# Package 'plot3Drgl'

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## plot3Drgl-package *Functions to plot multi-dimensional data using* rgl.

### Description

Package plot3Drgl provides an interface from package plot3D to package rgl.

It will plot most (but not all) features from plots generated with plot3D, except for the color keys and polygons.

It also also includes rgl implementations of 2-D functions (arrows, points, contours, images), which can be zoomed, moved, and sections selected.

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### See Also

Functions from R-package plot3D.

Functions from R-package rgl.

- For 3-D graphs:
  - plotrgl the main function that translates plot3D graphs to rgl.
- For 2-D graphs:
  - arrows2Drgl creates 2-D arrow plots.
  - scatter2Drgl for point and line plots.
  - image2Drgl, contour2Drgl an rgl implementation of the image and contour functions.

Apart from the usual zooming, it is also possible to move the figure in the rgl window (based on an example in the rgl package).

Rectangular areas can be selected from rgl plots, using cutrgl while uncutrgl will restore the original plot.

## cutrgl *Cutting a rectangular region from an rgl plot.*

### Description

cutrgl zooms in on a selected region of the plot. It overwrites the current plot. Selection is done by dragging over the plot, with the left mousekey clicked.

croprgl zooms in on a region of the plot defined by the axes limits. It overwrites the current plot.

uncutrgl and uncroprgl restore the original plot, but keep the current orientation.

## Usage

```
cutrgl (...)
croprgl (xlim = NULL, ylim = NULL, zlim = NULL, ...)
uncutrgl (...)
uncroprgl(...)
```

## Arguments

| | |
|---|---|
| xlim, ylim, zlim | The limits of the plot. |
| ... | Any argument that can be passed to the function plotrgl, e.g argument `lighting`, or to the `rgl` functions par3d, open3d or material3d. Exceptions are `new` and `add` (which are always `FALSE`). |

## Value

Returns the updated plotting list. See plotdev.

## Note

Both functions will not work when another active rgl window has been opened. In that case, `cutrgl` will freeze R, and the escape key should be used.

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## See Also

plotrgl,

material3d, par3d for `rgl` arguments that can be passed to the function.

## Examples

```
## Not run:
 ribbon3D(z = volcano, zlim= c(-100, 200), image = TRUE, plot = FALSE)
 plotrgl(new = TRUE) # new window
 cutrgl()           # select region with left mouse
 cutrgl()           # second selection
 uncutrgl()         # original restored

## End(Not run)
```

image2Drgl *2-D image, contour, scatterplots, segments and arrows in rgl.*

## Description

image2Drgl plots an image in rgl.

contour2Drgl creates a contourplot in rgl.

scatter2Drgl creates a scatterplot (lineplot, points, ...) in rgl.

points2Drgl is shorthand for scatter2Drgl(..., type = "p")

lines2Drgl is shorthand for scatter2Drgl(..., type = "l")

arrows2Drgl and segments3D plot arrows and segments in rgl.

text2Drgl plots labels in rgl.

These functions were implemented for their side effect that rgl plots can be zoomed, translocated, rectangular selections taken.

## Usage

```
image2Drgl (z, x = seq(0, 1, length.out = nrow(z)),
          y = seq(0, 1, length.out = ncol(z)), ...,
          col = NULL, NAcol = "white", breaks = NULL, border = NA,
          facets = TRUE, colkey = NULL, contour = FALSE,
          smooth = FALSE, clim = NULL, clab = NULL, shade = NA,
          inttype = 1, dz = 0, add = FALSE)

contour2Drgl (z, x = seq(0, 1, length.out = nrow(z)),
            y = seq(0, 1, length.out = ncol(z)), ...,
            col = NULL, colkey = NULL, clim = NULL, clab = NULL, dz = 0.1,
            add = FALSE)

scatter2Drgl (x, y, colvar = NULL, ...,
          col = NULL, NAcol = "white", breaks = NULL, colkey = NULL,
          clim = NULL, clab = NULL, CI = NULL, dz = 0.1, add = FALSE)

text2Drgl (x, y, labels, colvar = NULL, ...,
          col = NULL, NAcol = "white", breaks = NULL, colkey = NULL,
          clim = NULL, clab = NULL, dz = 0.1, add = FALSE)

arrows2Drgl (x0, y0, x1, y1, colvar = NULL, ...,
           col = NULL, NAcol = "white", breaks = NULL, colkey = NULL,
           clim = NULL, clab = NULL, type = "simple", dz = 0.1, add = FALSE)

segments2Drgl (x0, y0, x1, y1, colvar = NULL, ...,
           col = NULL, NAcol = "white", breaks = NULL, colkey = NULL,
           clim = NULL, clab = NULL, dz = 0.1, add = FALSE)
```

```
rect2Drgl (x0, y0, x1, y1, colvar = NULL, ...,
           col = NULL, NAcol = "white", breaks = NULL, colkey = NULL,
           clim = NULL, clab = NULL, dz = 0.1, add = FALSE)

lines2Drgl(x, y, ...)

points2Drgl(x, y, ...)
```

