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autoplot	<i>Generate automatic plots for objects generated in biometryassist</i>
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### Description

Generate automatic plots for objects generated in biometryassist

### Usage

```
autoplot(object, ...)

## S3 method for class 'mct'
autoplot(
  object,
  size = 4,
  label_height = 0.1,
```

```

    rotation = 0,
    axis_rotation = rotation,
    label_rotation = rotation,
    type = "point",
    ...
)

## S3 method for class 'design'
autoplot(
  object,
  rotation = 0,
  size = 4,
  margin = FALSE,
  palette = "default",
  buffer = NULL,
  row = NULL,
  column = NULL,
  block = NULL,
  treatments = NULL,
  ...
)

```

### Arguments

object	An object to create a plot for. Currently objects from the <a href="#">multiple_comparisons()</a> or <a href="#">design()</a> functions with class "mct" or "design" respectively are supported.
...	Arguments passed to methods.
size	Increase or decrease the text size within the plot for treatment labels. Numeric with default value of 4.
label_height	Height of the text labels above the upper error bar on the plot. Default is 0.1 (10%) of the difference between upper and lower error bars above the top error bar. Values > 1 are interpreted as the actual value above the upper error bar.
rotation	Rotate the x axis labels and the treatment group labels within the plot. Allows for easier reading of long axis or treatment labels. Number between 0 and 360 (inclusive) - default 0
axis_rotation	Enables rotation of the x axis independently of the group labels within the plot.
label_rotation	Enables rotation of the treatment group labels independently of the x axis labels within the plot.
type	A string specifying the type of plot to display. The default of 'point' will display a point estimate with error bars. The alternative, 'column' (or 'col'), will display a column graph with error bars.
margin	Logical (default FALSE). A value of FALSE will expand the plot to the edges of the plotting area i.e. remove white space between plot and axes.
palette	A string specifying the colour scheme to use for plotting or a vector of custom colours to use as the palette. Default is equivalent to "Spectral". Colour blind friendly palettes can also be provided via options "colour blind" (or "color

blind", both equivalent to "viridis"), "magma", "inferno", "plasma", "cividis", "rocket", "mako" or "turbo". Other palettes from `scales::brewer_pal()` are also possible.

buffer	A string specifying the buffer plots to include for plotting. Default is NULL (no buffers plotted). Other options are "edge" (outer edge of trial area), "rows" (between rows), "columns" (between columns), "double row" (a buffer row each side of a treatment row) or "double column" (a buffer row each side of a treatment column). "blocks" (a buffer around each treatment block) will be implemented in a future release.
row	A variable to plot a column from object as rows.
column	A variable to plot a column from object as columns.
block	A variable to plot a column from object as blocks.
treatments	A variable to plot a column from object as treatments.

**Value**

A ggplot2 object.

**See Also**

[multiple\\_comparisons\(\)](#) and [design\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
dat.aov <- aov(Petal.Width ~ Species, data = iris)
output <- multiple_comparisons(dat.aov, classify = "Species")
autoplot(output, label_height = 0.5)
des.out <- design(type = "crd", treatments = c(1, 5, 10, 20),
  reps = 5, nrows = 4, ncols = 5, seed = 42, plot = FALSE)
autoplot(des.out)

# Colour blind friendly colours
autoplot(des.out, palette = "colour-blind")

# Alternative colour scheme
autoplot(des.out, palette = "plasma")

# Custom colour palette
autoplot(des.out, palette = c("#ef746a", "#3fbfc5", "#81ae00", "#c37cff"))
```

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design	<i>Create a complete experimental design with graph of design layout and skeletal ANOVA table</i>
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**Description**

Create a complete experimental design with graph of design layout and skeletal ANOVA table

**Usage**

