

# Package ‘growthfd’

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## Description

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| growthfd | <i>Fit a FPCA Growth Curve Model to a population</i> |
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## Description

This function fits a model to the given measured data of a population.

## Usage

```
growthfd(
  data,
  x,
  y,
  id,
  model,
  verbose = 1,
  bounds = "negative",
  filename = "",
  startFromId = NULL,
  parallel = F,
  scores.filename = "parallel.txt"
)
```

## Arguments

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| data     | Data frame containing age, height and id of individuals                       |
| x        | Age at measured data points   |
| y        | Height at measured data points  |
| id       | Corresponding individual's id at measured data points                         |
| model    | FPCA growth model to be fitted  |
| verbose  | Verbosity   |
| bounds   | Limitation of the interval for milestones estimation, 'negative' or 'inverse' |
| filename | File name for saving results after each individual                            |

startFromId      Start the evaluation from this id

parallel          (Experimental) Parallel evaluation of the model fitting

scores.filename      File name for continuous saving of the scores

## Value

List containing individuals id and model

## Examples

```
filename <- system.file("extdata", "data.csv", package="growthfd", mustWork=TRUE)
csv <- read.csv(filename)
d <- data.frame('id'=as.factor(csv[, 'id']), 'x'=csv[, 'age'], 'y'=csv[, 'height'])
fit<-growthfd(data=d, x=x, y=y, id=id, model=model.bgs.m)
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| growthfd.apv | <i>Compute apv of model instance</i> |
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## Description

This function computes apv related to the certain instance of the model described by the given parameters.

## Usage

```
growthfd.apv(model, par)
```

## Arguments

model              FPCA growth model

par                Params of the model, corresponding to some individual

## Value

Age of maximum growth velocity

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growthfd.ApvRegVelocity

*Register a velocity curve at population apv*


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### Description

This function registers a curve corresponding to the supplied parameters onto the population apv.

### Usage

```
growthfd.ApvRegVelocity(model, par, verbose = F)
```

### Arguments

|       |  |
|-------|--|
| model | FPCA growth model                                    |
| par   | Params of the model, corresponding to the individual |

### Value

Velocity at apv data frame

### Examples

```
filename <- system.file("extdata", "data.csv", package="growthfd", mustWork=TRUE)
csv <- read.csv(filename)
d <- data.frame('id'=as.factor(csv[, 'id']), 'x'=csv[, 'age'], 'y'=csv[, 'height'])
m <- d$id == 'John'
fit <- growthfd.fit(model.bgs.m, age=d$x[m], height=d$y[m])
data<-growthfd.ApvRegVelocity(model.bgs.m, fit$par)
```

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growthfd.evaluate

*Generate a Discrete Growth Curve*


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### Description

This function evaluates a curve function for given ages. Depending on a degree of derivation, the function produces stature, velocity or acceleration curve.

### Usage

```
growthfd.evaluate(x, par, model, deriv = 0)
```

### Arguments

|       |                         |
|-------|-------------------------|
| x     | Ages to be evaluated    |
| par   | Parameters of the model |
| model | FPCA growth model       |
| deriv | Path to the input file  |

### Value

Y-values of the evaluated curve

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| growthfd.fit | <i>Fit a FPCA Growth Curve Model to measurements of a single individual</i> |
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**Description**

This function fits a model to the given measured data of a single individual.

**Usage**

```
growthfd.fit(model, age, height, nprint = 1)
```

**Arguments**

|        |                                   |
|--------|-----------------------------------|
| model  | FPCA growth model to be fitted    |
| age    | Age at measured data points       |
| height | Height at at measured data points |
| nprint | Verbosity                         |

**Value**

An optimization result object

**Examples**

```
age <- c(6.9, 8.2, 10, 12.1)
height <- c(114, 122, 130, 141)
fit <- growthfd.fit(model.bgs.m, age=c(6.9, 8.2, 10, 12.1), height=c(114, 122, 130, 141))
x11()
growthfd.plot(model.bgs.m, fit$par)
points(age, height)
x11()
growthfd.plot(model.bgs.m, fit$par, from=0.5, deriv = 1)
x11()
growthfd.plot(model.bgs.m, fit$par, from=0.5, deriv = 2)
```

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| growthfd.modelPars | <i>Standardized model scores</i> |
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**Description**

This function returns model parameters for the individuals used for training the model.

**Usage**

