[1] 1.098973
$msg
[1] "#1. Relative error in the sum of squares is at most `ftol'."
$isConv
[1] TRUE
attr(,"class")
[1] "FourPHFfit"
\# From cumulative germination counts
FourPHFfit(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, total.seeds = 50, tmax = 20,
partial = FALSE)
$data
  gp csgp intervals
        0
   0
2
   0
        0
                  2
3
   0
       0
                  3
4
  0
       0
                  4
5
   8
        8
                  5
6 34
       42
                  6
7 20
                  7
       62
8 14
       76
                 8
9
  2
       78
                  9
10 0
       78
                 10
11 2
       80
                 11
12 0
       80
                 12
13 0
       80
                 13
14 0
       80
                 14
$Parameters
 term estimate std.error statistic
                                         p.value
1 a 80.000000 1.2415867 64.43368 1.973252e-14
```

```
b 9.881927 0.7077918 13.96163 6.952270e-08
   c 6.034953 0.0495266 121.85275 3.399437e-17
  y0 0.000000 0.9160705 0.00000 1.000000e+00
     sigma isConv
                       finTol
                                logLik
                                            AIC
                                                     BIC deviance
1 1.769385 TRUE 1.490116e-08 -25.49868 60.99736 64.19265 31.30723
 df.residual
          10
$a
[1] 80
$b
[1] 9.881927
$c
[1] 6.034953
$y0
[1] 0
$lag
[1] 0
$Dlag50
[1] 6.034953
$t50.total
[1] 6.355121
$txp.total
[1] 4.956263 6.744599
$t50.Germinated
[1] 6.034953
$txp.Germinated
[1] 4.831806 6.287723
$Uniformity
       90
                  10 uniformity
 7.537691 4.831806 2.705885
$TMGR
[1] 5.912194
$AUC
[1] 1108.976
$MGT
[1] 6.632252
```

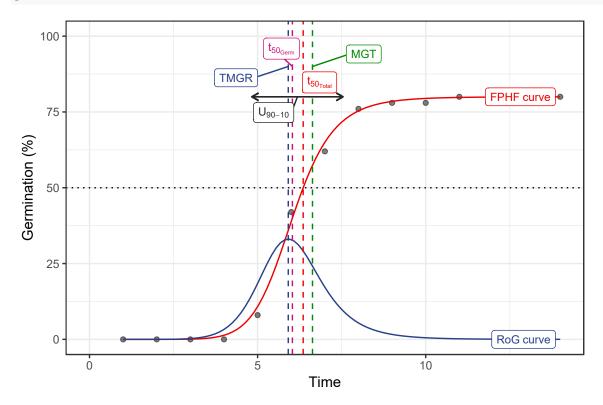
\$Skewness

```
[1] 1.098973
```

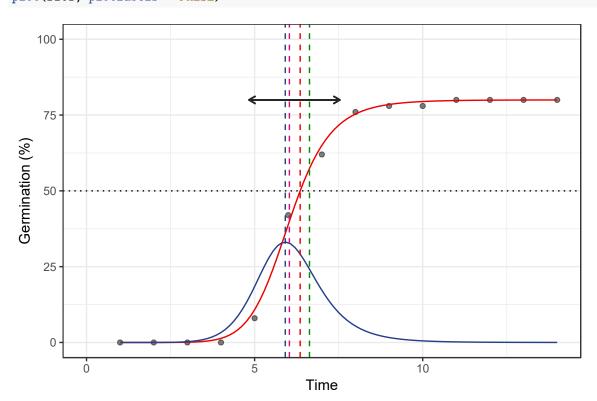
```
[1] "#1. Relative error in the sum of squares is at most `ftol'."