```

design(
  type,
  treatments,
  reps,
  nrows,
  ncols,
  brows = NA,
  bcols = NA,
  byrow = TRUE,
  sub_treatments = NULL,
  fac.names = NULL,
  fac.sep = c("", " "),
  plot = TRUE,
  rotation = 0,
  size = 4,
  margin = FALSE,
  save = FALSE,
  savename = paste0(type, "_design"),
  plottype = "pdf",
  seed = TRUE,
  quiet = FALSE,
  ...
)

```

**Arguments**

<code>type</code>	The type of design. Supported design types are <code>crd</code> , <code>rcbd</code> , <code>lsd</code> , <code>crossed</code> : <code>&lt;type&gt;</code> where <code>&lt;type&gt;</code> is one of the previous types, and <code>split</code> . See Details for more information.
<code>treatments</code>	A vector containing the treatment names or labels.
<code>reps</code>	The number of replicates. Ignored for Latin Square Designs.
<code>nrows</code>	The number of rows in the design.
<code>ncols</code>	The number of columns in the design.
<code>brows</code>	For RCBD and Split Plot designs. The number of rows in a block.
<code>bcols</code>	For RCBD and Split Plot designs. The number of columns in a block.
<code>byrow</code>	For split-plot only. Logical (default TRUE). Provides a way to arrange plots within whole-plots when there are multiple possible arrangements.
<code>sub_treatments</code>	A vector of treatments for sub-plots in a split plot design.
<code>fac.names</code>	Allows renaming of the A level of factorial designs (i.e. those using <code>agricolae::design.ab()</code> ) by passing (optionally named) vectors of new labels to be applied to the factors within a list. See examples and details for more information.
<code>fac.sep</code>	The separator used by <code>fac.names</code> . Used to combine factorial design levels. If a vector of 2 levels is supplied, the first separates factor levels and label, and the second separates the different factors.

plot	Logical (default TRUE). If TRUE, display a plot of the generated design. A plot can always be produced later using <code>autoplot()</code> .
rotation	Rotate the text output as Treatments within the plot. Allows for easier reading of long treatment labels. Takes positive and negative values being number of degrees of rotation from horizontal.
size	Increase or decrease the text size within the plot for treatment labels. Numeric with default value of 4.
margin	Logical (default FALSE). Expand the plot to the edges of the plotting area i.e. remove white space between plot and axes.
save	One of FALSE (default)/"none", TRUE/"both", "plot" or "workbook". Specifies which output to save.
savename	A file name for the design to be saved to. Default is the type of the design combined with "_design".
plottype	The type of file to save the plot as. Usually one of "pdf", "png", or "jpg". See <code>ggplot2::ggsave()</code> for all possible options.
seed	Logical (default TRUE). If TRUE, return the seed used to generate the design. If a numeric value, use that value as the seed for the design.
quiet	Logical (default FALSE). Hide the output.
...	Additional parameters passed to <code>ggplot2::ggsave()</code> for saving the plot.

### Details

The designs currently supported by `type` are Completely Randomised designs (`crd`), Randomised Complete Block designs (`rcbd`), Latin Square Designs (`lsd`), Factorial with crossed structure (use `crossed:<type>` where `<type>` is one of the previous types e.g. `crossed:crd`) and Split Plot designs (`split`). Nested factorial designs are supported through manual setup, see Examples.

If `save = TRUE` (or "both"), both the plot and the workbook will be saved to the current working directory, with filename given by `savename`. If one of either "plot" or "workbook" is specified, only that output is saved. If `save = FALSE` (the default, or equivalently "none"), nothing will be output.

`fac.names` can be supplied to provide more intuitive names for factors and their levels in factorial and split plot designs. They can be specified in a list format, for example `fac.names = list(A_names = c("a", "b", "c"), B_names = c("x", "y", "z"))`. This will result a design output with a column named `A_names` with levels `a`, `b`, `c` and another named `B_names` with levels `x`, `y`, `z`. Labels can also be supplied as a character vector (e.g. `c("A", "B")`) which will result in only the treatment column names being renamed. Only the first two elements of the list will be used, except in the case of a 3-way factorial design.

... allows extra arguments to be passed to `ggsave()` for output of the plot. The details of possible arguments can be found in `ggplot2::ggsave()`.

### Value

A list containing a data frame with the complete design (`$design`), a `ggplot` object with plot layout (`$plot.des`), the seed (`$seed`, if `return.seed = TRUE`), and the `satab` object (`$satab`), allowing repeat output of the `satab` table via `cat(output$satab)`.

**Examples**

```

# Completely Randomised Design
des.out <- design(type = "crd", treatments = c(1, 5, 10, 20),
                 reps = 5, nrows = 4, ncols = 5, seed = 42)

