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Description Create forest plot based on the layout of the data. Confidence interval in multiple columns by groups can be done easily. Editing plot, inserting/adding text, applying theme to the plot and much more.

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 add_text

Add text to forest plot

Description

This function can be used to add text to forest plot. The text can be span to multiple rows and columns. The height of the row will be changed accordingly if the text is added to only one row. The width of the text may exceeds the columns provided if the text is too long.

Usage

```
add_text(
  plot,
  text,
  row = NULL,
  col = NULL,
  part = c("body", "header"),
  just = c("center", "left", "right"),
  gp = gpar(),
  padding = unit(1, "mm")
)
```

Arguments

plot	A forest plot object.
text	A character or expression vector, see textGrob .
row	Row to add the text, this will be ignored if the part is "header".
col	A numeric value or vector indicating the columns the text will be added. The text will span over the column if a vector is given.
part	Part to add text, body (default) or header.
just	The justification of the text, "center" (default), "left" or "right".
gp	An object of class "gpar", this is the graphical parameter settings of the text. See gpar .
padding	Padding of the text, default is <code>unit(1, "mm")</code>

Value

A [gtable](#) object.

add_underline	<i>Add underline to cells</i>
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Description

This function can be used to add underline to cells.

Usage

```
add_underline(
  plot,
  row = NULL,
  col = NULL,
  part = c("body", "header"),
  gp = gpar(lwd = 2)
)
```

Arguments

plot	A forest plot object.
row	A numeric value or vector indicating row number to add underline. This is corresponding to the data row number. Remember to account for any text inserted. This will be ignored if the part is "header" and the underline will be drawn under the header column.
col	A numeric value or vector indicating the columns to add underline.
part	The underline will be added to "body" (default) or "header".
gp	An object of class "gpar", graphical parameter to be passed to segmentsGrob .

Value

A [gtable](#) object.

edit_plot	<i>Edit forest plot</i>
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Description

This function is used to edit the graphical parameter of text and background of the forest plot.

Usage

```
edit_plot(
  plot,
  row = NULL,
  col = NULL,
  part = c("body", "header"),
  which = c("text", "background"),
  gp
)
```

Arguments

plot	A forest plot object.
row	A numeric value or vector indicating row number to edit in the dataset. Will edit the whole row if left blank for the body. This will be ignored if the part is "header".
col	A numeric value or vector indicating column to edit in the dataset. Will edit the whole column if left blank.
part	Part to edit, body (default) or header.
which	Which element to edit, text or background of the cell.
gp	Pass gpar parameters, see gpar . It should be passed as <code>gpar(col = "red")</code> .

Value

A [gtable](#) object.

forest

Forest plot

Description

A data frame will be used for the basic layout of the forest plot. Graphical parameters can be set using the [forest_theme](#) function.

Usage

```
forest(
  data,
  est,
  lower,
  upper,
  sizes = 0.4,
  ref_line = ifelse(xlog, 1, 0),
  vert_line = NULL,
  ci_column,
```

```

xlog = FALSE,
is_summary = NULL,
xlim = NULL,
ticks_at = NULL,
ticks_digits = 1,
arrow_lab = NULL,
xlab = NULL,
footnote = NULL,
title = NULL,
nudge_y = 0,
theme = NULL
)

