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<i>scan-package</i>	<i>Single-Case Data Analyses</i>
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### Description

A collection of procedures for analysing, visualising, and managing single-case data.

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<i>.inheritParams</i>	<i>Dummy function to inherit global descriptions of parameters</i>
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### Description

Dummy function to inherit global descriptions of parameters

### Usage

```
.inheritParams(data, dvar, mvar, pvar, decreasing, phases, model, trend,
  level, slope)
```

### Arguments

- |                         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| <code>data</code>       | A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.   |
| <code>dvar</code>       | Character string with the name of the dependent variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.   |
| <code>mvar</code>       | Character string with the name of the measurement time variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.  |
| <code>pvar</code>       | Character string with the name of the phase variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.   |
| <code>decreasing</code> | If you expect data to be lower in the B phase, set <code>decreasing = TRUE</code> . Default is <code>decreasing = FALSE</code> .   |
| <code>phases</code>     | A vector of two characters or numbers indicating the two phases that should be compared. E.g., <code>phases = c("A", "C")</code> or <code>phases = c(2, 4)</code> for comparing the second to the fourth phase. Phases could be combined by providing a list with two elements. E.g., <code>phases = list(A = c(1, 3), B = c(2, 4))</code> will compare phases 1 and 3 (as A) against 2 and 4 (as B). Default is <code>phases = c("A", "B")</code> . |

model	Model used for calculating the slope parameter (see Huitema & McKean, 2000). Default is model = "B&L-B". Possible values are: "B&L-B", "H-M", "Mohr#1", "Mohr#2", "JW", "JW2", and "Manly".
trend	A logical indicating if a trend parameters is included in the model.
level	A logical indicating if a level parameters is included in the model.
slope	A logical indicating if a slope parameters is included in the model.

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as\_scdf *as\_scdf Converts a data frame to an scdf object*

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### Description

as\_scdf Converts a data frame to an scdf object

### Usage

```
as_scdf(object)
```

### Arguments

object            A scdf object

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autocorrSC *Autocorrelation for single-case data*

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### Description

The autocorrSC function calculates autocorrelations within each phase and across all phases.

### Usage

```
autocorrSC(data, dvar, pvar, mvar, lag.max = 3, ...)
```

### Arguments

data	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
dvar	Character string with the name of the dependent variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
pvar	Character string with the name of the phase variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
mvar	Character string with the name of the measurement time variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
lag.max	The lag up to which autocorrelations will be computed. Default is lag.max = 3.
...	Further arguments passed to the <a href="#">acf</a> function

**Value**

A data frame containing separate autocorrelations for each phase and for all phases (for each single-case). If `lag.max` exceeds the length of a phase minus one, NA is returned for this cell.

**Author(s)**

Juergen Wilbert

**See Also**

[trendSC](#), [plm](#), [acf](#)

**Examples**

```
## Compute autocorrelations for a list of four single-cases up to lag 2.
autocorrSC(Huber2014, lag.max = 2)
```

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Beretvas2008	<i>Single-case example data</i>
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**Description**

The scan package comes with a set of fictitious and authentic single-case study data, by courtesy of the particular authors.

**Usage**

```
Beretvas2008
```

**Format**

An object of class `scdf` (inherits from `list`) of length 1.

**Value**

Beretvas2008	Fictitious single-case intervention study. <b>Reference:</b> Beretvas, S., & Chung, H. (2008). An evaluation of modified R2-change effect size indices for single-subject experimental designs. <i>Evidence-Based Communication Assessment and Intervention</i> , 2, 120-128.
Borckardt2014	Fictitious daily pain ratings evaluating a psychological treatment. <b>Reference:</b> Borckardt, J. J., & Nash, M. R. (2014). Simulation modelling analysis for small sets of single-subject data collected over time. <i>Neuropsychological Rehabilitation</i> , 24, 492-506.
Huitema2000	Fictitious single-case intervention study. <b>Reference:</b> Huitema, B. E., & McKean, J. W. (2000). Design specification issues in time-series intervention models. <i>Educational and Psychological Measurement</i> , 60, 38-58.

- Waddell2011 Fictitious single-case intervention study. **Reference:** Waddell, D. E., Nassar, S. L., & Gustafson, S. A. (2011). Single-Case Design in Psychophysiological Research: Part II: Statistical Analytic Approaches. *Journal of Neurotherapy*, *15*, 160-169.
- byHeart2011 Multiple-baseline (11 cases) intervention study on flash card vocabulary learning by Juergen Wilbert.
- Grosche2011 Multiple-baseline (3 cases) intervention study on a direct-instructive reading intervention. **Reference:** Grosche, M. (2011). Effekte einer direkt-instruktiven Foerderung der Lesegenauigkeit. *Empirische Sonderpaedagogik*, *3*, 147-161.
- Grosche2014 Multiple-baseline (3 cases x 3 materials) intervention study on a reading intervention. **Reference:** Grosche, M., Lueke, T., & Wilbert, J. (in prep.).
- GruenkeWilbert2014 Multiple-baseline (6 cases) intervention study on story mapping. **Reference:** Gruenke, M., Wilbert, J., & Stegemann-Calder, K. (2013). Analyzing the effects of story mapping on the reading comprehension of children with low intellectual abilities. *Learning Disabilities: A Contemporary Journal*, *11*, 51-64.
- Huber2014 Multiple-baseline (4 cases) intervention study on behavioral compliance. Scores refer to compliant behavior in percent. **Reference:** Huber, C. (in prep.).
- Lenz2013 Fictitious example from the paper Lenz, A. S. (2013). Calculating Effect Size in Single-Case Research: A Comparison of Nonoverlap Methods. *Measurement and Evaluation in Counseling and Development*, *46*(1), 64–73.
- Leidig2018
- Leidig2018\_12
- SSDforR2017 Example from the R package SSDforR.
- Parker2011 Example from Parker, R. I., Vannest, K. J., Davis, J. L., & Sauber, S. B. (2011). Combining Nonoverlap and Trend for Single-Case Research: Tau-U. *Behavior Therapy*, *42*(2), 284–299. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.beth.2010.08.006>

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c.scdf

*Concatenate single-case data frames***Description**

Concatenate single-case data frames

**Usage**

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

**Arguments**

... scdf objects

**Value**

A scdf

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corrected_tauSC	<i>Baseline corrected tau</i>
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**Description**

Kendalls tau correlation for the dependent variable and the phase variable is calculated after correcting for a baseline trend.

**Usage**

```
corrected_tauSC(data, dvar, pvar, mvar, phases = c(1, 2), alpha = 0.05,
  continuity = TRUE, repeated = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

data	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
dvar	Character string with the name of the dependent variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
pvar	Character string with the name of the phase variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
mvar	Character string with the name of the measurement time variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
phases	A vector of two characters or numbers indicating the two phases that should be compared. E.g., phases = c("A", "C") or phases = c(2, 4) for comparing the second to the fourth phase. Phases could be combined by providing a list with two elements. E.g., phases = list(A = c(1, 3), B = c(2, 4)) will compare phases 1 and 3 (as A) against 2 and 4 (as B). Default is phases = c("A", "B").
alpha	Sets the p-value at and below which a baseline correction is applied.
continuity	If TRUE applies a continuity correction for calculating p
repeated	If TRUE applies the repeated median method for calculating slope and intercept ( <a href="#">mb1m</a> )

## Details

This method has been proposed by Tarlow (2016). The baseline data are checked for a significant autocorrelation (based on Kendall's Tau). If so, a non-parametric Theil-Sen regression is applied for the baseline data where the dependent values are regressed on the measurement time. The resulting slope information is then used to predict data of the B-phase. The dependent variable is now corrected for this baseline trend and the residuals of the Theil-Sen regression are taken for further calculations. Finally, a tau is calculated for the dependent variable and the dichotomous phase variable. The function here provides two extensions to this procedure: The more accurate Siegel repeated median regression is applied when `repeated = TRUE` and a continuity correction is applied when `continuity = TRUE` (both are the default settings).

## References

Tarlow, K. R. (2016). An Improved Rank Correlation Effect Size Statistic for Single-Case Designs: Baseline Corrected Tau. *Behavior Modification*, 41(4), 427–467. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0145445516676750>

## See Also

Other regression functions: [hplm](#), [mplm](#), [plm](#)

Other overlap functions: [nap](#), [overlapSC](#), [pand](#), [pem](#), [pet](#), [pnd](#), [tauUSC](#)

## Examples

```
dat <- scdf(c(A = 33,25,17,25,14,13,15, B = 15,16,16,5,7,9,6,5,3,3,8,11,7))
corrected_tauSC(dat)
```

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describeSC

*Descriptive statistics for single-case data*

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## Description

The `describeSC` function provides common descriptive statistics for single-case data.

## Usage

```
describeSC(data, dvar, pvar, mvar)
```

## Arguments

<code>data</code>	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
<code>dvar</code>	Character string with the name of the dependent variable. Defaults to the attributes in the <code>scdf</code> file.
<code>pvar</code>	Character string with the name of the phase variable. Defaults to the attributes in the <code>scdf</code> file.
<code>mvar</code>	Character string with the name of the measurement time variable. Defaults to the attributes in the <code>scdf</code> file.



**Value**

A data frame of descriptive statistics (for each single-case), i.e.: number of observations, number of missing values, measures of central tendency, variation, and trend.

**Author(s)**

Juergen Wilbert

**See Also**

[overlapSC](#), [plotSC](#)

**Examples**

```
## Descriptive statistics for a study of three single-cases
describeSC(Grosche2011)

## Descriptives of a three phase design
describeSC(exampleABC)

## Not run:
## Write descriptive statistics to .csv-file
study <- describeSC(Waddell2011)
write.csv(study$descriptives, file = "descriptives.csv")

## End(Not run)
```

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estimateSC

*Estimate single-case design*

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**Description**

This functions takes an scdf an extracts design parameters. The resulting in object can be used to randomly create new scdf files with the same underlying parameters. This might be usefull for monte-carlo studies and bootstrapping procedures.

**Usage**

```
estimateSC(data, dvar, pvar, mvar, s = NULL, rtt = NULL,
  model = "JW", ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>data</code>	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
<code>dvar</code>	Character string with the name of the dependent variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
<code>pvar</code>	Character string with the name of the phase variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
<code>mvar</code>	Character string with the name of the measurement time variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
<code>s</code>	The standard deviation depicting the between case variance of the overall performance. If more than two single-cases are included in the scdf, the variance is estimated if <code>s</code> is set to <code>NULL</code> .
<code>rtt</code>	The reliability of the measurements. The reliability is estimated when <code>rtt = NULL</code> .
<code>model</code>	Model used for calculating the slope parameter (see Huitema & McKean, 2000). Default is <code>model = "B&amp;L-B"</code> . Possible values are: <code>"B&amp;L-B"</code> , <code>"H-M"</code> , <code>"Mohr#1"</code> , <code>"Mohr#2"</code> , <code>"JW"</code> , <code>"JW2"</code> , and <code>"Manly"</code> .
<code>...</code>	Further arguments passed to the <code>lm</code> function.

**Value**

A list of parameters for each single-case. Parameters include name, length, and starting measurementtime of each phase, trend level, and slope effects for each phase, mean, standarddeviation, and reliability for each case.

**Examples**

```
estimateSC(exampleABC)
```

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<code>estimate_design</code>	<i>Estimate single-case design</i>
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**Description**

This functions takes an `scdf` and extracts design parameters. The resulting object can be used to randomly create new `scdf` files with the same underlying parameters. This is usefull for monte-carlo studies and bootstrapping procedures.

