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anova.modeler

*Extra Sum-of-Squares F-Test for modeler objects*

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### Description

Perform an extra sum-of-squares F-test to compare two nested models of class `modeler`. This test assesses whether the additional parameters in the full model significantly improve the fit compared to the reduced model.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'modeler'
anova(object, full_model = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	An object of class <code>modeler</code> representing the reduced model with fewer parameters.
full_model	An optional object of class <code>modeler</code> representing the full model with more parameters.
...	Additional parameters for future functionality.

**Value**

A tibble containing columns with the F-statistic and corresponding p-values, indicating whether the full model provides a significantly better fit than the reduced model.

**Author(s)**

Johan Aparicio [aut]

**Examples**

```
library(flexFitR)
dt <- data.frame(X = 1:6, Y = c(12, 16, 44, 50, 95, 100))
mo_1 <- modeler(dt, X, Y, fn = "fn_lin", param = c(m = 10, b = -5))
plot(mo_1)
mo_2 <- modeler(dt, X, Y, fn = "fn_quad", param = c(a = 1, b = 10, c = 5))
plot(mo_2)
anova(mo_1, mo_2)
```

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augment

*Augment a modeler object with influence diagnostics*

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**Description**

This function computes various influence diagnostics, including standardized residuals, studentized residuals, and Cook's distance, for an object of class `modeler`.

**Usage**

```
augment(x, id = NULL, metadata = TRUE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	An object of class <code>modeler</code> .
id	Optional unique identifier to filter by a specific group. Default is <code>NULL</code> .
metadata	Logical. If <code>TRUE</code> , metadata is included with the predictions. Default is <code>FALSE</code> .
...	Additional parameters for future functionality.

**Value**

A tibble containing the following columns:

uid	Unique identifier for the group.
fn_name	Function name associated with the model.
x	Predictor variable values.
y	Observed response values.
.fitted	Fitted values from the model.
.resid	Raw residuals (observed - fitted).
.hat	Leverage values for each observation.
.cooks	Cook's distance for each observation.
.std.resid	Standardized residuals.
.stud.resid	Studentized residuals.

**Author(s)**

Johan Aparicio [aut]

**Examples**

```
library(flexFitR)
data(dt_potato)
mod_1 <- dt_potato |>
  modeler(
    x = DAP,
    y = Canopy,
    grp = Plot,
    fn = "fn_logistic",
    parameters = c(L = 100, k = 4, t0 = 40),
    subset = 2
  )
print(mod_1)
augment(mod_1)
```

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c.modeler

*Combine objects of class modeler*

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**Description**

Combine objects of class `modeler`. Use with caution, some functions might not work as expected.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'modeler'
c(...)
```

**Arguments**

... Objects of class `modeler`, typically the result of calling `modeler()`.

**Value**

A `modeler` object.

**Author(s)**

Johan Aparicio [aut]

**Examples**

```
library(flexFitR)
data(dt_potato)
mod_1 <- dt_potato |>
  modeler(
    x = DAP,
    y = Canopy,
    grp = Plot,
    fn = "fn_logistic",
    parameters = c(L = 100, k = 4, t0 = 40),
    subset = 1:2
  )
mod_2 <- dt_potato |>
  modeler(
    x = DAP,
    y = Canopy,
    grp = Plot,
    fn = "fn_linear_sat",
    parameters = c(t1 = 45, t2 = 80, k = 100),
    subset = 1:2
  )
mod <- c(mod_1, mod_2)
print(mod)
plot(mod, id = 1:2)
```

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coef.modeler

*Coefficients for an object of class modeler*

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**Description**

Extract the estimated coefficients from an object of class `modeler`.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'modeler'
coef(object, id = NULL, metadata = FALSE, df = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	An object of class <code>modeler</code> , typically the result of calling the <code>modeler()</code> function.
id	An optional unique identifier to filter by a specific group. Default is <code>NULL</code> .
metadata	Logical. If <code>TRUE</code> , metadata is included along with the coefficients. Default is <code>FALSE</code> .
df	Logical. If <code>TRUE</code> , the degrees of freedom for the fitted model are returned alongside the coefficients. Default is <code>FALSE</code> .
...	Additional parameters for future functionality.

**Value**

A data frame containing the model's estimated coefficients, standard errors, and optional metadata or degrees of freedom if specified.

**Author(s)**

Johan Aparicio [aut]

**Examples**

```
library(flexFitR)
data(dt_potato)
mod_1 <- dt_potato |>
  modeler(
    x = DAP,
    y = Canopy,
    grp = Plot,
    fn = "fn_linear_sat",
    parameters = c(t1 = 45, t2 = 80, k = 0.9),
    subset = c(15, 2, 45)
  )
print(mod_1)
coef(mod_1, id = 2)
```

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confint.modeler

*Confidence intervals for a modeler object*

---

**Description**

Extract confidence intervals for the estimated parameters of an object of class `modeler`.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'modeler'
confint(object, parm = NULL, level = 0.95, id = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	An object of class <code>modeler</code> , typically the result of calling the <code>modeler()</code> function.
parm	A character vector specifying which parameters should have confidence intervals calculated. If <code>NULL</code> , confidence intervals for all parameters are returned. Default is <code>NULL</code> .
level	A numeric value indicating the confidence level for the intervals. Default is 0.95, corresponding to a 95% confidence interval.
id	An optional unique identifier to filter by a specific group. Default is <code>NULL</code> .
...	Additional parameters for future functionality.

**Value**

A tibble containing the lower and upper confidence limits for each specified parameter.