# Randomised Complete Block Design
des.out <- design("rcbd", treatments = LETTERS[1:11], reps = 4,
                 nrows = 11, ncols = 4, brows = 11, bcols = 1, seed = 42)

# Latin Square Design
# Doesn't require reps argument
des.out <- design(type = "lsd", c("S1", "S2", "S3", "S4"),
                 nrows = 4, ncols = 4, seed = 42)

# Factorial Design (Crossed, Completely Randomised)
des.out <- design(type = "crossed:crd", treatments = c(3, 2),
                 reps = 3, nrows = 6, ncols = 3, seed = 42)

# Factorial Design (Crossed, Completely Randomised), renaming factors
des.out <- design(type = "crossed:crd", treatments = c(3, 2),
                 reps = 3, nrows = 6, ncols = 3, seed = 42,
                 fac.names = list(N = c(50, 100, 150),
                                   Water = c("Irrigated", "Rain-fed")))

# Factorial Design (Crossed, Randomised Complete Block Design),
# changing separation between factors
des.out <- design(type = "crossed:rcbd", treatments = c(3, 2),
                 reps = 3, nrows = 6, ncols = 3,
                 brows = 6, bcols = 1,
                 seed = 42, fac.sep = c(":", "_"))

# Factorial Design (Nested, Latin Square)
trt <- c("A1", "A2", "A3", "A4", "B1", "B2", "B3")
des.out <- design(type = "lsd", treatments = trt,
                 nrows = 7, ncols = 7, seed = 42)

# Split plot design
des.out <- design(type = "split", treatments = c("A", "B"), sub_treatments = 1:4,
                 reps = 4, nrows = 8, ncols = 4, brows = 4, bcols = 2, seed = 42)

# Alternative arrangement of the same design as above
des.out <- design(type = "split", treatments = c("A", "B"), sub_treatments = 1:4,
                 reps = 4, nrows = 8, ncols = 4, brows = 4, bcols = 2,
                 byrow = FALSE, seed = 42)

```

**Description**

Produce a graph of design layout, skeletal ANOVA table and data frame with complete design

**Usage**

```
des_info(
  design.obj,
  nrows,
  ncols,
  brows = NA,
  bcols = NA,
  byrow = TRUE,
  fac.names = NULL,
  fac.sep = c("", " "),
  plot = TRUE,
  rotation = 0,
  size = 4,
  margin = FALSE,
  save = FALSE,
  savename = paste0(design.obj$parameters$design, "_design"),
  plottype = "pdf",
  return.seed = TRUE,
  quiet = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

design.obj	An agricolae design object.
nrows	The number of rows in the design.
ncols	The number of columns in the design.
brows	For RCBD only. The number of rows in a block.
bcols	For RCBD only. The number of columns in a block.
byrow	For split-plot only. Logical (default: TRUE). Provides a way to arrange plots within whole-plots when there are multiple possible arrangements.
fac.names	Allows renaming of the A level of factorial designs (i.e. those using <code>agricolae::design.ab()</code> ) by passing (optionally named) vectors of new labels to be applied to the factors within a list. See examples and details for more information.
fac.sep	The separator used by fac.names. Used to combine factorial design levels. If a vector of 2 levels is supplied, the first separates factor levels and label, and the second separates the different factors.
plot	Logical (default TRUE). If TRUE, display a plot of the generated design. A plot can always be produced later using <code>autoplot()</code> .
rotation	Rotate the text output as Treatments within the plot. Allows for easier reading of long treatment labels. Takes positive and negative values being number of degrees of rotation from horizontal.



size	Increase or decrease the text size within the plot for treatment labels. Numeric with default value of 4.
margin	Logical (default FALSE). Setting to TRUE will add a margin (white space) between plot and axes.
save	One of FALSE (default)/"none", TRUE/"both", "plot" or "workbook". Specifies which output to save.
savename	A filename for the design to be saved to. Default is the type of the design combined with "_design".
plottype	The type of file to save the plot as. Usually one of "pdf", "png", or "jpg". See <a href="#">ggplot2::ggsave()</a> for all possible options.
return.seed	Logical (default TRUE). Output the seed used in the design?
quiet	Logical (default FALSE). Return the objects without printing output.
...	Additional parameters passed to <a href="#">ggplot2::ggsave()</a> for saving the plot.