**Usage**

```
estimate_design(data, dvar, pvar, mvar, m = NULL, s = NULL,
  rtt = NULL, between = TRUE, model = "JW", ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>data</code>	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
<code>dvar</code>	Character string with the name of the dependent variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
<code>pvar</code>	Character string with the name of the phase variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
<code>mvar</code>	Character string with the name of the measurement time variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
<code>m</code>	The mean depicting the overall distribution of which all cases are a random sample of. <code>m</code> is estimated when <code>m = NULL</code> .
<code>s</code>	The standard deviation depicting the between case variance of the overall performance. If more than two single-cases are included in the scdf, the variance is estimated if <code>s</code> is set to <code>NULL</code> .
<code>rtt</code>	The reliability of the measurements. The reliability is estimated when <code>rtt = NULL</code> .
<code>between</code>	If <code>FALSE</code> trend, level, and slope effect estimations will be identical for each case. If <code>TRUE</code> effects are estimated for each case separately.
<code>model</code>	Model used for calculating the slope parameter (see Huitema & McKean, 2000). Default is <code>model = "B&amp;L-B"</code> . Possible values are: <code>"B&amp;L-B"</code> , <code>"H-M"</code> , <code>"Mohr#1"</code> , <code>"Mohr#2"</code> , <code>"JW"</code> , <code>"JW2"</code> , and <code>"Manly"</code> .
<code>...</code>	Further arguments passed to the <code>lm</code> function used for parameter estimation.

**Value**

A list of parameters for each single-case. Parameters include name, length, and starting measurementtime of each phase, trend level, and slope effects for each phase, mean, standarddeviation, and reliability for each case.

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`export`

*Export scan objects to html or latex*

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**Description**

This function is in an experimental status. `Export` creates html files of tables or displays them directly in the viewer pane of `rstudio`. When applied in `rmarkdown`, tables can also be created for pdf/latex output.

**Usage**

```
export(object, filename = NULL, kable_styling_options = list(),
       kable_options = list(), cols, flip = FALSE, note = TRUE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	An scdf
filename	Character string with the filename. If a filename is provided the output will be written into this file.
kable_styling_options	list with arguments passed to the kable_styling function.
kable_options	list with arguments passed to the kable function.
cols	Defines which columns are included when a scdf is exported. It is either a vector with variable names or the string "main" will select the central variables.
flip	If TRUE, some objects are displayed with rows and columns flipped.
note	If TRUE additional information are printed below the table.
...	Further Arguments passed to internal functions.

**Value**

Returns a specif formatted html.

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fillmissingSC	<i>Replacing missing measurement times in single-case data</i>
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**Description**

The fillmissingSC function replaces missing measurements in single-case data.

**Usage**

```
fillmissingSC(data, dvar, mvar, interpolation = "linear", na.rm = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

data	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
dvar	Character string with the name of the dependent variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
mvar	Character string with the name of the measurement time variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
interpolation	Alternative options not yet included. Default is interpolation = "linear".
na.rm	If set TRUE, NA values are also interpolated. Default is na.rm = TRUE.

**Details**

This procedure is recommended if there are gaps between measurement times (e.g. MT: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, ... 8, 9) or explicitly missing values in your single-case data and you want to calculate overlap indices ([overlapSC](#)) or a randomization test ([randSC](#)).

**Value**

A single-case data frame (SCDF) with missing data points interpolated. See [scdf](#) to learn about the SCDF Format.

**Author(s)**

Juergen Wilbert

**See Also**

Other data manipulation functions: [longSCDF](#), [outlierSC](#), [rankSC](#), [scaleSC](#), [shiftSC](#), [smoothSC](#), [truncateSC](#)

**Examples**

```
## In his study, Grosche (2011) could not realize measurements each single week for
## all participants. During the course of 100 weeks, about 20 measurements per person
## at different times were administered.
```

```
## Fill missing values in a single-case dataset with discontinuous measurement times
Grosche2011filled <- fillmissingSC(Grosche2011)
study <- c(Grosche2011[2], Grosche2011filled[2])
names(study) <- c("Original", "Filled")
plot(study, style = "grid")
```

```
## Fill missing values in a single-case dataset that are NA
Maggie <- rSC(design_rSC(level = list(0,1)), seed = 123)
Maggie_n <- Maggie
replace.positions <- c(10,16,18)
Maggie_n[[1]][replace.positions,"values"] <- NA
Maggie_f <- fillmissingSC(Maggie_n)
study <- c(Maggie, Maggie_n, Maggie_f)
names(study) <- c("original", "missing", "interpolated")
plot(study, marks = list(positions = replace.positions), style = "grid2")
```

**Description**

The `hplm` function computes a hierarchical piecewise regression model.

**Usage**

```
hplm(data, dvar, pvar, mvar, model = "B&L-B", method = "ML",
      control = list(opt = "optim"), random.slopes = FALSE,
      lr.test = FALSE, ICC = TRUE, trend = TRUE, level = TRUE,
      slope = TRUE, fixed = NULL, random = NULL, update.fixed = NULL,
      data.l2 = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

data	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
dvar	Character string with the name of the dependent variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
pvar	Character string with the name of the phase variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
mvar	Character string with the name of the measurement time variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
model	Model used for calculating the slope parameter (see Huitema & McKean, 2000). Default is model = "B&L-B". Possible values are: "B&L-B", "H-M", "Mohr#1", "Mohr#2", "JW", "JW2", and "Manly".
method	Method used to fit your model. Pass "REML" to maximize the restricted log-likelihood or "ML" for maximized log-likelihood. Default is "ML".
control	A list of settings for the estimation algorithm, replacing the default values passed to the function <code>lmeControl</code> of the <code>nlme</code> package.
random.slopes	If random.slopes = TRUE random slope effects of the level, trend, and treatment parameter are estimated.
lr.test	If set TRUE likelihood ratio tests are calculated comparing model with vs. without random slope parameters.
ICC	If ICC = TRUE an intraclass-correlation is estimated.
trend	A logical indicating if a trend parameters is included in the model.
level	A logical indicating if a level parameters is included in the model.
slope	A logical indicating if a slope parameters is included in the model.
fixed	Defaults to the fixed part of the standard piecewise regression model. The parameter phase followed by the phase name (e.g., phaseB) indicates the level effect of the corresponding phase. The parameter 'inter' followed by the phase name (e.g., interB) addresses the slope effect based on the method provide in the model argument (e.g., "B&L-B"). The formula can be changed for example to include further L1 or L2 variables into the regression model.
random	The random part of the model.
update.fixed	An easier way to change the fixed model part (e.g., . ~ . + newvariable).
data.l2	A dataframe providing additional variables at Level 2. The scdf File has to have names for all cases and the Level 2 dataframe has to have a column named 'cases' with the names of the cases the Level 2 variables belong to.
...	Further arguments passed to the <code>lme</code> function.

**Value**

model	List containing information about the applied model
N	Number of single-cases.
formula	A list containing the fixed and the random formulas of the hplm model.
hplm	Object of class lme containing the multilevel model
model.0	Object of class lme containing the Zero Model.
ICC	List containing intraclass correlation and test parameters.
model.without	Object of class gls containing the fixed effect model.

**Author(s)**

Juergen Wilbert

**See Also**

Other regression functions: [corrected\\_tauSC](#), [mplm](#), [plm](#)

**Examples**

```
## Compute hplm model on a MBD over fifty cases (restricted log-likelihood)
hplm(exampleAB_50, method = "REML", random.slopes = FALSE)

## Analyzing with additional L2 variables
hplm(Leidig2018, data.l2 = Leidig2018_l2,
     update.fixed = .~. + gender + migration + ITRF_TOTAL*phaseB,
     slope = FALSE, random.slopes = FALSE, lr.test = FALSE)
```

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longSCDF	<i>Creating a long format data frame from several single-case data frames (scdf).</i>
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**Description**

The longSCDF function transposes a scdf into one long data frame. Additionally, a data frame can be merged that includes data of the subjects. This might be helpful to prepare data to be used with other packages than scan.

**Usage**

```
longSCDF(data, l2 = NULL, id = "case")
```

**Arguments**

data	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
l2	A data frame providing additional variables at Level 2. The scdf has to have names for all cases and the Level 2 data frame has to have a column with corresponding case names.
id	Variable name of the Level 2 data frame that contains the case names.

**Value**

Returns one data frame with data of all single-cases structured by the case variable.

**Author(s)**

Juergen Wilbert

**See Also**

Other data manipulation functions: [fillmissingSC](#), [outlierSC](#), [rankSC](#), [scaleSC](#), [shiftSC](#), [smoothSC](#), [truncateSC](#)

**Examples**

```
## Convert the list of three single-case data frames from Grosche (2011) into one long data frame
Grosche2011
Grosche2011_long <- longSCDF(Grosche2011)
Grosche2011_long

## Combine an scdf with data for l2
Leidig2018_long <- longSCDF(Leidig2018, l2 = Leidig2018_l2)
names(Leidig2018_long)
summary(Leidig2018_long)
```

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makeSCDF	<i>Single case data frame</i>
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**Description**

The class scdf stores single-case study data with one or more single-cases.

**Usage**

```
makeSCDF(data, B.start = NULL, MT = NULL)

scdf(values, B.start, mt, phase, phase.design, name, dvar = "values",
      pvar = "phase", mvar = "mt", ...)
```



**Arguments**

<code>data</code>	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
<code>B.start</code>	The first measurement of phase B (simple coding if design is strictly AB).
<code>MT</code>	Deprecated: Measurement times
<code>values</code>	A vector containing measurement values of the dependent variable.
<code>mt</code>	A vector defining measurement times. Default is <code>mt = (1, 2, 3, ..., n)</code> .
<code>phase</code>	A vector defining phase assignments.
<code>phase.design</code>	A vector defining the length and label of each phase. E.g., <code>phase.length = c(A1 = 10, B1 = 10, A2 = 10, B2 = 10)</code> .
<code>name</code>	A name for the case.
<code>dvar</code>	Character string with the name of the dependent variable. Defaults to the attributes in the <code>scdf</code> file.
<code>pvar</code>	Character string with the name of the phase variable. Defaults to the attributes in the <code>scdf</code> file.
<code>mvar</code>	Character string with the name of the measurement time variable. Defaults to the attributes in the <code>scdf</code> file.
<code>...</code>	Additional variables. E.g., <code>teacher = c(0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1)</code> , <code>lesson = c(1, 3, 4, 5, 2, 3)</code> .

**Details**

The `scdf` class is a wrapper for a list containing a dataframe for each case.

If the dependent variable is a named vector then the names are extracted to create a phase design (e.g., `values = c(A = 2,3,5,4,3, B = 6,5,4,3)` will create an AB phase design with five and four measurements). An `scdf` contains several attributes: `dvar` The name of the dependent variable. `phase` The name of the phase variable. `mt` The name of the measurement time variable. `author` Information on the author of the data. `info` Further information on the data. E.g., a publication. `dvar`, `phase`, and `mt` are the defaults most of the scan function use. You can change the values of the attributes with the `scdf_attr` function (e.g., `scdf_attr(exampleAB_add, "dvar") <- "depression"` defines depression as the dependent variable. Please notice that all scan functions have arguments to define `dvar`, `phase`, and `mt` for a given analysis.

**Value**

Returns a single-case data frame `scdf` suitable for all functions of the scan package. Multiple data sets (e.g. from Multiple Baseline Designs) can be listed.