**Author(s)**

Johan Aparicio [aut]

**Examples**

```
library(flexFitR)
data(dt_potato)
mod_1 <- dt_potato |>
  modeler(
    x = DAP,
    y = Canopy,
    grp = Plot,
    fn = "fn_linear_sat",
    parameters = c(t1 = 45, t2 = 80, k = 0.9),
    subset = c(15, 35, 45)
  )
print(mod_1)
confint(mod_1)
```

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dt\_potato

*Drone-derived data from a potato breeding trial*

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**Description**

Canopy and Green Leaf Index for a potato trial arranged in a p-rep design.

**Usage**

dt\_potato

**Format**

A tibble with 1372 rows and 8 variables:

**Trial** chr trial name

**Plot** dbl denoting the unique plot id

**Row** dbl denoting the row coordinate

**Range** dbl denoting range coordinate

**gid** chr denoting the genotype id

**DAP** dbl denoting Days after planting

**Canopy** dbl Canopy UAV-Derived

**GLI** dbl Green Leaf Index UAV-Derived

**Source**

UW - Potato Breeding Program

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explorer

*Explore data*

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**Description**

Explores data from a data frame in wide format.

**Usage**

```
explorer(data, x, y, id, metadata)
```

**Arguments**

data	A data.frame containing the input data for analysis.
x	The name of the column in data that contains x points.
y	The names of the columns in data that contain the variables to be analyzed.
id	The names of the columns in data that contains a grouping variable.
metadata	The names of the columns in data to keep across the analysis.

**Details**

This function helps to explore the dataset before being analyzed with `modeler()`.

**Value**

An object of class `explorer`, which is a list containing the following elements:

`summ_vars` A data.frame containing summary statistics for each trait at each x point, including minimum, mean, median, maximum, standard deviation, coefficient of variation, number of non-missing values, percentage of missing values, and percentage of negative values.

`summ_metadata` A data.frame summarizing the metadata.

`locals_min_max` A data.frame containing the local minima and maxima of the mean y values over x.

`dt_long` A data.frame in long format, with columns for uid, metadata, var, x, and y

`metadata` A character vector with the names of the variables to keep across.

**Examples**

```
library(flexFitR)
data(dt_potato)
results <- dt_potato |>
  explorer(
    x = DAP,
    y = c(Canopy, GLI),
    id = Plot,
    metadata = c(gid, Row, Range)
  )
names(results)
head(results$summ_vars)
plot(results, label_size = 4, signif = TRUE, n_row = 2)
# New data format
head(results$dt_long)
```

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<code>fitted.modeler</code>	<i>Extract fitted values from a modeler object</i>
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**Description**

Extract fitted values from a modeler object

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'modeler'
fitted(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>object</code>	An object of class 'modeler'
<code>...</code>	Additional parameters for future functionality.

**Value**

A numeric vector of fitted values.

**Author(s)**

Johan Aparicio [aut]

**Examples**

```
library(flexFitR)
data(dt_potato)
mod_1 <- dt_potato |>
  modeler(
    x = DAP,
    y = Canopy,
    grp = Plot,
    fn = "fn_linear_sat",
    parameters = c(t1 = 45, t2 = 80, k = 0.9),
    subset = c(15, 2, 45)
  )
fitted(mod_1)
```

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fn\_exp1\_exp

*Exponential exponential function 1*

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**Description**

Computes a value based on an exponential growth curve and exponential decay model for time.

**Usage**

```
fn_exp1_exp(t, t1, t2, alpha, beta)
```

**Arguments**

t	Numeric. The time value.
t1	Numeric. The lower threshold time. Assumed to be known.
t2	Numeric. The upper threshold time.
alpha	Numeric. The parameter for the first exponential term. Must be greater than 0.
beta	Numeric. The parameter for the second exponential term. Must be less than 0.

**Details**

**Value**

A numeric value based on the double exponential model. If  $t$  is less than  $t_1$ , the function returns 0. If  $t$  is between  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  (inclusive), the function returns  $\exp(\alpha * (t - t_1)) - 1$ . If  $t$  is greater than  $t_2$ , the function returns  $(\exp(\alpha * (t_2 - t_1)) - 1) * \exp(\beta * (t - t_2))$ .

**Examples**

```
library(flexFitR)
plot_fn(
  fn = "fn_exp1_exp",
  params = c(t1 = 35, t2 = 55, alpha = 1 / 20, beta = -1 / 30),
  interval = c(0, 108),
  n_points = 2000,
  auc_label_size = 3,
  y_auc_label = 0.2
)
```

fn\_exp1\_lin

*Exponential linear function 1***Description**

Computes a value based on an exponential growth curve and linear decay model for time.

**Usage**

```
fn_exp1_lin(t, t1, t2, alpha, beta)
```

**Arguments**

$t$	Numeric. The time value.
$t_1$	Numeric. The lower threshold time. Assumed to be known.
$t_2$	Numeric. The upper threshold time.
$\alpha$	Numeric. The parameter for the exponential term. Must be greater than 0.
$\beta$	Numeric. The parameter for the linear term. Must be less than 0.

**Details****Value**

A numeric value based on the exponential linear model. If  $t$  is less than  $t_1$ , the function returns 0. If  $t$  is between  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  (inclusive), the function returns  $\exp(\alpha * (t - t_1)) - 1$ . If  $t$  is greater than  $t_2$ , the function returns  $\beta * (t - t_2) + (\exp(\alpha * (t_2 - t_1)) - 1)$ .

**Examples**

```
library(flexFitR)
plot_fn(
  fn = "fn_exp1_lin",
  params = c(t1 = 35, t2 = 55, alpha = 1 / 20, beta = -1 / 40),
  interval = c(0, 108),
  n_points = 2000,
  auc_label_size = 3
)
```

fn\_exp2\_exp

*Exponential exponential Function 2***Description**

Computes a value based on an exponential growth curve and exponential decay model for time.