$isConv
[1] TRUE
attr(,"class")
[1] "FourPHFfit"
x \leftarrow c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
y \leftarrow c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 21, 31, 38, 39, 39, 40, 40, 40, 40)
int <- 1:length(x)</pre>
total.seeds = 50
# From partial germination counts
fit1 <- FourPHFfit(germ.counts = x, intervals = int,</pre>
                    total.seeds = 50, tmax = 20)
\# From cumulative germination counts
fit2 <- FourPHFfit(germ.counts = y, intervals = int,</pre>
                    total.seeds = 50, tmax = 20, partial = FALSE)
# Default plots
plot(fit1)
```



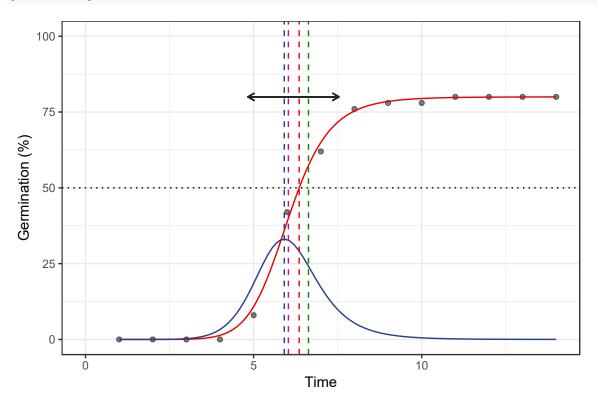
plot(fit2)



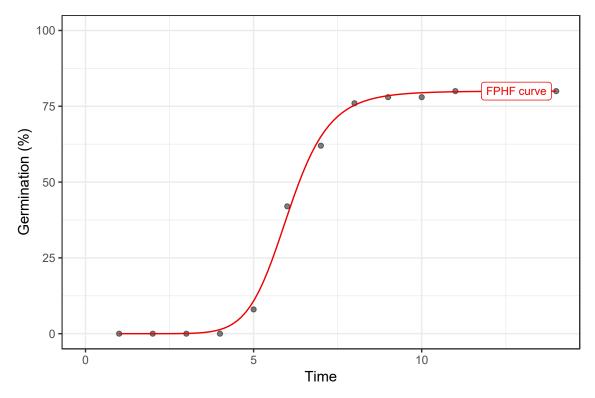
No labels plot(fit1, plotlabels = FALSE)

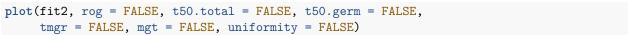


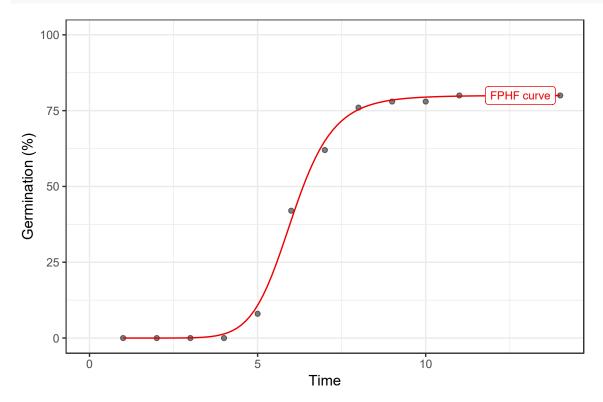




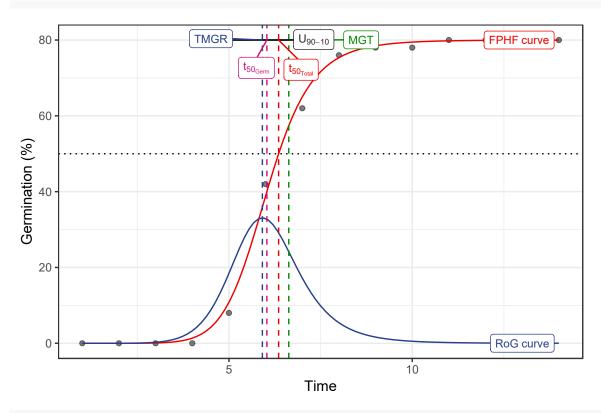
```
# Only the FPHF curve
plot(fit1, rog = FALSE, t50.total = FALSE, t50.germ = FALSE,
     tmgr = FALSE, mgt = FALSE, uniformity = FALSE)
```



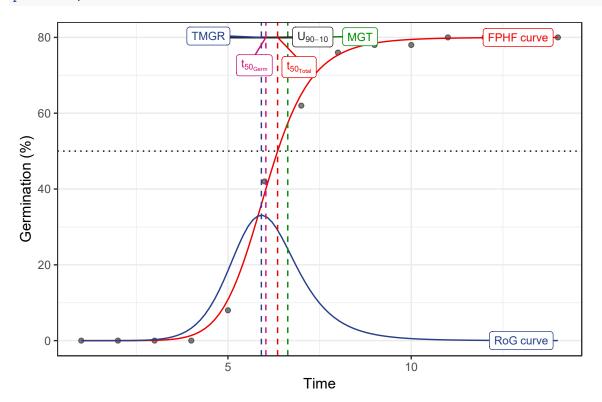




```
# Without y axis limits adjustment
plot(fit1, limits = FALSE)
```



plot(fit2, limits = FALSE)



Wrapper function

germination.indices()

data(gcdata)

```
counts.per.intervals <- c("Day1", "Day2", "Day3", "Day4", "Day5",</pre>
                             "Day6", "Day7", "Day8", "Day9", "Day10", "Day11",
                             "Day12", "Day13", "Day14")
germination.indices(gcdata, total.seeds.col = "Total Seeds",
                      counts.intervals.cols = counts.per.intervals,
                      intervals = 1:14, partial = TRUE, max.int = 5)
   Genotype Rep Day1 Day2 Day3 Day4 Day5 Day6 Day7 Day8 Day9 Day10 Day11
1
          G1
               1
                     0
                           0
                                0
                                      0
                                            4
                                                17
                                                      10
                                                            7
                                                                  1
2
          G2
               1
                     0
                           0
                                0
                                      1
                                            3
                                                15
                                                      13
                                                             6
                                                                  2
                                                                         1
                                                                                0
                                      2
                                                                  2
3
               1
                     0
                                0
                                            3
                                                            8
                                                                         1
          G3
                           0
                                                18
                                                      9
                                                                                1
4
          G4
                     0
                           0
                                0
                                      0
                                            4
                                                19
                                                      12
                                                             6
                                                                  2
               1
                                                                         1
                                                                                1
5
                                            5
          G5
               1
                     0
                           0
                                0
                                      0
                                                20
                                                      12
                                                             8
                                                                  1
                                                                         0
                                                                                0
6
          G1
               2
                     0
                                0
                                      0
                                            3
                                                21
                                                      11
                                                            7
                                                                  1
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                           0
                                                                                1
7
          G2
               2
                                0
                                      0
                                                18
                                                      11
                                                            7
                                                                  1
                                                                         0
                                                                                1
8
          G3
               2
                                0
                                            3
                                                14
                                                      12
                                                            6
                                                                  2
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                           0
                                      1
9
          G4
               2
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                                                19
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12
          G2
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13
          GЗ
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          G5
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                                            4
                                                17
                                                      10
