

# 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)
```

Welcome to `germinationmetrics` version 0.1.5

```
# To know how to use this package type:
browseVignettes(package = 'germinationmetrics')
for the package vignette.

# To know whats new in this version type:
news(package='germinationmetrics')
for the NEWS file.

# To cite the methods in the package type:
citation(package='germinationmetrics')

# To suppress this message use:
suppressPackageStartupMessages(library(germinationmetrics))
```

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## Version History

The current version of the package is 0.1.5. 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
0.1.2	2018-10-31
0.1.3	2019-01-19
0.1.4	2020-06-16

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.

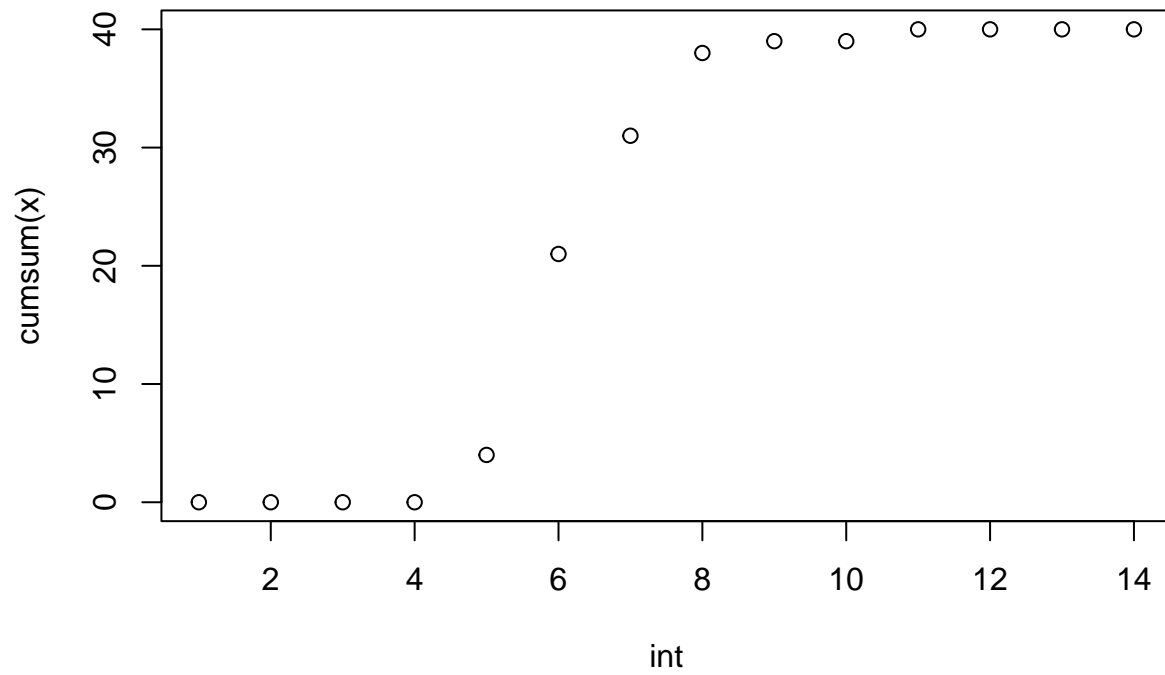
intervals	counts	cumulative.counts
1	0	0
2	0	0
3	0	0
4	0	0
5	4	4
6	17	21
7	10	31
8	7	38
9	1	39
10	0	39
11	1	40
12	0	40
13	0	40
14	0	40

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

```
data <- data.frame(intervals = 1:14,
                  counts = c(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0))

# Partial germination counts
x <- data$counts
# Cumulative germination counts
y <- cumsum(x)
# Time intervals of observations
int <- data$intervals

plot(int, cumsum(x))
```



### Single-value germination indices

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

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

Germination index	Function	Details	Unit	Measures	Reference
Germination percentage or Final germination percentage or Germinability ( $GP$ )	<b>GermPercent</b>	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	<a href="#">ISTA (2015)</a>
Time for the first germination or Germination time lag ( $t_0$ )	<b>FirstGermTime</b>	It is the time for first germination to occur (e.g. First day of germination)	time	Germination time	<a href="#">Edwards (1932)</a> ; <a href="#">Czabator (1962)</a> ; <a href="#">Goloff and Bazzaz (1975)</a> ; <a href="#">Labouriau (1983a)</a> ; <a href="#">Ranal (1999)</a> ; <a href="#">Quintanilla et al. (2000)</a>
Time for the last germination ( $t_g$ )	<b>LastGermTime</b>	It is the time for last germination to occur (e.g. Last day of germination)	time	Germination time	<a href="#">Edwards (1932)</a>
Time spread of germination or Germination distribution	<b>TimeSpreadGerm</b>	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	<a href="#">Al-Mudaris (1998)</a> ; <a href="#">Schrader and Graves (2000)</a> ; <a href="#">Kader (2005)</a>
Peak period of germination or Modal time of germination	<b>PeakGermTime</b>	It is the time in which highest frequency of germinated seeds are observed and need not be unique.	time	Germination time	<a href="#">Ranal and Santana (2006)</a>
Median germination time ( $t_{50}$ ) (Coolbear)	<b>t50</b>	It is the time to reach 50% of final/maximum germination. With argument <code>method</code> specified as " <code>coolbear</code> ", it is computed 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	<a href="#">Coolbear et al. (1984)</a>
Median germination time ( $t_{50}$ ) (Farooq)	<b>t50</b>	With argument <code>method</code> specified as " <code>farooq</code> ", it is computed 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	<a href="#">Farooq et al. (2005)</a>

Germination index	Function	Details	Unit	Measures	Reference
Mean germination time or Mean length of incubation time ( $\bar{T}$ ) or Germination resistance ( $GR$ ) or Sprouting index ( $SI$ ) or Emergence index ( $EI$ )	<b>MeanGermTime</b>	<p>It is the average length of time required for maximum germination of a seed lot and is estimated according to the following formula.</p> $\bar{T} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k N_i T_i}{\sum_{i=1}^k N_i}$ <p>Where, <math>T_i</math> is the time from the start of the experiment to the <math>i</math>th interval, <math>N_i</math> is the number of seeds germinated in the <math>i</math>th time interval (not the accumulated number, but the number corresponding to the <math>i</math>th interval), and <math>k</math> is the total number of time intervals.</p> <p>It is the inverse of mean germination rate (<math>\bar{V}</math>).</p> $\bar{T} = \frac{1}{\bar{V}}$	time	Germination time	<a href="#">Edmond and Drapala (1958)</a> ; <a href="#">Czabator (1962)</a> ; <a href="#">Smith and Millet (1964)</a> ; <a href="#">Gordon (1969)</a> ; <a href="#">Gordon (1971)</a> ; <a href="#">Mock and Eberhart (1972)</a> ; <a href="#">Ellis and Roberts (1980)</a> <a href="#">Labouriau (1983a)</a> ; <a href="#">Ranal and Santana (2006)</a>
Variance of germination time ( $s_T^2$ )	<b>VarGermTime</b>	<p>It is computed according to the following formula.</p> $s_T^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k N_i (T_i - \bar{T})^2}{\sum_{i=1}^k N_i - 1}$ <p>Where, <math>T_i</math> is the time from the start of the experiment to the <math>i</math>th interval, <math>N_i</math> is the number of seeds germinated in the <math>i</math>th time interval (not the accumulated number, but the number corresponding to the <math>i</math>th interval), and <math>k</math> is the total number of time intervals.</p>	time	Germination time	<a href="#">Labouriau (1983a)</a> ; <a href="#">Ranal and Santana (2006)</a>
Standard error of germination time ( $s_{\bar{T}}$ )	<b>SEGermTime</b>	<p>It signifies the accuracy of the calculation of the mean germination time.</p> <p>It is estimated according to the following formula:</p> $s_{\bar{T}} = \sqrt{\frac{s_T^2}{\sum_{i=1}^k N_i}}$ <p>Where, <math>N_i</math> is the number of seeds germinated in the <math>i</math>th time interval (not the accumulated number, but the number corresponding to the <math>i</math>th interval) and <math>k</math> is the total number of time intervals.</p>	time	Germination time	<a href="#">Labouriau (1983a)</a> ; <a href="#">Ranal and Santana (2006)</a>

Germination index	Function	Details	Unit	Measures	Reference
Mean germination rate ( $\bar{V}$ )	<b>MeanGermRate</b>	<p>It is computed according to the following formula:</p> $\bar{V} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k N_i}{\sum_{i=1}^k N_i T_i}$ <p>Where, <math>T_i</math> is the time from the start of the experiment to the <math>i</math>th interval, <math>N_i</math> is the number of seeds germinated in the <math>i</math>th time interval (not the accumulated number, but the number corresponding to the <math>i</math>th interval), and <math>k</math> is the total number of time intervals.</p> <p>It is the inverse of mean germination time (<math>\bar{T}</math>).</p> $\bar{V} = \frac{1}{\bar{T}}$	time <sup>-1</sup>	Germination rate	<a href="#">Labouriau and Valadares (1976)</a> ; <a href="#">Labouriau (1983b)</a> ; <a href="#">Ranal and Santana (2006)</a>
Coefficient of velocity of germination ( $CVG$ ) or Coefficient of rate of germination ( $CRG$ ) or Kotowski's coefficient of velocity	<b>CVG</b>	<p>It is estimated according to the following formula.</p> $CVG = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k N_i}{\sum_{i=1}^k N_i T_i} \times 100$ $CVG = \bar{V} \times 100$ <p>Where, <math>T_i</math> is the time from the start of the experiment to the <math>i</math>th interval, <math>N_i</math> is the number of seeds germinated in the <math>i</math>th time interval (not the accumulated number, but the number corresponding to the <math>i</math>th interval), and <math>k</math> is the total number of time intervals.</p>	% day <sup>-1</sup>	Germination rate	<a href="#">Kotowski (1926)</a> , <a href="#">Nichols and Heydecker (1968)</a> ; <a href="#">Bewley and Black (1994)</a> ; <a href="#">Labouriau (1983b)</a> ; <a href="#">Scott et al. (1984)</a>
Variance of germination rate ( $s_V^2$ )	<b>VarGermRate</b>	<p>It is calculated according to the following formula.</p> $s_V^2 = \bar{V}^4 \times s_T^2$ <p>Where, <math>s_T^2</math> is the variance of germination time.</p>	time <sup>-2</sup>	Germination rate	<a href="#">Labouriau (1983b)</a> ; <a href="#">Ranal and Santana (2006)</a>
Standard error of germination rate ( $s_{\bar{V}}$ )	<b>SEGermRate</b>	<p>It is estimated according to the following formula.</p> $s_{\bar{V}} = \sqrt{\frac{s_V^2}{\sum_{i=1}^k N_i}}$ <p>Where, <math>N_i</math> is the number of seeds germinated in the <math>i</math>th time interval (not the accumulated number, but the number corresponding to the <math>i</math>th interval), and <math>k</math> is the total number of time intervals.</p>	time <sup>-1</sup>	Germination rate	<a href="#">Labouriau (1983b)</a> ; <a href="#">Ranal and Santana (2006)</a>
Germination rate as the reciprocal of the median time ( $v_{50}$ )	<b>GermRateRecip</b>	<p>It is the reciprocal of the median germination time (<math>t_{50}</math>).</p> $v_{50} = \frac{1}{t_{50}}$	time <sup>-1</sup>	Germination rate	<a href="#">Went (1957)</a> ; <a href="#">Labouriau (1983b)</a> ; <a href="#">Ranal and Santana (2006)</a>

Germination index	Function	Details	Unit	Measures	Reference
Speed of germination or Germination rate Index or index of velocity of germination or Emergence rate index (Allan, Vogel and Peterson; Erbach; Hsu and Nelson) or Germination index (AOSA)	<b>GermSpeed</b>	<p>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.</p> $S = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{N_i}{T_i}$ <p>Where, <math>T_i</math> is the time from the start of the experiment to the <math>i</math>th interval, <math>N_i</math> is the number of seeds germinated in the <math>i</math>th time interval (not the accumulated number, but the number corresponding to the <math>i</math>th interval), and <math>k</math> is the total number of time intervals.</p> <p>Instead of germination counts, germination percentages may also be used for computation of speed of germination.</p>	% time <sup>-1</sup>	Mixed	Throneberry and Smith (1955); Maguire (1962); Allan et al. (1962); Kendrick and Frankland (1969); Bouton et al. (1976); Erbach (1982); AOSA (1983); Khandakar and Bradbeer (1983); Hsu and Nelson (1986); Bradbeer (1988); Wardle et al. (1991)
Speed of accumulated germination	<b>GermSpeedAccumulated</b>	<p>It is the rate of germination in terms of the accumulated/cumulative total number of seeds that germinate in a time interval. It is estimated as follows.</p> $S_{accumulated} = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{\sum_{j=1}^i N_j}{T_i}$ <p>Where, <math>T_i</math> is the time from the start of the experiment to the <math>i</math>th interval, <math>\sum_{j=1}^i N_j</math> is the cumulative/accumulated number of seeds germinated in the <math>i</math>th interval, and <math>k</math> is the total number of time intervals.</p> <p>Instead of germination counts, germination percentages may also be used for computation of speed of germination.</p>	% time <sup>-1</sup>	Mixed	Bradbeer (1988); Wardle et al. (1991); Haugland and Brandsaeter (1996); Santana and Ranal (2004)
Corrected germination rate index	<b>GermSpeedCorrected</b>	<p>It is computed as follows.</p> $S_{corrected} = \frac{S}{FGP}$ <p>Where, <math>FGP</math> is the final germination percentage or germinability.</p>	time <sup>-1</sup>	Mixed	Evetts and Burnside (1972)
Weighted germination percentage ( $WGP$ )	<b>WeightGermPercent</b>	<p>It is estimated as follows.</p> $WGP = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k (k-i+1)N_i}{k \times N} \times 100$ <p>Where, <math>N_i</math> is the number of seeds that germinated in the time interval <math>i</math> (not cumulative, but partial count), <math>N</math> is the total number of seeds tested, and <math>k</math> is the total number of time intervals.</p>		Mixed	Reddy et al. (1985); Reddy (1978)



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Mean germination percentage per unit time ( $\overline{GP}$ )	<b>MeanGermPercent</b>	<p>It is estimated as follows.</p> $\overline{GP} = \frac{GP}{T_k}$ <p>Where, <math>GP</math> is the final germination percentage, <math>T_k</math> is the time at the <math>k</math>th time interval, and <math>k</math> is the total number of time intervals required for final germination.</p>		Mixed	<a href="#">Czabator (1962)</a>
Number of seeds germinated per unit time $\overline{N}$	<b>MeanGermNumber</b>	<p>It is estimated as follows.</p> $\overline{N} = \frac{N_g}{T_k}$ <p>Where, <math>N_g</math> is the number of germinated seeds at the end of the germination test, <math>T_k</math> is the time at the <math>k</math>th time interval, and <math>k</math> is the total number of time intervals required for final germination.</p>		Mixed	<a href="#">Khamassi et al. (2013)</a>
Timson's index [ $\sum 10$ (Ten summation), $\sum 5$ or $\sum 20$ ] or Germination energy index ( $GEI$ )	<b>TimsonsIndex</b>	<p>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 (<math>G_i</math>) as follows.</p> $\Sigma k = \sum_{i=1}^k G_i$ <p>Where, <math>G_i</math> is the cumulative germination percentage in time interval <math>i</math>, and <math>k</math> is the total number of time intervals. It also estimated in terms of partial germination percentage as follows.</p> $\Sigma k = \sum_{i=1}^k g_i(k-j)$ <p>Where, <math>g_i</math> is the germination (not cumulative, but partial germination) in time interval <math>i</math> (<math>i</math> varying from 0 to <math>k</math>), <math>k</math> is the total number of time intervals, and <math>j = i - 1</math>.</p>		Mixed	<a href="#">Grose and Zimmer (1958)</a> ; <a href="#">Timson (1965)</a> ; <a href="#">Lyon and Coffelt (1966)</a> ; <a href="#">Chaudhary and Ghildyal (1970)</a> ; <a href="#">Negm and Smith (1978)</a> ; <a href="#">Brown and Mayer (1988)</a> ; <a href="#">Baskin and Baskin (1998)</a> ; <a href="#">Goodchild and Walker (1971)</a>
Modified Timson's index ( $\Sigma k_{mod}$ ) (Labouriau)	<b>TimsonsIndex</b>	<p>It is estimated as Timson's index <math>\Sigma k</math> divided by the sum of partial germination percentages.</p> $\Sigma k_{mod} = \frac{\Sigma k}{\sum_{i=1}^k g_i}$		Mixed	<a href="#">Ranal and Santana (2006)</a>
Modified Timson's index ( $\Sigma k_{mod}$ ) (Khan and Unger)	<b>TimsonsIndex</b>	<p>It is estimated as Timson's index (<math>\Sigma k</math>) divided by the total time period of germination (<math>T_k</math>).</p> $\Sigma k_{mod} = \frac{\Sigma k}{T_k}$		Mixed	<a href="#">Khan and Unger (1984)</a>

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George's index ( <i>GR</i> )	<b>GermRateGeorge</b>	It is estimated as follows. $GR = \sum_{i=1}^k N_i K_i$ 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, and $k$ is the total number of time intervals.		Mixed	<a href="#">George (1961)</a> ; <a href="#">Tucker and Wright (1965)</a> ; <a href="#">Nichols and Heydecker (1968)</a>
Germination Index ( <i>GI</i> ) (Melville)	<b>GermIndex</b>	It is estimated as follows. $GI = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{ (T_k - T_i) N_i }{N_t}$ Where, $T_i$ is the time from the start of the experiment to the $i$ th interval (day for the example), $N_i$ is the number of seeds germinated in the $i$ th time interval (not the accumulated number, but the number corresponding to the $i$ th interval), $N_t$ is the total number of seeds used in the test, and $k$ is the total number of time intervals.		Mixed	<a href="#">Melville et al. (1980)</a>
Germination Index ( <i>GI<sub>mod</sub></i> ) (Melville; Santana and Ranal)	<b>GermIndex</b>	It is estimated as follows. $GI_{mod} = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{ (T_k - T_i) N_i }{N_g}$ Where, $T_i$ is the time from the start of the experiment to the $i$ th interval (day for the example), $N_i$ is the number of seeds germinated in the $i$ th time interval (not the accumulated number, but the number corresponding to the $i$ th interval), $N_g$ is the total number of germinated seeds at the end of the test, and $k$ is the total number of time intervals.		Mixed	<a href="#">Melville et al. (1980)</a> ; <a href="#">Santana and Ranal (2004)</a> ; <a href="#">Ranal and Santana (2006)</a>
Emergence Rate Index ( <i>ERI</i> ) or Germination Rate Index (Shmueli and Goldberg)	<b>EmergenceRateIndex</b>	It is estimated as follows. $ERI = \sum_{i=i_0}^{k-1} N_i (k - i)$ Where, $N_i$ is the number of seeds germinated in the $i$ th time interval (not the accumulated number, but the number corresponding to the $i$ th interval), $i_0$ is the time interval when emergence/germination started, and $k$ is the total number of time intervals.		Mixed	<a href="#">Shmueli and Goldberg (1971)</a>

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Modified Emergence Rate Index ( $ERI_{mod}$ ) or Modified Germination Rate Index (Shmueli and Goldberg; Santana and Ranal)	<b>EmergenceRateIndex</b>	<p>It is estimated by dividing Emergence rate index (<math>ERI</math>) by total number of emerged seedlings (or germinated seeds).</p> $ERI_{mod} = \frac{\sum_{i=i_0}^{k-1} N_i(k-i)}{N_g} = \frac{ERI}{N_g}$ <p>Where, <math>N_g</math> is the total number of germinated seeds at the end of the test, <math>N_i</math> is the number of seeds germinated in the <math>i</math>th time interval (not the accumulated number, but the number corresponding to the <math>i</math>th interval), <math>i_0</math> is the time interval when emergence/germination started, and <math>k</math> is the total number of time intervals.</p>		Mixed	<a href="#">Shmueli and Goldberg (1971)</a> ; <a href="#">Santana and Ranal (2004)</a> ; <a href="#">Ranal and Santana (2006)</a>
Emergence Rate Index ( $ERI$ ) or Germination Rate Index (Bilbro & Wanjura)	<b>EmergenceRateIndex</b>	<p>It is the estimated as follows.</p> $ERI = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k N_i}{\bar{T}} = \frac{N_g}{\bar{T}}$ <p>Where, <math>N_g</math> is the total number of germinated seeds at the end of the test, <math>N_i</math> is the number of seeds germinated in the <math>i</math>th time interval (not the accumulated number, but the number corresponding to the <math>i</math>th interval), and <math>\bar{T}</math> is the mean germination time or mean emergence time.</p>		Mixed	<a href="#">Bilbro and Wanjura (1982)</a>
Emergence Rate Index ( $ERI$ ) or Germination Rate Index (Fakorede)	<b>EmergenceRateIndex</b>	<p>It is estimated as follows.</p> $ERI = \frac{\bar{T}}{FGP/100}$ <p>Where, <math>\bar{T}</math> is the Mean germination time and <math>FGP</math> is the final germination time.</p>		Mixed	<a href="#">Fakorede and Ayoola (1980)</a> ; <a href="#">Fakorede and Ojo (1981)</a> ; <a href="#">Fakorede and Agbana (1983)</a>
Peak value( $PV$ ) (Czabator) or Emergence Energy ( $EE$ )	<b>PeakValue</b>	<p>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.</p> $PV = \max\left(\frac{G_1}{T_1}, \frac{G_2}{T_2}, \dots, \frac{G_k}{T_k}\right)$ <p>Where, <math>T_i</math> is the time from the start of the experiment to the <math>i</math>th interval, <math>G_i</math> is the cumulative germination percentage in the <math>i</math>th time interval, and <math>k</math> is the total number of time intervals.</p>	% time <sup>-1</sup>	Mixed	<a href="#">Czabator (1962)</a> ; <a href="#">Bonner (1967)</a>

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Germination value ( <i>GV</i> ) (Czabator)	<b>GermValue</b>	<p>It is computed as follows.</p> $GV = PV \times MDG$ <p>Where, <i>PV</i> is the peak value and <i>MDG</i> 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 <i>MDG</i> with the mean germination percentage per unit time (<math>\overline{GP}</math>). <i>GV</i> value can be modified (<math>GV_{mod}</math>), to consider the entire duration from the beginning of the test instead of just from the onset of germination.</p>		Mixed	<a href="#">Czabator (1962)</a> ; <a href="#">Brown and Mayer (1988)</a>
Germination value ( <i>GV</i> ) (Diavanshir and Pourbiek)	<b>GermValue</b>	<p>It is computed as follows.</p> $GV = \frac{\sum DGS}{N} \times GP \times c$ <p>Where, <i>DGS</i> is the daily germination speed computed by dividing cumulative germination percentage by the number of days since the onset of germination, <i>N</i> is the frequency or number of DGS calculated during the test, <i>GP</i> is the germination percentage expressed over 100, and <i>c</i> is a constant. The value of <i>c</i> is decided on the basis of average daily speed of germination (<math>\frac{\sum DGS}{N}</math>). If it is less than 10, then <i>c</i> value of 10 can be used and if it is more than 10, then value of 7 or 8 can be used for <i>c</i>. <i>GV</i> value can be modified (<math>GV_{mod}</math>), to consider the entire duration from the beginning of the test instead of just from the onset of germination.</p>		Mixed	<a href="#">Djavanshir and Pourbeik (1976)</a> ; <a href="#">Brown and Mayer (1988)</a>
Coefficient of uniformity of germination ( <i>CUG</i> )	<b>CUGerm</b>	<p>It is computed as follows.</p> $CUG = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k N_i}{\sum_{i=1}^k (\bar{T} - T_i)^2 N_i}$ <p>Where, <math>\bar{T}</math> is the the mean germination time, <math>T_i</math> is the time from the start of the experiment to the <i>i</i>th interval (day for the example), <math>N_i</math> is the number of seeds germinated in the <i>i</i>th time interval (not the accumulated number, but the number corresponding to the <i>i</i>th interval), and <i>k</i> is the total number of time intervals.</p>		Germination uniformity	<a href="#">Heydecker (1972)</a> ; <a href="#">Bewley and Black (1994)</a>
Coefficient of variation of the germination time ( $CV_T$ )	<b>CVGermTime</b>	<p>It is estimated as follows.</p> $CV_T = \sqrt{\frac{s_T^2}{\bar{T}}}$ <p>Where, <math>s_T^2</math> is the variance of germination time and <math>\bar{T}</math> is the mean germination time.</p>		Germination uniformity	<a href="#">Gomes (1960)</a> ; <a href="#">Ranal and Santana (2006)</a>

Germination index	Function	Details	Unit	Measures	Reference
Synchronization index ( $\bar{E}$ ) or Uncertainty of the germination process ( $U$ ) or informational entropy ( $H$ )	<b>GermUncertainty</b>	<p>It is estimated as follows.</p> $\bar{E} = - \sum_{i=1}^k f_i \log_2 f_i$ <p>Where, <math>f_i</math> is the relative frequency of germination (<math>f_i = \frac{N_i}{\sum_{i=1}^k N_i}</math>), <math>N_i</math> is the number of seeds germinated on the <math>i</math>th time interval, and <math>k</math> is the total number of time intervals.</p>	bit	Germination synchrony	<a href="#">Shannon (1948)</a> ; <a href="#">Labouriau and Valadares (1976)</a> ; <a href="#">Labouriau (1983b)</a>
Synchrony of germination ( $Z$ index)	<b>GermSynchrony</b>	<p>It is computed as follows.</p> $Z = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k C_{N_i,2}}{C_{\Sigma N_i,2}}$ <p>Where, <math>C_{N_i,2}</math> is the partial combination of the two germinated seeds from among <math>N_i</math>, the number of seeds germinated on the <math>i</math>th time interval (estimated as <math>C_{N_i,2} = \frac{N_i(N_i-1)}{2}</math>), and <math>C_{\Sigma N_i,2}</math> 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.</p>		Germination synchrony	<a href="#">Primack (1985)</a> ; <a href="#">Ranal and Santana (2006)</a>

## Examples