## Arguments

| | |
|---|---|
| x, y | Vectors with the x- and y- values. |
| z | The variable used for coloring the image plot, or containing the values to be plotted for the contour plot. |
| x0, y0 | coordinates of points *from* which to draw the arrows. |
| x1, y1 | coordinates of points *to* which to draw the arrows. At least one must be supplied. |
| colvar | The variable used for coloring the scatter plot or the arrows. If NULL, then col will be used as such. |
| labels | The text to be written. A vector of length equal to length of x, y. |
| col | Color palette to be used for the z or colvar variable. If colvar is NULL, then the colors are used as such. |
| NAcol | Color to be used for NA values; default is "white". |
| breaks | a set of finite numeric breakpoints for the colors; must have one more breakpoint than color and be in increasing order. Unsorted vectors will be sorted, with a warning. |
| border | The color of the lines drawn around the surface facets. The default, NA, will disable the drawing of borders. |
| facets | If TRUE, then col denotes the color of the surface facets. If FALSE, then the surface facets are colored "white" and the border will be colored as specified by col. If NA then the facets will be transparent. |
| shade | the degree of shading of the surface facets. Values of shade close to one yield shading similar to a point light source model and values close to zero produce no shading. Creates the illusion of perspective. See persp. |
| contour | If TRUE, then a contour plot will be added to the image plot. Also allowed is to pass a list with arguments for the contour2D function. |
| smooth | Logical, specifying whether Gouraud shading (smooth) or flat shading should be used. (if TRUE then function cutrgl will not work). |
| colkey | A logical, NULL (default), or a list with parameters for the color key (legend). Not all arguments from the original colkey function from plot3D are supported. For instance, color keys will always be put on the 4th margin. |
| clim | Only if colvar is specified, the range of the color variable used. Values of colvar that extend the range will be put to NA. |

| | |
|---|---|
| clab | Only if colkey = TRUE, the label to be written on top of the color key. The label will be written at the same level as the main title. to lower it, clab can be made a vector, with the first values empty strings. |
| inttype | The interpolation type to create the polygons, either interpolating the z (inttype = 1 or the x, y values (inttype = 2) - see persp3D. |
| CI | A list with parameters and values for the confidence intervals or NULL. If a list it should contain at least the item x or y. Other parameters should be one of (with defaults): alen = 0.01, lty = par("lty"), lwd = par("lwd"), col = NULL, to set the length of the arrow head, the line type and width, and the color. If col is NULL, then the colors of the scatter points are used. |
| type | The type of the arrow head, one of "simple" (the default, which uses R-function arrows) or "triangle". |
| dz | The 'layer depth', The z-position is defined as 1 + dz. |
| add | Logical. If TRUE, then the image, contour or points will be added to the current plot. If FALSE a new plot is started. |
| ... | additional arguments passed to the plotting methods. The following persp arguments can be specified: xlim, ylim, zlim, xlab, ylab, zlab, main, sub, r, d, scale, expar In addition, the perspbox arguments col.axis, col.panel, lwd.panel, col.grid, lwd.grid can also be given a value.<br>Also the arguments lty, lwd can be specified.<br>The arguments after ... must be matched exactly. |

## Details

The first step in 2D rgl plotting consists in calling a 3-D function from package plot3D with argument plot set to FALSE.

image2Drgl and contour2Drgl call the image3D and contour3D functions of R-package plot3D, with colvar equal to z. Functions scatter2Drgl and arrows2Drgl call scatter3D and arrows3D.

The z value argument to the 3-D functions is set equal to 1 + dz; For contour3D, scatter3D and arrows3D, it is by default equal to 1.1, while for image3D it is 1. This way, contours, points, segments and arrows will be drawn on top of the image.

The next step is to create a 3-D rgl plot, by calling plotrgl. After that, the viewing arguments are set equal to view3d(phi = 0, fov = 0), i.e. the plot is viewed at from the top.