                                                             8
                                                                         1
                                                                                1
   Day12 Day13 Day14 Total Seeds GermPercent FirstGermTime LastGermTime
1
       0
              0
                     0
                                 50
                                        80.00000
                                                                5
                                                                             11
2
              0
                     0
                                        82.35294
                                                                4
                                                                             12
       1
                                 51
3
                     0
                                 48
                                        93.75000
                                                                4
                                                                             12
       1
              0
4
                                 51
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                                                                             12
       1
              0
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                                        90.19608
5
       1
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                     0
                                 50
                                        96.00000
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6
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                                 49
                                        93.87755
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7
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                                 48
                                        87.50000
                                                                5
                                                                             11
8
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              0
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                                 47
                                        85.10638
                                                                4
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9
       1
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                                 52
                                        86.53846
10
       1
              0
                     0
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                                        86.27451
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13
                     0
                                 49
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       1
              1
                                        95.91837
14
              0
                     0
                                 48
                                        91.66667
                                                                5
                                                                             12
       1
15
              0
                                 48
                                        87.50000
                                                                             11
   PeakGermTime TimeSpreadGerm t50_Coolbear t50_Farooq MeanGermTime
1
               6
                                6
                                       5.970588
                                                    5.941176
                                                                  6.700000
2
               6
                                8
                                       6.192308
                                                    6.153846
                                                                  6.857143
3
               6
                                8
                                       6.000000
                                                    5.972222
                                                                  6.866667
4
               6
                                7
                                       6.041667
                                                    6.000000
                                                                  6.891304
5
               6
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                                       5.975000
                                                    5.950000
                                                                  6.812500
6
               6
                                7
                                       5.976190
                                                   5.952381
                                                                  6.869565
7
               6
                                6
                                       5.972222
                                                    5.944444
                                                                  6.690476
8
               6
                                8
                                       6.208333
                                                    6.166667
                                                                  6.875000
9
                                8
                                       6.000000
                                                   5.973684
                                                                  6.866667
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7
10
              6
                                    6.076923
                                                6.038462
                                                              6.822222
11
              6
                              8
                                    5.928571
                                                5.904762
                                                              6.791667
                                                              6.886364
12
              6
                              7
                                    5.975000
                                                5.950000
13
              6
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                                    6.083333
                                                              6.936170
                                                6.041667
14
              6
                              7