**Author(s)**

Juergen Wilbert

**Examples**

```
## Scores on a letter naming task were collected on eleven days in a row. The intervention
## started after the fifth measurement, so the first B phase measurement was 6 (B.start = 6).
```

```

klaas <- scdf(
  c(5, 7, 8, 5, 7, 12, 16, 18, 15, 14, 19),
  B.start = 6, name = "Klaas"
)
plot(klaas)

#Alternative coding 1:
klaas <- scdf(
  c(A = 5, 7, 8, 5, 7, B = 12, 16, 18, 15, 14, 19),
  name = "Klaas"
)

#Alternative coding 2:
klaas <- scdf(
  c(5, 7, 8, 5, 7, 12, 16, 18, 15, 14, 19),
  phase.design = c(A = 5, B = 6), name = "Klaas"
)

## Unfortunately in a similar SCDF there were no data collected on days 3 and 9. Use NA to
## pass them to the package.
emmi <- scdf(c(5, 7, NA, 5, 7, 12, 16, 18, NA, 14, 19),
  phase.design = c(A = 5, B = 6), name = "Emmi")
describeSC(emmi)

## In a MBD over three persons, data were again collected eleven days in a row. Intervention
## starting points differ between subjects as they were randomly assigned. The three SCDFs
## are then combined in a list for further conjoined analyses.
charlotte <- scdf(c(A = 5, 7, 10, 5, 12, B = 7, 10, 18, 15, 14, 19))
theresa <- scdf(c(A = 3, 4, 3, 5, B = 7, 4, 7, 9, 8, 10, 12))
antonia <- scdf(c(A = 9, 8, 8, 7, 5, 7, B = 6, 14, 15, 12, 16))
mbd <- c(charlotte, theresa, antonia)
names(mbd) <- c("Charlotte", "Theresa", "Antonia")
overlapSC(mbd)

## In a classroom-based intervention it was not possible to measure outcomes every day, but
## only on schooldays. The sequence of measurements is passed to the package by using a
## vector of measurement times.
frida <- scdf(
  c(A = 3, 2, 4, 2, 2, 3, 5, 6, B = 8, 10, 8, 12, 14, 13, 12),
  mt = c(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18)
)
summary(frida)
plot(frida)
describeSC(frida)

## example with two independent variables and four phases
jim <- scdf(
  zvt = c(47, 58, 76, 63, 71, 59, 64, 69, 72, 77, 76, 73),
  d2 = c(131, 134, 141, 141, 140, 140, 138, 140, 141, 140, 138, 140),
  phase.design = c(A1 = 3, B1 = 3, A2 = 3, B2 = 3), dvar = "zvt")
overlapSC(jim, phases = list(c("A1", "A2"), c("B1", "B2")))

```

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makesingleSC	<i>Aggregate multiple single-cases into one case</i>
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### Description

The makesingleSC function combines multiple single-case data frames into one single-case data frame.

### Usage

```
makesingleSC(data, scale = FALSE, type = "add")
```

### Arguments

data	A vector with measurements, a data frame or a list of data frames.
scale	Unused
type	By default values with the same measurement are added. If type is set to "mean" or "median", values of the same measurement are replaced with their mean or median. Default is "add".

### Details

The algorithm works the following way:

1. All values of each single-case are centred with respect to each case's phase A mean.
2. The phase A values of all single-cases are combined in ascending order of their measurement times.
3. The phase B values of all single-cases are combined in ascending order of their measurement times.
4. Phase B values are appended to phase A values. The measurement times of phase B are shifted to start with the next MT after the end of phase A.

### Author(s)

Juergen Wilbert

### See Also

[scdf](#), [longSCDF](#), [writeSC](#)

### Examples

```
##Function deprecated  
## please do not use it!
```

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 mplm

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*Multivariate Piecewise linear model / piecewise regression*


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### Description

This function is in an experimental status. The `mplm` function computes a multivariate piecewise regression model.

### Usage

```
mplm(data, dvar, mvar, pvar, model = "B&L-B", trend = TRUE,
      level = TRUE, slope = TRUE, formula = NULL, update = NULL,
      na.action = na.omit, ...)
```

### Arguments

<code>data</code>	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
<code>dvar</code>	Character string with the name of the dependent variable. Defaults to the attributes in the <code>scdf</code> file.
<code>mvar</code>	Character string with the name of the measurement time variable. Defaults to the attributes in the <code>scdf</code> file.
<code>pvar</code>	Character string with the name of the phase variable. Defaults to the attributes in the <code>scdf</code> file.
<code>model</code>	Model used for calculating the slope parameter (see Huitema & McKean, 2000). Default is <code>model = "B&amp;L-B"</code> . Possible values are: "B&L-B", "H-M", "Mohr#1", "Mohr#2", "JW", "JW2", and "Manly".
<code>trend</code>	A logical indicating if a trend parameters is included in the model.
<code>level</code>	A logical indicating if a level parameters is included in the model.
<code>slope</code>	A logical indicating if a slope parameters is included in the model.
<code>formula</code>	Defaults to the standard piecewise regression model. The parameter phase followed by the phase name (e.g., <code>phaseB</code> ) indicates the level effect of the corresponding phase. The parameter 'inter' followed by the phase name (e.g., <code>interB</code> ) addresses the slope effect based on the method provide in the <code>model</code> argument (e.g., "B&L-B"). The formula can be changed for example to include further variables into the regression model.
<code>update</code>	An easier way to change the regression formula (e.g., <code>. ~ . + newvariable</code> ).
<code>na.action</code>	Defines how to deal with missing values
<code>...</code>	Further arguments passed to the <code>lm</code> function.

### Value

<code>model</code>	Character string from function call (see Arguments above).
<code>full.model</code>	Full regression model list

**Author(s)**

Juergen Wilbert

**See Also**Other regression functions: [corrected\\_tauSC](#), [hplm](#), [plm](#)**Examples**

```
##
mplm(exampleAB_add, dvar = c("wellbeing", "depression"))
```

nap

*Nonoverlap of all Pairs***Description**

The `nap` function calculates the nonoverlap of all pairs (NAP; Parker & Vannest, 2009). NAP summarizes the overlap between all pairs of phase A and phase B data points. If an increase of phase B scores is expected, a non-overlapping pair has a higher phase B data point. The NAP equals *numberofpairsshowingnooverlap/numberofpairs*. Because NAP can only take values between 50 and 100 percent, a rescaled and therefore more intuitive NAP (0-100%) is also displayed.

**Usage**

```
nap(data, dvar, pvar, decreasing = FALSE, phases = c(1, 2))
```

**Arguments**

<code>data</code>	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
<code>dvar</code>	Character string with the name of the dependent variable. Defaults to the attributes in the <code>scdf</code> file.
<code>pvar</code>	Character string with the name of the phase variable. Defaults to the attributes in the <code>scdf</code> file.
<code>decreasing</code>	If you expect data to be lower in the B phase, set <code>decreasing = TRUE</code> . Default is <code>decreasing = FALSE</code> .
<code>phases</code>	A vector of two characters or numbers indicating the two phases that should be compared. E.g., <code>phases = c("A", "C")</code> or <code>phases = c(2, 4)</code> for comparing the second to the fourth phase. Phases could be combined by providing a list with two elements. E.g., <code>phases = list(A = c(1, 3), B = c(2, 4))</code> will compare phases 1 and 3 (as A) against 2 and 4 (as B). Default is <code>phases = c("A", "B")</code> .

**Value**

<code>nap</code>	A data frame with NAP and additional values for each case.
<code>N</code>	Number of cases.

**Author(s)**

Juergen Wilbert

**References**

Parker, R. I., & Vannest, K. (2009). An improved effect size for single-case research: Nonoverlap of all pairs. *Behavior Therapy*, *40*, 357-367.

**See Also**

Other overlap functions: [corrected\\_tauSC](#), [overlapSC](#), [pand](#), [pem](#), [pet](#), [pnd](#), [tauUSC](#)

**Examples**

```
## Calculate NAP for a study with lower expected phase B scores (e.g. aggressive behavior)
gretchen <- scdf(c(A = 12,14,9,10, B = 10,6,4,5,3,4))
nap(gretchen, decreasing = TRUE)

## Request NAP for all cases fom the Grosche2011 data
nap(Grosche2011)
```

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outlierSC

*Handling outliers in single-case data*

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**Description**

Identifies and drops outliers within a single-case data frame (scdf).

**Usage**

```
outlierSC(data, dvar, pvar, mvar, criteria = c("MAD", "3.5"))
```

**Arguments**

<code>data</code>	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
<code>dvar</code>	Character string with the name of the dependent variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
<code>pvar</code>	Character string with the name of the phase variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
<code>mvar</code>	Character string with the name of the measurement time variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
<code>criteria</code>	Specifies the criteria for outlier identification. Set <code>criteria = c("SD", 2)</code> to define two standard deviations as limit. This is also the default setting. To use the 99% Confidence Interval use <code>criteria = c("CI", 0.99)</code> . Set <code>criteria = c("Cook", "4/n")</code> to define any data point with a Cook's Distance greater than $4/n$ as an outlier, based on the Piecewise Linear Regression Model.

**Value**

data	A single-case data frame with substituted outliers.
dropped.n	A list with the number of dropped data points for each single-case.
dropped.mt	A list with the measurement-times of dropped data points for each single-case (values are based on the mt variable of each single-case data frame).
sd.matrix	A list with a matrix for each case with values for the upper and lower boundaries based on the standard deviation.
ci.matrix	A list with a matrix for each single-case with values for the upper and lower boundaries based on the confidence interval.
cook	A list of Cook's Distances for each measurement of each single-case.
criteria	Criteria used for outlier analysis.
N	Number of single-cases.
case.names	Case identifier.

**Author(s)**

Juergen Wilbert

**See Also**

Other data manipulation functions: [fillmissingSC](#), [longSCDF](#), [rankSC](#), [scaleSC](#), [shiftSC](#), [smoothSC](#), [truncateSC](#)

**Examples**

```
## Identify outliers using 1.5 standard deviations as criterion
susanne <- rSC(level = 1.0)
res.outlier <- outlierSC(susanne, criteria = c("SD", 1.5))
plotSC(susanne, marks = res.outlier)

## Identify outliers in the original data from Grosche (2011) using Cook's Distance
## greater than 4/n as criterion
res.outlier <- outlierSC(Grosche2011, criteria = c("Cook", "4/n"))
plotSC(Grosche2011, marks = res.outlier)
```

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overlapSC

*Overlap indices for single-case data*

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**Description**

The `overlapSC` function provides the most common overlap indices for single-case data and some additional statistics.

**Usage**

```
overlapSC(data, dvar, pvar, mvar, decreasing = FALSE, phases = c(1, 2))
```

**Arguments**

data	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
dvar	Character string with the name of the dependent variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
pvar	Character string with the name of the phase variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
mvar	Character string with the name of the measurement time variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
decreasing	If you expect data to be lower in the B phase, set <code>decreasing = TRUE</code> . Default is <code>decreasing = FALSE</code> .
phases	A vector of two characters or numbers indicating the two phases that should be compared. E.g., <code>phases = c("A", "C")</code> or <code>phases = c(2, 4)</code> for comparing the second to the fourth phase. Phases could be combined by providing a list with two elements. E.g., <code>phases = list(A = c(1, 3), B = c(2, 4))</code> will compare phases 1 and 3 (as A) against 2 and 4 (as B). Default is <code>phases = c("A", "B")</code> .

**Value**

overlap	A data frame consisting of the following indices for each single-case for all cases: PND, PEM, PET, NAP, PAND, Tau-U (A vs. B - Trend A), Diff_mean, Diff_trend, SMD.
phases.A	Selection for A phase.
phases.B	Selection for B phase.
design	Phase design.