```

Arguments

<code>data</code>	Data to be displayed in the forest plot
<code>est</code>	Point estimation. Can be a list for multiple columns and/or multiple groups. If the length of the list is larger than then length of <code>ci_column</code> , then the values reused for each column and considered as different groups.
<code>lower</code>	Lower bound of the confidence interval, same as <code>est</code> .
<code>upper</code>	Upper bound of the confidence interval, same as <code>est</code> .
<code>sizes</code>	Size of the point estimation box, can be a unit, vector or a list.
<code>ref_line</code>	X-axis coordinates of zero line, default is 1. Provide an atomic vector if different reference line for each <code>ci_column</code> is desired.
<code>vert_line</code>	Numerical vector, add additional vertical line at given value. Provide a list of numerical vector element if different vertical line for each <code>ci_column</code> is desired.
<code>ci_column</code>	Column number of the data the CI will be displayed.
<code>xlog</code>	If TRUE, x-axis tick marks assume values are exponential, e.g. for logistic regression (OR), survival estimates (HR), Poisson regression etc. Provide a logical vector if different conversion for each <code>ci_column</code> is desired.
<code>is_summary</code>	A logical vector indicating if the value is a summary value, which will have a diamond shape for the estimate. Can not be used with multiple group <code>forestplot</code> .
<code>xlim</code>	Limits for the x axis as a vector of length 2, i.e. <code>c(low, high)</code> . It will take the minimum and maximum of the lower and upper value if not provided. This will apply to all CI columns if provided, and will be calculated automatically for each column if not provided. This should be a list with the same length of <code>ci_column</code> if different <code>xlim</code> for different column is desired.
<code>ticks_at</code>	Set X-axis tick-marks point. This will apply to all CI columns if provided, and will be calculated automatically for each column if not provided. This should be a list if different <code>ticks_at</code> for different column is desired.
<code>ticks_digits</code>	Number of digits for the x-axis, default is 1. This should be a numerical vector if different rounding will be applied to different column.
<code>arrow_lab</code>	Labels for the arrows, string vector of length two (left and right). The theme of arrow will inherit from the x-axis. This should be a list if different arrow labels for each column is desired.

xlab	X-axis labels, it will be put under the x-axis. An atomic vector should be provided if different xlab for different column is desired.
footnote	Footnote for the forest plot, will be aligned at left bottom of the plot. Please adjust the line length with line break to avoid the overlap with the arrow and/or x-axis.
title	The text for the title.
nudge_y	Horizontal adjustment to nudge groups by, must be within 0 to 1.
theme	Theme of the forest plot, see forest_theme for details.

Value

A [gtable](#) object.

Examples

```
# Read provided sample example data
dt <- read.csv(system.file("extdata", "example_data.csv", package = "forestploter"))

# Keep needed columns
dt <- dt[,1:6]

# indent the subgroup if there is a number in the placebo column
dt$Subgroup <- ifelse(is.na(dt$Placebo),
  dt$Subgroup,
  paste0("  ", dt$Subgroup))

# NA to blank or NA will be transformed to character.
dt$Treatment <- ifelse(is.na(dt$Treatment), "", dt$Treatment)
dt$Placebo <- ifelse(is.na(dt$Placebo), "", dt$Placebo)
dt$se <- (log(dt$hi) - log(dt$est))/1.96

# Add blank column for the forest plot to display CI.
# Adjust the column width with space.
dt$` ` <- paste(rep(" ", 20), collapse = " ")

# Create confidence interval column to display
dt$`HR (95% CI)` <- ifelse(is.na(dt$se), "",
  sprintf("%.2f (%.2f to %.2f)",
    dt$est, dt$low, dt$hi))

# Define theme
tm <- forest_theme(base_size = 10,
  refline_col = "red",
  footnote_col = "#636363",
  footnote_fontface = "italic")

p <- forest(dt[,c(1:3, 8:9)],
  est = dt$est,
  lower = dt$low,
  upper = dt$hi,
  sizes = dt$se,
```

```
        ci_column = 4,
        ref_line = 1,
        arrow_lab = c("Placebo Better", "Treatment Better"),
        xlim = c(0, 4),
        ticks_at = c(0.5, 1, 2, 3),
        footnote = "This is the demo data. Please feel free to change\nanything you want.",
        theme = tm)

# Print plot
plot(p)
```

forestploter

Create Forest Plot

Description

This package uses gtable and gridExtra to overlay forest plots.

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See Also

[grid](#), [gridExtra](#)

forest_theme

Forest plot default theme

Description

Default theme for the forest plot, but can pass other parameters. The parameters will be passed to corresponding elements of the forest plot. See [gpar](#) for details.