**Usage**

```
fn_exp2_exp(t, t1, t2, alpha, beta)
```

**Arguments**

t	Numeric. The time value.
t1	Numeric. The lower threshold time. Assumed to be known.
t2	Numeric. The upper threshold time.
alpha	Numeric. The parameter for the first exponential term. Must be greater than 0.
beta	Numeric. The parameter for the second exponential term. Must be less than 0.

**Details****Value**

A numeric value based on the double exponential model. If  $t$  is less than  $t_1$ , the function returns 0. If  $t$  is between  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  (inclusive), the function returns  $\exp(\alpha * (t - t_1)^2) - 1$ . If  $t$  is greater than  $t_2$ , the function returns  $(\exp(\alpha * (t_2 - t_1)^2) - 1) * \exp(\beta * (t - t_2))$ .

**Examples**

```
library(flexFitR)
plot_fn(
  fn = "fn_exp2_exp",
  params = c(t1 = 35, t2 = 55, alpha = 1 / 600, beta = -1 / 30),
  interval = c(0, 108),
  n_points = 2000,
```

```

    auc_label_size = 3,
    y_auc_label = 0.15
  )

```

---

 fn\_exp2\_lin

*Exponential linear function 2*


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### Description

Computes a value based on an exponential growth curve and linear decay model for time.

### Usage

```
fn_exp2_lin(t, t1, t2, alpha, beta)
```

### Arguments

t	Numeric. The time value.
t1	Numeric. The lower threshold time. Assumed to be known.
t2	Numeric. The upper threshold time.
alpha	Numeric. The parameter for the exponential term. Must be greater than 0.
beta	Numeric. The parameter for the linear term. Must be less than 0.

### Details

### Value

A numeric value based on the exponential linear model. If  $t$  is less than  $t_1$ , the function returns 0. If  $t$  is between  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  (inclusive), the function returns  $\exp(\alpha * (t - t_1)^2) - 1$ . If  $t$  is greater than  $t_2$ , the function returns  $\beta * (t - t_2) + (\exp(\alpha * (t_2 - t_1)^2) - 1)$ .

### Examples

```

library(flexFitR)
plot_fn(
  fn = "fn_exp2_lin",
  params = c(t1 = 35, t2 = 55, alpha = 1 / 600, beta = -1 / 80),
  interval = c(0, 108),
  n_points = 2000,
  auc_label_size = 3
)

```

fn\_lin                      *Linear function*

---

**Description**

Computes a value based on a linear function.

**Usage**

```
fn_lin(t, m, b)
```

**Arguments**

t	Numeric value.
m	Numeric value for the slope coefficient.
b	Numeric value for the intercept coefficient.

**Details****Value**

A numeric value based on the linear function.

**Examples**

```
library(flexFitR)
plot_fn(
  fn = "fn_lin",
  params = c(m = 2, b = 10),
  interval = c(0, 108),
  n_points = 2000
)
```

---

fn\_linear\_sat                      *Linear plateau function*

---

**Description**

Computes a value based on a linear growth curve reaching a plateau for time.

**Usage**

```
fn_linear_sat(t, t1 = 45, t2 = 80, k = 0.9)
```

**Arguments**

t	Numeric. The time value.
t1	Numeric. The lower threshold time. Default is 45.
t2	Numeric. The upper threshold time. Default is 80.
k	Numeric. The maximum value of the function. Default is 0.9. Assumed to be known.

**Details****Value**

A numeric value based on the threshold model. If  $t$  is less than  $t_1$ , the function returns 0. If  $t$  is between  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  (inclusive), the function returns a value between 0 and  $k$  in a linear trend. If  $t$  is greater than  $t_2$ , the function returns  $k$ .

**Examples**

```
library(flexFitR)
plot_fn(
  fn = "fn_linear_sat",
  params = c(t1 = 34.9, t2 = 61.8, k = 100),
  interval = c(0, 108),
  n_points = 2000,
  auc_label_size = 3
)
```

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fn_lin_pl_lin	<i>Linear plateau linear function</i>
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**Description**

Linear plateau linear function

**Usage**

```
fn_lin_pl_lin(t, t1, t2, t3, k, beta)
```

**Arguments**

t	Numeric. The time value.
t1	Numeric. The lower threshold time. Default is 45.
t2	Numeric. The upper threshold time before plateau. Default is 80.
t3	Numeric. The lower threshold time after plateau. Default is 45.
k	Numeric. The maximum value of the function. Default is 0.9.
beta	Numeric. Slope of the linear decay.

**Details****Value**

A numeric value based on the linear plateau linear model.

**Examples**

```
library(flexFitR)
plot_fn(
  fn = "fn_lin_pl_lin",
  params = c(t1 = 38.7, t2 = 62, t3 = 90, k = 0.32, beta = -0.01),
  interval = c(0, 108),
  n_points = 2000,
  auc_label_size = 3
)
```

---

 fn\_lin\_pl\_lin2

*Linear plateau linear with constrains*


---

**Description**

Linear plateau linear with constrains

**Usage**

```
fn_lin_pl_lin2(t, t1, t2, dt, k, beta)
```

**Arguments**

t	Numeric. The time value.
t1	Numeric. The lower threshold time.
t2	Numeric. The upper threshold time before plateau.
dt	Numeric. $dt = t3 - t2$ .
k	Numeric. The maximum value of the function.
beta	Numeric. Slope of the linear decay.

**Details****Value**

A numeric value based on the linear plateau linear model.

