

# Package ‘corx’

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**Description** Create correlation (or partial correlation) matrices. Correlation matrices are formatted with significance stars based on user preferences. Matrices of coefficients, p-values, and number of pairwise observations are returned. Send resultant formatted matrices to the clipboard to be pasted into excel and other programs. A plot method allows users to visualize correlation matrices created with 'corx'.

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apa_matrix	<i>apa matrix</i>
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**Description**

Creates an apa matrix

**Usage**

```
apa_matrix(r_matrix, p_matrix, stars, round, remove_lead, triangle)
```

**Arguments**

r_matrix	correlation coefficient matrix
p_matrix	p-value matrix
stars	a vector of pvalue stars
round	How many digits to round to?
remove_lead	a logical. Should leading zeros be removed?
triangle	can select lower upper or NULL

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check_classes	<i>check_classes</i>
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**Description**

check all classes are as expected

**Usage**

```
check_classes(data, ok_classes, stop_message, stop = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

data	the data object
ok_classes	a vector of allowed classes
stop_message	a character string provided to users if error triggers.
stop	should the variable stop, or create a warning?

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corxcorx

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## Description

Creates an object of class 'corx'. This function calculates correlation matrices. It stores effect sizes, p-values, the number of pairwise observations, and a formatted correlation matrix in a list. The argument 'z' allows for control variables to be assigned. If z does not equal NULL, partial correlations are performed. Methods are exported for the generic functions 'print', 'plot', 'summary', 'data.frame' and, 'coef'.

## Usage

```
corx(
  data,
  x = NULL,
  y = NULL,
  z = NULL,
  method = c("pearson", "spearman", "kendall"),
  stars = c(0.05),
  round = 2,
  remove_lead = TRUE,
  triangle = NULL,
  caption = NULL,
  note = NULL,
  describe = FALSE,
  grey_nonsig = TRUE,
  call_only = FALSE
)
```

## Arguments

<code>data</code>	A <code>data.frame</code> or <code>matrix</code>
<code>x</code>	a vector of rownames. Defaults to all
<code>y</code>	a vector of colnames. If not supplied, y is set to x.
<code>z</code>	a vector of colnames. Control variables to be used in partial correlations - defaults to NULL
<code>method</code>	a string. One of "pearson", "spearman", or "kendall"
<code>stars</code>	a numeric vector. This argument defines cut-offs for p-value stars.
<code>round</code>	a scalar. Number of digits in printing
<code>remove_lead</code>	a logical. if TRUE (the default), leading zeros are removed in summaries
<code>triangle</code>	one of "lower", "upper" or NULL (the default)
<code>caption</code>	table caption. Passed to plots
<code>note</code>	table note

describe	a list of functions. If functions are supplied to describe, new columns will be bound to the 'APA matrix' for each function in the list. Describe also accepts a variety of shortcuts. If describe is set to TRUE, mean and standard deviation are returned for all row variables. Describe can accept a character vector to call the following descriptive functions: c('mean','sd','var','median','iqr','skewness','kurtosis'). These shortcuts are powered by 'tidyselect'. Skewness and kurtosis are calculated using the 'moments' package. All functions retrieved with shortcuts remove missing values.
grey_nonsig	a logical. Should non-significant values be grey in output? This argument does nothing if describe is not set to FALSE
call_only	For debugging, if TRUE only the call is returned

## Details

'corx' constructs intercorrelation matrices using 'psych::corr.test'. P-values attained are not adjusted for multiple comparisons. The argument z can be used to specify control variables. If control variables are specified, partial correlations are calculated using 'ppcor::ppcor.test'. Asymmetrical correlation matrices can be constructed using the arguments 'x' and 'y'. The arguments 'x', 'y', and 'z' are powered by 'tidyselect::vars\_select'.

## Value

A list of class 'corx' which includes:

- "call" The call
- "apa" An 'APA' formatted correlation matrix with significance stars
- "r" Raw correlation coefficients
- "p" Raw p-values
- "n" Pairwise observations
- "caption" Object caption
- "note" Object note

## Examples