**Author(s)**

Juergen Wilbert

**See Also**

Other overlap functions: [corrected\\_tauSC](#), [nap](#), [pand](#), [pem](#), [pet](#), [pnd](#), [tauUSC](#)

**Examples**

```
## Display overlap indices for one single-case
overlapSC(Huitema2000, decreasing = TRUE)

## Display overlap indices for six single-cases
overlapSC(GruenkeWilbert2014)

## Combining phases for analyzing designs with more than two phases
```



```
overlapSC(exampleA1B1A2B2, phases = list(c("A1","A2"), c("B1","B2")))
```

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pand *Percentage of all non-overlapping data*

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### Description

The `pand` function calculates the percentage of all non-overlapping data (PAND; Parker, Hagan-Burke, & Vannest, 2007), an index to quantify a level increase (or decrease) in performance after the onset of an intervention.

### Usage

```
pand(data, dvar, pvar, decreasing = FALSE, correction = TRUE,
      phases = c("A", "B"))
```

### Arguments

<code>data</code>	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
<code>dvar</code>	Character string with the name of the dependent variable. Defaults to the attributes in the <code>scdf</code> file.
<code>pvar</code>	Character string with the name of the phase variable. Defaults to the attributes in the <code>scdf</code> file.
<code>decreasing</code>	If you expect data to be lower in the B phase, set <code>decreasing = TRUE</code> . Default is <code>decreasing = FALSE</code> .
<code>correction</code>	The default <code>correction = TRUE</code> makes <code>pand</code> use a frequency matrix, which is corrected for ties. A tie is counted as the half of a measurement in both phases. Set <code>correction = FALSE</code> to use the uncorrected matrix, which is not recommended.
<code>phases</code>	A vector of two characters or numbers indicating the two phases that should be compared. E.g., <code>phases = c("A", "C")</code> or <code>phases = c(2, 4)</code> for comparing the second to the fourth phase. Phases could be combined by providing a list with two elements. E.g., <code>phases = list(A = c(1, 3), B = c(2, 4))</code> will compare phases 1 and 3 (as A) against 2 and 4 (as B). Default is <code>phases = c("A", "B")</code> .

### Details

The PAND indicates nonoverlap between phase A and B data (like PND), but uses all data and is therefore not based on one single (probably unrepresentative) datapoint. Furthermore, PAND allows the comparison of real and expected associations (Chi-square test) and estimation of the effect size Phi, which equals Pearson's  $r$  for dichotomous data. Thus, phi-Square is the amount of explained variance. The original procedure for computing the PAND (Parker, Hagan-Burke, & Vannest, 2007) does not account for ambivalent datapoints (ties). The newer NAP overcomes this problem and has better precision-power (Parker, Vannest, & Davis, 2014).

**Value**

PAND	Percentage of all non-overlapping data.
phi	Effect size Phi based on expected and observed values.
POD	Percentage of overlapping data points.
OD	Number of overlapping data points.
n	Number of data points.
N	Number of cases.
nA	Number of data points in phase A.
nB	Number of data points in phase B.
pA	Percentage of data points in phase A.
pB	Percentage of data points in phase B.
matrix	2x2 frequency matrix of phase A and B comparisons.
matrix.counts	2x2 counts matrix of phase A and B comparisons.
correlation	A list of the correlation values: statistic, parameter, p.value, estimate, null.value, alternative, method, data.name, correction.
correction	Logical argument from function call (see Arguments above).

**Author(s)**

Juergen Wilbert

**References**

- Parker, R. I., Hagan-Burke, S., & Vannest, K. (2007). Percentage of All Non-Overlapping Data (PAND): An Alternative to PND. *The Journal of Special Education, 40*, 194-204.
- Parker, R. I., & Vannest, K. (2009). An Improved Effect Size for Single-Case Research: Nonoverlap of All Pairs. *Behavior Therapy, 40*, 357-367.

**See Also**

Other overlap functions: [corrected\\_tauSC](#), [nap](#), [overlapSC](#), [pem](#), [pet](#), [pnd](#), [tauUSC](#)

**Examples**

```
## Calculate the PAND for a MMBD over three cases
gunnar <- scdf(c(2,3,1,5,3,4,2,6,4,7), B.start = 5)
birgit <- scdf(c(3,3,2,4,7,4,2,1,4,7), B.start = 4)
bodo <- scdf(c(2,3,4,5,3,4,7,6,8,7), B.start = 6)
mbd <- c(gunnar, birgit, bodo)
pand(mbd)
pand(bodo)

## Calculate the PAND with an expected decrease of phase B scores
cubs <- scdf(c(20,22,24,17,21,13,10,9,20,9,18), B.start = 5)
pand(cubs, decreasing = TRUE)
```

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pem *Percent exceeding the median*

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### Description

The pem function returns the percentage of phase B data exceeding the phase A median. Additionally, a chi square test against a 50/50 distribution is computed. Different measures of central tendency can be addressed for alternative analyses.

### Usage

```
pem(data, dvar, pvar, decreasing = FALSE, binom.test = TRUE,
     chi.test = FALSE, FUN = median, phases = c(1, 2), ...)
```

### Arguments

data	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
dvar	Character string with the name of the dependent variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
pvar	Character string with the name of the phase variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
decreasing	If you expect data to be lower in the B phase, set decreasing = TRUE. Default is decreasing = FALSE.
binom.test	Computes a binomial test for a 50/50 distribution. Default is binom.test = TRUE.
chi.test	Computes a Chi-square test. The default setting chi.test = FALSE skips the Chi-square test.
FUN	Data points are compared with the phase A median. Use this argument to implement alternative measures of central tendency. Default is FUN = median
phases	A vector of two characters or numbers indicating the two phases that should be compared. E.g., phases = c("A", "C") or phases = c(2, 4) for comparing the second to the fourth phase. Phases could be combined by providing a list with two elements. E.g., phases = list(A = c(1, 3), B = c(2, 4)) will compare phases 1 and 3 (as A) against 2 and 4 (as B). Default is phases = c("A", "B").
...	Additional arguments for the FUN parameter (e.g. FUN = mean, trim = 0.1 will use the 10 percent trimmed arithmetic mean instead of the median for comparisons). The function must take a vector of numeric values and the na.rm argument and return a numeric value.

### Author(s)

Juergen Wilbert

### See Also

Other overlap functions: [corrected\\_tauSC](#), [nap](#), [overlapSC](#), [pand](#), [pet](#), [pnd](#), [tauUSC](#)

## Examples

```
## Calculate the PEM including the Binomial and Chi-square tests for a single-case
dat <- rSC(5, level = 0.5)
pem(dat, chi.test = TRUE)
```

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pet	<i>Percent exceeding the trend</i>
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## Description

The `pet` function provides the percentage of phase B data points exceeding the prediction based on the phase A trend. A binomial test against a 50/50 distribution is computed. Furthermore, the percentage of phase B data points exceeding the upper (or lower) 95 percent confidence interval of the predicted progress is computed.

## Usage

```
pet(data, dvar, pvar, mvar, ci = 0.95, decreasing = FALSE,
    phases = c("A", "B"))
```

## Arguments

<code>data</code>	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
<code>dvar</code>	Character string with the name of the dependent variable. Defaults to the attributes in the <code>scdf</code> file.
<code>pvar</code>	Character string with the name of the phase variable. Defaults to the attributes in the <code>scdf</code> file.
<code>mvar</code>	Character string with the name of the measurement time variable. Defaults to the attributes in the <code>scdf</code> file.
<code>ci</code>	Width of the confidence interval. Default is <code>ci = 0.95</code> .
<code>decreasing</code>	If you expect data to be lower in the B phase, set <code>decreasing = TRUE</code> . Default is <code>decreasing = FALSE</code> .
<code>phases</code>	A vector of two characters or numbers indicating the two phases that should be compared. E.g., <code>phases = c("A", "C")</code> or <code>phases = c(2, 4)</code> for comparing the second to the fourth phase. Phases could be combined by providing a list with two elements. E.g., <code>phases = list(A = c(1, 3), B = c(2, 4))</code> will compare phases 1 and 3 (as A) against 2 and 4 (as B). Default is <code>phases = c("A", "B")</code> .

**Value**

PET	Percent exceeding the trend.
PET.ci	Percent exceeding the upper / lower 95%-CI boundary.
p	P value of Binomial Test.
ci.percent	Width of confidence interval in percent.
se.factors	Standard error.
N	Number of cases.
decreasing	Logical argument from function call (see Arguments above).
case.names	Assigned name of single-case.
phases	-

**Author(s)**

Juergen Wilbert

**See Also**

Other overlap functions: [corrected\\_tauSC](#), [nap](#), [overlapSC](#), [pand](#), [pem](#), [pnd](#), [tauUSC](#)

**Examples**

```
## Calculate the PET and use a 99%-CI for the additional calculation
# create random example data
design <- design_rSC(n = 5, slope = 0.2)
dat <- rSC(design, seed = 23)
pet(dat, ci = .99)
```

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plm

*Piecewise linear model / piecewise regression*

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**Description**

The `plm` function computes a piecewise regression model (see Huitema & McKean, 2000).

**Usage**

```
plm(data, dvar, pvar, mvar, AR = 0, model = "B&L-B",
     family = "gaussian", trend = TRUE, level = TRUE, slope = TRUE,
     formula = NULL, update = NULL, na.action = na.omit, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>data</code>	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
<code>dvar</code>	Character string with the name of the dependent variable. Defaults to the attributes in the <code>scdf</code> file.
<code>pvar</code>	Character string with the name of the phase variable. Defaults to the attributes in the <code>scdf</code> file.
<code>mvar</code>	Character string with the name of the measurement time variable. Defaults to the attributes in the <code>scdf</code> file.
<code>AR</code>	Maximal lag of autoregression. Modeled based on the Autoregressive-Moving Average (ARMA) function. When <code>AR</code> is set, the family argument must be set to <code>family = "gaussian"</code> .
<code>model</code>	Model used for calculating the slope parameter (see Huitema & McKean, 2000). Default is <code>model = "B&amp;L-B"</code> . Possible values are: <code>"B&amp;L-B"</code> , <code>"H-M"</code> , <code>"Mohr#1"</code> , <code>"Mohr#2"</code> , <code>"JW"</code> , <code>"JW2"</code> , and <code>"Manly"</code> .
<code>family</code>	Set the distribution family. Defaults to a gaussian distribution. See the family function for more details.
<code>trend</code>	A logical indicating if a trend parameters is included in the model.
<code>level</code>	A logical indicating if a level parameters is included in the model.
<code>slope</code>	A logical indicating if a slope parameters is included in the model.
<code>formula</code>	Defaults to the standard piecewise regression model. The parameter phase followed by the phase name (e.g., <code>phaseB</code> ) indicates the level effect of the corresponding phase. The parameter <code>'inter'</code> followed by the phase name (e.g., <code>interB</code> ) addresses the slope effect based on the method provide in the model argument (e.g., <code>"B&amp;L-B"</code> ). The formula can be changed for example to include further variables into the regression model.
<code>update</code>	An easier way to change the regression formula (e.g., <code>. ~ . + newvariable</code> ).
<code>na.action</code>	Defines how to deal with missing values
<code>...</code>	Further arguments passed to the <code>glm</code> function.

**Value**

<code>formula</code>	<code>plm</code> formula. Useful if you want to use the <code>update</code> or <code>formula</code> argument and you don't know the names of the parameters.
<code>model</code>	Character string from function call (see Arguments above).
<code>F.test</code>	F-test values of <code>modelfit</code> .
<code>r.squares</code>	Explained variance R squared for each model parameter.
<code>ar</code>	Autoregression lag from function call (see Arguments above).
<code>family</code>	Distribution family from function call (see Arguments above).
<code>full.model</code>	Full regression model list from the <code>gls</code> or <code>glm</code> function.

**Author(s)**

Juergen Wilbert

## References

Beretvas, S., & Chung, H. (2008). An evaluation of modified R<sup>2</sup>-change effect size indices for single-subject experimental designs. *Evidence-Based Communication Assessment and Intervention*, 2, 120-128.

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## See Also

Other regression functions: [corrected\\_tauSC](#), [hplm](#), [mplm](#)

## Examples