**Examples**

```
library(flexFitR)
plot_fn(
  fn = "fn_lin_pl_lin2",
  params = c(t1 = 38.7, t2 = 62, dt = 28, k = 0.32, beta = -0.01),
  interval = c(0, 108),
  n_points = 2000,
  auc_label_size = 3
)
```

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fn_logistic	<i>Logistic function</i>
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**Description**

Computes a value based on a logistic function.

**Usage**

```
fn_logistic(t, L, k, t0)
```

**Arguments**

t	Numeric value.
L	Numeric value.
k	Numeric value.
t0	Numeric value.

**Details****Value**

A numeric value based on the logistic function.

**Examples**

```
library(flexFitR)
plot_fn(
  fn = "fn_logistic",
  params = c(L = 100, k = 0.199, t0 = 47.7),
  interval = c(0, 108),
  n_points = 2000
)
```

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fn_quad	<i>Quadratic function</i>
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**Description**

Computes a value based on a quadratic function..

**Usage**

```
fn_quad(t, a, b, c)
```

**Arguments**

t	Numeric value.
a	Numeric value for coefficient a.
b	Numeric value for coefficient b.
c	Numeric value for coefficient c.

**Details****Value**

A numeric value based on the linear function.

**Examples**

```
library(flexFitR)
plot_fn(fn = "fn_quad", params = c(a = 1, b = 10, c = 5))
```

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goodness_of_fit	<i>Akaike's An Information Criterion for an object of class modeler</i>
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**Description**

Generic function calculating Akaike's 'An Information Criterion' for fitted model object of class modeler.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'modeler'
AIC(object, ..., k = 2)

## S3 method for class 'modeler'
BIC(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	An object inheriting from class <code>modeler</code> resulting of executing the function <code>modeler()</code>
...	Further parameters. For future improvements.
k	Numeric, the penalty per parameter to be used; the default $k = 2$ is the classical AIC.

**Value**

A tibble with columns giving the corresponding AIC and BIC.

**Author(s)**

Johan Aparicio [aut]

**Examples**

```
library(flexFitR)
dt <- data.frame(X = 1:6, Y = c(12, 16, 44, 50, 95, 100))
mo_1 <- modeler(dt, X, Y, fn = "fn_lin", param = c(m = 10, b = -5))
mo_2 <- modeler(dt, X, Y, fn = "fn_quad", param = c(a = 1, b = 10, c = 5))
AIC(mo_1)
AIC(mo_2)
BIC(mo_1)
BIC(mo_2)
```

---

list\_funs

*Print available functions in flexFitR*

---

**Description**

Print available functions in flexFitR

**Usage**

```
list_funs()
```

**Value**

A vector with available functions

**Examples**

```
library(flexFitR)
list_funs()
```

---

list_methods	<i>Print available methods in flexFitR</i>
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**Description**

Print available methods in flexFitR

**Usage**

```
list_methods(bounds = FALSE, check_package = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

bounds            If TRUE, returns methods for box (or bounds) constraints. FALSE by default.  
 check\_package    If TRUE, ensures solvers are installed. FALSE by default.

**Value**

A vector with available methods

**Examples**

```
library(flexFitR)
list_methods()
```

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logLik.modeler	<i>Extract Log-Likelihood for an object of class modeler</i>
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**Description**

logLik for an object of class modeler

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'modeler'
logLik(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object            An object inheriting from class modeler resulting of executing the function modeler()  
 ...               Further parameters. For future improvements.

**Value**

A tibble with the Log-Likelihood for the fitted models.

**Author(s)**

Johan Aparicio [aut]

**Examples**

```
library(flexFitR)
dt <- data.frame(X = 1:6, Y = c(12, 16, 44, 50, 95, 100))
mo_1 <- modeler(dt, X, Y, fn = "fn_lin", param = c(m = 10, b = -5))
plot(mo_1)
logLik(mo_1)
```

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metrics

*Metrics for an object of class modeler*

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**Description**

Computes various performance metrics for a modeler object. The function calculates Sum of Squared Errors (SSE), Mean Absolute Error (MAE), Mean Squared Error (MSE), Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE), and the Coefficient of Determination (R-squared).

**Usage**

```
metrics(x, by_grp = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

x	An object of class ‘modeler‘ containing the necessary data to compute the metrics.
by_grp	Return the metrics by id? TRUE by default.

**Details****Value**

A data frame containing the calculated metrics grouped by uid, metadata, and variables.

**Examples**

```
library(flexFitR)
data(dt_potato)
mod_1 <- dt_potato |>
  modeler(
    x = DAP,
    y = Canopy,
    grp = Plot,
    fn = "fn_linear_sat",
```

```

    parameters = c(t1 = 45, t2 = 80, k = 0.9),
    subset = c(1:2)
  )
plot(mod_1, id = c(1:2))
print(mod_1)
metrics(mod_1)

```

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 modeler

*Modeler: Non-linear regression for curve fitting*


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## Description

A versatile function for performing non-linear least squares optimization on grouped data. It supports customizable optimization methods, flexible initial/fixed parameters, and parallel processing.