### Details

If `save = TRUE` (or "both"), both the plot and the workbook will be saved to the current working directory, with filename given by `savename`. If one of either "plot" or "workbook" is specified, only that output is saved. If `save = FALSE` (the default, or equivalently "none"), nothing will be output.

`fac.names` can be supplied to provide more intuitive names for factors and their levels in factorial designs. They should be specified in a list format, for example `fac.names = list(A_names = c("a", "b", "c"), B_names = c("x", "y", "z"))`. This will result a design output with a column named `A_names` with levels `a`, `b`, `c` and another named `B_names` with levels `x`, `y`, `z`. Only the first two elements of the list will be used.

If `fac.sep` is a single element (e.g. `""`), *this is used to separate all factor labels (e.g. `A_1_B_1`)*. If it is two elements (e.g. `c("", "")`), the first element separates the factor names and their levels, and the second level separates the two factors (e.g. `A1_B1`).

... allows extra arguments to be passed to `ggsave` for output of the plot. The details of possible arguments can be found in [ggplot2::ggsave\(\)](#).

### Value

A list containing a data frame with the complete design, a `ggplot` object with plot layout, the seed (if `return.seed = TRUE`), and the `satab` object, allowing repeat output of the `satab` table via `cat(output$satab)`.

### Examples

```
library(agricolae)

# Completely Randomised Design
trt <- c(1, 5, 10, 20)
rep <- 5
outdesign <- design.crd(trt = trt, r = rep, seed = 42)
des.out <- des_info(design.obj = outdesign, nrows = 4, ncols = 5)
```

```

# Randomised Complete Block Design
trt <- LETTERS[1:11]
rep <- 4
outdesign <- design.rcbd(trt = trt, r = rep, seed = 42)
des.out <- des_info(
  design.obj = outdesign, nrows = 11,
  ncols = 4, brows = 11, bcols = 1
)

# Latin Square Design
trt <- c("S1", "S2", "S3", "S4")
outdesign <- design.lsd(trt)
des.out <- des_info(design.obj = outdesign, nrows = 4, ncols = 4)

# Factorial Design (Crossed, Completely Randomised)
trt <- c(3, 2) # Factorial 3 x 2
rep <- 3
outdesign <- design.ab(trt, r = rep, design = "crd")
des.out <- des_info(design.obj = outdesign, nrows = 6, ncols = 3)

# Factorial Design (Crossed, Completely Randomised), renaming factors
trt <- c(3, 2) # Factorial 3 x 2
rep <- 3
outdesign <- design.ab(trt, r = rep, design = "crd")
des.out <- des_info(design.obj = outdesign, nrows = 6, ncols = 3,
  fac.names = list(N = c(50, 100, 150),
    Water = c("Irrigated", "Rain-fed")))

# Factorial Design (Nested, Latin Square)
trt <- c("A1", "A2", "A3", "A4", "B1", "B2", "B3")
outdesign <- design.lsd(trt)
des.out <- des_info(design.obj = outdesign, nrows = 7, ncols = 7)

# Split plot design
trt1 <- c("A", "B")
trt2 <- 1:4
rep <- 4
outdesign <- design.split(trt1, trt2, r = rep)
des.out <- des_info(design.obj = outdesign, nrows = 8, ncols = 4, brows = 4, bcols = 2)

```

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get\_predictions

*Get Predictions for Statistical Models*


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## Description

A generic function to get predictions for statistical models.

## Usage

```
get_predictions(model.obj, classify, pred.obj = NULL, vars = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

model.obj	A model object.
classify	Name of predictor variable as a string.
pred.obj	Optional precomputed prediction object.
vars	Variables used in the model.
...	Additional arguments passed to specific methods.

**Value**

A list containing predictions, standard errors, degrees of freedom, response variable label, and aliased names.

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```
get_predictions.asreml
```

*Get Predictions for ASReML Models*

---

**Description**

An S3 method for getting predictions from ASReML models.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'asreml'
get_predictions(model.obj, classify, pred.obj = NULL, vars = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

model.obj	An ASReML model object.
classify	Name of predictor variable as a string.
pred.obj	Optional precomputed prediction object.
vars	Variables used in the model.
...	Additional arguments passed to <code>asreml::predict.asreml</code> .

**Value**

A list containing predictions, standard errors, degrees of freedom, response variable label, and aliased names.