```
## Compute a piecewise regression model for a random single-case
set.seed(123)
AB <- design_rSC(
  phase.design = list(A = 10, B = 20),
  level = list(A = 0, B = 1), slope = list(A = 0, B = 0.05),
  trend = list(0.05)
)
dat <- rSC(design = AB)
plm(dat, AR = 3)
```

```
## Another example with a more complex design
A1B1A2B2 <- design_rSC(
  phase.design = list(A1 = 15, B1 = 20, A2 = 15, B2 = 20),
  level = list(A1 = 0, B1 = 1, A2 = -1, B2 = 1),
  slope = list(A1 = 0, B1 = 0.0, A1 = 0, B2 = 0.0),
  trend = list(0.0)
)
dat <- rSC(design = A1B1A2B2, seed = 123)
plm(dat, model = "JW")
```

```
## no slope effects were found. Therefore you might want to drop slope estimation:
plm(dat, slope = FALSE, model = "JW")
```

```
## and now drop the trend estimation as well
plm(dat, slope = FALSE, trend = FALSE, model = "JW")
```

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plot.scdf

*Plot single-case data*

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## Description

The plotSC function provides a plot of a single-case or multiple single-cases.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'scdf'
plot(...)

plotSC(data, dvar, pvar, mvar, ylim = NULL, xlim = NULL, xinc = 1,
        lines = NULL, marks = NULL, phase.names = NULL, xlab = NULL,
        ylab = NULL, main = "", case.names = NULL, style = "grid", ...)
```

**Arguments**

...	Further arguments passed to the plot command.
data	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
dvar	Character string with the name of the dependent variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
pvar	Character string with the name of the phase variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
mvar	Character string with the name of the measurement time variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
ylim	Lower and upper limits of the y-axis (e.g., <code>ylim = c(0, 20)</code> sets the y-axis to a scale from 0 to 20). With multiple single-cases you can use <code>ylim = c(0, NA)</code> to scale the y-axis from 0 to the maximum of each case. <code>ylim</code> is not set by default, which makes scan set a proper scale based on the given data.
xlim	Lower and upper limits of the x-axis (e.g., <code>xlim = c(0, 20)</code> sets the x-axis to a scale from 0 to 20). With multiple single-cases you can use <code>xlim = c(0, NA)</code> to scale the x-axis from 0 to the maximum of each case. <code>xlim</code> is not set by default, which makes scan set a proper scale based on the given data.
xinc	An integer. Increment of the x-axis. 1 : each mt value will be printed, 2 : every other value, 3 : every third values etc.
lines	A character or list defining one or more lines or curves to be plotted. The argument is either passed as a character string (e.g., <code>lines = "median"</code> ) or as a list (e.g., <code>list("median", "trend")</code> ). Some of the procedures can be refined with an additional argument (e.g., <code>lines = list("mean" = 0.20)</code> adds a 20% trimmed mean line. By default no additional lines are plotted. Possible lines are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "median" Separate lines for phase A and B medians.</li> <li>• "mean" Separate lines for phase A and B means. By default it is 10%-trimmed. Other trims can be set, using a second parameter (e.g., <code>lines = list(mean = 0.2)</code> draws a 20%-trimmed mean line).</li> <li>• "trend" Separate lines for phase A and B trends.</li> <li>• "trendA" Trend line for phase A, extrapolated throughout phase B.</li> <li>• "maxA/minA" Line at the level of the highest or lowest phase A score.</li> <li>• "medianA" Line at the phase A median score.</li> <li>• "meanA" Line at the phase A 10%-trimmed mean score. Apply a different trim, by using the additional argument (e.g., <code>lines = list(meanA = 0.2)</code>).</li> </ul>



- "plm" Regression lines for piecewise linear regression model.
- "plm.ar" Regression lines for piecewise autoregression model. The lag is specified like this: `lines = list(plm.ar = 2)`. Default lag is set to 2.
- "movingMean" Draws a moving mean curve, with a specified lag: `lines = list(movingMean = 2)`. Default is a lag 1 curve.
- "movingMedian" Draws a moving median curve, with a specified lag: `lines = list(movingMedian = 3)`. Default is a lag 1 curve.
- "loreg" Draws a non-parametric local regression line. The proportion of data influencing each data point can be specified using `lines = list("loreg" = 0.66)`. The default is 0.5.
- "lty" Use this argument to define the line type. Examples are: "solid", "dashed", "dotted".
- "lwd" Use this argument to define the line's thickness, e.g., `lwd = 4`.
- "col" Use this argument to define the line's color, e.g., `col = "red"`.

**marks** A list of parameters defining markings of certain data points.

- "positions" A vector or a list of vectors indicating measurement-times to be highlighted. In case of a vector, the marked measurement-times are the same for all plotted cases. In case of a list of vectors, marks are set differently for each case. The list must have the same length as there are cases in the data file.
- "col" Color of the marks.
- "cex" Size of the marks.

Use for example `marks = list(positions = c(1,8,15), col = "red", cex = 3)` to make the MTs one, eight and 18 appear big and red.

**phase.names** By default phases are labeled based on the levels of the phase variable. Use this argument to specify different labels: `phase.names = c("Baseline", "Intervention")`.

**xlab** The label of the x-axis. Default is `xlab = "Measurement time"`.

**ylab** The labels of the y-axis. Default is `ylab = "Score"`.

**main** Main title of the plot.

**case.names** Case names. If not provided, names are taken from the scdf. Set `case.names = ""` if you don't like to include case names.

**style** Either a character with the name of a pre-implemented style or a style object. See [style.plotSC](#) to learn about this format.

**Value**

Returns a plot of one or multiple single-cases.

**Author(s)**

Juergen Wilbert

**See Also**

[style.plotSC](#), [describeSC](#), [overlapSC](#)

## Examples

```
## Request the default plot of the data from Borckhardt (2014)
plot(Borckardt2014)

## Plot the three cases from Grosche (2011) and visualize the phase A trend
plot(Grosche2011, style = "grid", lines = "trendA")

## Request the local regression line for Georg from that data set and customize the plot
plot(Grosche2011$Georg, style = "sienna", ylim = c(0,NA),
     xlab = "Training session", ylab = "Words per minute",
     phase.names = c("Baseline", "Intervention"),
     lines = list("loreg", lty = "solid", col = "black", lwd = 3))

## Plot a random MBD over three cases and mark interesting MTs
dat <- rSC(design = design_rSC(3))
plot(dat, marks = list(positions = list(c(2,4,5),c(1,2,3),c(7,8,9))), col = "blue",
     cex = 1.4), style = c("grid", "annotate", "tiny"))
```

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pnd

*Percentage of non-overlapping data*

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## Description

This function returns the percentage of non-overlapping data. Due to its error-proneness the PND should not be used, but [nap](#) or [pand](#) instead (see Parker & Vannest, 2009).

## Usage

```
pnd(data, dvar, pvar, decreasing = FALSE, phases = c("A", "B"))
```

## Arguments

data	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
dvar	Character string with the name of the dependent variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
pvar	Character string with the name of the phase variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
decreasing	If you expect data to be lower in the B phase, set decreasing = TRUE. Default is decreasing = FALSE.
phases	A vector of two characters or numbers indicating the two phases that should be compared. E.g., phases = c("A", "C") or phases = c(2, 4) for comparing the second to the fourth phase. Phases could be combined by providing a list with two elements. E.g., phases = list(A = c(1, 3), B = c(2, 4)) will compare phases 1 and 3 (as A) against 2 and 4 (as B). Default is phases = c("A", "B").

**Value**

PND                      Percentage of non-overlapping data.

**Author(s)**

Juergen Wilbert

**See Also**

Other overlap functions: [corrected\\_tauSC](#), [nap](#), [overlapSC](#), [pand](#), [pem](#), [pet](#), [tauUSC](#)

**Examples**

```
## Calculate the PND for multiple single-case data
pnd(GruenkeWilbert2014)
```

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power.testSC

*Empirical power analysis for single-case data*

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**Description**

!! This function is deprecated. Please use the `power_testSC` function !! The `power.testSC` command conducts a Monte-Carlo study on the test-power and alpha-error of a randomization-test and a piecewise-regression model. The distribution values of the Monte-Carlo sample are either specified by the user or estimated based on actual data.

**Usage**

```
power.testSC(data = NULL, dvar, pvar, mvar, parameters = NULL,
  stat = c("rand.test", "plm"), test.parameter = c("level", "slope"),
  rand.test.stat = c("Mean B-A", "B"), cases = NULL, rtt = NULL,
  level = NULL, slope = NULL, MT = NULL, B.start = NULL,
  trend = NULL, n_sim = 100, limit = 5, m = NULL, s = NULL,
  startpoints = NA, extreme.p = 0, extreme.d = c(-4, -3),
  exclude.equal = "auto", alpha = 0.05, distribution = "normal",
  silent = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

`data`                      A single-case data frame. See [scdf](#) to learn about this format.

`dvar`                      Character string with the name of the dependent variable. Defaults to the attributes in the `scdf` file.

`pvar`                      Character string with the name of the phase variable. Defaults to the attributes in the `scdf` file.

mvar	Character string with the name of the measurement time variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
parameters	-
stat	Defines the tests the power analysis is computed for. The default <code>stat = c("rand.test", "plm")</code> computes a power analysis for the <code>randSC</code> and the <code>plm</code> analyses. Further possibilities are <code>"hplm"</code> for a hierarchical linear regression model and <code>"plm.poisson"</code> for a generalized piecewise-regression model under the assumption of poisson distributed errors.
test.parameter	Indicates whether the power and alpha error for a level effect, a slope effect, or both effects should be estimated. The default setting <code>test.parameter = c("level", "slope")</code> requests both.
rand.test.stat	Defines the statistic the randomization test is based on. The first value stipulates the statistic for the level-effect computation and the second value for the slope-effect computation. Default is <code>rand.test.stat = c("Mean B-A", "B")</code> . Please see <code>randSC</code> for more information on the test statistics.
cases	Number of cases per study.
rtt	Reliability of the underlying simulated measurements. Default is <code>rtt = 0.8</code> .
level	Defines the level increase (effect size $d$ ) at the beginning of phase B.
slope	Defines the increase in scores - starting with phase B - expressed as effect size $d$ per MT. <code>slope = .1</code> generates an incremental increase of 0.1 standard deviations per MT for all phase B measurements.
MT	Number of measurements (in each study).
B.start	Phase B starting point. A single value (e.g., <code>B.start = 6</code> ) defines <code>B.start</code> for all studies and cases. A vector of starting values is given with the chain command (e.g., <code>B.start = c(6, 7, 8)</code> ). A value between 0 and 1 is interpreted as a proportion (e.g., <code>B.start = c(0.3, 0.5, 0.8)</code> would start phase B at 30, 50, and 80% of the MTs).
trend	Defines the effect size $d$ of a trend per MT added across the whole data-set.
n_sim	Number of sample studies created for the the Monte-Carlo study. Default is <code>n = 100</code>
limit	Minimal number of data points per phase in the sample. Default is <code>limit = 5</code> .
m	Mean of the sample distribution the data are drawn from.
s	Standard deviation of the sample distribution the data are drawn from.
startpoints	Alternative to the <code>limit</code> parameter <code>startpoints</code> exactly defines the possible start points of phase B (e.g., <code>startpoints = 4:9</code> restricts the phase B start points to measurements 4 to 9. <code>startpoints</code> overruns the <code>limit</code> parameter.
extreme.p	Probability of extreme values. <code>extreme.p = .05</code> gives a five percent probability of an extreme value. Default is <code>extreme.p = 0</code> .
extreme.d	Range for extreme values, expressed as effect size $d$ . <code>extreme.d = c(-7, -6)</code> uses extreme values within a range of -7 and -6 standard deviations. Caution: the first value must be smaller than the second, otherwise the procedure will fail. Default is <code>extreme.d = c(-4, -3)</code> .

exclude.equal	If set to exclude.equal = FALSE, random distribution values equal to the observed distribution are counted as null-hypothesis conform. That is, they decrease the probability of rejecting the null-hypothesis (increase the p-value). Default is exclude.equal = "auto", which means FALSE for multiple baseline designs and TRUE for one single-case.
alpha	Alpha level used to calculate the proportion of significant tests. Default is alpha = 0.05.
distribution	Indicates whether the random sample is based on a "normal" or a "poisson" distribution. Default is distribution = "normal".
silent	If set TRUE, the results are not printed after computation. Default is silent = FALSE.

**Author(s)**

Juergen Wilbert

**See Also**

[plm](#), [randSC](#)

**Examples**