## Usage

```

modeler(
  data,
  x,
  y,
  grp,
  keep,
  fn = "fn_linear_sat",
  parameters = NULL,
  lower = -Inf,
  upper = Inf,
  fixed_params = NULL,
  method = c("subplex", "pracmanm", "anms"),
  subset = NULL,
  options = modeler.options(),
  control = list()
)

```

## Arguments

data	A data.frame containing the input data for analysis.
x	The name of the column in data representing the independent variable (x points).
y	The name of the column in data containing the dependent variable to analyze (response variable).
grp	Column(s) in data used as grouping variable(s). Defaults to NULL. (Optional)
keep	Names of columns to retain in the output. Defaults to NULL. (Optional)
fn	A string. The name of the function used for curve fitting. Example: "fn_lin". Defaults to "fn_linear_sat".
parameters	A numeric vector, named list, or data.frame providing initial values for parameters:

	<p><b>Numeric vector</b> Named vector specifying initial values (e.g., <code>c(k = 0.5, t1 = 30)</code>).</p> <p><b>Data frame</b> Requires a <code>uid</code> column with group IDs and parameter values for each group.</p> <p><b>List</b> Named list where parameter values can be numeric or expressions (e.g., <code>list(k = "max(y)", t1 = 40)</code>).</p> <p>Defaults to NULL.</p>
lower	A numeric vector specifying lower bounds for parameters. Defaults to <code>-Inf</code> for all parameters.
upper	A numeric vector specifying upper bounds for parameters. Defaults to <code>Inf</code> for all parameters.
fixed_params	<p>A list or <code>data.frame</code> for fixing specific parameters:</p> <p><b>List</b> Named list where parameter values can be numeric or expressions (e.g., <code>list(k = "max(y)", t1 = 40)</code>).</p> <p><b>Data frame</b> Requires a <code>uid</code> column for group IDs and fixed parameter values.</p> <p>Defaults to NULL.</p>
method	A character vector specifying optimization methods. Check available methods using <code>list_methods()</code> and their dependencies using <code>optimx::checkallsolvers()</code> . Defaults to <code>c("subplex", "pracmanm", "anms")</code> .
subset	A vector (optional) containing levels of <code>grp</code> to filter the data for analysis. Defaults to NULL (all groups are included).
options	A list of additional options. See <code>modeler.options()</code>
	<p><code>progress</code> Logical. If TRUE a progress bar is displayed. Default is FALSE. Try this before running the function: <code>progressr::handlers("progress", "beep")</code>.</p> <p><code>parallel</code> Logical. If TRUE the model fit is performed in parallel. Default is FALSE.</p> <p><code>workers</code> The number of parallel processes to use. <code>parallel::detectCores()</code></p> <p><code>trace</code> If TRUE, convergence monitoring of the current fit is reported in the console. FALSE by default.</p> <p><code>return_method</code> Logical. If TRUE, includes the optimization method used in the result. Default is FALSE.</p>
control	A list of control parameters to be passed to the optimization function. For example: <code>list(maxit = 500)</code> .

## Value

An object of class `modeler`, which is a list containing the following elements:

`param` Data frame containing optimized parameters and related information.

`dt` Data frame with input data, fitted values, and residuals.

`metrics` Metrics and summary of the models.

`execution` Total execution time for the analysis.

`response` Name of the response variable analyzed.

keep Metadata retained based on the keep argument.  
 fun Name of the curve-fitting function used.  
 parallel List containing parallel execution details (if applicable).  
 fit List of fitted models for each group.

## Examples

```
library(flexFitR)
data(dt_potato)
explorer <- explorer(dt_potato, x = DAP, y = c(Canopy, GLI), id = Plot)
# Example 1
mod_1 <- dt_potato |>
  modeler(
    x = DAP,
    y = GLI,
    grp = Plot,
    fn = "fn_lin_pl_lin",
    parameters = c(t1 = 38.7, t2 = 62, t3 = 90, k = 0.32, beta = -0.01),
    subset = 195
  )
plot(mod_1, id = 195)
print(mod_1)
# Example 2
mod_2 <- dt_potato |>
  modeler(
    x = DAP,
    y = Canopy,
    grp = Plot,
    fn = "fn_linear_sat",
    parameters = c(t1 = 45, t2 = 80, k = 0.9),
    subset = 195
  )
plot(mod_2, id = 195)
print(mod_2)
```

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performance

*Compare performance of different models*

---

## Description

Computes indices of model performance for different models at once and hence allows comparison of indices across models.

## Usage

```
performance(..., metrics = "all", metadata = FALSE, digits = 2)
```

**Arguments**

...	Multiple model objects (only of class 'modeler').
metrics	Can be "all" or a character vector of metrics to be computed (one or more of "logLik", "AIC", "AICc", "BIC", "Sigma", "SSE", "MAE", "MSE", "RMSE", "R2"). "all" by default.
metadata	Logical. If TRUE, metadata is included with the performance metrics. Default is FALSE.
digits	An integer. The number of decimal places to round the output. Default is 2.

**Value**

A data.frame with performance metrics for models in (...).

**Examples**

```
library(flexFitR)
data(dt_potato)
# Model 1
mod_1 <- dt_potato |>
  modeler(
    x = DAP,
    y = Canopy,
    grp = Plot,
    fn = "fn_linear_sat",
    parameters = c(t1 = 45, t2 = 80, k = 90),
    subset = 40
  )
print(mod_1)
# Model 2
mod_2 <- dt_potato |>
  modeler(
    x = DAP,
    y = Canopy,
    grp = Plot,
    fn = "fn_logistic",
    parameters = c(L = 100, k = 4, t0 = 50),
    subset = 40
  )
print(mod_2)
# Model 3
mod_3 <- dt_potato |>
  modeler(
    x = DAP,
    y = Canopy,
    grp = Plot,
    fn = "fn_lin",
    parameters = c(m = 20, b = 2),
    subset = 40
  )
print(mod_3)
performance(mod_1, mod_2, mod_3, metrics = c("AIC", "AICc", "BIC", "Sigma"))
```

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plot.explorer

*Plot an object of class explorer*


---

### Description

Creates various plots for an object of class explorer. Depending on the specified type, the function can generate plots that show correlations between variables over x, correlations between x values for each variable, or the evolution of variables over x.