The actions of the mouse on the plots is to zoom (left, middle), and to move it (right key).

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## See Also

image3D, contour3D, scatter3D, segments3D, text3D and arrows3D on which the functions are based.

image2D, contour2D, scatter2D, segments2D, text2D, arrows2D for plot3D's functions, to plot in ordinary R graphics.

cutrgl for cutting a rectangular region from the 2D plot.

## Examples

```
## ========================================================================
## image and points
## ========================================================================
 image2Drgl(z = volcano, contour = TRUE, main = "volcano")
 scatter2Drgl(x = seq(0, 1, by = 0.2), y = seq(0, 1, by = 0.2),
   cex = 3, add = TRUE)

## Not run:
  cutrgl()    # select a rectangle
  uncutrgl()

## End(Not run)

## ========================================================================
## scatter points, and lines
## ========================================================================

 scatter2Drgl(cars[,1], cars[,2], xlab = "speed", ylab = "dist")
## Not run:
  cutrgl()

## End(Not run)
 lc <- lowess(cars)
 scatter2Drgl(lc$x, lc$y, type = "l", add = TRUE, lwd = 4)
## Not run:
  cutrgl()
  uncutrgl()

## End(Not run)

## ========================================================================
## confidence intervals
## ========================================================================
 x  <- sort(rnorm(10))
 y  <- runif(10)
 cv <- sqrt(x^2 + y^2)

 CI <- list(lwd = 2)
 CI$x <- matrix (nrow = length(x), data = c(rep(0.125, 2*length(x))))
 scatter2D(x, y, colvar = cv, pch = 16, cex = 2, CI = CI)

 scatter2Drgl(x, y, colvar = cv, cex = 2, CI = CI)

## ========================================================================
## arrows
## ========================================================================

 arrows2Drgl(x0 = 100*runif(30), y0 = runif(30), x1 = 100*runif(30),
    y1 = runif(30), length = 0.1*runif(30), col = 1:30, angle = 15:45,
    type = c("simple", "triangle"), lwd = 2)
```

```
x0 <- 1:30
x1 <- 2:31
arrows2Drgl(x0 = x0, y0 = sin(x0), x1 = x1, y1 = sin(x1),
  colvar = x1, lwd = 2)
```

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persp3Drgl *3-D plotting functions using rgl.*

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## Description

Functions persp3Drgl, ribbon3Drgl, hist3Drgl produce perspective plots using rgl; they are similar to functions persp3D, ribbon3D, hist3D from package plot3D.

Functions scatter3Drgl, points3Drgl, lines3D, segments3Drgl produce scatter plots and line plots using rgl; they are similar to functions scatter3D, points3D, lines3D, segments3D from package plot3D.

Functions slice3Drgl, points3Drgl, isosurf3Drgl, voxel3Drgl can visualise volumetric (3D) data using rgl; they are similar to functions slice3D, slicecont3D, isosurf3D, voxel3D from package plot3D.

Functions surf3Drgl, spheresurf3Drgl produce surface plots using rgl; they are similar to functions surf3D, spheresurf3D from package plot3D.

Functions box3Drgl, border3Drgl, rect3Drgl, text3Drgl produce boxes, rectangles, texts to 3D plots using rgl; they are similar to functions box3D, border3D, rect3D, text3Drgl from package plot3D.

## Usage

```
persp3Drgl(...)
ribbon3Drgl(...)
hist3Drgl(...)
scatter3Drgl(...)
points3Drgl(...)
lines3Drgl(...)
slice3Drgl(...)
slicecont3Drgl(...)
isosurf3Drgl(...)
voxel3Drgl(...)
triangle3Drgl(...)
surf3Drgl(...)
spheresurf3Drgl(...)
segments3Drgl(...)
image3Drgl(...)
contour3Drgl(...)
box3Drgl(...)
border3Drgl(...)
rect3Drgl(...)
text3Drgl(...)
```

## Arguments

| | |
|---|---|
| ... | arguments passed to the plotting methods of package plot3D, or to the plotrgl method. The following persp arguments can be specified: xlim, ylim, zlim, xlab, ylab, zlab, mai In addition, the perspbox arguments col.axis, col.panel, lwd.panel, col.grid, lwd.grid can also be given a value. |

## Details

The first step in 3D rgl plotting consists in calling the corresponding 3-D function from package plot3D with argument plot set to FALSE.