                                    5.928571
                                                5.904762
                                                              6.772727
15
              6
                              6
                                    6.050000
                                                6.000000
                                                              6.809524
   VarGermTime SEGermTime CVGermTime MeanGermRate VarGermRate SEGermRate
                                          0.1492537 0.0007176543 0.004235724
1
      1.446154
               0.1901416 0.1794868
2
      2.027875
                0.2197333
                            0.2076717
                                          0.1458333 0.0009172090 0.004673148
3
      2.572727
                0.2391061
                            0.2335882
                                         0.1456311 0.0011572039 0.005071059
4
      2.187923
                0.2180907
                            0.2146419
                                          0.1451104 0.0009701218 0.004592342
5
      2.368351
                0.2221275
                            0.2259002
                                          0.1467890 0.0010995627 0.004786184
6
      2.071498
                0.2122088
                            0.2095140
                                         0.1455696 0.0009301809 0.004496813
7
                                         0.1494662 0.0006935558 0.004063648
      1.389663
                0.1818989
                            0.1761967
8
      2.112179
                0.2297923
                            0.2113940
                                          0.1454545 0.0009454531 0.004861721
9
      2.300000
                0.2260777
                            0.2208604
                                          0.1456311 0.0010345321 0.004794747
10
                0.2017321
                            0.1983606
                                          0.1465798 0.0008453940 0.004334343
      1.831313
11
      2.381206
                0.2227295
                            0.2272072
                                          0.1472393 0.0011191581 0.004828643
12
      2.149577
                0.2210295
                            0.2129053
                                          0.1452145 0.0009558577 0.004660905
13
      2.539315
                0.2324392
                            0.2297410
                                          0.1441718 0.0010970785 0.004831366
14
      1.900634
                0.2078370
                            0.2035568
                                          0.1476510 0.0009033254 0.004531018
15
      1.670151 0.1994129 0.1897847
                                          0.1468531 0.0007767634 0.004300508
        CVG GermRateRecip_Coolbear GermRateRecip_Farooq GermSpeed_Count
   14.92537
                                                0.1683168
1
                          0.1674877
                                                                  6.138925
2
  14.58333
                          0.1614907
                                                0.1625000
                                                                  6.362698
3
  14.56311
                          0.1666667
                                                0.1674419
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4
  14.51104
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                          0.1655172
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5
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                                                0.1680672
                                                                  7.318987
6
  14.55696
                                                                  6.931782
                          0.1673307
                                                0.1680000
7
  14.94662
                          0.1674419
                                                0.1682243
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8
  14.54545
                          0.1610738
                                                0.1621622
                                                                  6.053175
9
   14.56311
                          0.1666667
                                                0.1674009
                                                                  6.830592
10 14.65798
                          0.1645570
                                                0.1656051
                                                                  6.812698
11 14.72393
                          0.1686747
                                                0.1693548
                                                                  7.342796
12 14.52145
                          0.1673640
                                                0.1680672
                                                                  6.622258
13 14.41718
                          0.1643836
                                                0.1655172
                                                                  7.052320
14 14.76510
                          0.1686747
                                                0.1693548
                                                                  6.706782
15 14.68531
                          0.1652893
                                                0.1666667
                                                                  6.363925
   GermSpeed_Percent GermSpeedAccumulated_Count
1
            12.27785
                                         34.61567
2
            12.47588
                                         35.54058
3
            14.33787
                                         38.29725
4
            13.58317
                                         38.68453
5
            14.63797
                                         41.00786
6
            14.14649
                                         38.77620
7
                                         36.38546
            13.43427
8
            12.87909
                                         33.77079
9
            13.13575
                                         38.11511
10
            13.62540
                                         38.19527
11
            14.39764
                                         41.17452
12
            12.98482
                                         37.00640
13
            14.39249
                                         39.29399
14
            13.97246
                                         37.69490
15
            13.25818
                                         35.69697