Usage

```
forest_theme(  
  base_size = 12,  
  base_family = "",  
  ci_pch = 15,  
  ci_col = "black",  
  ci_lty = 1,  
  ci_lwd = 1,  
  ci_Theight = NULL,  
  legend_name = "Group",  
  legend_position = "right",
```

```

legend_value = "",
xaxis_lwd = 0.6,
xaxis_cex = 1,
refline_lwd = 1,
refline_lty = "dashed",
refline_col = "grey20",
vertline_lwd = 1,
vertline_lty = "dashed",
vertline_col = "grey20",
summary_fill = "#4575b4",
summary_col = "#4575b4",
footnote_cex = 0.6,
footnote_fontface = "plain",
footnote_col = "black",
title_just = c("left", "right", "center"),
title_cex = 1.2,
title_fontface = "bold",
title_col = "black",
title_fontfamily = base_family,
...
)

```

Arguments

base_size	The size of text
base_family	The font family
ci_pch	Shape of the point estimation. It will be reused if the forest plot is grouped.
ci_col	Color of the CI. A vector of color should be provided for the grouped forest plot. An internal color set will be if only not.
ci_lty	Line type of the CI. A vector of line type should be provided for the grouped forest plot.
ci_lwd	Line width of the CI. A vector of line type should be provided for the grouped forest plot.
ci_Theight	A unit specifying the height of the T end of CI. If set to NULL (default), no T end will be drawn.
legend_name	Title of the legend.
legend_position	Position of the legend, "right", "top", "bottom".
legend_value	Legend labels (expressions). A vector should be provided for the grouped forest plot. A "Group 1" etc will be created if not a vector for a grouped forest plot.
xaxis_lwd	Line width for x-axis.
xaxis_cex	Multiplier applied to font size for x-axis.
refline_lwd	Line width for reference line.
refline_lty	Line type for reference line.
refline_col	Line color for the reference line.

vertline_lwd	Line width for extra vertical line. A vector can be provided for each vertical line, and the values will be recycled if no enough values are given.
vertline_lty	Line type for extra vertical line. Works same as vertline_lwd.
vertline_col	Line color for the extra vertical line. Works same as vertline_lwd.
summary_fill	Color for filling the summary diamond shape.
summary_col	Color for borders of the summary diamond shape.
footnote_cex	Multiplier applied to font size for footnote.
footnote_fontface	The font face for footnote.
footnote_col	Color of the footnote.
title_just	The justification of the title, default is 'left'.
title_cex	Multiplier applied to font size for title.
title_fontface	The font face for title, default is 'bold'.
title_col	Color of title.
title_fontfamily	Font family of title.
...	Other parameters passed to table. See tableGrob for details.

Value

A list.

insert_text	<i>Insert text to forest plot</i>
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Description

This function can be used to insert text to forest plot. Remember to adjust for the row number if you have added text before, including header. This is achieved by inserted new row(s) to the plot and will affect the row number. A text vector can be inserted to multiple columns or rows.

Usage

```
insert_text(
  plot,
  text,
  row = NULL,
  col = NULL,
  part = c("body", "header"),
  just = c("center", "left", "right"),
  before = TRUE,
  gp = gpar(),
  padding = unit(1, "mm")
)
```

Arguments

plot	A forest plot object.
text	A character or expression vector, see textGrob .
row	Row to insert the text, this will be ignored if the part is "header".
col	A numeric value or vector indicating the columns the text will be added. The text will span over the column if a vector is given.
part	Part to insert text, body (default) or header.
just	The justification of the text, "center" (default), "left" or "right".
before	Indicating the text will be inserted before or after the row.
gpar	An object of class "gpar", this is the graphical parameter settings of the text. See gpar .
padding	Padding of the text, default is <code>unit(1, "mm")</code>

Value

A [gtable](#) object.

print.forestplot	<i>Draw plot</i>
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Description

Print or draw forestplot.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'forestplot'
print(x, autofit = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'forestplot'
plot(x, autofit = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

x	forestplot to display
autofit	If true, the plot will be autofit.
...	other arguments not used by this method

Value

Invisibly returns the original forestplot.

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