```
cor_mat <- corx(mtcars, x = c(mpg,cyl,disp), y = c(wt,drat,disp,qsec),
                  z = wt, round = 2, stars = c(0.05),
                  caption = "Controlling for weight" ,
                  describe = list("mean" = function(x) mean(x,na.rm=TRUE)))
cor_mat
coef(cor_mat)
cor_mat$p
plot(cor_mat)
cor_2 <- corx(iris[,-5], describe = c(median, IQR = iqr, kurt = kurtosis),
              note = "Using shortcuts to select describe functions", triangle = "lower")
cor_2
```

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<code>digits</code>	<i>digits</i>
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**Description**

Consistent rounding for strings

**Usage**

```
digits(x, n = 2)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	number to round
<code>n</code>	number of digits

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<code>get_cor</code>	<i>get_cor</i>
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**Description**

A flexible correlation function

**Usage**

```
get_cor(data, x, y, method, partial)
```

**Arguments**

<code>data</code>	data
<code>x</code>	variable 1
<code>y</code>	variable 2
<code>method</code>	correlation method
<code>partial</code>	control for anything?

**partial\_matrix**      *partial\_matrix*

### Description

Creates matrices of partial correlations including r, n, and p

### Usage

```
partial_matrix(data, x, y, method, partial)
```

### Arguments

data	the data object
x	rownames
y	colnames
method	the method
partial	variables to partial out

**par\_matrix**      *par\_matrix*

### Description

This function is used to construct final matrices

### Usage

```
par_matrix(results, x, y)
```

### Arguments

results	results dataset
x	one set of variables
y	another set of variables

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plot.corx

*S3 class corx*

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## Description

S3 class corx

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'corx'  
plot(x, ...)
```

## Arguments

x	a corx object
...	other arguments to ggc当地plot::ggcorrplot

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plot\_mds

*plot\_mds*

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## Description

plot the Classical multidimensional scaling of a corx object

## Usage

```
plot_mds(corx, k = NULL, abs = TRUE, ...)
```

## Arguments

corx	the corx object, or a matrix of correlation coefficients
k	a numeric, the number of clusters. If set to "auto" will be equal to the number of principal components that explain more than 5% of total variance.
abs	if TRUE (the default) negative correlations will be turned positive. This means items with high negative correlations will be treated as highly similar.
...	additional arguments passed to ggpublisher::ggscatter

## Details

`plot_mds` performs classic multidimensional scaling on a correlation matrix. The correlation matrix is first converted to a distance matrix using `psych::cor2dist`. This function employs the following formula:

$$dist = \sqrt{(2 * (1 - r))}$$

These distances are then passed to `stats::cmdscale` where  $k = 2$ . To compute *latent*, distances are predict from the `cmdscale` output and correlated with input distances. This correlation is squared. If the value of  $R^2$  is less than 70 The position of variables is then plotted with `ggplot2`. Clusters of items are identified using `stats::kmeans`. The number of clusters is determined using principal component analysis unless specified.

## References

Carlson, D.L., 2017. Quantitative methods in archaeology using R. Cambridge University Press.

`print.corx`

*print.corx*

## Description

`print.corx`

## Usage

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

## Arguments

<code>x</code>	object
<code>...</code>	extra arguments

`star_matrix`

*star\_matrix*

## Description

Replaces p-values with stars

## Usage

```
star_matrix(m, stars)
```

## Arguments

<code>m</code>	matrix of p-values
<code>stars</code>	a vector of p-value thresholds to replace with stars

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`to_clipboard`*to\_clipboard*

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**Description**

Sends a formatted corx table to the clipboard so that it can be pasted into excel.

**Usage**

```
to_clipboard(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	a corx object, matrix, or data.frame
...	additional arguments passed to 'clipr::write_clip'

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