```

```
GermSpeedAccumulated Percent GermSpeedCorrected Normal
1
                        69.23134
                                                  0.07673656
2
                                                  0.07726134
                        69.68741
3
                        79.78594
                                                  0.07340991
4
                        75.85202
                                                  0.07680397
5
                        82.01571
                                                  0.07623944
6
                                                  0.07383855
                        79.13509
7
                        75.80304
                                                  0.07369656
8
                        71.85275
                                                  0.07112480
9
                        73.29829
                                                  0.07893128
10
                        76.39054
                                                  0.07569665
                        80.73436
                                                  0.07801721
11
12
                        72.56158
                                                  0.07675799
13
                        80.19182
                                                  0.07352419
14
                        78.53103
                                                  0.07316490
15
                        74.36868
                                                  0.07273057
   GermSpeedCorrected_Accumulated WeightGermPercent MeanGermPercent
1
                         0.4326958
                                              47.42857
                                                               5.714286
2
                         0.4315642
                                              47.89916
                                                               5.882353
3
                         0.4085040
                                              54.46429
                                                               6.696429
4
                         0.4288937
                                              52.24090
                                                               6.442577
5
                         0.4271652
                                              56.14286
                                                               6.857143
6
                                              54.51895
                         0.4130508
                                                               6.705539
7
                         0.4158338
                                              51.93452
                                                               6.250000
8
                         0.3968068
                                              49.39210
                                                               6.079027
9
                         0.4404413
                                              50.27473
                                                               6.181319
10
                         0.4243919
                                              52.57143
                                                               6.428571
11
                         0.4374793
                                              55.18207
                                                               6.722689
12
                         0.4289379
                                              50.00000
                                                               6.162465
13
                         0.4096608
                                              55.24781
                                                               6.851312
14
                         0.4112171
                                              53.86905
                                                               6.547619
15
                         0.4079653
                                              51.19048
                                                               6.250000
   MeanGermNumber TimsonsIndex TimsonsIndex_Labouriau
         2.857143
                       8.000000
1
                                                    1.00
2
         3.000000
                       9.803922
                                                    1.25
3
         3.214286
                      14.583333
                                                    1.40
4
         3.285714
                       7.843137
                                                    1.00
5
         3.428571
                      10.000000
                                                    1.00
6
         3.285714
                       6.122449
                                                    1.00
7
         3.000000
                       8.333333
                                                    1.00
8
         2.857143
                      10.638298
                                                    1.25
9
         3.214286
                       9.615385
                                                    1.25
                       8.000000
10
         3.214286
                                                    1.00
                       9.803922
11
         3.428571
                                                    1.00
12
                       5.882353
         3.142857
                                                    1.00
13
         3.357143
                       8.163265
                                                    1.00
14
         3.142857
                       6.250000
                                                    1.00
15
                       8.333333
                                                    1.00
         3.000000
   TimsonsIndex_KhanUngar GermRateGeorge PeakValue GermValue_Czabator
1
                 0.5714286
                                         4
                                            9.500000
                                                                 54.28571
2
                 0.7002801
                                         5
                                            9.313725
                                                                 54.78662
3
                                         7 10.416667
                                                                 69.75446
                 1.0416667
                 0.5602241
4
                                         4 10.049020
                                                                 64.74158
                                         5 11.250000
5
                 0.7142857
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