```
x <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
y <- 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)
```

```
GermPercent()
```

```
[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
```

```
x <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
y <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 21, 31, 38, 39, 39, 40, 40, 40, 40)
z <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 11, 11, 9, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
int <- 1:length(x)
```

```
# From partial germination counts
#-----
FirstGermTime(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)
```

```
FirstGermTime(), LastGermTime(), PeakGermTime(), TimeSpreadGerm()
```

```
[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)
```

```
[1] 5
```

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

```
[1] 11
```

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

```
[1] 6
```

```
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
```

```
x <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
y <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 21, 31, 38, 39, 39, 40, 40, 40, 40)
int <- 1:length(x)
```

```
# From partial germination counts
```

```
#-----
t50(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, method = "coolbear")
```

```
t50()
```

```
[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
```

```
x <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
y <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 21, 31, 38, 39, 39, 40, 40, 40, 40)
int <- 1:length(x)
```

```
# From partial germination counts
```

```
#-----
MeanGermTime(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)
```

```
MeanGermTime(), VarGermTime(), SEGermTime(), CVGermTime()
```

```
[1] 6.7
```

```

VarGermTime(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)

[1] 1.446154
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

x <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
y <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 21, 31, 38, 39, 39, 40, 40, 40, 40)
int <- 1:length(x)

# From partial germination counts
#-----
MeanGermRate(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)

MeanGermRate(), CVG(), VarGermRate(), SEGermRate(), GermRateRecip()

[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)

[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

x <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
y <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 21, 31, 38, 39, 39, 40, 40, 40, 40)
int <- 1:length(x)

# From partial germination counts
#-----
GermSpeed(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)

GermSpeed(), GermSpeedAccumulated(), GermSpeedCorrected()

[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)
```

```
[1] 69.23134
```

```
# From cumulative germination counts
```

```
#-----
GermSpeed(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE)
```

```
[1] 6.138925
```

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

```
[1] 34.61567
```

```
GermSpeedCorrected(germ.counts = y, intervals = int,
                    partial = FALSE, total.seeds = 50, method = "normal")
```

```
[1] 0.07673656
```

```
GermSpeedCorrected(germ.counts = y, intervals = int,
                    partial = FALSE, total.seeds = 50, method = "accumulated")
```

```
[1] 0.4326958
```

```
# From cumulative germination counts (with percentages instead of counts)
```

```
#-----
GermSpeed(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE,
           percent = TRUE, total.seeds = 50)
```

```
[1] 12.27785
```

```
GermSpeedAccumulated(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE,
                      percent = TRUE, total.seeds = 50)
```

```
[1] 69.23134
```

```
x <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
y <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 21, 31, 38, 39, 39, 40, 40, 40, 40)
int <- 1:length(x)
```

```
# From partial germination counts
```

```
#-----
GermSpeed(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)
```

```
GermSpeed(), GermSpeedAccumulated(), GermSpeedCorrected()
```

```
[1] 6.138925
```

```
GermSpeedAccumulated(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)
```

```
[1] 34.61567
```

```
GermSpeedCorrected(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, total.seeds = 50,
                    method = "normal")
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[1] 0.07673656
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```
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)
```

```
[1] 69.23134
```

```
# From cumulative germination counts
```

```
#-----
GermSpeed(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE)
```

```
[1] 6.138925
```

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

```
[1] 34.61567
```

```
GermSpeedCorrected(germ.counts = y, intervals = int,
                    partial = FALSE, total.seeds = 50, method = "normal")
```

```
[1] 0.07673656
```

```
GermSpeedCorrected(germ.counts = y, intervals = int,
                    partial = FALSE, total.seeds = 50, method = "accumulated")
```

```
[1] 0.4326958
```

```
# From cumulative germination counts (with percentages instead of counts)
#-----
GermSpeed(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE,
           percent = TRUE, total.seeds = 50)
```

```
[1] 12.27785
```

```
GermSpeedAccumulated(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE,
                      percent = TRUE, total.seeds = 50)
```

```
[1] 69.23134
```

```
x <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
y <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 21, 31, 38, 39, 39, 40, 40, 40, 40)
int <- 1:length(x)
```

```
# From partial germination counts
```

```
#-----
WeightGermPercent(germ.counts = x, total.seeds = 50, intervals = int)
```

```
WeightGermPercent()
```

```
[1] 47.42857
```

```
# From cumulative germination counts
```

```
#-----
```

```
WeightGermPercent(germ.counts = y, total.seeds = 50, intervals = int,
                  partial = FALSE)
```

```
[1] 47.42857
```

```
x <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
y <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 21, 31, 38, 39, 39, 40, 40, 40, 40)
int <- 1:length(x)
```

```
# From partial germination counts
```

```
#-----
```

```
MeanGermPercent(germ.counts = x, total.seeds = 50, intervals = int)
```

```
MeanGermPercent(), MeanGermNumber()
```

```
[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
```

```
x <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
y <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 21, 31, 38, 39, 39, 40, 40, 40, 40)
int <- 1:length(x)
```

```
# From partial germination counts
```

```
#-----
```

```
# Without max specified
```

```
TimsonsIndex(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, total.seeds = 50)
```

```
TimsonsIndex(), GermRateGeorge()
```

```
[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
```

```
GermRateGeorge(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)
```

```
[1] 332
```

```
# 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
```

```
GermRateGeorge(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, max = 10)
```

```
[1] 172
```

```
GermRateGeorge(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, max = 14)
```

```
[1] 332
```

```
# From cumulative germination counts
```

```
#-----
```

```
# Without max specified
```

```
TimsonsIndex(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE,
              total.seeds = 50)
```

```
[1] 664
```

```
TimsonsIndex(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE,
              total.seeds = 50,
              modification = "none")
```

```
[1] 664
```

```
TimsonsIndex(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE,
              total.seeds = 50,
              modification = "labouriau")
```

```
[1] 8.3
```

```
TimsonsIndex(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE,
              total.seeds = 50,
              modification = "khanungar")
```

```
[1] 47.42857
```

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

```
[1] 332
```

```
# With max specified
TimsonsIndex(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE,
              total.seeds = 50, max = 10)
```

```
[1] 344
```

```
TimsonsIndex(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE,
              total.seeds = 50,
              max = 10, modification = "none")
```

```
[1] 344
```

```
TimsonsIndex(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE,
              total.seeds = 50,
              max = 10, modification = "labouriau")
```

```
[1] 4.410256
```

```
TimsonsIndex(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE,
              total.seeds = 50,
              max = 10, modification = "khanungar")
```

```
[1] 24.57143
```

```
GermRateGeorge(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE,
                max = 10)
```

```
[1] 172
```

```
GermRateGeorge(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE,
                max = 14)
```

```
[1] 332
```

```
x <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
y <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 21, 31, 38, 39, 39, 40, 40, 40, 40)
int <- 1:length(x)
```

```
# From partial germination counts
#-----
GermIndex(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, total.seeds = 50)
```

```
GermIndex()
```

```
[1] 5.84
```

```
GermIndex(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, total.seeds = 50,
          modification = "none")
```

```
[1] 5.84
```

```
GermIndex(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, total.seeds = 50,
          modification = "santanaranal")
```

```
[1] 7.3
```

```
# From cumulative germination counts
#-----
GermIndex(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE,
          total.seeds = 50)
```

```
[1] 5.84
```

```
GermIndex(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE,
          total.seeds = 50,
          modification = "none")
```