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get\_predictions.lm      *Get Predictions for Linear Models*

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### Description

An S3 method for getting predictions from linear models.

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'lm'
get_predictions(model.obj, classify, ...)
```

### Arguments

model.obj	A linear model object.
classify	Name of predictor variable as a string.
...	Additional arguments passed to emmeans::emmeans.

### Value

A list containing predictions, standard errors, degrees of freedom, response variable label, and aliased names.

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get\_predictions.lmerMod  
*Get Predictions for Mixed-Effects Models*

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### Description

An S3 method for getting predictions from mixed-effects models.

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'lmerMod'
get_predictions(model.obj, classify, ...)

## S3 method for class 'lmerModLmerTest'
get_predictions(model.obj, classify, ...)
```

### Arguments

model.obj	A mixed-effects model object (lmerMod or lmerModLmerTest).
classify	Name of predictor variable as a string.
...	Additional arguments passed to emmeans::emmeans.

**Value**

A list containing predictions, standard errors, degrees of freedom, response variable label, and aliased names.

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heat_map	<i>Produce a heatmap of variables in a grid layout.</i>
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**Description**

This function plots a heatmap of variables in a grid layout, optionally grouping them.

**Usage**

```
heat_map(
  data,
  value,
  x_axis,
  y_axis,
  grouping = NULL,
  raster = TRUE,
  smooth = FALSE,
  palette = "default",
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

data	A data frame containing the data to be plotted.
value	A column of data, containing the values that vary over the space which produces the colours.
x_axis	The column of data to use as the x axis data.
y_axis	The column of data to use as the y axis data.
grouping	An optional grouping variable to facet the plot by.
raster	Logical (default: TRUE). If TRUE uses <code>ggplot2::geom_raster()</code> for speed. Will not work if the grid is irregular.
smooth	Logical (default: FALSE). If raster is TRUE, interpolation can be applied across the grid to obtain a smoothed grid. Ignored if raster is FALSE.
palette	Colour palette to use. By default it will use the viridis (colour-blind friendly) palette. Other palettes available can be seen with <code>grDevices::hcl.pals()</code> .
...	Other arguments passed to <code>ggplot2::facet_wrap()</code>

**Value**

A ggplot2 object.

**Examples**

```

set.seed(42)
dat <- expand.grid(x = 1:5, y = 1:6)
dat$value <- rnorm(30)
dat$groups <- sample(rep(LETTERS[1:6], times = 5))

heat_map(dat, value, x, y)

# Column names can be quoted, but don't need to be.
heat_map(dat, "value", "x", "y", "groups")

# Different palettes are available
heat_map(dat, value, x, y, palette = "Spectral")

# Arguments in ... are passed through to facet_wrap
heat_map(dat, value, x, y, groups, labeller = ggplot2::label_both)
heat_map(dat, value, x, y, groups, scales = "free_y")
heat_map(dat, value, x, y, groups, nrow = 1)

```

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install\_asreml

*Install or update the ASReml-R package*


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**Description**

Helper functions for installing or updating the ASReml-R package, intended to reduce the difficulty of finding the correct version for your operating system and R version.

**Usage**

```

install_asreml(
  library = .libPaths()[1],
  quiet = FALSE,
  force = FALSE,
  keep_file = FALSE,
  check_version = TRUE
)

update_asreml(...)

```

**Arguments**

library	Library location to install ASReml-R. Uses first option in <code>.libPaths()</code> by default.
quiet	Logical (default FALSE). Should package be installed quietly?
force	Logical (default FALSE). Force ASReml-R to install. Useful for upgrading if it is already installed.

keep_file	Should the downloaded asreml package file be kept? Default is FALSE. TRUE downloads to current directory. A file path can also be provided to save to another directory. See Details for more information.
check_version	Logical (default TRUE). Should function check if there is a newer version of asreml available before attempting to download and install?
...	other arguments passed to install_asreml()

### Details

The ASReML-R package file is downloaded from a shortlink, and if `keep_file` is TRUE, the package archive file will be saved in the current directory. If a valid path is provided in `keep_file`, the file will be saved to that path, but all directories are assumed to exist and will not be created. If `keep_file` does not specify an existing, valid path, an error will be shown after package installation.

### Value

Silently returns TRUE if asreml installed successfully or already present, FALSE otherwise. Optionally prints a confirmation message on success.

### Examples