```
## Assume you want to conduct a single-case study with 15 MTs, using a highly reliable test,
## an expected level effect of  $d = 1.4$ , and randomized start points between MTs 5
## and 12 can you expect to identify the effect using plm or randomization test?
mc_par <- list(
  n_cases = 1, mt = 15, B.start = round(runif (300,5,12)),
  rtt = 0.8, level = 1.4
)
res <- power.testSC(
  parameters = mc_par,
  stat = c("rand.test", "hplm"),
  test.parameter = "level",
  startpoints = 5:12,
  n_sim = 100
)
## Would you achieve higher power by setting up a MBD with three cases?
mc_par <- list(
  n_cases = 3, mt = 15, B.start = round(runif (300,5,12)),
  rtt = 0.8, level = 1.4
)
power.testSC(
  parameters = mc_par,
  stat = c("rand.test", "hplm"),
  test.parameter = "level",
  startpoints = 5:12,
  n_sim = 10
)
```

power\_testSC

*Empirical power analysis for single-case data***Description**

The `power_testSC` command conducts a Monte-Carlo study on the test-power and alpha-error of a set of single-cases. The distribution values of the Monte-Carlo sample are either specified by the user or estimated based on actual data.

**Usage**

```
power_testSC(design, stat = c("plm_level", "rand", "tauU"),
             n_sim = 100, alpha = 0.05)
```

**Arguments**

<code>design</code>	An object created by <code>design_rSC</code>
<code>stat</code>	Defines the tests the power analysis is based on. The default <code>stat = c("plm_level", "rand", "tauU")</code> computes a power analysis based on <code>tauUSC</code> , <code>randSC</code> and <code>plm</code> analyses. Further possibilities are: <code>"plm_slope"</code> , <code>"plm_poisson_level"</code> , <code>"plm_poisson_slope"</code> , <code>"hplm_level"</code> , <code>"hplm_slope"</code> , <code>"base_tau"</code> .
<code>n_sim</code>	Number of sample studies created for the the Monte-Carlo study. Default is <code>n = 100</code>
<code>alpha</code>	Alpha level used to calculate the proportion of significant tests. Default is <code>alpha = 0.05</code> .

**Author(s)**

Juergen Wilbert

**See Also**

[plm](#), [randSC](#)

**Examples**

```
## Assume you want to conduct a single-case study with 15 MTs, using a highly reliable test,
## an expected level effect of  $d = 1.4$ , and randomized start points between MTs 5
## and 12 can you expect to identify the effect using plm or randomization test?
design <- design_rSC(
  n = 1, phase.design = list(A = 6, B = 9),
  rtt = 0.8, level = 1.4
)
res <- power_testSC(design, n_sim = 10)

## Would you achieve higher power by setting up a MBD with three cases?
design <- design_rSC(
```

```

n = 3, phase.design = list(A = 6, B = 9),
  rtt = 0.8, level = 1.4
)
res <- power_testSC(design, n_sim = 10, stat = c("hplm_level", "rand"))

```

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print.sc

*Print method for scan objects*


---

### Description

Print method for scan objects

### Usage

```

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

```

### Arguments

x	Object
...	Further parameters passed to the print function

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print.scdf

*Print an scdf*


---

### Description

Print an scdf

### Usage

```

## S3 method for class 'scdf'
print(x, cases = getOption("scan.print.cases"),
      rows = getOption("scan.print.rows"),
      cols = getOption("scan.print.cols"),
      long = getOption("scan.print.long"),
      digits = getOption("scan.print.digits"), ...)

```

**Arguments**

x	An scdf object
cases	Number of cases to be printed. "fit" fits the number to the current screen width.
rows	Number of rows to be printed.
cols	Columns to be printed. "Main" only prints the dependent, measurement-time and phase variable.
long	Logical. If TRUE cases are printed in one by a time.
digits	Number of digits.
...	Further arguments passed to the print function.

**Details**

Print options for scdf objects could be set globally: `option(scan.print.cases = "all")`, `option(scan.print.rows = 10)`, `option(scan.print.cols = "main")`, `option(scan.print.long = TRUE)`, `option(scan.print.digits = 0)`, `option(scan.print.scdf.name = FALSE)`

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rand.test	<i>(deprecated) Randomization Test</i>
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**Description**

Please use the randSC function

**Usage**

```
rand.test(...)
```

**Arguments**

...	Passed to randSC
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random	<i>Single-case data generator</i>
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**Description**

The rSC function generates random single-case data frames for monte-carlo studies and demonstration purposes. `design_rSC` is used to set up a design matrix with all parameters needed for the rSC function.



**Usage**

```
rSC(design = NULL, round = NA, random.names = FALSE, seed = NULL,
    ...)

design_rSC(n = 1, phase.design = list(A = 5, B = 15),
  trend = list(0), level = list(0), slope = list(0),
  rtt = list(0.8), m = list(50), s = list(10), extreme.p = list(0),
  extreme.d = c(-4, -3), missing.p = list(0),
  distribution = "normal", prob = 0.5, MT = NULL, B.start = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

design	A design matrix which is created by design_rSC and specifies all parameters.
round	Rounds the scores to the defined decimal. To round to the second decimal, set round = 2.
random.names	Is FALSE by default. If set random.names = TRUE cases are assigned random first names. If set "male" or "female" only male or female names are chosen. The names are drawn from the 2,000 most popular names for newborns in 2012 in the U.S. (1,000 male and 1,000 female names).
seed	A seed number for the random generator.
...	Parameters that are directly passed from the rSC function to the design_rSC function for a more concise coding.
n	Number of cases to be created (Default is n = 1).
phase.design	A vector defining the length and label of each phase. E.g., phase.length = c(A1 = 10, B1 = 10, A2 = 10, B2 = 10).
trend	Defines the effect size $d$ of a trend per MT added across the whole data-set. To assign different trends to several single-cases, use a vector of values (e.g. trend = c(.1, .3, .5)). If the number of cases exceeds the length of the vector, values are repeated. While using a binomial or poisson distribution, d.trend indicates an increase in points / counts per MT.
level	Defines the level increase (effect size $d$ ) at the beginning of phase B. To assign different level effects to several single-cases, use a vector of values (e.g. d.level = c(.2, .4, .6)). If the number of cases exceeds the length of the vector, values are repeated. While using a binomial or poisson distribution, d.level indicates an increase in points / counts with the onset of the B-phase.
slope	Defines the increase in scores - starting with phase B - expressed as effect size $d$ per MT. d.slope = .1 generates an incremental increase of 0.1 standard deviations per MT for all phase B measurements. To assign different slope effects to several single-cases, use a vector of values (e.g. d.slope = c(.1, .2, .3)). If the number of cases exceeds the length of the vector, values are repeated. While using a binomial or poisson distribution, d.slope indicates an increase in points / counts per MT.
rtt	Reliability of the underlying simulated measurements. Set rtt = .8 by default. To assign different reliabilities to several single-cases, use a vector of values (e.g. rtt = c(.6, .7, .8)). If the number of cases exceeds the length of the

	vector, values are repeated. <code>r.t.t</code> has no effect when you're using binomial or poisson distributed scores.
<code>m</code>	Mean of the sample distribution the scores are drawn from. Default is <code>m = 50</code> . To assign different means to several single-cases, use a vector of values (e.g. <code>m = c(50, 42, 56)</code> ). If the number of cases exceeds the length of the vector, values are repeated.
<code>s</code>	Standard deviation of the sample distribution the scores are drawn from. Set to <code>s = 10</code> by default. To assign different variances to several single-cases, use a vector of values (e.g. <code>s = c(5, 10, 15)</code> ). If the number of cases exceeds the length of the vector, values are repeated.
<code>extreme.p</code>	Probability of extreme values. <code>extreme.p = .05</code> gives a five percent probability of an extreme value. A vector of values assigns different probabilities to multiple cases. If the number of cases exceeds the length of the vector, values are repeated.
<code>extreme.d</code>	Range for extreme values, expressed as effect size <i>d</i> . <code>extreme.d = c(-7, -6)</code> uses extreme values within a range of -7 and -6 standard deviations. In case of a binomial or poisson distribution, <code>extreme.d</code> indicates points / counts. Caution: the first value must be smaller than the second, otherwise the procedure will fail.
<code>missing.p</code>	Portion of missing values. <code>missing.p = 0.1</code> creates 10% of all values as missing. A vector of values assigns different probabilities to multiple cases. If the number of cases exceeds the length of the vector, values are repeated.
<code>distribution</code>	Distribution of the scores. Default is <code>distribution = "normal"</code> . Possible values are "normal", "binomial", and "poisson". If set to "normal", the sample of scores will be normally distributed with the parameters <code>m</code> and <code>s</code> as mean and standard deviation of the sample, including a measurement error defined by <code>r.t.t</code> . If set to "binomial", data are drawn from a binomial distribution with the expectation value <code>m</code> . This setting is useful for generating criterial data like correct answers in a test. If set to "poisson", data are drawn from a poisson distribution, which is very common for count-data like behavioral observations. There's no measurement error is included. <code>m</code> defines the expectation value of the poisson distribution, <code>lambda</code> .
<code>prob</code>	If <code>distribution</code> (see below) is set "binomial", <code>prob</code> passes the probability of occurrence.
<code>MT</code>	Number of measurements (in each study). Default is <code>MT = 20</code> .
<code>B.start</code>	Phase B starting point. The default setting <code>B.start = 6</code> would assign the first five scores (of each case) to phase A, and all following scores to phase B. To assign different starting points for a set of multiple single-cases, use a vector of starting values (e.g. <code>B.start = c(6, 7, 8)</code> ). If the number of cases exceeds the length of the vector, values will be repeated.

**Value**

A single-case data frame. See [scdf](#) to learn about this format.

**Author(s)**

Juergen Wibert

## Examples

```
## Create random single-case data and inspect it
design <- design_rSC(
  n = 3, rtt = 0.75, slope = 0.1, extreme.p = 0.1,
  missing.p = 0.1
)
dat <- rSC(design, round = 1, random.names = TRUE, seed = 123)
describeSC(dat)
plotSC(dat)

## And now have a look at poisson-distributed data
design <- design_rSC(
  n = 3, B.start = c(6, 10, 14), MT = c(12, 20, 22), m = 10,
  distribution = "poisson", level = -5, missing.p = 0.1
)
dat <- rSC(design, seed = 1234)
pand(dat, decreasing = TRUE, correction = FALSE)
```

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 randSC

*Randomization Tests for single-case data*


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## Description

The randSC function computes a randomization test for single or multiple baseline single-case data. The function is based on an algorithm from the SCRT package (Bulte & Onghena, 2009, 2012), but rewritten and extended for the use in AB designs.