```
[1] 5.84
```

```
GermIndex(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE,
          total.seeds = 50,
          modification = "santanaranal")
```

```
[1] 7.3
```

```
x <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
y <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 21, 31, 38, 39, 39, 40, 40, 40, 40)
int <- 1:length(x)
```

```
# From partial germination counts
#-----
EmergenceRateIndex(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)
```

```
EmergenceRateIndex()
```

```
[1] 292
```

```
EmergenceRateIndex(germ.counts = x, intervals = int,
                  method = "melville")
```

```
[1] 292
```

```
EmergenceRateIndex(germ.counts = x, intervals = int,
                  method = "melvillesantanaranal")
```

```
[1] 7.3
```

```
EmergenceRateIndex(germ.counts = x, intervals = int,
                  method = "bilbrowanjura")
```

```
[1] 5.970149
```

```
EmergenceRateIndex(germ.counts = x, intervals = int,
                  total.seeds = 50, method = "fakorede")
```

```
[1] 8.375
```

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

```
[1] 292
```

```
EmergenceRateIndex(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE,
                  method = "melville")
```

[1] 292

```
EmergenceRateIndex(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE,
                    method = "melvillesantanaranal")
```

[1] 7.3

```
EmergenceRateIndex(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE,
                    method = "bilbrowanjura")
```

[1] 5.970149

```
EmergenceRateIndex(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, partial = FALSE,
                    total.seeds = 50, method = "fakorede")
```

[1] 8.375

```
x <- c(0, 0, 34, 40, 21, 10, 4, 5, 3, 5, 8, 7, 7, 6, 6, 4, 0, 2, 0, 2)
y <- 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)
total.seeds = 200
```

```
# From partial germination counts
```

```
#-----
PeakValue(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, total.seeds = 200)
```

```
PeakValue(), GermValue()
```

[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	DGS
3	34	3	34	17.0	5.666667
4	40	4	74	37.0	9.250000
5	21	5	95	47.5	9.500000
6	10	6	105	52.5	8.750000
7	4	7	109	54.5	7.785714
8	5	8	114	57.0	7.125000
9	3	9	117	58.5	6.500000
10	5	10	122	61.0	6.100000
11	8	11	130	65.0	5.909091
12	7	12	137	68.5	5.708333
13	7	13	144	72.0	5.538462
14	6	14	150	75.0	5.357143
15	6	15	156	78.0	5.200000
16	4	16	160	80.0	5.000000
17	0	17	160	80.0	4.705882
18	2	18	162	81.0	4.500000
19	0	19	162	81.0	4.263158
20	2	20	164	82.0	4.100000



```
GermValue(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, total.seeds = 200,
           method = "dp", k = 10)
```

```
$`Germination Value`
```

```
[1] 53.36595
```

```
[[2]]
```

	germ.counts	intervals	Cumulative.germ.counts	Cumulative.germ.percent	DGS	SumDGSbyN
3	34	3	34	17.0	5.666667	5.666667
4	40	4	74	37.0	9.250000	7.458333
5	21	5	95	47.5	9.500000	8.138889
6	10	6	105	52.5	8.750000	8.291667
7	4	7	109	54.5	7.785714	8.190476
8	5	8	114	57.0	7.125000	8.012897
9	3	9	117	58.5	6.500000	7.796769
10	5	10	122	61.0	6.100000	7.584673
11	8	11	130	65.0	5.909091	7.398497
12	7	12	137	68.5	5.708333	7.229481
13	7	13	144	72.0	5.538462	7.075752
14	6	14	150	75.0	5.357143	6.932534
15	6	15	156	78.0	5.200000	6.799262
16	4	16	160	80.0	5.000000	6.670744
17	0	17	160	80.0	4.705882	6.539753
18	2	18	162	81.0	4.500000	6.412268
19	0	19	162	81.0	4.263158	6.285850
20	2	20	164	82.0	4.100000	6.164414

```
GV
```

```
3 9.633333
4 27.595833
5 38.659722
6 43.531250
7 44.638095
8 45.673512
9 45.611097
10 46.266503
11 48.090230
12 49.521942
13 50.945411
14 51.994006
15 53.034246
16 53.365948
17 52.318022
18 51.939373
19 50.915385
20 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    DGS
1           0         1                   0              0.0 0.000000
2           0         2                   0              0.0 0.000000
3          34         3                  34             17.0 5.666667
4          40         4                  74             37.0 9.250000
5          21         5                  95             47.5 9.500000
6          10         6                 105             52.5 8.750000
7           4         7                 109             54.5 7.785714
8           5         8                 114             57.0 7.125000
9           3         9                 117             58.5 6.500000
10          5        10                 122             61.0 6.100000
11          8        11                 130             65.0 5.909091
12          7        12                 137             68.5 5.708333
13          7        13                 144             72.0 5.538462
14          6        14                 150             75.0 5.357143
15          6        15                 156             78.0 5.200000
16          4        16                 160             80.0 5.000000
17          0        17                 160             80.0 4.705882
18          2        18                 162             81.0 4.500000
19          0        19                 162             81.0 4.263158
20          2        20                 164             82.0 4.100000
```

```
GermValue(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, total.seeds = 200,
          method = "dp", k = 10, from.onset = FALSE)
```

```
$`Germination Value`
```

```
[1] 46.6952
```

```
[[2]]
  germ.counts intervals Cumulative.germ.counts Cumulative.germ.percent    DGS SumDGSbyN
1           0         1                   0              0.0 0.000000  0.000000
2           0         2                   0              0.0 0.000000  0.000000
3          34         3                  34             17.0 5.666667  1.888889
4          40         4                  74             37.0 9.250000  3.729167
5          21         5                  95             47.5 9.500000  4.883333
6          10         6                 105             52.5 8.750000  5.527778
7           4         7                 109             54.5 7.785714  5.850340
8           5         8                 114             57.0 7.125000  6.009673
9           3         9                 117             58.5 6.500000  6.064153
10          5        10                 122             61.0 6.100000  6.067738
11          8        11                 130             65.0 5.909091  6.053316
12          7        12                 137             68.5 5.708333  6.024567
13          7        13                 144             72.0 5.538462  5.987174
14          6        14                 150             75.0 5.357143  5.942172
15          6        15                 156             78.0 5.200000  5.892694
16          4        16                 160             80.0 5.000000  5.836901
17          0        17                 160             80.0 4.705882  5.770370
18          2        18                 162             81.0 4.500000  5.699794
19          0        19                 162             81.0 4.263158  5.624182
20          2        20                 164             82.0 4.100000  5.547972

  GV
1  0.000000
2  0.000000
```

```

3  3.211111
4  13.797917
5  23.195833
6  29.020833
7  31.884354
8  34.255134
9  35.475298
10 37.013202
11 39.346552
12 41.268285
13 43.107655
14 44.566291
15 45.963013
16 46.695205
17 46.162961
18 46.168331
19 45.555871
20 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	DGS
3	34	3	34	17.0	5.666667
4	40	4	74	37.0	9.250000
5	21	5	95	47.5	9.500000
6	10	6	105	52.5	8.750000
7	4	7	109	54.5	7.785714
8	5	8	114	57.0	7.125000
9	3	9	117	58.5	6.500000
10	5	10	122	61.0	6.100000
11	8	11	130	65.0	5.909091
12	7	12	137	68.5	5.708333
13	7	13	144	72.0	5.538462
14	6	14	150	75.0	5.357143
15	6	15	156	78.0	5.200000
16	4	16	160	80.0	5.000000
17	0	17	160	80.0	4.705882
18	2	18	162	81.0	4.500000
19	0	19	162	81.0	4.263158
20	2	20	164	82.0	4.100000

```
GermValue(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, total.seeds = 200,
           partial = FALSE, method = "dp", k = 10)
```

```
$`Germination Value`
```

```
[1] 53.36595
```

```
[[2]]
```

	germ.counts	intervals	Cumulative.germ.counts	Cumulative.germ.percent	DGS	SumDGSbyN
3	34	3	34	17.0	5.666667	5.666667
4	40	4	74	37.0	9.250000	7.458333
5	21	5	95	47.5	9.500000	8.138889
6	10	6	105	52.5	8.750000	8.291667
7	4	7	109	54.5	7.785714	8.190476
8	5	8	114	57.0	7.125000	8.012897
9	3	9	117	58.5	6.500000	7.796769
10	5	10	122	61.0	6.100000	7.584673
11	8	11	130	65.0	5.909091	7.398497
12	7	12	137	68.5	5.708333	7.229481
13	7	13	144	72.0	5.538462	7.075752
14	6	14	150	75.0	5.357143	6.932534
15	6	15	156	78.0	5.200000	6.799262
16	4	16	160	80.0	5.000000	6.670744
17	0	17	160	80.0	4.705882	6.539753
18	2	18	162	81.0	4.500000	6.412268
19	0	19	162	81.0	4.263158	6.285850
20	2	20	164	82.0	4.100000	6.164414

```
GV
```

```
3 9.633333
4 27.595833
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9 45.611097
10 46.266503
11 48.090230
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13 50.945411
14 51.994006
15 53.034246
16 53.365948
17 52.318022
18 51.939373
19 50.915385
20 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]]

	germ.counts	intervals	Cumulative.germ.counts	Cumulative.germ.percent	DGS
1	0	1	0	0.0	0.000000
2	0	2	0	0.0	0.000000
3	34	3	34	17.0	5.666667
4	40	4	74	37.0	9.250000
5	21	5	95	47.5	9.500000
6	10	6	105	52.5	8.750000
7	4	7	109	54.5	7.785714
8	5	8	114	57.0	7.125000
9	3	9	117	58.5	6.500000
10	5	10	122	61.0	6.100000
11	8	11	130	65.0	5.909091
12	7	12	137	68.5	5.708333
13	7	13	144	72.0	5.538462
14	6	14	150	75.0	5.357143
15	6	15	156	78.0	5.200000
16	4	16	160	80.0	5.000000
17	0	17	160	80.0	4.705882
18	2	18	162	81.0	4.500000
19	0	19	162	81.0	4.263158
20	2	20	164	82.0	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	intervals	Cumulative.germ.counts	Cumulative.germ.percent	DGS	SumDGSbyN
1	0	1	0	0.0	0.000000	0.000000
2	0	2	0	0.0	0.000000	0.000000
3	34	3	34	17.0	5.666667	1.888889
4	40	4	74	37.0	9.250000	3.729167
5	21	5	95	47.5	9.500000	4.883333
6	10	6	105	52.5	8.750000	5.527778
7	4	7	109	54.5	7.785714	5.850340
8	5	8	114	57.0	7.125000	6.009673
9	3	9	117	58.5	6.500000	6.064153
10	5	10	122	61.0	6.100000	6.067738
11	8	11	130	65.0	5.909091	6.053316
12	7	12	137	68.5	5.708333	6.024567
13	7	13	144	72.0	5.538462	5.987174
14	6	14	150	75.0	5.357143	5.942172
15	6	15	156	78.0	5.200000	5.892694
16	4	16	160	80.0	5.000000	5.836901
17	0	17	160	80.0	4.705882	5.770370
18	2	18	162	81.0	4.500000	5.699794
19	0	19	162	81.0	4.263158	5.624182
20	2	20	164	82.0	4.100000	5.547972

GV

```
1 0.000000
2 0.000000
```

```

3  3.211111
4  13.797917
5  23.195833
6  29.020833
7  31.884354
8  34.255134
9  35.475298
10 37.013202
11 39.346552
12 41.268285
13 43.107655
14 44.566291
15 45.963013
16 46.695205
17 46.162961
18 46.168331
19 45.555871
20 45.493374

```

```

$testend
[1] 16

```

```

x <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
y <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 21, 31, 38, 39, 39, 40, 40, 40, 40)
int <- 1:length(x)

```

```

# From partial germination counts
#-----

```

```

CUGerm(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)

```

```

CUGerm()

```

```

[1] 0.7092199

```

```

# From cumulative germination counts
#-----

```

```

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

```

```

[1] 0.05267935

```

```

x <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
y <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 21, 31, 38, 39, 39, 40, 40, 40, 40)
int <- 1:length(x)

```

```

# From partial germination counts
#-----

```

```

GermSynchrony(germ.counts = x, intervals = int)

```

```

GermSynchrony(), GermUncertainty()

```

```

[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
```

## Non-linear regression analysis

Several mathematical functions have been used to fit the cumulative germination count data and describe the germination process by non-linear regression analysis. They include functions 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.	time	Germination time
$lag = b \sqrt{\frac{-y_0 c^b}{a + y_0}}$			
$D_{lag-50}$	The duration between the time at germination onset ( $lag$ ) and that at 50% germination ( $c$ ).	time	Germination time

Germination parameters	Details	Unit	Measures
$t_{50_{total}}$	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 <b>umin</b> and <b>umax</b> to germinate.	time	Germination time
Time at maximum germination rate ( $TMGR$ )	<p>The partial derivative of the four-parameter hill function gives the instantaneous rate of germination (<math>s</math>) as follows.</p> $s = \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = \frac{abc^b x^{b-1}}{(c^b + x^b)^2}$ <p>From this function for instantaneous rate of germination, <math>TMGR</math> can be estimated as follows.</p> $TMGR = b \sqrt{\frac{c^b(b-1)}{b+1}}$ <p>It represents the point in time when the instantaneous rate of germination starts to decline.</p>	time	Germination time
Area under the curve ( $AUC$ )	It is obtained by integration of the fitted curve between time 0 and time specified in the argument <b>tmax</b> .		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

```

x <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
y <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 21, 31, 38, 39, 39, 40, 40, 40, 40)
int <- 1:length(x)
total.seeds = 50

# From partial germination counts
#-----
FourPHFfit(germ.counts = x, intervals = int, total.seeds = 50, tmax = 20)

FourPHFfit()

$data

```



```

      gp csgp intervals
1      0      0         1
2      0      0         2
3      0      0         3
4      0      0         4
5      8      8         5
6     34     42         6
7     20     62         7
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 1.24158595  64.43372 1.973240e-14
2      b  9.881947 0.70779379  13.96162 6.952322e-08
3      c  6.034954 0.04952654 121.85294 3.399385e-17
4     y0  0.000000 0.91607007   0.00000 1.000000e+00

```

```
$Fit
```

```

      sigma isConv      finTol    logLik      AIC      BIC deviance df.residual nobs
1 1.769385  TRUE 1.490116e-08 -25.49868 60.99736 64.19265 31.30723          10    14

```

```
$a
```

```
[1] 80
```

```
$b
```

```
[1] 9.881947
```

```
$c
```

```
[1] 6.034954
```

```
$y0
```

```
[1] 0
```

```
$lag
```

```
[1] 0
```

```
$Dlag50
```

```
[1] 6.034954
```

```
$t50.total
```

```
[1] 6.355122
```

```
$txp.total
```

```

      10      60
4.956266 6.744598

```

```
$t50.Germinated
```

```
[1] 6.034954
```

```

$txp.Germinated
      10      60
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" "list"

# From cumulative germination counts
#-----
FourPHFfit(germ.counts = y, intervals = int, total.seeds = 50, tmax = 20,
partial = FALSE)

$data
  gp csgp intervals
1  0    0         1
2  0    0         2
3  0    0         3
4  0    0         4
5  8    8         5
6 34   42         6
7 20   62         7
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

```

```

2   b  9.881927 0.7077918 13.96163 6.952270e-08
3   c  6.034953 0.0495266 121.85275 3.399437e-17
4  y0  0.000000 0.9160705  0.00000 1.000000e+00

```

```
$Fit
```

```

      sigma isConv      finTol    logLik      AIC      BIC deviance df.residual nobs
1 1.769385   TRUE 1.490116e-08 -25.49868 60.99736 64.19265 31.30723          10    14

```

```
$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
```

```

      10      60
4.956263 6.744599

```

```
$t50.Germinated
```

```
[1] 6.034953
```

```
$txp.Germinated
```

```

      10      60
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

$msg
[1] "#1. Relative error in the sum of squares is at most `ftol'. "