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'explorer'
plot(
  x,
  type = "var_by_x",
  label_size = 4,
  signif = FALSE,
  method = "pearson",
  filter_var = NULL,
  id = NULL,
  n_row = NULL,
  n_col = NULL,
  base_size = 13,
  return_gg = FALSE,
  add_avg = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

### Arguments

x	An object inheriting from class explorer, resulting from executing the function explorer().
type	Character string or number specifying the type of plot to generate. Available options are: "var_by_x" or 1 Plots correlations between variables over x (default). "x_by_var" or 2 Plots correlations between x points for each variable (y). "evolution" or 3 Plot the evolution of the variables (y) over x. "xy" or 4 Scatterplot (x, y)
label_size	Numeric. Size of the labels in the plot. Default is 4. Only works with type 1 and 2.
signif	Logical. If TRUE, adds p-values to the correlation plot labels. Default is FALSE. Only works with type 1 and 2.
method	Character string specifying the method for correlation calculation. Available options are "pearson" (default), "spearman", and "kendall". Only works with type 1 and 2.

filter_var	Character vector specifying the variables to exclude from the plot.
id	Optional unique identifier to filter the evolution type of plot. Default is NULL. Only works with type 3.
n_row	Integer specifying the number of rows to use in facet_wrap(). Default is NULL. Only works with type 1 and 2.
n_col	Integer specifying the number of columns to use in facet_wrap(). Default is NULL. Only works with type 1 and 2.
base_size	Numeric. Base font size for the plot. Default is 13.
return_gg	Logical. If TRUE, returns the ggplot object instead of printing it. Default is FALSE.
add_avg	Logical. If TRUE, returns evolution plot with the average trend across groups. Default is FALSE.
...	Further graphical parameters for future improvements.

**Value**

A ggplot object and an invisible data.frame containing the correlation table when type is "var\_by\_x" or "x\_by\_var".

**Examples**

```
library(flexFitR)
data(dt_potato)
results <- explorer(dt_potato, x = DAP, y = c(Canopy, GLI), id = Plot)
table <- plot(results, label_size = 4, signif = TRUE, n_row = 2)
table
plot(results, type = "x_by_var", label_size = 4, signif = TRUE)
```

---

plot.modeler

*Plot an object of class modeler*


---

**Description**

Creates several plots for an object of class modeler.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'modeler'
plot(
  x,
  id = NULL,
  type = 1,
  label_size = 4,
  base_size = 14,
  color = "red",
  color_points = "black",
```

```

    parm = NULL,
    n_points = 1000,
    title = NULL,
    add_ci = TRUE,
    color_ci = "blue",
    color_pi = "red",
    add_ribbon_ci = FALSE,
    add_ribbon_pi = FALSE,
    color_ribbon_ci = "blue",
    color_ribbon_pi = "red",
    ...
)

```

### Arguments

x	An object of class modeler, typically the result of calling modeler().
id	An optional group ID to filter the data for plotting, useful for avoiding over-crowded plots.
type	Numeric value (1-6) to specify the type of plot to generate. Default is 1. type = 1 Plot of raw data with fitted curves. type = 2 Plot of coefficients with confidence intervals. type = 3 Plot of fitted curves, colored by group. type = 4 Plot of fitted curves with confidence intervals. type = 5 Plot of first derivative with confidence intervals. type = 6 Plot of second derivative with confidence intervals.
label_size	Numeric value for the size of labels. Default is 4.
base_size	Numeric value for the base font size in pts. Default is 14.
color	Character string specifying the color for the fitted line when type = 1. Default is "red".
color_points	Character string specifying the color for the raw data points when type = 1. Default is "black".
parm	Character vector specifying the parameters to plot for type = 2. If NULL, all parameters are included.
n_points	Numeric value specifying the number of points for interpolation along the x-axis. Default is 2000.
title	Optional character string to add a title to the plot.
add_ci	Logical value indicating whether to add confidence intervals for type = 4, 5, 6. Default is TRUE.
color_ci	Character string specifying the color of the confidence interval when type = 4, 5, 6. Default is "blue".
color_pi	Character string specifying the color of the prediction interval when type = 4. Default is "red".
add_ribbon_ci	Logical value indicating whether to add a ribbon for confidence intervals in type = 4, 5, 6. Default is FALSE.

**add\_ribbon\_pi** Logical value indicating whether to add a ribbon for prediction intervals in type = 4. Default is FALSE.  
**color\_ribbon\_ci** Character string specifying the color of the ribbon (ci). Default is "blue".  
**color\_ribbon\_pi** Character string specifying the color of the ribbon (pi). Default is "red".  
 ... Additional graphical parameters for future extensions.

**Value**

A ggplot object representing the specified plot.

**Author(s)**

Johan Aparicio [aut]

**Examples**

```

library(flexFitR)
data(dt_potato)
# Example 1
mod_1 <- dt_potato |>
  modeler(
    x = DAP,
    y = Canopy,
    grp = Plot,
    fn = "fn_linear_sat",
    parameters = c(t1 = 45, t2 = 80, k = 0.9),
    subset = c(1:3)
  )
print(mod_1)
plot(mod_1, id = 1:2)
plot(mod_1, id = 1:3, type = 2, label_size = 10)

```

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plot.performance      *Plot an object of class performance*

---

**Description**

Creates plots for an object of class performance

**Usage**