```
## Not run:
# Example 1: download and install asreml
install_asreml()

# Example 2: install asreml and save file for later
install_asreml(keep_file = TRUE)

## End(Not run)
```

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logl_test	<i>Conduct a log-likelihood test for comparing terms in ASReML-R models</i>
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### Description

Conduct a log-likelihood test for comparing terms in ASReML-R models

### Usage

```
logl_test(
  model.obj,
  rand.terms = NULL,
  resid.terms = NULL,
  decimals = 3,
  numeric = FALSE,
  quiet = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

model.obj	An ASReml-R model object
rand.terms	Random terms from the model. Default is NULL.
resid.terms	Residual terms from the model. Default is NULL.
decimals	Controls rounding of decimal places in output. Default is 3 decimal places.
numeric	Return p-values as numeric? Default is that they are characters, where very small values shown as less than a small number. See <code>details</code> for more.
quiet	Logical (default: FALSE). Hide warnings and messages?

**Details**

Typically p-values cannot be 0, and are usually just below some threshold of accuracy in calculation of probability.

**Value**

A dataframe containing the results of the test.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
library(asreml)
dat <- asreml::oats
dat <- dat[order(dat$Row, dat$Column),]

#Fit ASReml Model
model.asr <- asreml(yield ~ Nitrogen + Variety + Nitrogen:Variety,
  random = ~ Blocks + Blocks:Wplots,
  residual = ~ ar1(Row):ar1(Column),
  data = dat)
oats.logl <- logl_test(
  model.obj = model.asr, rand.terms = c("Blocks", "Blocks:Wplots"),
  resid.terms = c("ar1(Row)", "ar1(Column)")
)
oats.logl

## End(Not run)
```

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multiple\_comparisons *Perform Multiple Comparison Tests on a statistical model*

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**Description**

A function for comparing and ranking predicted means with Tukey's Honest Significant Difference (HSD) Test.



**Usage**

```

multiple_comparisons(
  model.obj,
  classify,
  sig = 0.05,
  int.type = "ci",
  trans = NA,
  offset = NA,
  power = NA,
  decimals = 2,
  descending = FALSE,
  groups = TRUE,
  plot = FALSE,
  label_height = 0.1,
  rotation = 0,
  save = FALSE,
  savename = "predicted_values",
  order,
  pred.obj,
  pred,
  ...
)

```

**Arguments**

model.obj	An ASReml-R or aov model object. Will likely also work with lme ( <code>nlme::lme()</code> ), lmerMod ( <code>lme4::lmer()</code> ) models as well.
classify	Name of predictor variable as string.
sig	The significance level, numeric between 0 and 1. Default is 0.05.
int.type	The type of confidence interval to calculate. One of ci, 1se or 2se. Default is ci.
trans	Transformation that was applied to the response variable. One of log, sqrt, logit, power or inverse. Default is NA.
offset	Numeric offset applied to response variable prior to transformation. Default is NA. Use 0 if no offset was applied to the transformed data. See Details for more information.
power	Numeric power applied to response variable with power transformation. Default is NA. See Details for more information.
decimals	Controls rounding of decimal places in output. Default is 2 decimal places.
descending	Logical (default FALSE). Order of the output sorted by the predicted value. If TRUE, largest will be first, through to smallest last.
groups	Logical (default TRUE). If TRUE, the significance letter groupings will be calculated and displayed. This can get overwhelming for large numbers of comparisons, so can be turned off by setting to FALSE.

plot	Automatically produce a plot of the output of the multiple comparison test? Default is FALSE. This is maintained for backwards compatibility, but the preferred method now is to use <code>autoplot(&lt;multiple_comparisons output&gt;)</code> . See <code>autoplot.mct()</code> for more details.
label_height	Height of the text labels above the upper error bar on the plot. Default is 0.1 (10%) of the difference between upper and lower error bars above the top error bar.
rotation	Rotate the text output as Treatments within the plot. Allows for easier reading of long treatment labels. Number between 0 and 360 (inclusive) - default 0
save	Logical (default FALSE). Save the predicted values to a csv file?
savename	A file name for the predicted values to be saved to. Default is <code>predicted_values</code> .
order	Deprecated. Use <code>descending</code> instead.
pred.obj	Deprecated. Predicted values are calculated within the function from version 1.0.1 onwards.
pred	Deprecated. Use <code>classify</code> instead.
...	Other arguments passed through to <code>predict.asreml()</code> .

## Details

### Offset:

Some transformations require that data has a small offset to be applied, otherwise it will cause errors (for example taking a log of 0, or the square root of negative values). In order to correctly reverse this offset, if the `trans` argument is supplied, a value should also be supplied in the `offset` argument. By default the function assumes no offset was required for a transformation, implying a value of 0 for the `offset` argument. If an offset value is provided, use the same value as provided in the model, not the inverse. For example, if adding 0.1 to values for a log transformation, add 0.1 in the `offset` argument.

### Power:

The `power` argument allows the specification of arbitrary powers to be back transformed, if they have been used to attempt to improve normality of residuals.

## Value

A list containing a data frame with predicted means, standard errors, confidence interval upper and lower bounds, and significant group allocations (named `predicted_values`), as well as a plot visually displaying the predicted values (named `predicted_plot`). If some of the predicted values are aliased, a warning is printed, and the aliased treatment levels are returned in the output (named `aliased`).

## References

Jørgensen, E. & Pedersen, A. R. (1997). How to Obtain Those Nasty Standard Errors From Transformed Data - and Why They Should Not Be Used. <https://pure.au.dk/portal/en/publications/how-to-obtain-those-nasty-standard-errors-from-transformed-data-a>

**Examples**