$isConv
[1] TRUE

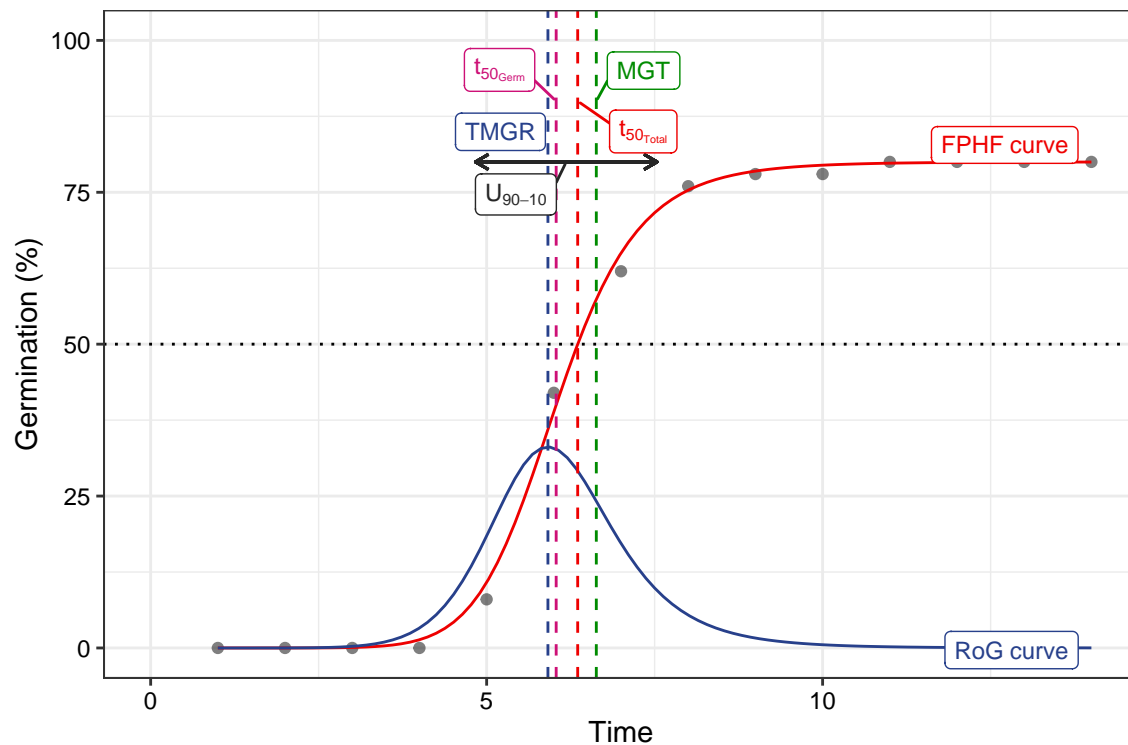
attr("class")
[1] "FourPHFfit" "list"

x <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 17, 10, 7, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)
y <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 4, 21, 31, 38, 39, 39, 40, 40, 40, 40)
int <- 1:length(x)
total.seeds = 50

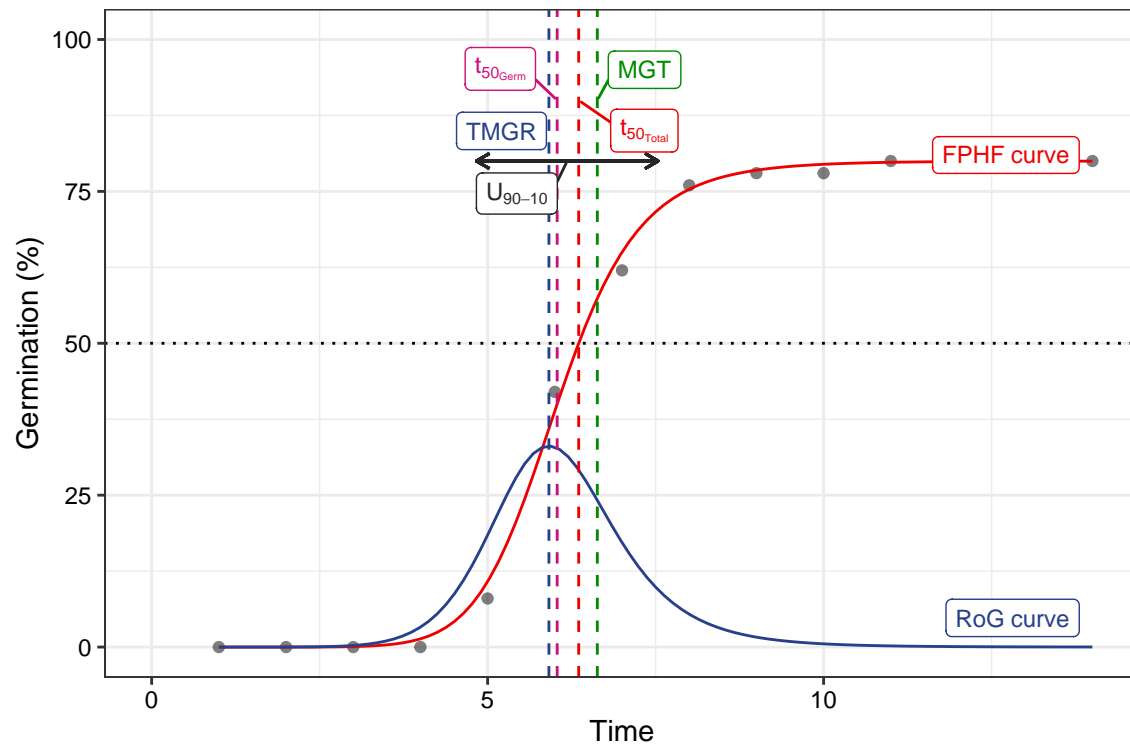
# From partial germination counts
#-----
fit1 <- FourPHFfit(germ.counts = x, intervals = int,
                  total.seeds = 50, tmax = 20)

# From cumulative germination counts
#-----
fit2 <- FourPHFfit(germ.counts = y, intervals = int,
                  total.seeds = 50, tmax = 20, partial = FALSE)

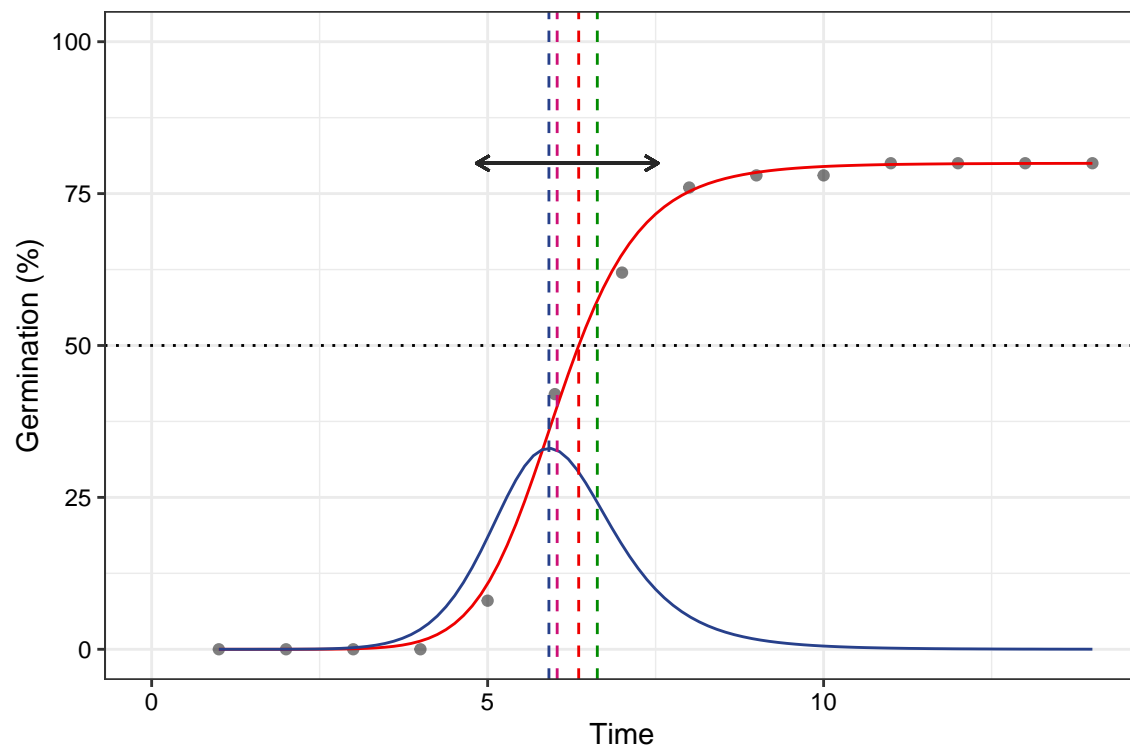
# Default plots
plot(fit1)
```



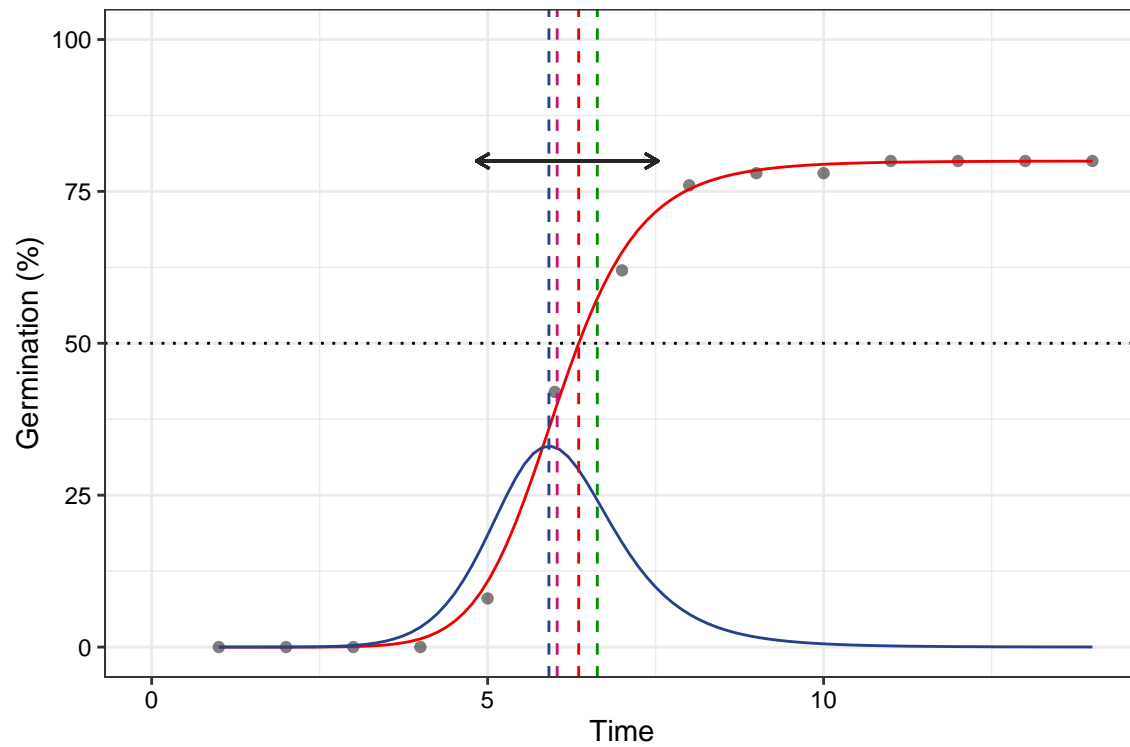
```
plot(fit2)
```



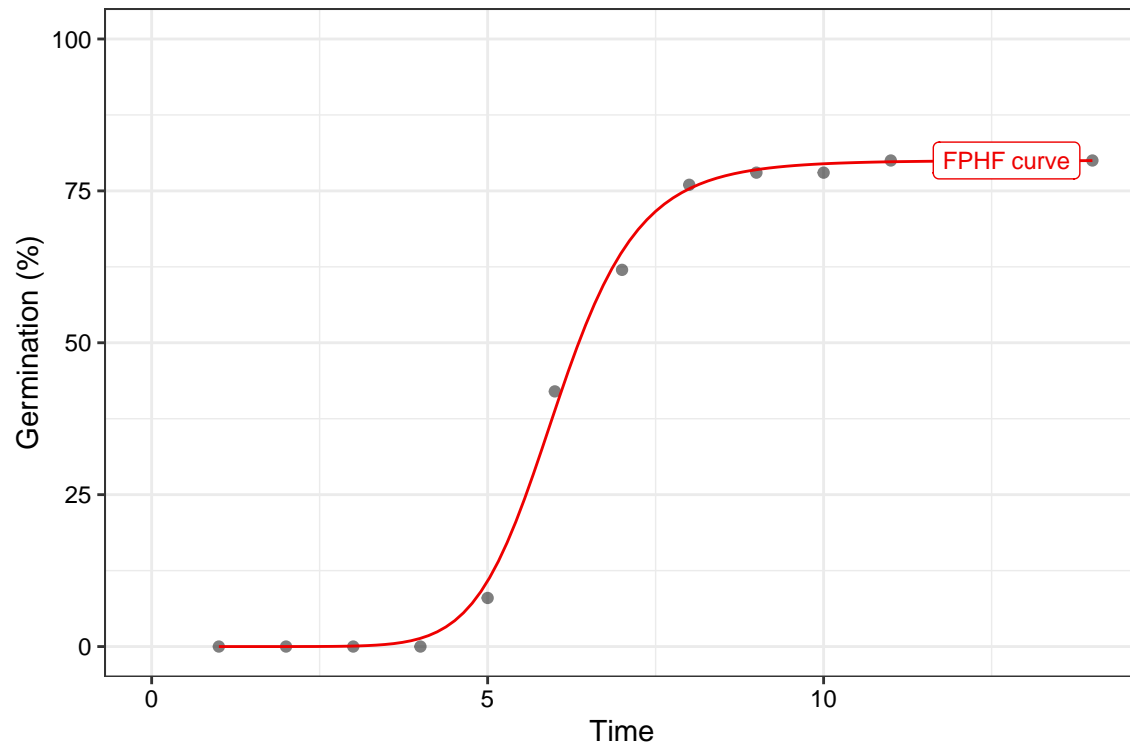
```
# No labels
plot(fit1, plotlabels = FALSE)
```



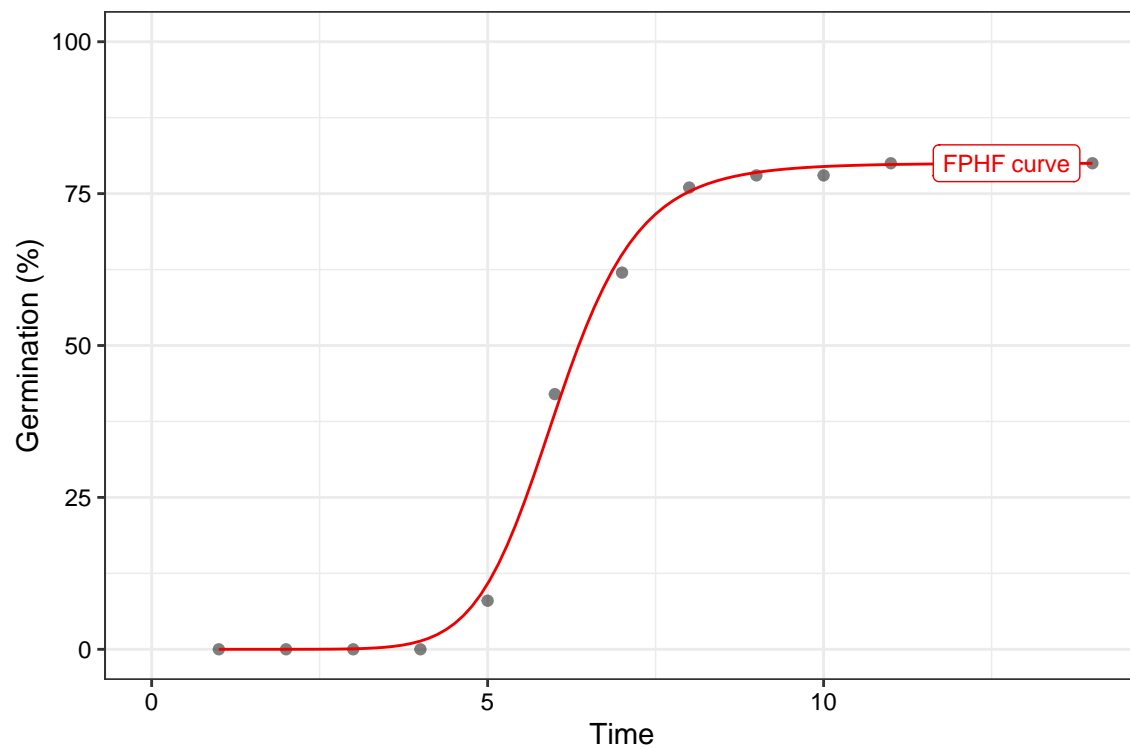
```
plot(fit2, plotlabels = FALSE)
```



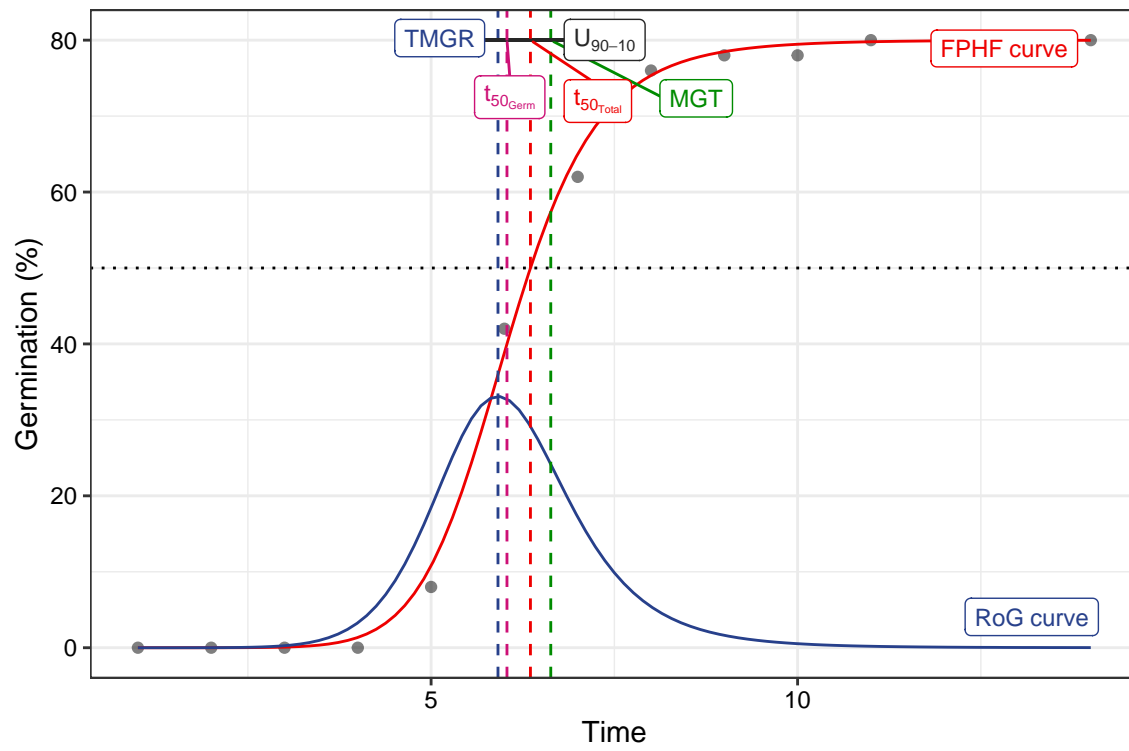
```
# Only the FPFH curve
plot(fit1, rog = FALSE, t50.total = FALSE, t50.germ = FALSE,
     tmgr = FALSE, mgt = FALSE, uniformity = FALSE)
```



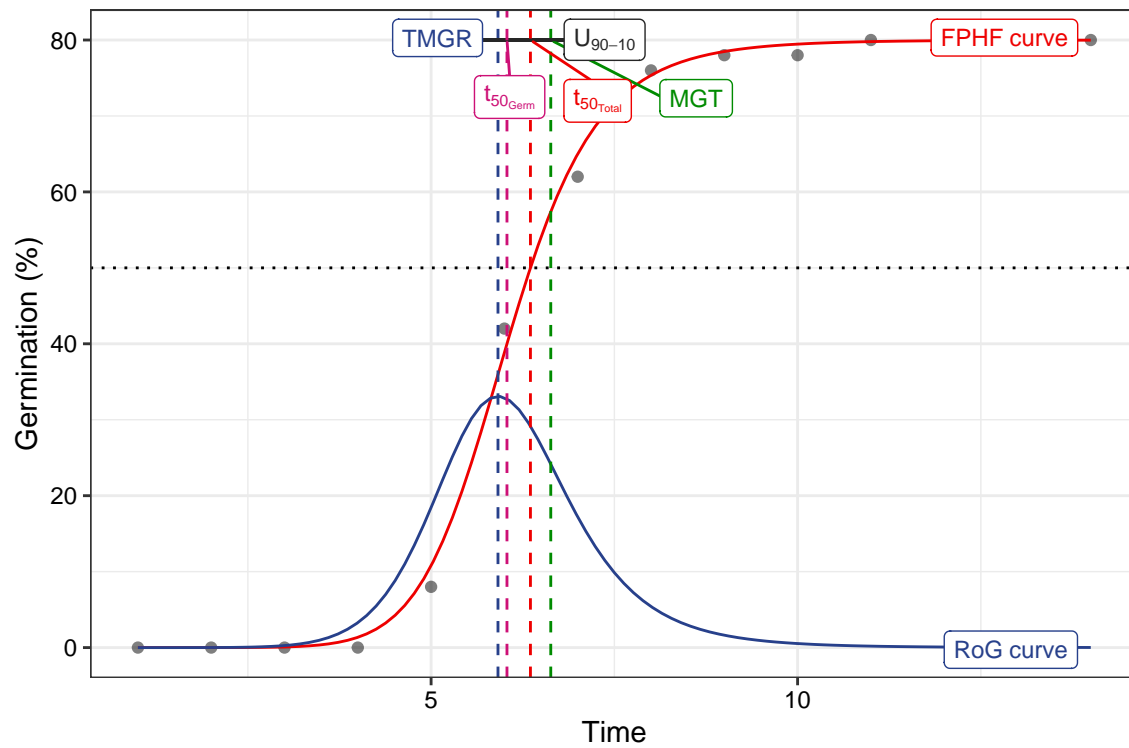
```
plot(fit2, rog = FALSE, t50.total = FALSE, t50.germ = FALSE,
     tmgr = FALSE, mgt = FALSE, uniformity = FALSE)
```



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



