

coplot {graphics}

Conditioning Plots

Description

This function produces two variants of the **conditioning** plots discussed in the reference below.

Usage

```
coplot(formula, data, given.values, panel = points, rows, columns,
       show.given = TRUE, col = par("fg"), pch = par("pch"),
       bar.bg = c(num = gray(0.8), fac = gray(0.95)),
       xlab = c(x.name, paste("Given :", a.name)),
       ylab = c(y.name, paste("Given :", b.name)),
       subscripts = FALSE,
       axlabels = function(f) abbreviate(levels(f)),
       number = 6, overlap = 0.5, xlim, ylim, ...)
co.intervals(x, number = 6, overlap = 0.5)
```

Arguments

formula

a formula describing the form of conditioning plot. A formula of the form $y \sim x \mid a$ indicates that plots of y versus x should be produced conditional on the variable a . A formula of the form $y \sim x \mid a * b$ indicates that plots of y versus x should be produced conditional on the two variables a and b .

All three or four variables may be either numeric or factors. When x or y are factors, the result is almost as if `as.numeric()` was applied, whereas for factor a or b , the conditioning (and its graphics if `show.given` is true) are adapted.

data

a data frame containing values for any variables in the formula. By default the environment where `coplot` was called from is used.

given.values

a value or list of two values which determine how the conditioning on a and b is to take place.

When there is no b (i.e., conditioning only on a), usually this is a matrix with two columns each row of which gives an interval, to be conditioned on, but it can also be a single vector of numbers or a set of factor levels (if the variable being conditioned on is a factor). In this case (no b), the result of `co.intervals` can be used directly as `given.values` argument.

panel

a [function](#)(x , y , col , pch , ...) which gives the action to be carried out in each panel of the display. The default is `points`.

rows

the panels of the plot are laid out in a rows by columns array. `rows` gives the number of rows in the array.

columns

the number of columns in the panel layout array.

`show.given`

logical (possibly of length 2 for 2 conditioning variables): should conditioning plots be shown for the corresponding conditioning variables (default TRUE).

`col`

a vector of colors to be used to plot the points. If too short, the values are recycled.

`pch`

a vector of plotting symbols or characters. If too short, the values are recycled.

`bar.bg`

a named vector with components "num" and "fac" giving the background colors for the (shingle) bars, for **numeric** and **factor** conditioning variables respectively.

`xlab`

character; labels to use for the x axis and the first conditioning variable. If only one label is given, it is used for the x axis and the default label is used for the conditioning variable.

`ylab`

character; labels to use for the y axis and any second conditioning variable.

`subscripts`

logical: if true the panel function is given an additional (third) argument `subscripts` giving the subscripts of the data passed to that panel.

`axlabels`

function for creating axis (tick) labels when x or y are factors.

`number`

integer; the number of conditioning intervals, for a and b, possibly of length 2. It is only used if the corresponding conditioning variable is not a [factor](#).

`overlap`

numeric < 1 ; the fraction of overlap of the conditioning variables, possibly of length 2 for x and y direction. When $overlap < 0$, there will be *gaps* between the data slices.

`xlim`

the range for the x axis.

`ylim`

the range for the y axis.

...

additional arguments to the panel function.

`x`

a numeric vector.

Details

In the case of a single conditioning variable `a`, when both `rows` and `columns` are unspecified, a ‘close to square’ layout is chosen with `columns >= rows`.

In the case of multiple `rows`, the *order* of the panel plots is from the bottom and from the left (corresponding to increasing `a`, typically).

A panel function should not attempt to start a new plot, but just plot within a given coordinate system: thus `plot` and `boxplot` are not panel functions.

The rendering of arguments `xlab` and `ylab` is not controlled by [par](#) arguments `cex.lab` and `font.lab` even though they are plotted by [mtext](#) rather than [title](#).

Value

`co.intervals(., number, .)` returns a (number \times 2) [matrix](#), say `ci`, where `ci[k,]` is the [range](#) of `x` values for the `k`-th interval.

References

Chambers, J. M. (1992) *Data for models*. Chapter 3 of *Statistical Models in S* eds J. M. Chambers and T. J. Hastie, Wadsworth & Brooks/Cole.

Cleveland, W. S. (1993) *Visualizing Data*. New Jersey: Summit Press.

See Also

[pairs](#), [panel.smooth](#), [points](#).

Examples

```
## Tonga Trench Earthquakes
coplot(lat ~ long | depth, data = quakes)
given.depth <- co.intervals(quakes$depth, number = 4, overlap = .1)
coplot(lat ~ long | depth, data = quakes, given.v = given.depth, rows = 1)

## Conditioning on 2 variables:
ll.dm <- lat ~ long | depth * mag
coplot(ll.dm, data = quakes)
coplot(ll.dm, data = quakes, number = c(4, 7), show.given = c(TRUE, FALSE))
coplot(ll.dm, data = quakes, number = c(3, 7),
       overlap = c(-.5, .1)) # negative overlap DROPS values

## given two factors
Index <- seq(length = nrow(warpbreaks)) # to get nicer default labels
coplot(breaks ~ Index | wool * tension, data = warpbreaks,
       show.given = 0:1)
coplot(breaks ~ Index | wool * tension, data = warpbreaks,
       col = "red", bg = "pink", pch = 21,
       bar.bg = c(fac = "light blue"))

## Example with empty panels:
with(data.frame(state.x77), {
  coplot(Life.Exp ~ Income | Illiteracy * state.region, number = 3,
        panel = function(x, y, ...) panel.smooth(x, y, span = .8, ...))
  ## y ~ factor -- not really sensible, but 'show off':
  coplot(Life.Exp ~ state.region | Income * state.division,
        panel = panel.smooth)
})
```

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