```
# Fit aov model
model <- aov(Petal.Length ~ Species, data = iris)

# Display the ANOVA table for the model
anova(model)

# Determine ranking and groups according to Tukey's Test
pred.out <- multiple_comparisons(model, classify = "Species")

# Display the predicted values table
pred.out

# Show the predicted values plot
autoplot(pred.out, label_height = 0.5)

# AOV model example with transformation
my_iris <- iris
my_iris$Petal.Length <- exp(my_iris$Petal.Length) # Create exponential response
exp_model <- aov(Petal.Length ~ Species, data = my_iris)

resplot(exp_model) # Residual plot shows problems

# Fit a new model using a log transformation of the response
log_model <- aov(log(Petal.Length) ~ Species, data = my_iris)

resplot(log_model) # Looks much better

# Display the ANOVA table for the model
anova(log_model)

# Back transform, because the "original" data was exponential
pred.out <- multiple_comparisons(log_model, classify = "Species",
                                trans = "log")

# Display the predicted values table
pred.out

# Show the predicted values plot
autoplot(pred.out, label_height = 15)

## Not run:
# ASReml-R Example
library(asreml)

#Fit ASReml Model
model.asr <- asreml(yield ~ Nitrogen + Variety + Nitrogen:Variety,
                    random = ~ Blocks + Blocks:Wplots,
                    residual = ~ units,
                    data = asreml::oats)
```

```
wald(model.asr) #Nitrogen main effect significant

#Determine ranking and groups according to Tukey's Test
pred.out <- multiple_comparisons(model.obj = model.asr, classify = "Nitrogen",
                                descending = TRUE, decimals = 5)

pred.out

# Example using a box-cox transformation
set.seed(42) # See the seed for reproducibility
resp <- rnorm(n = 50, 5, 1)^3
trt <- as.factor(sample(rep(LETTERS[1:10], 5), 50))
block <- as.factor(rep(1:5, each = 10))
ex_data <- data.frame(resp, trt, block)

# Change one treatment random values to get significant difference
ex_data$resp[ex_data$trt=="A"] <- rnorm(n = 5, 7, 1)^3

model.asr <- asreml(resp ~ trt,
                   random = ~ block,
                   residual = ~ units,
                   data = ex_data)

resplot(model.asr)

# Perform Box-Cox transformation and get maximum value
out <- MASS::boxcox(ex_data$resp~ex_data$trt)
out$x[which.max(out$y)] # 0.3838

# Fit cube root to the data
model.asr <- asreml(resp^(1/3) ~ trt,
                   random = ~ block,
                   residual = ~ units,
                   data = ex_data)
resplot(model.asr) # residual plots look much better

#Determine ranking and groups according to Tukey's Test
pred.out <- multiple_comparisons(model.obj = model.asr,
                                classify = "trt",
                                trans = "power", power = (1/3))

pred.out
autoplot(pred.out)

## End(Not run)
```

**Description**

Print output of `multiple_comparisons`

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'mct'  
print(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

`x`                    An mct object to print to the console.  
`...`                Other arguments

**Value**

The original object invisibly.

**See Also**

[multiple\\_comparisons\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
dat.aov <- aov(Petal.Width ~ Species, data = iris)  
output <- multiple_comparisons(dat.aov, classify = "Species")  
print(output)
```

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resplot

*Produce residual plots of linear models*

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**Description**

Produces plots of residuals for assumption checking of linear (mixed) models.