```
plot(fit2, limits = FALSE)
```





## Wrapper functions

Wrapper functions `germination.indices()` and `FourPHFfit.bulk()` are available in the package for computing results for multiple samples in batch from a data frame of germination counts recorded at specific time intervals.

**`germination.indices()`** This wrapper function can be used to compute several germination indices simultaneously for multiple samples in batch.

```
data(gcdata)
```

```
counts.per.intervals <- c("Day01", "Day02", "Day03", "Day04", "Day05",
                          "Day06", "Day07", "Day08", "Day09", "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	Day01	Day02	Day03	Day04	Day05	Day06	Day07	Day08	Day09	Day10	Day11	Day12	Day13
1	G1	1	0	0	0	0	4	17	10	7	1	0	1	0	0
2	G2	1	0	0	0	1	3	15	13	6	2	1	0	1	0
3	G3	1	0	0	0	2	3	18	9	8	2	1	1	1	0
4	G4	1	0	0	0	0	4	19	12	6	2	1	1	1	0
5	G5	1	0	0	0	0	5	20	12	8	1	0	0	1	1
6	G1	2	0	0	0	0	3	21	11	7	1	1	1	1	0
7	G2	2	0	0	0	0	4	18	11	7	1	0	1	0	0
8	G3	2	0	0	0	1	3	14	12	6	2	1	0	1	0
9	G4	2	0	0	0	1	3	19	10	8	1	1	1	1	0
10	G5	2	0	0	0	0	4	18	13	6	2	1	0	1	0
11	G1	3	0	0	0	0	5	21	11	8	1	0	0	1	1
12	G2	3	0	0	0	0	3	20	10	7	1	1	1	1	0
13	G3	3	0	0	0	0	4	19	12	8	1	1	0	1	1
14	G4	3	0	0	0	0	3	21	11	6	1	0	1	1	0
15	G5	3	0	0	0	0	4	17	10	8	1	1	1	0	0
	Day14	Total	Seeds	GermPercent	FirstGermTime		LastGermTime		PeakGermTime		TimeSpreadGerm				
1	0		50	80.00000			5		11		6		6		
2	0		51	82.35294			4		12		6		8		
3	0		48	93.75000			4		12		6		8		
4	0		51	90.19608			5		12		6		7		
5	0		50	96.00000			5		13		6		8		
6	0		49	93.87755			5		12		6		7		
7	0		48	87.50000			5		11		6		6		
8	0		47	85.10638			4		12		6		8		
9	0		52	86.53846			4		12		6		8		
10	0		50	90.00000			5		12		6		7		
11	0		51	94.11765			5		13		6		8		
12	0		51	86.27451			5		12		6		7		
13	0		49	95.91837			5		13		6		8		
14	0		48	91.66667			5		12		6		7		
15	0		48	87.50000			5		11		6		6		
	t50_Coolbear	t50_Farooq	MeanGermTime	VarGermTime	SEGermTime	CVGermTime	MeanGermRate								
1	5.970588	5.941176	6.700000	1.446154	0.1901416	0.1794868	0.1492537								
2	6.192308	6.153846	6.857143	2.027875	0.2197333	0.2076717	0.1458333								
3	6.000000	5.972222	6.866667	2.572727	0.2391061	0.2335882	0.1456311								
4	6.041667	6.000000	6.891304	2.187923	0.2180907	0.2146419	0.1451104								

5	5.975000	5.950000	6.812500	2.368351	0.2221275	0.2259002	0.1467890
6	5.976190	5.952381	6.869565	2.071498	0.2122088	0.2095140	0.1455696
7	5.972222	5.944444	6.690476	1.389663	0.1818989	0.1761967	0.1494662
8	6.208333	6.166667	6.875000	2.112179	0.2297923	0.2113940	0.1454545
9	6.000000	5.973684	6.866667	2.300000	0.2260777	0.2208604	0.1456311
10	6.076923	6.038462	6.822222	1.831313	0.2017321	0.1983606	0.1465798
11	5.928571	5.904762	6.791667	2.381206	0.2227295	0.2272072	0.1472393
12	5.975000	5.950000	6.886364	2.149577	0.2210295	0.2129053	0.1452145
13	6.083333	6.041667	6.936170	2.539315	0.2324392	0.2297410	0.1441718
14	5.928571	5.904762	6.772727	1.900634	0.2078370	0.2035568	0.1476510
15	6.050000	6.000000	6.809524	1.670151	0.1994129	0.1897847	0.1468531
	VarGermRate	SEGermRate	CVG	GermRateRecip_Coolbear	GermRateRecip_Farooq	GermSpeed_Count	
1	0.0007176543	0.004235724	14.92537	0.1674877	0.1683168	6.138925	
2	0.0009172090	0.004673148	14.58333	0.1614907	0.1625000	6.362698	
3	0.0011572039	0.005071059	14.56311	0.1666667	0.1674419	6.882179	
4	0.0009701218	0.004592342	14.51104	0.1655172	0.1666667	6.927417	
5	0.0010995627	0.004786184	14.67890	0.1673640	0.1680672	7.318987	
6	0.0009301809	0.004496813	14.55696	0.1673307	0.1680000	6.931782	
7	0.0006935558	0.004063648	14.94662	0.1674419	0.1682243	6.448449	
8	0.0009454531	0.004861721	14.54545	0.1610738	0.1621622	6.053175	
9	0.0010345321	0.004794747	14.56311	0.1666667	0.1674009	6.830592	
10	0.0008453940	0.004334343	14.65798	0.1645570	0.1656051	6.812698	
11	0.0011191581	0.004828643	14.72393	0.1686747	0.1693548	7.342796	
12	0.0009558577	0.004660905	14.52145	0.1673640	0.1680672	6.622258	
13	0.0010970785	0.004831366	14.41718	0.1643836	0.1655172	7.052320	
14	0.0009033254	0.004531018	14.76510	0.1686747	0.1693548	6.706782	
15	0.0007767634	0.004300508	14.68531	0.1652893	0.1666667	6.363925	
	GermSpeed_Percent	GermSpeedAccumulated_Count	GermSpeedAccumulated_Percent				
1	12.27785	34.61567	69.23134				
2	12.47588	35.54058	69.68741				
3	14.33787	38.29725	79.78594				
4	13.58317	38.68453	75.85202				
5	14.63797	41.00786	82.01571				
6	14.14649	38.77620	79.13509				
7	13.43427	36.38546	75.80304				
8	12.87909	33.77079	71.85275				
9	13.13575	38.11511	73.29829				
10	13.62540	38.19527	76.39054				
11	14.39764	41.17452	80.73436				
12	12.98482	37.00640	72.56158				
13	14.39249	39.29399	80.19182				
14	13.97246	37.69490	78.53103				
15	13.25818	35.69697	74.36868				
	GermSpeedCorrected_Normal	GermSpeedCorrected_Accumulated	WeightGermPercent	MeanGermPercent			
1	0.07673656	0.4326958	47.42857	5.714286			
2	0.07726134	0.4315642	47.89916	5.882353			
3	0.07340991	0.4085040	54.46429	6.696429			
4	0.07680397	0.4288937	52.24090	6.442577			
5	0.07623944	0.4271652	56.14286	6.857143			
6	0.07383855	0.4130508	54.51895	6.705539			
7	0.07369656	0.4158338	51.93452	6.250000			
8	0.07112480	0.3968068	49.39210	6.079027			
9	0.07893128	0.4404413	50.27473	6.181319			
10	0.07569665	0.4243919	52.57143	6.428571			

11		0.07801721		0.4374793	55.18207	6.722689
12		0.07675799		0.4289379	50.00000	6.162465
13		0.07352419		0.4096608	55.24781	6.851312
14		0.07316490		0.4112171	53.86905	6.547619
15		0.07273057		0.4079653	51.19048	6.250000
	MeanGermNumber	TimsonsIndex	TimsonsIndex_Labouriau	TimsonsIndex_KhanUngar	GermRateGeorge	
1	2.857143	8.000000	1.00	0.5714286		4
2	3.000000	9.803922	1.25	0.7002801		5
3	3.214286	14.583333	1.40	1.0416667		7
4	3.285714	7.843137	1.00	0.5602241		4
5	3.428571	10.000000	1.00	0.7142857		5
6	3.285714	6.122449	1.00	0.4373178		3
7	3.000000	8.333333	1.00	0.5952381		4
8	2.857143	10.638298	1.25	0.7598784		5
9	3.214286	9.615385	1.25	0.6868132		5
10	3.214286	8.000000	1.00	0.5714286		4
11	3.428571	9.803922	1.00	0.7002801		5
12	3.142857	5.882353	1.00	0.4201681		3
13	3.357143	8.163265	1.00	0.5830904		4
14	3.142857	6.250000	1.00	0.4464286		3
15	3.000000	8.333333	1.00	0.5952381		4
	GermIndex	GermIndex_mod	EmergenceRateIndex_Melville	EmergenceRateIndex_Melville_mod		
1	5.840000	7.300000	292		7.300000	
2	5.882353	7.142857	300		7.142857	
3	6.687500	7.133333	321		7.133333	
4	6.411765	7.108696	327		7.108696	
5	6.900000	7.187500	345		7.187500	
6	6.693878	7.130435	328		7.130435	
7	6.395833	7.309524	307		7.309524	
8	6.063830	7.125000	285		7.125000	
9	6.173077	7.133333	321		7.133333	
10	6.460000	7.177778	323		7.177778	
11	6.784314	7.208333	346		7.208333	
12	6.137255	7.113636	313		7.113636	
13	6.775510	7.063830	332		7.063830	
14	6.625000	7.227273	318		7.227273	
15	6.291667	7.190476	302		7.190476	
	EmergenceRateIndex_BilbroWanjura	EmergenceRateIndex_Fakorede	PeakValue	GermValue_Czabator		
1		5.970149	8.375000	9.500000		54.28571
2		6.125000	8.326531	9.313725		54.78662
3		6.553398	7.324444	10.416667		69.75446
4		6.675079	7.640359	10.049020		64.74158
5		7.045872	7.096354	11.250000		77.14286
6		6.696203	7.317580	10.714286		71.84506
7		6.277580	7.646259	10.416667		65.10417
8		5.818182	8.078125	9.574468		58.20345
9		6.553398	7.934815	9.855769		60.92165
10		6.596091	7.580247	10.250000		65.89286
11		7.067485	7.216146	11.029412		74.14731
12		6.389439	7.981921	9.803922		60.41632
13		6.776074	7.231326	10.969388		75.15470
14		6.496644	7.388430	10.677083		69.90947
15		6.167832	7.782313	10.156250		63.47656
	GermValue_DP	GermValue_Czabator_mod	GermValue_DP_mod	CUGerm	GermSynchrony	GermUncertainty

1	57.93890	54.28571	39.56076	0.7092199	0.2666667	2.062987
2	52.58713	54.78662	40.99260	0.5051546	0.2346109	2.321514
3	68.62289	69.75446	53.42809	0.3975265	0.2242424	2.462012
4	70.43331	64.74158	48.86825	0.4672113	0.2502415	2.279215
5	80.16914	77.14286	56.23935	0.4312184	0.2606383	2.146051
6	76.51983	71.84506	53.06435	0.4934701	0.2792271	2.160545
7	69.41325	65.10417	47.37690	0.7371500	0.2729384	2.040796
8	56.00669	58.20345	43.67948	0.4855842	0.2256410	2.357249
9	58.13477	60.92165	45.30801	0.4446640	0.2494949	2.321080
10	70.91875	65.89286	49.10820	0.5584666	0.2555556	2.187983
11	77.39782	74.14731	54.27520	0.4288905	0.2686170	2.128670
12	64.44988	60.41632	44.71582	0.4760266	0.2737844	2.185245
13	78.16335	75.15470	54.94192	0.4023679	0.2506938	2.241181
14	74.40140	69.90947	51.41913	0.5383760	0.2991543	2.037680
15	67.62031	63.47656	46.48043	0.6133519	0.2497096	2.185028