```

## S3 method for class 'performance'
plot(
  x,
  id = NULL,
  type = 1,

```

```

    rescale = FALSE,
    linewidth = 1,
    base_size = 12,
    return_table = FALSE,
    ...
  )

```

### Arguments

x	An object of class performance, typically the result of calling performance().
id	An optional group ID to filter the data for plotting, useful for avoiding over-crowded plots. This argument is not used when type = 2.
type	Numeric value (1-3) to specify the type of plot to generate. Default is 1. type = 1 Radar plot by uid type = 2 Radar plot averaging type = 3 Bar plot by model-metric
rescale	Logical. If TRUE, metrics in type 3 plot are (0, 1) rescaled to improve interpretation. Higher values are better models. FALSE by default.
linewidth	Numeric value specifying size of line geoms.
base_size	Numeric value for the base font size in pts. Default is 12
return_table	Logical. If TRUE, table to generate the plot is returned. FALSE by default.
...	Additional graphical parameters for future extensions.

### Value

A ggplot object representing the specified plot.

### Author(s)

Johan Aparicio [aut]

### Examples

```

library(flexFitR)
data(dt_potato)
# Model 1
mod_1 <- dt_potato |>
  modeler(
    x = DAP,
    y = Canopy,
    grp = Plot,
    fn = "fn_linear_sat",
    parameters = c(t1 = 45, t2 = 80, k = 90),
    subset = 40
  )
# Model 2
mod_2 <- dt_potato |>
  modeler(

```

```

    x = DAP,
    y = Canopy,
    grp = Plot,
    fn = "fn_logistic",
    parameters = c(L = 100, k = 4, t0 = 50),
    subset = 40
  )
# Model 3
mod_3 <- dt_potato |>
  modeler(
    x = DAP,
    y = Canopy,
    grp = Plot,
    fn = "fn_lin",
    parameters = c(m = 20, b = 2),
    subset = 40
  )
plot(performance(mod_1, mod_2, mod_3), type = 1)
plot(performance(mod_1, mod_2, mod_3, metrics = c("AICc", "BIC")), type = 3)

```

---

plot\_fn

*Plot user-defined function*


---

## Description

This function plots a function over a specified interval and annotates the plot with the calculated Area Under the Curve (AUC) and parameter values. The aim of ‘plot\_fn’ is to allow users to play with different starting values in their functions before fitting any models.

## Usage

```

plot_fn(
  fn = "fn_linear_sat",
  params = c(t1 = 34.9, t2 = 61.8, k = 100),
  interval = c(0, 100),
  n_points = 1000,
  auc = FALSE,
  x_auc_label = NULL,
  y_auc_label = NULL,
  auc_label_size = 4,
  param_label_size = 4,
  base_size = 12,
  color = "red",
  label_color = "grey30"
)

```

**Arguments**

fn	A character string representing the name of the function to be plotted. Default is "fn_linear_sat".
params	A named numeric vector of parameters to be passed to the function. Default is <code>c(t1 = 34.9, t2 = 61.8, k = 100)</code> .
interval	A numeric vector of length 2 specifying the interval over which the function is to be plotted. Default is <code>c(0, 100)</code> .
n_points	An integer specifying the number of points to be used for plotting. Default is 1000.
auc	Print AUC in the plot? Default is FALSE.
x_auc_label	A numeric value specifying the x-coordinate for the AUC label. Default is NULL.
y_auc_label	A numeric value specifying the y-coordinate for the AUC label. Default is NULL.
auc_label_size	A numeric value specifying the size of the AUC label text. Default is 3.
param_label_size	A numeric value specifying the size of the parameter label text. Default is 3.
base_size	A numeric value specifying the base size for the plot's theme. Default is 12.
color	A character string specifying the color for the plot lines and area fill. Default is "red".
label_color	A character string specifying the color for the labels. Default is "grey30".

**Value**

A ggplot object representing the plot.

**Examples**

```
# Example usage
plot_fn(
  fn = "fn_linear_sat",
  params = c(t1 = 34.9, t2 = 61.8, k = 100),
  interval = c(0, 100),
  n_points = 1000
)
plot_fn(
  fn = "fn_lin_pl_lin",
  params <- c(t1 = 38.7, t2 = 62, t3 = 90, k = 0.32, beta = -0.01),
  interval = c(0, 100),
  n_points = 1000,
  base_size = 12
)
```

---

predict.modeler      *Predict an object of class modeler*

---

### Description

Generate model predictions from an object of class modeler. This function allows for flexible prediction types, including point predictions, area under the curve (AUC), first or second order derivatives, and functions of the parameters.

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'modeler'
predict(
  object,
  x = NULL,
  id = NULL,
  type = c("point", "auc", "fd", "sd"),
  se_interval = c("confidence", "prediction"),
  n_points = 1000,
  formula = NULL,
  metadata = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

### Arguments

object	An object of class modeler, typically the result of calling the modeler() function.
x	A numeric value or vector specifying the points at which predictions are made. For type = "auc", x must be a vector of length 2 that specifies the interval over which to calculate the AUC.
id	Optional unique identifier to filter predictions by a specific group. Default is NULL.
type	A character string specifying the type of prediction. Default is "point". "point" Predicts the value of y for the given x. "auc" Calculates the area under the curve (AUC) for the fitted model over the interval specified by x. "fd" Returns the first derivative (rate of change) of the model at the given x value(s). "sd" Returns the second derivative of the model at the given x value(s).
se_interval	A character string specifying the type of interval for standard error calculation. Options are "confidence" (default) or "prediction". Only works with "point" estimation.
n_points	An integer specifying the number of points used to approximate the area under the curve (AUC) when type = "auc". Default is 1000.

formula	A formula specifying a function of the parameters to be estimated (e.g., $\sim b * 500$ ). Default is NULL.
metadata	Logical. If TRUE, metadata is included with the predictions. Default is FALSE.
...	Additional parameters for future functionality.

**Value**

A data.frame containing the predicted values, their associated standard errors, and optionally the metadata.

**Author(s)**

Johan Aparicio [aut]

**Examples**