## Usage

```
randSC(data, dvar, pvar, statistic = "Mean B-A", number = 500,
  complete = FALSE, limit = 5, startpoints = NA,
  exclude.equal = FALSE, graph = FALSE, output = "c",
  phases = c("A", "B"), seed = NULL)
```

## Arguments

data	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
dvar	Character string with the name of the dependent variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
pvar	Character string with the name of the phase variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
statistic	Defines the statistic on which the comparison of phases A and B is based on. Default setting is <code>statistic = "Mean B-A"</code> . The following comparisons are possible: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "Mean A-B": Uses the difference between the mean of phase A and the mean of phase B. This is appropriate if a decrease of scores was expected for phase B.</li> </ul>

- "Mean B-A": Uses the difference between the mean of phase B and the mean of phase A. This is appropriate if an increase of scores was expected for phase B.
- "Mean |A-B|": Uses the absolute value of the difference between the means of phases A and B.
- "Median A-B": The same as "Mean A-B", but based on the median.
- "Median B-A": The same as "Mean B-A", but based on the median.

number	Sample size of the randomization distribution. The exactness of the p-value can not exceed $1/number$ (i.e., number = 100 results in p-values with an exactness of one percent). Default is number = 500. For faster processing use number = 100. For more precise p-values set number = 1000.
complete	If TRUE, the distribution is based on a complete permutation of all possible starting combinations. This setting overwrites the number Argument. The default setting is FALSE.
limit	Minimal number of data points per phase in the sample. The first number refers to the A-phase and the second to the B-phase (e.g., limit = c(5,3)). If only one number is given, this number is applied to both phases. Default is limit = 5.
startpoints	Alternative to the limit-parameter startpoints exactly defines the possible start points of phase B (e.g., startpoints = 4:9 restricts the phase B start points to measurements 4 to 9. startpoints overruns the limit-parameter.
exclude.equal	If set to exclude.equal = FALSE, which is the default, random distribution values equal to the observed distribution are counted as null-hypothesis conform. That is, they decrease the probability of rejecting the null-hypothesis (increase the p-value). exclude.equal should be set to TRUE if you analyse one single-case design (not a multiple baseline data set) to reach a sufficient power. But be aware, that it increases the chance of an alpha-error.
graph	If graph = TRUE, a histogram of the resulting distribution is plotted. It's FALSE by default.
output	If set to the default output = "C", detailed information is provided. Set output = "p", to only return the resulting p value.
phases	A vector of two characters or numbers indicating the two phases that should be compared. E.g., phases = c("A", "C") or phases = c(2, 4) for comparing the second and the fourth phase. Phases could be combined by providing a list with two elements. E.g., phases = list(A = c(1, 3), B = c(2, 4)) will compare phases 1 and 3 (as A) against 2 and 4 (as B). Default is phases = c("A", "B").
seed	A seed number for the random generator.

**Value**

statistic	Character string from function call (see Arguments above).
N	Number of single-cases.
n1	Number of data points in phase A.
n2	Number of data points in phase B.

limit	Numeric from function call (see Arguments above).
startpoints	A vector defining the start points passed from the function call (see Arguments above).
p.value	P-value of the randomization test for the given data.
number	Sample size of randomization distribution from function call (see Arguments above).
complete	Logical argument from function call (see Arguments above).
observed.statistic	Test statistic observed for the given single-case data. (see statistic in the Arguments above.)
Z	Z-value of observed test statistic.
p.z.single	Probability of z-value.
distribution	Test statistic distribution from randomized data sets.
possible.combinations	Number of possible combinations under the given restrictions.
auto.corrected.number	TRUE indicates that a corrected number of combinations was used. This happens, if the number of possible combinations (under the given restrictions) undercuts the requested number of combinations.

### Author(s)

Juergen Wilbert

### References

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Bulte, I., & Onghena, P. (2012). *SCRT: Single-Case Randomization Tests*. Available from: <https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=SCRT>

### Examples

```
## Compute a randomization test on the first case of the byHeart2011 data and include a graph
randSC(byHeart2011[1], statistic = "Median B-A", graph = TRUE, seed = 123)
```

```
## Compute a randomization test on the Grosche2011 data using complete permutation
randSC(Grosche2011, statistic = "Median B-A", complete = TRUE, limit = 4, seed = 123)
```

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rankSC	<i>Rank-transformation of single-case data files</i>
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**Description**

Rank-transformation of single-case data files

**Usage**

```
rankSC(data, var, grand = TRUE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

data	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
var	A string or string vector with the names of the variables to be ranked.
grand	If TRUE, ranks will be calculated across all cases. If FALSE ranks are calculated within each case.
...	Additional parameters passed to the <a href="#">rank</a> function.

**Value**

An scdf object where the values of the variable(s) are replaced with ranks.

**Author(s)**

Juergen Wilbert

**See Also**

Other data manipulation functions: [fillmissingSC](#), [longSCDF](#), [outlierSC](#), [scaleSC](#), [shiftSC](#), [smoothSC](#), [truncateSC](#)

**Examples**

```
Huber2014_rank <- rankSC(Huber2014, var = "compliance")  
plot(Huber2014_rank, style = "grid2")
```

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rciSC                      *Reliable change index*

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### Description

**CAUTION! This function is still under development and not ready for use!** The rciSC function computes three indices of reliable change (Wise, 2004) and corresponding descriptive statistics.

### Usage

```
rciSC(data, dvar, pvar, rel = 0.8, ci = 0.95, graph = FALSE,
       phases = c(1, 2))
```

### Arguments

data	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
dvar	Character string with the name of the dependent variable.
pvar	Character string with the name of the phase variable.
rel	Reliability of the measure, used to compute the standard error. Default is <code>rel = 0.8</code> .
ci	Width of confidence interval as a decimal. Default is <code>ci = 0.95</code> applying a 95%-confidence interval.
graph	If set TRUE, a box plot of phase A and B scores is displayed. <code>graph = FALSE</code> by default.
phases	A vector of two characters or numbers indicating the two phases that should be compared. E.g., <code>phases = c("A", "C")</code> or <code>phases = c(2, 4)</code> for comparing the second and the fourth phase. Phases could be combined by providing a list with two elements. E.g., <code>phases = list(A = c(1, 3), B = c(2, 4))</code> will compare phases 1 and 3 (as A) against 2 and 4 (as B). Default is <code>phases = c("A", "B")</code> .

### Value

RCI	A list of three RCI calculations (Jacobson et al., Christenden et al., Hageman et al.).
stand.dif	Standardized difference between mean phase A and B scores.
conf	A matrix containing the lower and upper confidence interval boundaries of phases A and B.
conf.percent	Numeric argument from function call (see <code>ci</code> in Arguments section).
reliability	Numeric argument from function call (see Arguments above).
descriptives	A matrix containing descriptive statistics for phases A and B: n, mean, SD, SE.
N	Number of cases.
A	A vector of phase A scores.
B	A vector of phase B scores.

**Author(s)**

Juergen Wilbert

**References**

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Hageman, W. J. J., & Arrindell, W. A. (1993). A further refinement of the reliable change (RC) index by improving the pre-post difference score: Introducing RCID. *Behaviour Research and Therapy*, *31*, 693-700.

Jacobson, N. S., & Truax, P. (1991). Clinical Significance: A statistical approach to defining meaningful change in psychotherapy research. *Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology*, *59*, 12-19.

Wise, E. A. (2004). Methods for analyzing psychotherapy outcomes: A review of clinical significance, reliable change, and recommendations for future directions. *Journal of Personality Assessment*, *82*, 50 - 59.

**Examples**

```
## Report the RCIs of the first case from the byHeart data and include a graph
rciSC(byHeart2011[1], graph = TRUE)
```

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readSC	<i>Read single-case data from files</i>
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**Description**

Use the readSC function to import single-case data from structured .csv or the readSC.excel function for importing excel files.

**Usage**

```
readSC(filename = NULL, data = NULL, sep = ",", dec = ".",
        sort.labels = FALSE, cvar = "case", pvar = "phase",
        dvar = "values", mvar = "mt", phase.names = NULL, type = "csv",
        ...)

readSC.excel(...)
```

**Arguments**

filename	A character string defining the file to be imported (e.g. "SC_Anita.csv". If filename is left empty a dialog box for choosing will be opened.
data	A data frame. As an alternative to filename a dataframe could be directly provided.



sep	The field separator string. Values within rows have to be separated by this string. Default is sep = ", ".
dec	The string used for decimal points in the file. Must be a single character. Default is dec = ".".
sort.labels	If set TRUE, the resulting list is sorted by label names (alphabetically increasing).
cvar	Sets the variable name of the "case" variable. Defaults to "case".
pvar	Sets the variable name of the "phase" variable. Defaults to "phase".
dvar	Sets the variable name of the "values" variable. Defaults to "values".
mvar	Sets the variable name of the "mt" variable. Defaults to "mt".
phase.names	A character vector with phase names. Defaults to the phase names provided in the phase variable.
type	Format of the file to be imported. Either "csv" or "excel" is possible.
...	Further arguments passed to the <a href="#">read.table</a> command.

**Value**

Returns a single-case data frame. See [scdf](#) to learn about the format of these data frames.

**Author(s)**

Juergen Wilbert

**See Also**

[read.table](#), [writeSC](#), [scdf](#), [readRDS](#)

**Examples**

```
## Read SC-data from a file named "study1.csv" in your working directory
# study1 <- readSC("study1.csv")

## Read SC-data from a .csv-file with semicolon as field and comma as decimal separator
# study2 <- readSC("study2.csv", sep = ";", dec = ",")

## writeSc and readSC
filename <- file.path(tempdir(), "test.csv")
writeSC(exampleA1B1A2B2_zvt, filename)
dat <- readSC(filename, cvar = "case", pvar = "part", dvar = "zvt", mvar = "day")
res1 <- describeSC(exampleA1B1A2B2_zvt)$descriptives
res2 <- describeSC(dat)$descriptives
identical(res1, res2)
```

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scaleSC                      *Scaling values of an scdf file*

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### Description

This function scales the measured values of an scdf file. It allows for mean centering and standardization based on each single-case data set or a scaling across all cases included in an scdf.

### Usage

```
scaleSC(data, var, center = TRUE, scale = FALSE, m = 0, sd = 1,
        grand = TRUE)
```

### Arguments

data	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
var	A character string or a vector of character strings with variable names that should be scaled.
center	If set TRUE, data are mean centered.
scale	If set TRUE, the standard deviation is set.
m	The target mean for centering.
sd	The target standard deviation for scaling
grand	If set TRUE, scaling is based on the mean and standard deviation of all measurements across all single-cases within the scdf.

### Value

An scdf with the scaled values.

### Author(s)

Juergen Wilbert

### See Also

Other data manipulation functions: [fillmissingSC](#), [longSCDF](#), [outlierSC](#), [rankSC](#), [shiftSC](#), [smoothSC](#), [truncateSC](#)

### Examples

```
## Standardize a multiple case scdf and compute an hplm
ex_sc <- scaleSC(exampleAB_50, var = "values", center = TRUE, scale = TRUE)
hplm(ex_sc)
```

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scdf_attr	<i>Set and get scdf attributes</i>
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**Description**

Set and get scdf attributes

**Usage**

```
scdf_attr(x, var)
```

```
scdf_attr(x, var) <- value
```

**Arguments**

x	Variable
var	Attribute
value	set value

**Value**

Attribute value

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shiftSC	<i>Shift values in a single-case data file</i>
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**Description**

Shifting the values might be helpful in cases where the measurement time is given as a time variable (see example below).

**Usage**

```
shiftSC(data, value, var)
```

**Arguments**

data	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
value	Number by which to shift the values
var	Character string with the name of the target variable. Defaults to the measurement time variable.

**Value**

A scdf with shifted data

**See Also**

Other data manipulation functions: [fillmissingSC](#), [longSCDF](#), [outlierSC](#), [rankSC](#), [scaleSC](#), [smoothSC](#), [truncateSC](#)

**Examples**

```
### Shift the measurement time for a better estimation of the intercept
ex <- shiftSC(example_A24, value = -1996)
plm(ex)
```

smoothSC

*Smoothing single-case data***Description**

The smoothSC function provides procedures to smooth single-case data (i.e., to eliminate noise). A moving average function (mean- or median-based) replaces each data point by the average of the surrounding data points step-by-step. With a local regression function, each data point is regressed by its surrounding data points.

**Usage**

```
smoothSC(data, dvar, mvar, FUN = "movingMedian", intensity = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

data	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
dvar	Character string with the name of the dependent variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
mvar	Character string with the name of the measurement time variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
FUN	Function determining the smoothed scores. Default FUN = "movingMedian" is a moving Median function. Further possible values are: "movingMean" and a non-parametric "localRegression".
intensity	For FUN = "movingMedian" and "movingMean" it is the lag used for computing the average. Default is intensity = 1. In case of FUN = "localRegression" it is the proportion of surrounding data influencing each data point, which is intensity = 0.2 by default.