**FourPHFfit.bulk()** This wrapper function can be used to fit the four-parameter hill function for multiple samples in batch.

```
data(gcdata)

counts.per.intervals <- c("Day01", "Day02", "Day03", "Day04", "Day05",
                          "Day06", "Day07", "Day08", "Day09", "Day10",
                          "Day11", "Day12", "Day13", "Day14")

FourPHFfit.bulk(gcdata, total.seeds.col = "Total Seeds",
                counts.intervals.cols = counts.per.intervals,
                intervals = 1:14, partial = TRUE,
                fix.y0 = TRUE, fix.a = TRUE, xp = c(10, 60),
                tmax = 20, tries = 3, umax = 90, umin = 10)
```

	Genotype	Rep	Day01	Day02	Day03	Day04	Day05	Day06	Day07	Day08	Day09	Day10	Day11	Day12	Day13
1	G1	1	0	0	0	0	4	17	10	7	1	0	1	0	0
2	G2	1	0	0	0	1	3	15	13	6	2	1	0	1	0
3	G3	1	0	0	0	2	3	18	9	8	2	1	1	1	0
4	G4	1	0	0	0	0	4	19	12	6	2	1	1	1	0
5	G5	1	0	0	0	0	5	20	12	8	1	0	0	1	1
6	G1	2	0	0	0	0	3	21	11	7	1	1	1	1	0
7	G2	2	0	0	0	0	4	18	11	7	1	0	1	0	0
8	G3	2	0	0	0	1	3	14	12	6	2	1	0	1	0
9	G4	2	0	0	0	1	3	19	10	8	1	1	1	1	0
10	G5	2	0	0	0	0	4	18	13	6	2	1	0	1	0
11	G1	3	0	0	0	0	5	21	11	8	1	0	0	1	1
12	G2	3	0	0	0	0	3	20	10	7	1	1	1	1	0
13	G3	3	0	0	0	0	4	19	12	8	1	1	0	1	1
14	G4	3	0	0	0	0	3	21	11	6	1	0	1	1	0
15	G5	3	0	0	0	0	4	17	10	8	1	1	1	0	0
	Day14	Total Seeds	a	b	c	y0	lag	Dlag50	t50.total	t50.Germinated	TMGR				
1	0	50	80.00000	9.881947	6.034954	0	0	6.034954	6.355122	6.034954	5.912195				
2	0	51	82.35294	9.227667	6.175193	0	0	6.175193	6.473490	6.175193	6.031282				
3	0	48	93.75000	7.793055	6.138110	0	0	6.138110	6.244190	6.138110	5.938179				
4	0	51	90.19608	8.925668	6.125172	0	0	6.125172	6.276793	6.125172	5.972686				
5	0	50	96.00000	9.419194	6.049641	0	0	6.049641	6.103433	6.049641	5.914289				
6	0	49	93.87755	9.450187	6.097412	0	0	6.097412	6.182276	6.097412	5.961877				
7	0	48	87.50000	10.172466	6.029851	0	0	6.029851	6.202812	6.029851	5.914057				

8	0	47	85.10638	8.940702	6.189774	0	0	6.189774	6.439510	6.189774	6.036193
9	0	52	86.53846	8.617395	6.125121	0	0	6.125121	6.352172	6.125121	5.961631
10	0	50	90.00000	9.608849	6.109503	0	0	6.109503	6.253042	6.109503	5.978115
11	0	51	94.11765	9.400248	6.018759	0	0	6.018759	6.099434	6.018759	5.883558
12	0	51	86.27451	9.162558	6.108449	0	0	6.108449	6.326181	6.108449	5.964079
13	0	49	95.91837	8.995233	6.149011	0	0	6.149011	6.207500	6.149011	5.998270
14	0	48	91.66667	10.391898	6.015907	0	0	6.015907	6.122385	6.015907	5.905179
15	0	48	87.50000	9.136762	6.121580	0	0	6.121580	6.317392	6.121580	5.976088
	AUC	MGT	Skewness								msg isConv
1	1108.975	6.632252	1.098973	#1. Relative error in the sum of squares is at most `ftol'.							TRUE
2	1128.559	6.784407	1.098655	#1. Relative error in the sum of squares is at most `ftol'.							TRUE
3	1283.693	6.772742	1.103392	#1. Relative error in the sum of squares is at most `ftol'.							TRUE
4	1239.887	6.739665	1.100323	#1. Relative error in the sum of squares is at most `ftol'.							TRUE
5	1328.328	6.654980	1.100062	#1. Relative error in the sum of squares is at most `ftol'.							TRUE
6	1294.463	6.702470	1.099232	#1. Relative error in the sum of squares is at most `ftol'.							TRUE
7	1213.908	6.622417	1.098272	#1. Relative error in the sum of squares is at most `ftol'.							TRUE
8	1164.346	6.804000	1.099232	#1. Relative error in the sum of squares is at most `ftol'.							TRUE
9	1188.793	6.745241	1.101242	#1. Relative error in the sum of squares is at most `ftol'.							TRUE
10	1240.227	6.711899	1.098600	#1. Relative error in the sum of squares is at most `ftol'.							TRUE
11	1305.200	6.624247	1.100600	#1. Relative error in the sum of squares is at most `ftol'.							TRUE
12	1188.021	6.718636	1.099892	#1. Relative error in the sum of squares is at most `ftol'.							TRUE
13	1316.407	6.762272	1.099733	#1. Relative error in the sum of squares is at most `ftol'.							TRUE
14	1273.386	6.604963	1.097916	#1. Relative error in the sum of squares is at most `ftol'.							TRUE
15	1203.664	6.732267	1.099760	#1. Relative error in the sum of squares is at most `ftol'.							TRUE
	txp.total_10	txp.total_60	Uniformity_90	Uniformity_10	Uniformity						
1	4.956266	6.744598	7.537688	4.831809	2.705880						
2	4.983236	6.872603	7.835407	4.866755	2.968652						
3	4.673022	6.608437	8.137340	4.630062	3.507277						
4	4.850876	6.614967	7.834806	4.788598	3.046208						
5	4.814126	6.386788	7.639025	4.790947	2.848078						
6	4.868635	6.477594	7.693458	4.832474	2.860984						
7	4.930423	6.510495	7.483642	4.858477	2.625165						
8	4.940058	6.823299	7.914162	4.841106	3.073056						
9	4.836659	6.733275	7.904040	4.746574	3.157466						
10	4.920629	6.566505	7.679176	4.860681	2.818494						
11	4.798630	6.391288	7.603603	4.764249	2.839354						
12	4.893597	6.684521	7.763844	4.806015	2.957830						
13	4.841310	6.509952	7.850339	4.816395	3.033943						
14	4.915143	6.397486	7.432360	4.869401	2.562960						
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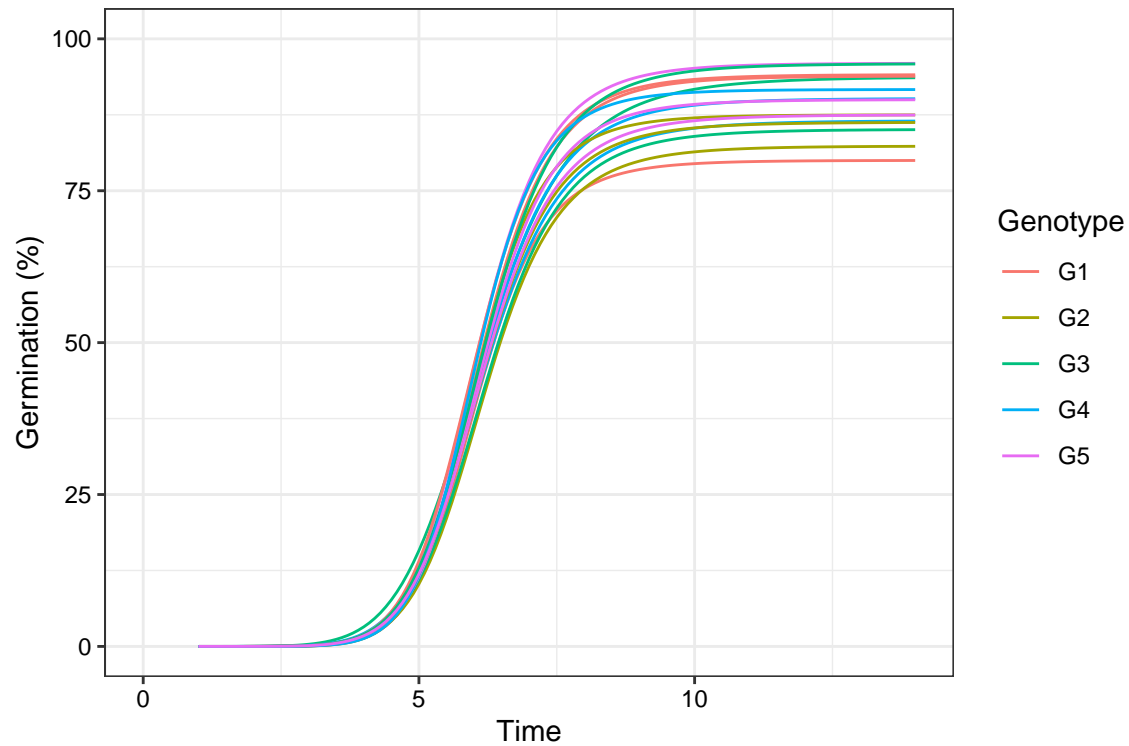
Multiple fitted curves generated in batch can also be plotted.

```
data(gcdata)
```

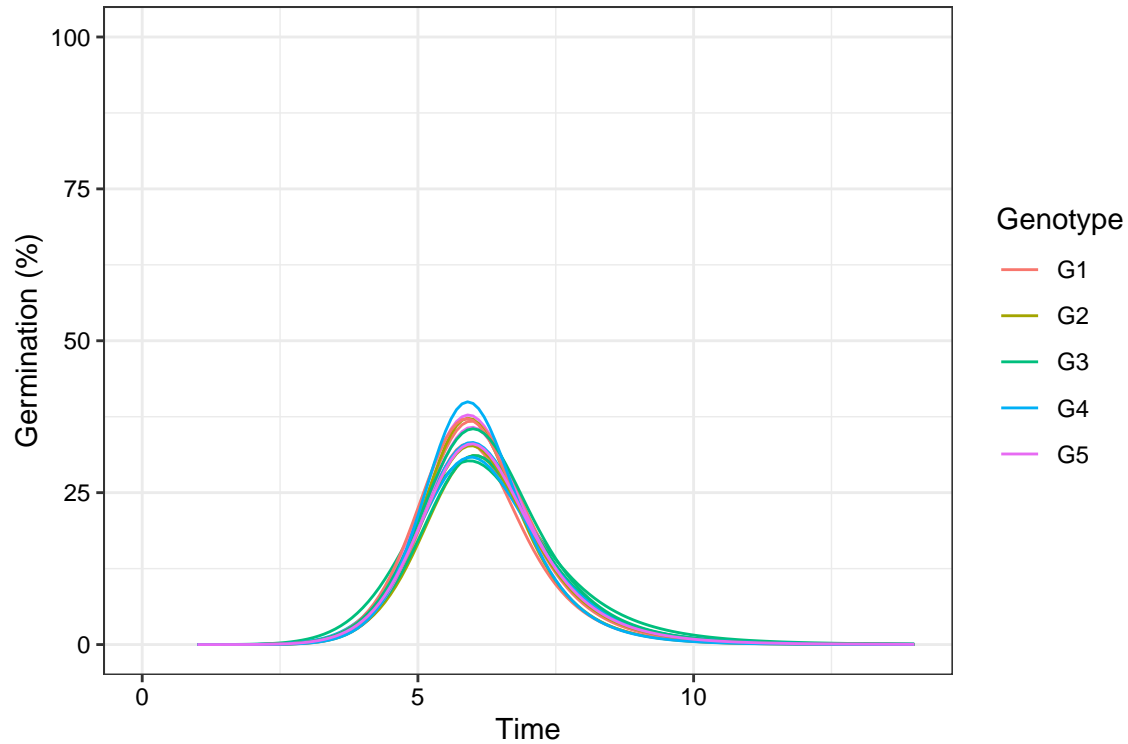
```
counts.per.intervals <- c("Day01", "Day02", "Day03", "Day04", "Day05",
                          "Day06", "Day07", "Day08", "Day09", "Day10",
                          "Day11", "Day12", "Day13", "Day14")
```

```
fits <- FourPHFfit.bulk(gcdata, total.seeds.col = "Total Seeds",
                        counts.intervals.cols = counts.per.intervals,
                        intervals = 1:14, partial = TRUE,
                        fix.y0 = TRUE, fix.a = TRUE, xp = c(10, 60),
                        tmax = 20, tries = 3, umax = 90, umin = 10)
```

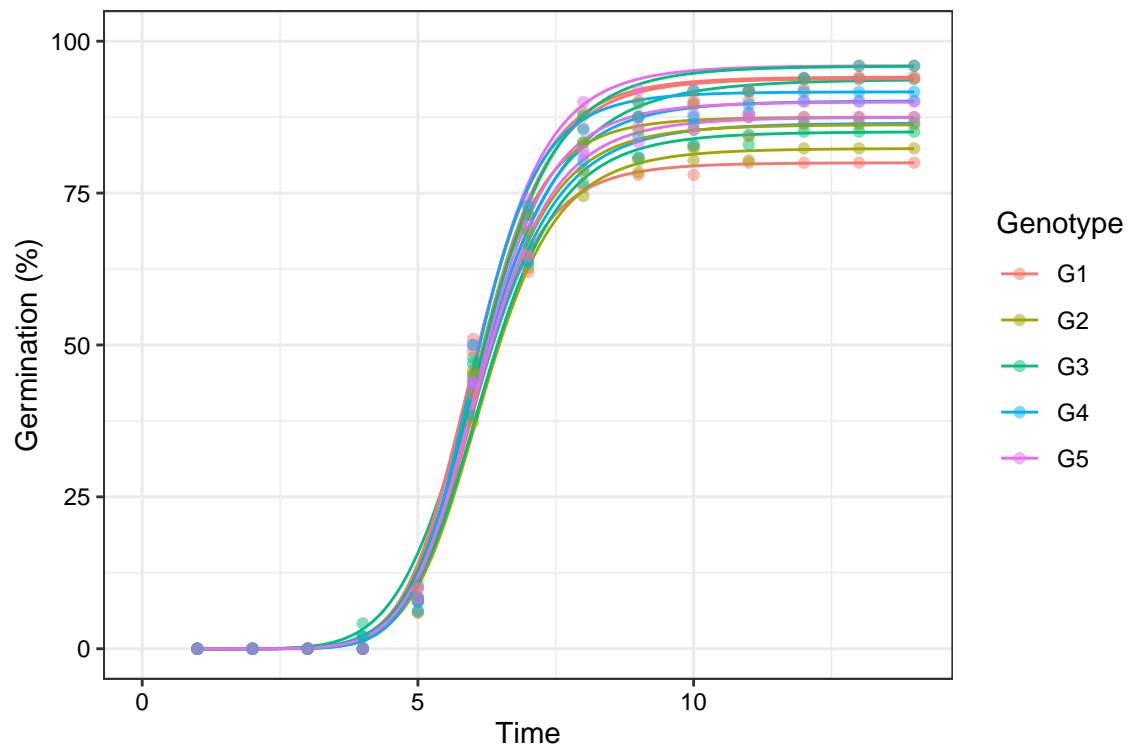
```
# Plot FPHF curves  
plot(fits, group.col = "Genotype")
```