```
growthfd.modelPars(model)
```

**Arguments**

|       |                         |
|-------|-------------------------|
| model | FPCA-based growth model |
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**Value**

Matrix containing the scores

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| growthfd.plot | <i>Plot a Growth Curve</i> |
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**Description**

This function plots a stature, velocity or acceleration curve.

**Usage**

```
growthfd.plot(model, par, deriv = 0, from = 0, to = 18)
```

**Arguments**

|       |                         |
|-------|-------------------------|
| model | FPCA growth model       |
| par   | Parameters of the model |
| deriv | Path to the input file  |
| from  | The lower age limit     |
| to    | The upper age limit     |

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| growthfd.plot.ApvRegVelocity | <i>Plot a velocity curve registered at apv</i> |
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**Description**

This function plots a velocity curve, registered at population (model) apv in comparison with the mean curve.

**Usage**

```
growthfd.plot.ApvRegVelocity(data)
```

**Arguments**

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| model | Data obtained using growthfd.ApvRegVelocity |
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**Value**

Velocity at apv plot

**Examples**

```

filename <- system.file("extdata", "data.csv", package="growthfd", mustWork=TRUE)
csv <- read.csv(filename)
d <- data.frame('id'=as.factor(csv[, 'id']), 'x'=csv[, 'age'], 'y'=csv[, 'height'])
m <- d$id == 'John'
fit <- growthfd.fit(model.bgs.m, age=d$x[m], height=d$y[m])
data<-growthfd.ApvRegVelocity(model.bgs.m, fit$par)
p<-growthfd.plot.ApvRegVelocity(data)
x11()
p

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growthfd.plot.RegVelocities

*Plot velocity boxplots registered on apv*


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**Description**

This function plots boxplots in time of measurements, after registration of the individual on population apv.

**Usage**

```
growthfd.plot.RegVelocities(model, par, ages, rndn = 0)
```

**Arguments**

|       |  |
|-------|--|
| model | Model  |
| par   | Parameters of the model fitted to the measurements |
| ages  | Ages of measurements points                        |
| rndn  | Count of random curves to be evaluated             |

**Value**

GGPlot2 plot

**Examples**

```

filename <- system.file("extdata", "data.csv", package="growthfd", mustWork=TRUE)
csv <- read.csv(filename)
d <- data.frame('id'=as.factor(csv[, 'id']), 'x'=csv[, 'age'], 'y'=csv[, 'height'])
m <- d$id == 'John'
fit <- growthfd.fit(model.bgs.m, age=d$x[m], height=d$y[m])
p<-growthfd.plot.RegVelocities(model.bgs.m, fit$par, d$x[m])
x11()
p

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| growthfd.residuals | <i>Compute residuals</i> |
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**Description**

This function computes residuals between measured stature data and data generated from the growth model.

**Usage**

```
growthfd.residuals(x, y, par, model)
```

**Arguments**

|       |  |
|-------|--|
| x     | Vector with input ages                 |
| y     | Vector with target height measurements |
| par   | Parameters of the model                |
| model | FPCA growth model                      |

**Value**

A vector of residuals

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| growthfd.std | <i>Generate a Curve Function</i> |
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**Description**

This function generates a growth curve function based on given model and parameters, describing the growth phase and amplitude.

**Usage**

```
growthfd.std(par, model)
```

**Arguments**

|       |                                |
|-------|--------------------------------|
| par   | Phase and amplitude parameters |
| model | FPCA growth model              |

**Value**

FDA function object



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| growthfd.warpfd | <i>Time warping function</i> |
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**Description**

This function returns the time warping function corresponding to supplied model and particular parameters.

**Usage**

```
growthfd.warpfd(par, model)
```

**Arguments**

|       |                         |
|-------|-------------------------|
| par   | Parameters of the model |
| model | FPCA growth model       |

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| growthfd.warpfdInv | <i>Inverse time warping function</i> |
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**Description**

This function returns the *\*inverse\** time warping function corresponding to supplied model and particular parameters.

**Usage**

```
growthfd.warpfdInv(par, model)
```

**Arguments**

|       |                         |
|-------|-------------------------|
| par   | Parameters of the model |
| model | FPCA growth model       |

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| model.bgs.f | <i>FPCA model for girls</i> |
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**Description**

Model trained using 167 female individuals from Brno Growth Study (BGS).

**Usage**

```
model.bgs.f
```

**Format**

An object of class `list` of length 3.

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| model.bgs.m | <i>FPCA model for boys</i> |
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**Description**

Model trained using 167 male individuals from Brno Growth Study (BGS).

**Usage**

```
model.bgs.m
```

**Format**

An object of class `list` of length 3.

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