**Value**

Returns a data frame (for each single-case) with smoothed data points. See [scdf](#) to learn about the format of these data frames.

**Author(s)**

Juergen Wilbert

**See Also**

Other data manipulation functions: [fillmissingSC](#), [longSCDF](#), [outlierSC](#), [rankSC](#), [scaleSC](#), [shiftSC](#), [truncateSC](#)

**Examples**

```
## Use the three different smoothing functions and compare the results
study <- c(
  "Original"           = Huber2014$Berta,
  "Moving Median"     = smoothSC(Huber2014$Berta, FUN = "movingMedian"),
  "Moving Mean"       = smoothSC(Huber2014$Berta, FUN = "movingMean"),
  "Local Regression" = smoothSC(Huber2014$Berta, FUN = "localRegression")
)
plot(study)
```

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style\_plotSC

*Create styles for single-case data plots*

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**Description**

The style\_plotSC function is used to create graphical styles for a single-case plot

**Usage**

```
style_plotSC(style = "default", ...)
style.plotSC(...)
```

**Arguments**

style	Predefined styles.
...	Further arguments passed to the plot command.

**Details**

style\_plotSC("") will return a list of predefined styles. Predefined styles can be combined style\_plotSC(style = c("grid2", "tiny")) where settings of a latter style overwrite settings of the former. Additional style parameters are set following the style argument and can be combined with those: style\_plotSC(style = "grid2", fill = "grey50", pch = 18).

**Value**

Returns a list to be provided or the style argument of the plot function.

- `fill` If set, the area under the line is filled with the given color (e.g., `fill = "tomato"`). Use the standard R command `colors()` to get a list of all possible colours. `fill` is empty by default.
- `annotations` A list of parameters defining annotations to each data point. This adds the score of each MT to your plot.
  - `"pos"` Position of the annotations: 1 = below, 2 = left, 3 = above, 4 = right.
  - `"col"` Color of the annotations.
  - `"cex"` Size of the annotations.
  - `"round"` Rounds the values to the specified decimal.
- `annotations = list(pos = 3, col = "brown", round = 1)` adds scores rounded to one decimal above the data point in brown color to the plot.
- `"lwd"` Width of the plot line. Default is `lwd = 2`.
- `"pch"` Point type. Default is `pch = 17` (triangles). Other options are for example: 16 (filled circles) or "A" (uses the letter A).
- `"main"` Main title of the plot.
- `"mai"` Sets the margins of the plot.
- `"bty"` Shape of the frame surrounding the inner plot
- `"fill.bg"` Backgroundcolor of the plot.
- `"grid"` Color of a grid.
- `"text.ABlag"` Text displayed between phases.
- `"cex.axis"` Size of the axis annotations
- `"las"` Orientation of the axis annotations
- `"col.lines"` Color of the lines
- `"col.dots"` Color of the dots
- `"col.seperator"` Color of the phase seperating lines
- `"col.bg"` Color of the outer plot
- `"col"` General color setting for the plot
- `"col.text"` Color of all labels of the plot.

**Author(s)**

Juergen Wilbert

**See Also**

[plot.scdf](#)

**Examples**

```

newstyle <- style_plotSC(style = "default")
newstyle$text.AB1ag <- c("START", "END")
newstyle$col.dots <- ""
newstyle$annotations <- list(cex = 0.6, col = "grey10", offset = 0.4)
plot(exampleABC, style = newstyle)

```

summary.scdf

*Summary functio for a scdf***Description**

Summary functio for a scdf

**Usage**

```

## S3 method for class 'scdf'
summary(object, ...)

```

**Arguments**

object	scdf
...	not in use

tauUSC

*Tau-U for single-case data***Description**

This function calculates indices of the Tau-U family as proposed by Parker et al. (2011).

**Usage**

```

tauUSC(data, dvar, pvar, ties.method = "omit", method = "complete",
        phases = c(1, 2))

```

**Arguments**

data	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
dvar	Character string with the name of the dependent variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
pvar	Character string with the name of the phase variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
ties.method	Defines how to handle ties. "omit" (default) excludes all ties from the calculation. "positive" counts all ties as positive comparisons, while "negative" counts them as negative comparisons.
method	"complete" (default) or "parker". The latter calculates the number of possible pairs as described in Parler et al. (2011) which might lead to tau-U values greater than 1.
phases	A vector of two characters or numbers indicating the two phases that should be compared. E.g., phases = c("A", "C") or phases = c(2, 4) for comparing the second to the fourth phase. Phases could be combined by providing a list with two elements. E.g., phases = list(A = c(1, 3), B = c(2, 4)) will compare phases 1 and 3 (as A) against 2 and 4 (as B). Default is phases = c("A", "B").

**Value**

table	A data frame containing statistics from the Tau-U family, including: Pairs, positive and negative comparisons, S, and Tau
matrix	The matrix of comparisons used for calculating the statistics.
tau_u	Tau-U value.

**Author(s)**

Juergen Wilbert

**References**

Parker, R. I., Vannest, K. J., Davis, J. L., & Sauber, S. B. (2011). Combining Nonoverlap and Trend for Single-Case Research: Tau-U. *Behavior Therapy*, 42, 284-299.

**See Also**

Other overlap functions: [corrected\\_tauSC](#), [nap](#), [overlapSC](#), [pand](#), [pem](#), [pet](#), [pnd](#)

**Examples**

```
## Calculate tau-U for the example from Parker et al. (2011)
bob <- scdf(c(2, 3, 5, 3, 4, 5, 5, 7, 6), B.start = 5)
tauUSC(bob)

## Calculate tau-U with ties counted as positive
tauUSC(Grosche2011$Eva, ties.method = "positive")
```



```
## Request tau-U for all single-cases fom the Grosche2011 data
tauUSC(Grosche2011)
```

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trendSC	<i>Trend analysis for single-cases data</i>
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### Description

The trendSC function provides an overview of linear trends in single-case data. By default, it gives you the intercept and slope of a linear and a squared regression of measurement-time on scores. Models are computed separately for each phase and across all phases. For a more advanced application, you can add regression models using the R specific formula class.

### Usage

```
trendSC(data, dvar, pvar, mvar, offset = -1, model = NULL)
```

### Arguments

data	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
dvar	Character string with the name of the independent variable.
pvar	Character string with the name of the phase variable.
mvar	Character string with the name of the measurement time variable.
offset	An offset for the first measurement-time of each phase (MT). If set <code>offset = 0</code> , the phase measurement is handled as MT 1. Default is <code>offset = -1</code> , setting the first value of MT to 0.
model	A string or a list of (named) strings each depicting one regression model. This is a formula expression of the standard R class. The parameters of the model are <code>values</code> , <code>mt</code> and <code>phase</code> .

### Value

trend	A matrix containing the results (Intercept, B and beta) of separate regression models for phase A, phase B, and the whole data.
offset	Numeric argument from function call (see Arguments section).

### Author(s)

Juergen Wilbert

### See Also

[describeSC](#), [autocorrSC](#), [plm](#)

## Examples

```
## Compute the linear and squared regression for a random single-case
design <- design_rSC(slope = 0.5)
matthea <- rSC(design)
trendSC(matthea)

## Besides the linear and squared regression models compute two custom models:
## a) a cubic model, and b) the values predicted by the natural logarithm of the
## measurement time.
design <- design_rSC(slope = 0.3)
ben <- rSC(design)
trendSC(ben, offset = 0, model = c("Cubic" = values ~ I(mt^3), "Log Time" = values ~ log(mt)))
```

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truncateSC

*Truncate single-case data*


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## Description

This function truncates data points at the beginning and / or end each phase.

## Usage

```
truncateSC(data, dvar, pvar, truncate = list(A = c(0, 0), B = c(0, 0)),
  na = TRUE)
```

## Arguments

data	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
dvar	Character string with the name of the dependent variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
pvar	Character string with the name of the phase variable. Defaults to the attributes in the scdf file.
truncate	A list with a vector of two (beginning and end) values for each phase defining the number of data points to be deleted. For lists of single-case data frames, the truncation is adapted to the length of each phase for each single case.
na	If FALSE, the truncated measurement times are deleted. If TRUE, NAs are set for the dependent variable.

## Value

A truncated data frame (for each single-case).

## Author(s)

Juergen Wilbert

**See Also**

Other data manipulation functions: [fillmissingSC](#), [longSCDF](#), [outlierSC](#), [rankSC](#), [scaleSC](#), [shiftSC](#), [smoothSC](#)

**Examples**

```
# Truncate the first two data points of both phases and compare the two data sets
study <- c(
  "Original" = byHeart2011[1],
  "Selected" = truncateSC(byHeart2011[1], truncate = list(A = c(2,0), B = c(2,0)))
)
plot(study)
```

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writeSC

*Export data into a .csv-file*

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**Description**

This function restructures and exports single-case data into a .csv-file.

**Usage**

```
writeSC(data, filename = NULL, sep = ",", dec = ".", ...)
```

**Arguments**

data	A single-case data frame. See <a href="#">scdf</a> to learn about this format.
filename	A character string defining the output file name (e.g. "SC_data.csv").
sep	The field separator string. Values within rows will be separated by this string. Default is sep = ",".
dec	The string used for decimal points. Must be a single character. Default is dec = ".".
...	Further arguments passed to write.table.

**Author(s)**

Juergen Wilbert

**See Also**

[write.table](#), [readSC](#), [saveRDS](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
## Write single-case data to a .csv-file
jessica <- rSC(level = .5)
writeSC(jessica, "SCdata_Jessica.csv")

## Write multiple cases to a .csv-file with semicolon as field and comma as decimal separator
writeSC(Grosche2011, "MBDdata_Grosche.csv", sep = ";", dec = ",")

## writeSC and readSC
filename <- file.path(tempdir(), "test.csv")
writeSC(exampleA1B1A2B2_zvt, filename)
dat <- readSC(filename, cvar = "case", pvar = "part", dvar = "zvt", mvar = "day")
res1 <- describeSC(exampleA1B1A2B2_zvt)$descriptives
res2 <- describeSC(dat)$descriptives
identical(res1, res2)

## End(Not run)
```

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\$.scdf

*Select a scdf*


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**Description**

Select a scdf

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'scdf'
x$i

## S3 method for class 'scdf'
x[i]
```

**Arguments**

x	A scdf object
i	A case name from x

**Value**

A scdf

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