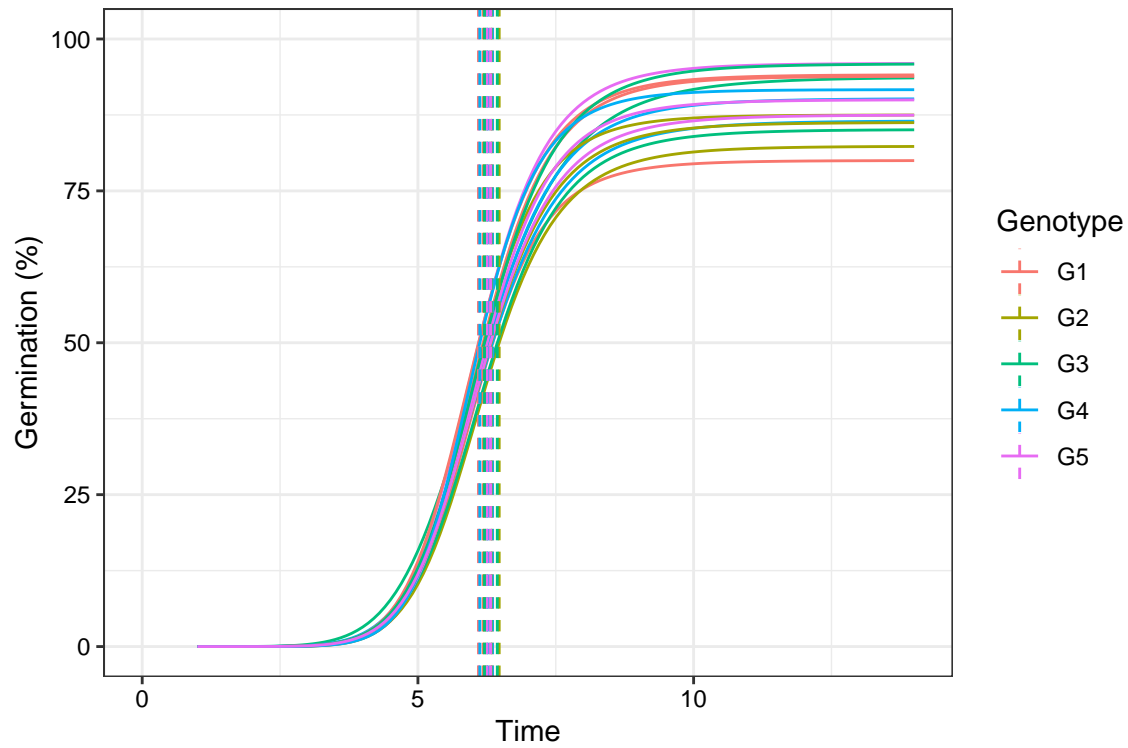
```
# Plot ROG curves  
plot(fits, rog = TRUE, group.col = "Genotype")
```



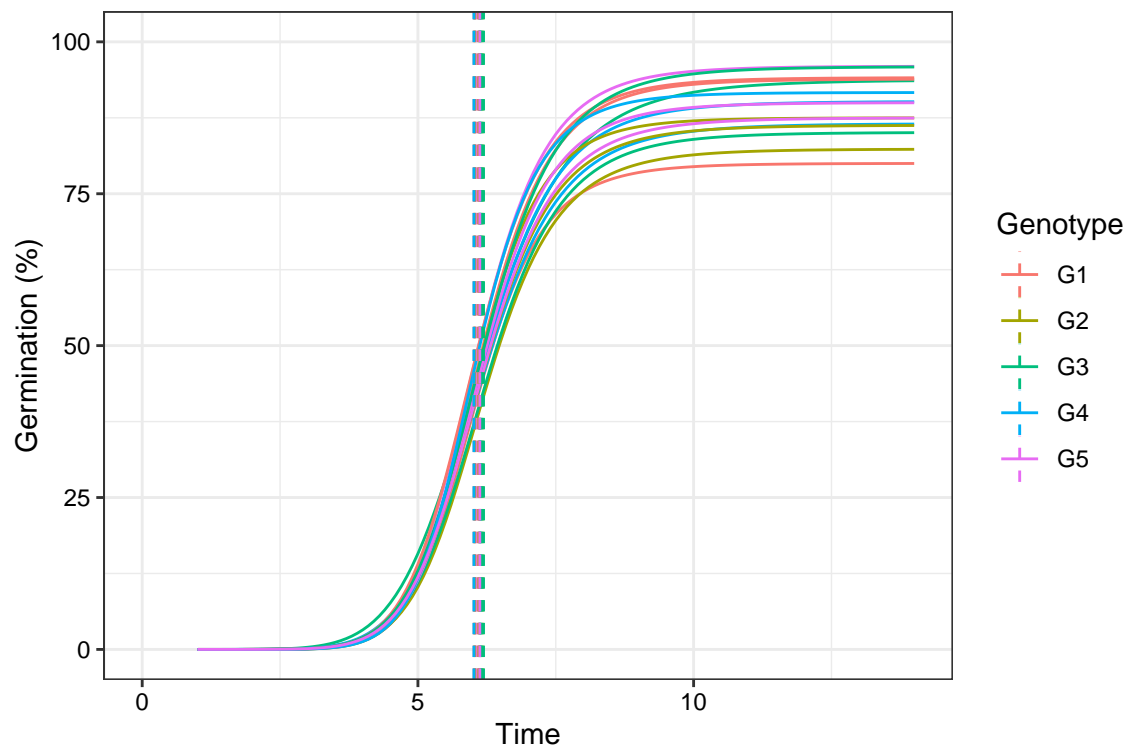
```
# Plot FPHF curves with points
plot(fits, group.col = "Genotype", show.points = TRUE)
```



```
# Plot FPHF curves with annotations
plot(fits, group.col = "Genotype", annotate = "t50.total")
```

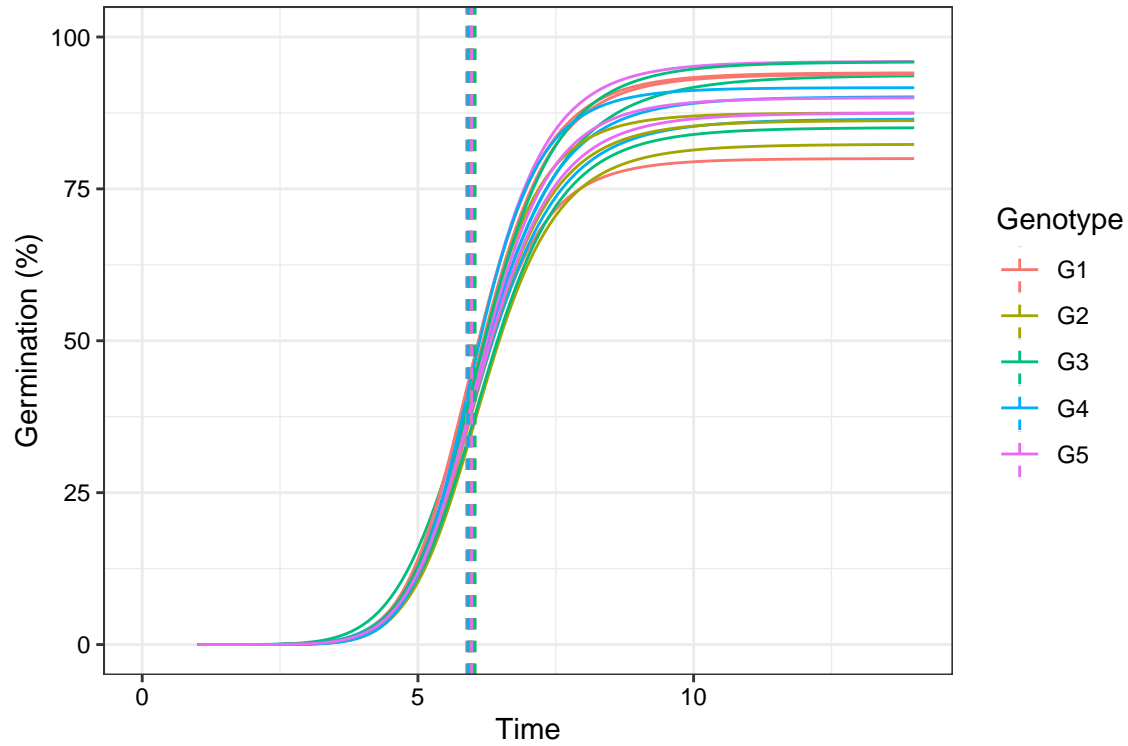


```
plot(fits, group.col = "Genotype", annotate = "t50.germ")
```

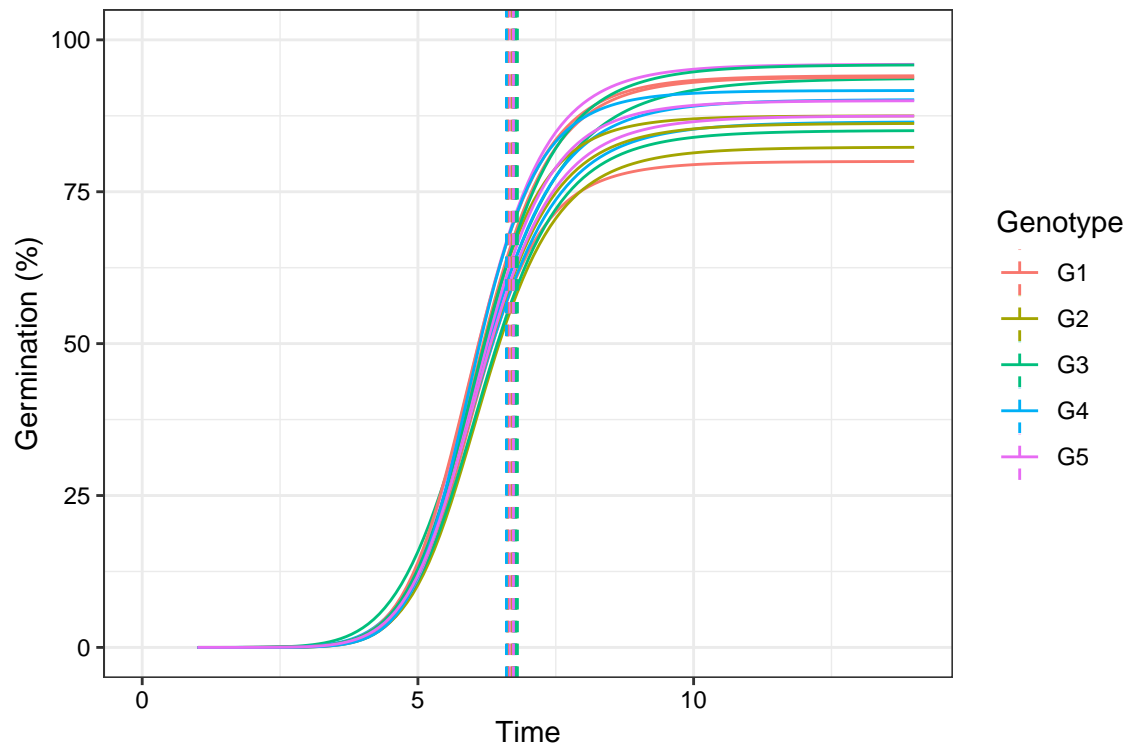


```
plot(fits, group.col = "Genotype", annotate = "tmgr")
```





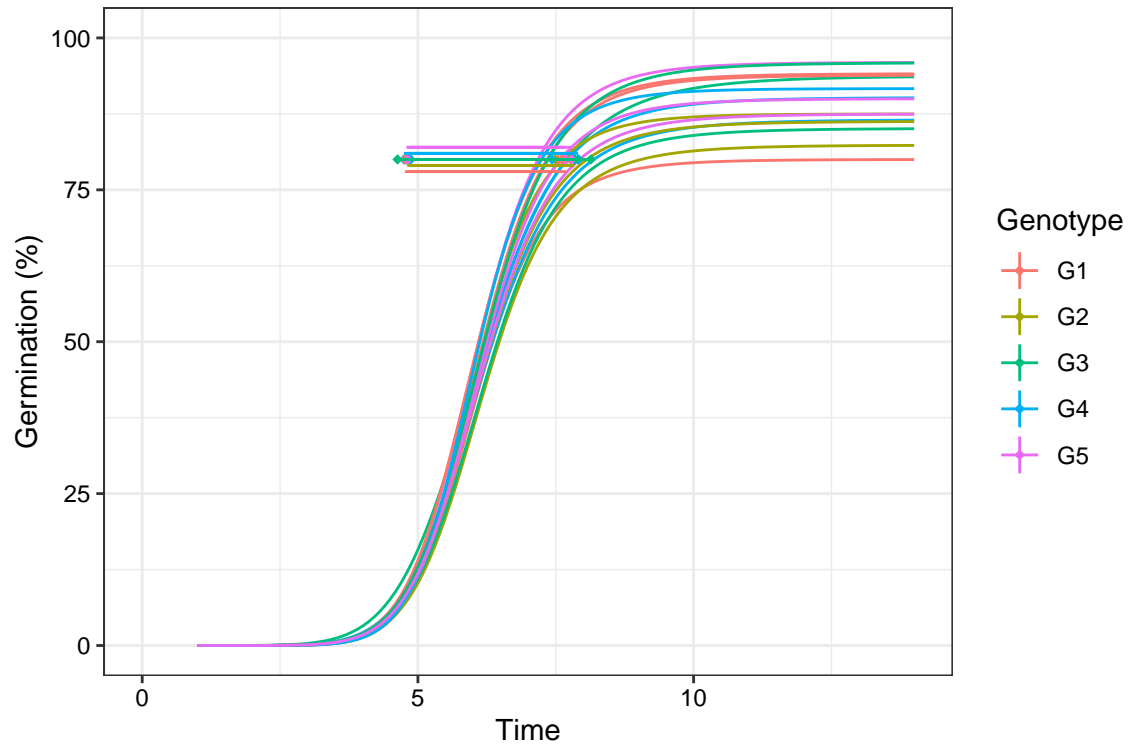
```
plot(fits, group.col = "Genotype", annotate = "mgt")
```



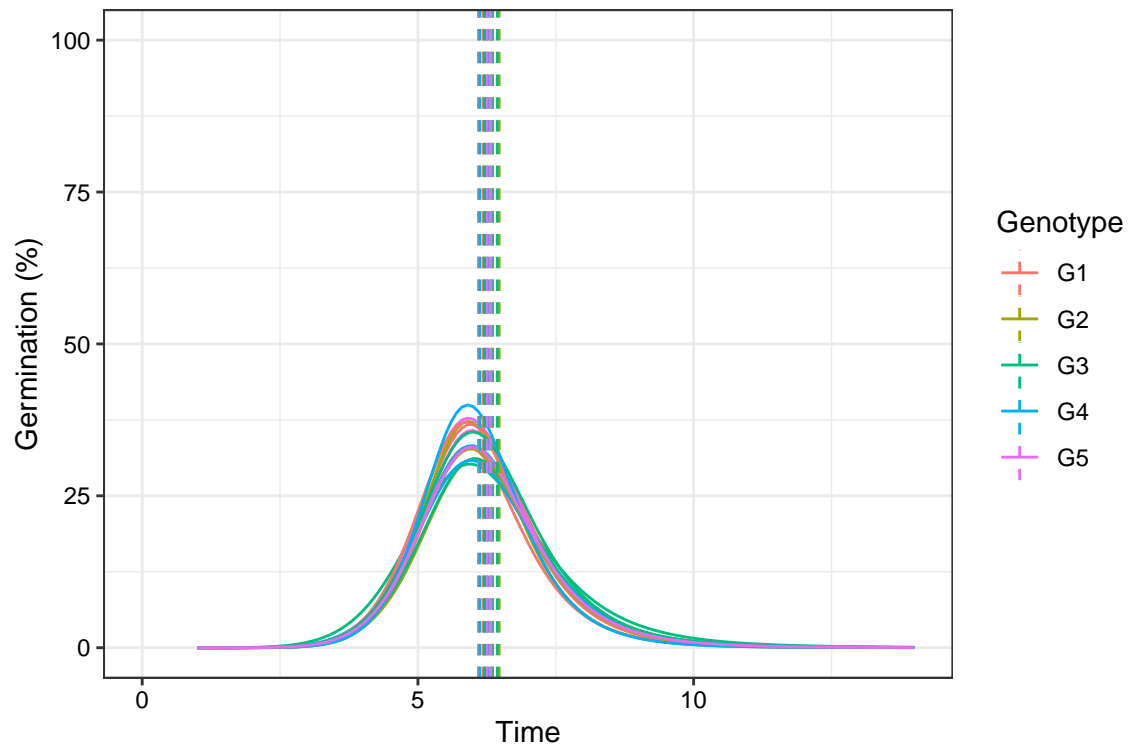
```
plot(fits, group.col = "Genotype", annotate = "uniformity")
```