```
library(flexFitR)
data(dt_potato)
mod_1 <- dt_potato |>
  modeler(
    x = DAP,
    y = Canopy,
    grp = Plot,
    fn = "fn_linear_sat",
    parameters = c(t1 = 45, t2 = 80, k = 0.9),
    subset = c(15, 2, 45)
  )
print(mod_1)
# Point Prediction
predict(mod_1, x = 45, type = "point", id = 2)
# AUC Prediction
predict(mod_1, x = c(0, 108), type = "auc", id = 2)
# First Derivative
predict(mod_1, x = 45, type = "fd", id = 2)
# Second Derivative
predict(mod_1, x = 45, type = "sd", id = 2)
# Function of the parameters
predict(mod_1, formula = ~ t2 - t1, id = 2)
```

---

```
print.modeler
```

```
Print an object of class modeler
```

---

**Description**

Prints information about modeler function.

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

`x` An object fitted with the function `modeler()`.  
`...` Options used by the tibble package to format the output. See `'tibble::print()'` for more details.

**Value**

an object inheriting from class `modeler`.

**Author(s)**

Johan Aparicio [aut]

**Examples**

```
library(flexFitR)
data(dt_potato)
mod_1 <- dt_potato |>
  modeler(
    x = DAP,
    y = Canopy,
    grp = Plot,
    fn = "fn_linear_sat",
    parameters = c(t1 = 45, t2 = 80, k = 0.9),
    subset = c(1:5)
  )
plot(mod_1, id = c(1:4))
print(mod_1)
```

---

`residuals.modeler` *Extract residuals from a modeler object*

---

**Description**

Extract residuals from a modeler object

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'modeler'
residuals(object, ...)
```

**Arguments**

`object` An object of class `'modeler'`  
`...` Additional parameters for future functionality.

**Value**

A numeric vector of residuals

**Author(s)**

Johan Aparicio [aut]

**Examples**

```
library(flexFitR)
data(dt_potato)
mod_1 <- dt_potato |>
  modeler(
    x = DAP,
    y = Canopy,
    grp = Plot,
    fn = "fn_linear_sat",
    parameters = c(t1 = 45, t2 = 80, k = 0.9),
    subset = c(15, 2, 45)
  )
residuals(mod_1)
```

---

`series_mutate`*Transform variables in a data frame*

---

**Description**

This function performs transformations on specified columns of a data frame, including truncating maximum values, handling negative values, and adding a zero to the series. It allows for grouping and supports retaining metadata in the output.

**Usage**

```
series_mutate(
  data,
  x,
  y,
  grp,
  metadata,
  max_as_last = FALSE,
  check_negative = FALSE,
  add_zero = FALSE,
  interval = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>data</code>	A <code>data.frame</code> containing the input data for analysis.
<code>x</code>	The name of the column in <code>data</code> representing the independent variable (x points).
<code>y</code>	The name of the column(s) in <code>data</code> containing variables to transform.
<code>grp</code>	Column(s) in <code>data</code> used as grouping variable(s). Defaults to <code>NULL</code> (optional).

metadata	Names of columns to retain in the output. Defaults to NULL (optional).
max_as_last	Logical. If TRUE, appends the maximum value after reaching the maximum. Default is FALSE.
check_negative	Logical. If TRUE, converts negative values in the data to zero. Default is FALSE.
add_zero	Logical. If TRUE, adds a zero value to the series at the start. Default is FALSE.
interval	A numeric vector of length 2 (start and end) specifying the range to filter the data. Defaults to NULL.

**Value**

A transformed data.frame with the specified modifications applied.

**Examples**

```
data(dt_potato)
new_data <- series_mutate(
  data = dt_potato,
  x = DAP,
  y = GLI,
  grp = gid,
  max_as_last = TRUE,
  check_negative = TRUE
)
```

---

subset.modeler      *Subset an object of class modeler*

---

**Description**

Subset an object of class modeler

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'modeler'
subset(x, id = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	An object of class modeler, typically the result of calling modeler().
id	Unique identifier to filter a modeler object by a specific group. Default is NULL.
...	Additional parameters for future functionality.

**Value**

A modeler object.

**Author(s)**

Johan Aparicio [aut]

**Examples**

```
library(flexFitR)
data(dt_potato)
mod <- dt_potato |>
  modeler(
    x = DAP,
    y = Canopy,
    grp = Plot,
    fn = "fn_logistic",
    parameters = c(L = 100, k = 4, t0 = 40),
    subset = 1:2
  )
print(mod)
mod_new <- subset(mod, id = 2)
print(mod_new)
```

---

vcov.modeler

*Variance-Covariance matrix for an object of class modeler*


---

**Description**

Extract the variance-covariance matrix for the parameter estimates from an object of class `modeler`.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'modeler'
vcov(object, id = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>object</code>	An object of class <code>modeler</code> , typically the result of calling the <code>modeler()</code> function.
<code>id</code>	An optional unique identifier to filter by a specific group. Default is <code>NULL</code> .
<code>...</code>	Additional parameters for future functionality.

**Value**

A list of matrices, where each matrix represents the variance-covariance matrix of the estimated parameters for each group or fit.

**Author(s)**

Johan Aparicio [aut]

**Examples**

```
library(flexFitR)
data(dt_potato)
mod_1 <- dt_potato |>
  modeler(
    x = DAP,
    y = Canopy,
    grp = Plot,
    fn = "fn_linear_sat",
    parameters = c(t1 = 45, t2 = 80, k = 0.9),
    subset = c(15, 2, 45)
  )
print(mod_1)
vcov(mod_1)
```

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