**Usage**

```
resplot(  
  model.obj,  
  shapiro = TRUE,  
  call = FALSE,  
  label.size = 10,  
  axes.size = 10,  
  call.size = 9,  
  mod.obj  
)
```

**Arguments**

model.obj	An aov, lm, lme ( <code>nlme::lme()</code> ), lmerMod ( <code>lme4::lmer()</code> ), asreml or mmer (sommer) model object.
shapiro	(Logical) Display the Shapiro-Wilk test of normality on the plot? This test is unreliable for larger numbers of observations and will not work with $n \geq 5000$ so will be omitted from any plots.
call	(Logical) Display the model call on the plot?
label.size	A numeric value for the size of the label (A,B,C) font point size.
axes.size	A numeric value for the size of the axes label font size in points.
call.size	A numeric value for the size of the model displayed on the plot.
mod.obj	Deprecated to be consistent with other functions. Please use <code>model.obj</code> instead.

**Value**

A ggplot2 object containing the diagnostic plots.

**Examples**

```
dat.aov <- aov(Petal.Length ~ Petal.Width, data = iris)
resplot(dat.aov)
resplot(dat.aov, call = TRUE)
```

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summary\_graph

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*Visualise a graphical summary of variables from a data frame*


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**Description**

Variables are plotted in different ways according to the number of explanatory variables provided as input.

**Usage**

```
summary_graph(data, response, exp_var, resp_units = "")
```

**Arguments**

data	A data frame containing the variables to be plotted.
response	The response variable to plot.
exp_var	The explanatory (or grouping) variable(s) to plot. Up to three can be provided.
resp_units	A string providing units to display on the response variable (y) axis. Will use the empty string by default so axes will have no units by default.

**Details**

With a single explanatory variable, a boxplot grouped by `exp_var` is produced. With two explanatory variables, a dot-plot with lines connecting the mean of each group is produced, with the first element of `exp_var` used as the x axis variable, and the second is used to colour the points. Three explanatory variables produces the same as two, but with the third used to facet the plot.

**Value**

A ggplot2 plot object

**Examples**

```
summary_graph(iris, "Petal.Length", "Species", "mm")

# Multiple explanatory variables can be provided as a vector
summary_graph(npk, "yield", c("N", "P"), "lb/plot")

summary_graph(npk, "yield", c("N", "P", "K"), "lb/plot")
```

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 variogram

*Display variogram plots for spatial models*


---

**Description**

Produces variogram plots for checking spatial trends.

**Usage**

```
variogram(
  model.obj,
  row = NA,
  column = NA,
  horizontal = TRUE,
  palette = "default"
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>model.obj</code>	An asreml model object.
<code>row</code>	A row variable.
<code>column</code>	A column variable.
<code>horizontal</code>	Logical (default TRUE). The direction the plots are arranged. The default TRUE places the plots above and below, while FALSE will place them side by side.

**palette** A string specifying the colour scheme to use for plotting. The default value ("default") is equivalent to "rainbow". Colour blind friendly palettes can also be provided via options "colo(u)r blind" (both equivalent to "viridis"), "magma", "inferno", "plasma", "cividis", "rocket", "mako" or "turbo". The "Spectral" palette from `scales::brewer_pal()` is also possible.

### Value

A ggplot2 object.

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### Examples

```
## Not run:
library(asreml)
oats <- asreml::oats
oats <- oats[order(oats$Row, oats$Column),]
model.asr <- asreml(yield ~ Nitrogen + Variety + Nitrogen:Variety,
                   random = ~ Blocks + Blocks:Wplots,
                   residual = ~ ar1(Row):ar1(Column),
                   data = oats)
variogram(model.asr)

## End(Not run)
```



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