Warning: position\_dodge requires non-overlapping x intervals

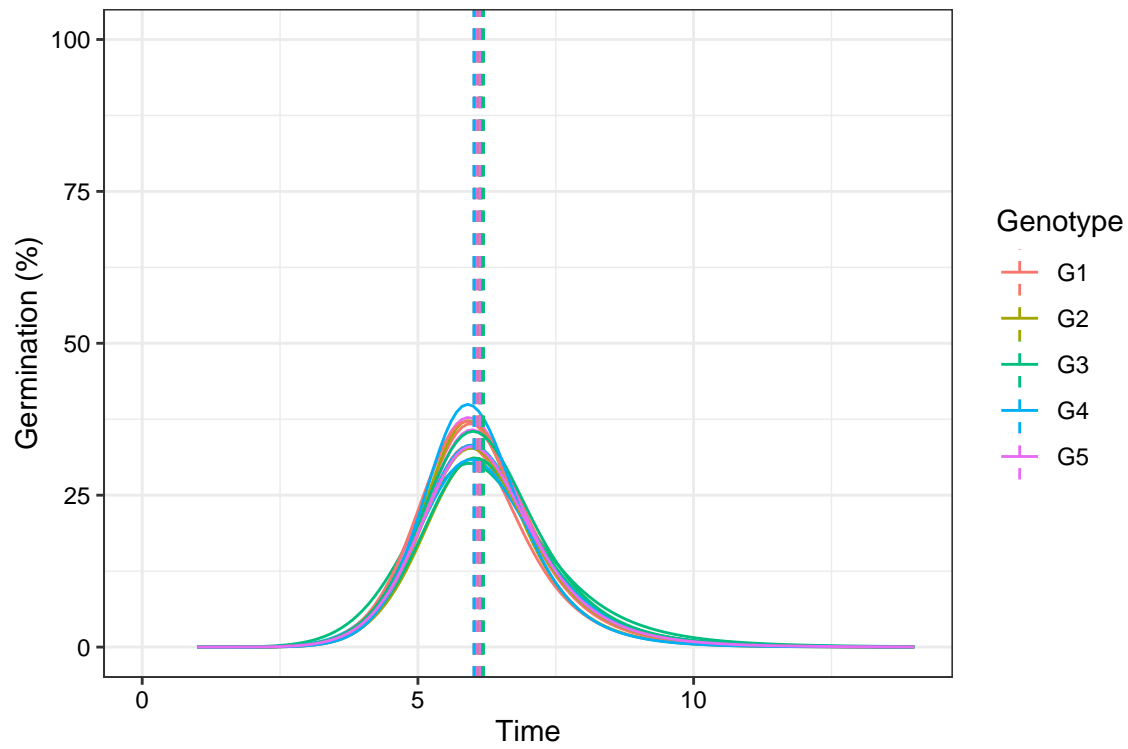
Warning: `position_dodge` requires non-overlapping x intervals



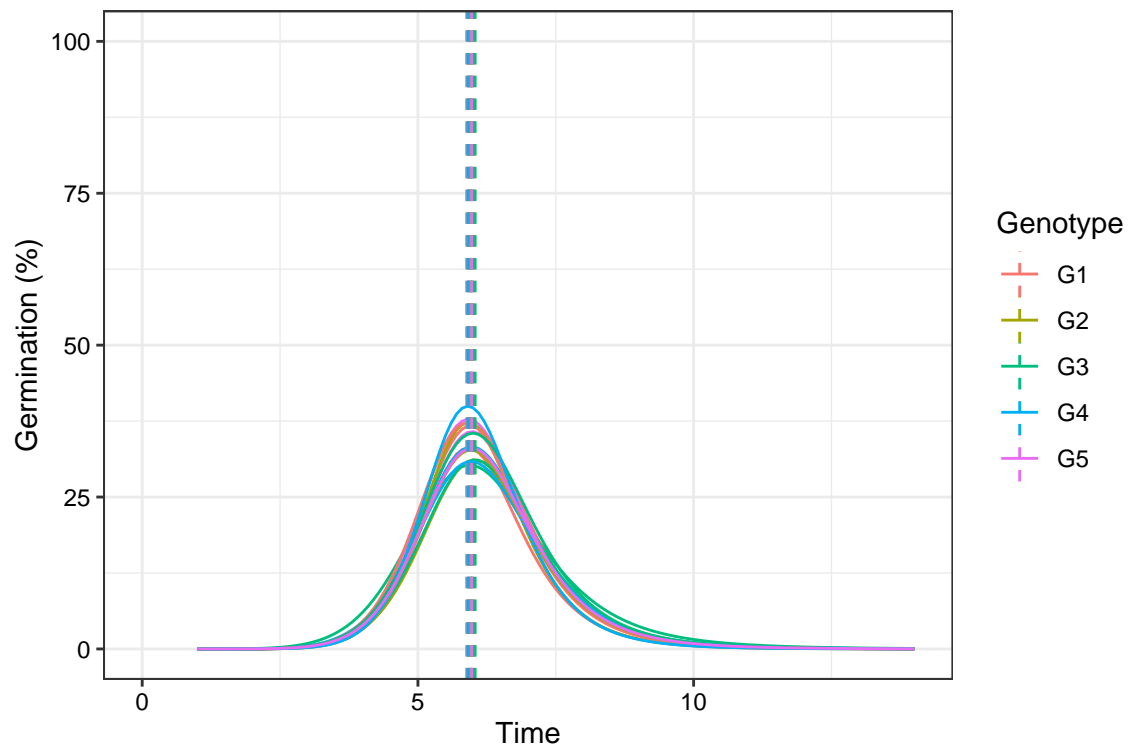
```
# Plot ROG curves with annotations
plot(fits, rog = TRUE, group.col = "Genotype", annotate = "t50.total")
```



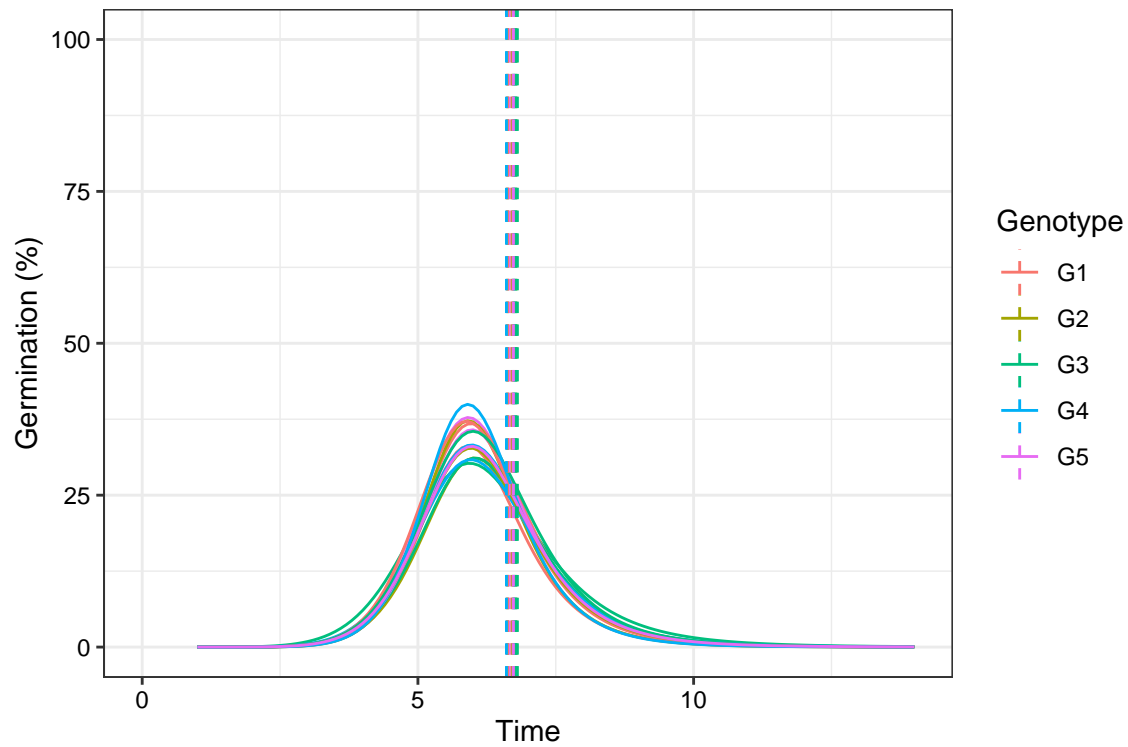
```
plot(fits, rog = TRUE, group.col = "Genotype", annotate = "t50.germ")
```



```
plot(fits, rog = TRUE, group.col = "Genotype", annotate = "tmgr")
```



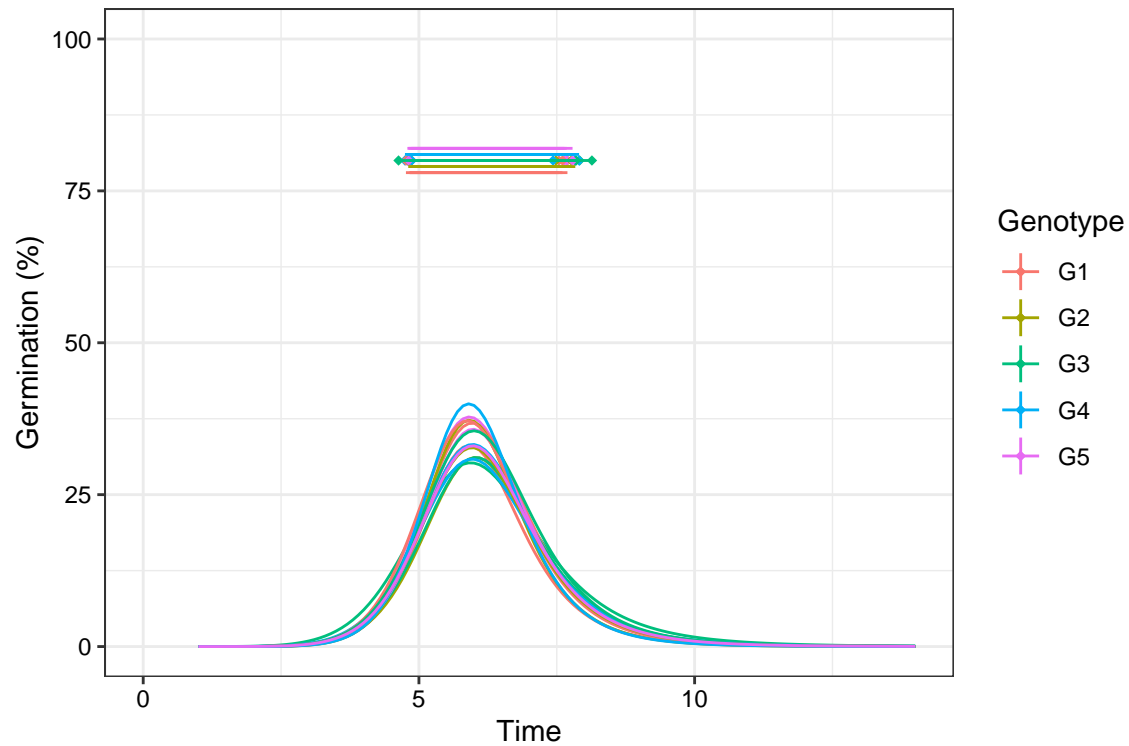
```
plot(fits, rog = TRUE, group.col = "Genotype", annotate = "mgt")
```



```
plot(fits, rog = TRUE, group.col = "Genotype", annotate = "uniformity")
```

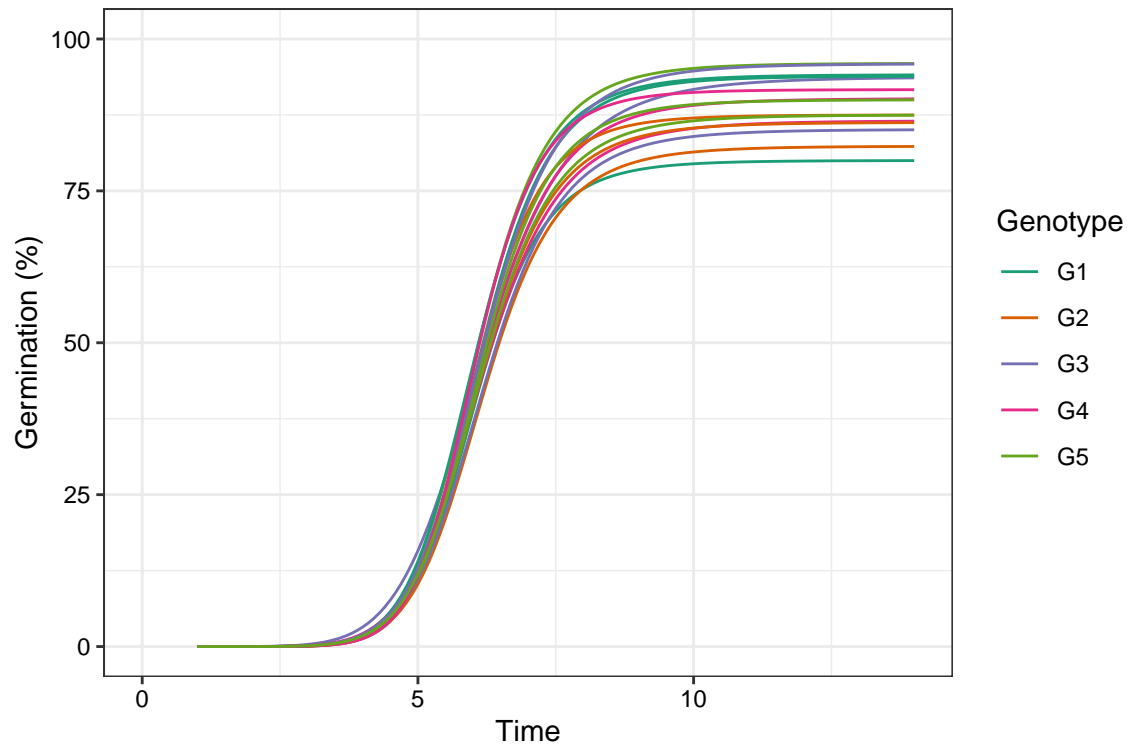
Warning: position\_dodge requires non-overlapping x intervals

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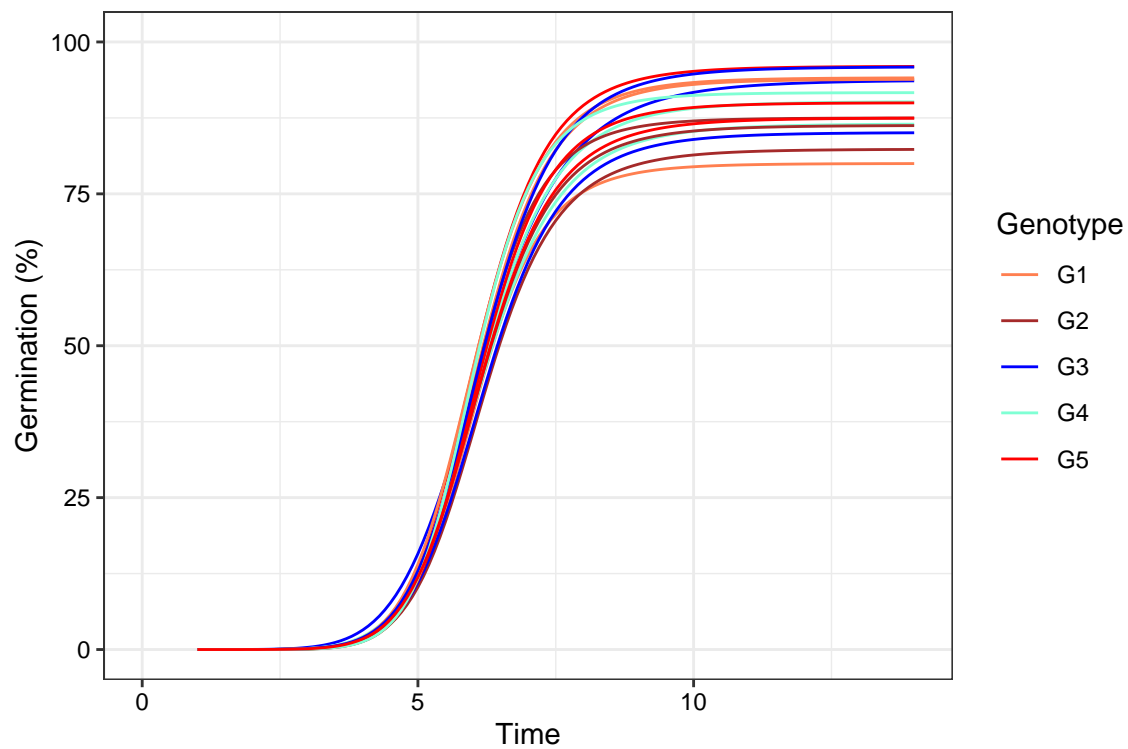


```
# Change colour of curves using ggplot2 options
library(ggplot2)
curvesplot <- plot(fits, group.col = "Genotype")

# 'Dark2' palette from RColorBrewer
curvesplot + scale_colour_brewer(palette = "Dark2")
```



```
# Manual colours
curvesplot +
  scale_colour_manual(values = c("Coral", "Brown", "Blue",
    "Aquamarine", "Red"))
```



## Citing `germinationmetrics`

To cite the R package '`germinationmetrics`' in publications use:

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<https://github.com/aravind-j/germinationmetrics><https://cran.r-project.org/package=germinationmetrics>.

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  note = {https://github.com/aravind-j/germinationmetrics},
  note = {https://cran.r-project.org/package=germinationmetrics},
}
```

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## Session Info

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sessionInfo()
```

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R Under development (unstable) (2021-02-03 r79933)
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