The next step is to create a 3-D rgl plot, by calling plotrgl.

The actions of the mouse on the plots is to zoom (left, middle), and to move it (right key).

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## See Also

plotdev to plot first in ordinary R graphics and then in rgl

for plotrgl to plot first in ordinary R graphics and then in rgl

cutrgl for cutting a rectangular region from the rgl plot.

## Examples

```
## =======================================================================
## perspective plots
## =======================================================================
 persp3Drgl(z = volcano, contour = list(side = "zmax"))

# ribbon, in x--direction
 V <- volcano[seq(1, nrow(volcano), by = 5),
              seq(1, ncol(volcano), by = 5)]  # lower resolution
 ribbon3Drgl(z = V, ticktype = "detailed")
 hist3Drgl(z = V, col = "grey", border = "black", lighting = TRUE)

## Not run:
  cutrgl()    # select a rectangle
  uncutrgl()

## End(Not run)

## =======================================================================
## scatter points
## =======================================================================

 with(quakes, scatter3Drgl(x = long, y = lat, z = -depth,
   colvar = mag, cex = 3))
```

```
 plotdev()   # plots same on oridinary device...

## ========================================================================
## 3D surface
## ========================================================================

 M  <- mesh(seq(0, 2*pi, length.out = 50),
            seq(0, 2*pi, length.out = 50))
 u  <- M$x ; v  <- M$y

 x  <- sin(u)
 y  <- sin(v)
 z  <- sin(u + v)

# alpha makes colors transparent
 surf3Drgl(x, y, z, colvar = z, border = "black", smooth  = TRUE,
   alpha = 0.2)

## ========================================================================
## volumetric data
## ========================================================================
 x <- y <- z <- seq(-4, 4, by = 0.2)
 M <- mesh(x, y, z)

 R <- with (M, sqrt(x^2 + y^2 + z^2))
 p <- sin(2*R) /(R+1e-3)

 slice3Drgl(x, y, z, colvar = p, col = jet.col(alpha = 0.5),
         xs = 0, ys = c(-4, 0, 4), zs = NULL, d = 2)
```

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plotrgl *Plot 3D graphs in rgl window.*

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## Description

plotrgl plots objects created with functions from package plot3D in an rgl window.

## Usage

```
plotrgl (lighting = FALSE, new = TRUE, add = FALSE, smooth = FALSE, ...)
```

## Arguments

| | |
|---|---|
| lighting | Logical, when TRUE will add light. Default is with lighting toggled off; this is similar to shading |
| new | Logical, when TRUE will open a new window. When FALSE will start a new plot in the same window. Is overruled (to FALSE) if add is TRUE. |
| add | Logical, when TRUE will add to the current plot. |

| | |
|---|---|
| smooth | Logical, specifying whether Gouraud shading (smooth) or flat shading should be used. See material3d from R-package rgl. (note: if TRUE then cutrgl will not work). This only affects images. |
| ... | Any argument to the rgl functions, e.g arguments from par3d, open3d or material3d. |

## Note

Arrows are best reproduced with argument type from the arrows3D function (package plot3D) set equal to "cone", although this does not always work well (there is probably a flaw in how it is implemented). Another option is to use type = "triangle", which simply maps the arrows on the xy-plane, ignoring the z-axis. In this case, only a view from above (phi = 0) will produce symmetric arrowheads (when scale = TRUE and expand = 1).

The translation of scatter3D ignores the pch argument but displays all symbols as squares (if pch = ".") or as filled circles.

The color key is not (cannot be) plotted in rgl.

In rgl, both lty and lwd have to be one number. For lwd, this has been overruled, i.e. line widths can be a vector. It is still not possible to use different line types in one type of object.

The actions of the mouse on the plots is to rotate (left), to move (middle), and to zoom it (right).

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## See Also

material3d, par3d for rgl arguments that can be passed to the function.

A similar function, plotdev, from package plot3D plots the 3D graphs to the current device (other than a rgl-device).

Any function of package plot3D: see e.g. help files of persp3D, scatter3D, arrows3D, slice3D, surf3D.

Direct rgl functions, see persp3Drgl, scatter3Drgl, etc....

## Examples

```
# save plotting parameters
 pm <- par("mfrow")
 pmar <- par("mar")

## =============================================================================
## Composite image and contour in 3D
## =============================================================================
# plot reduced resolution (for speed) volcano to traditional window:
 VV <- volcano[seq(1, nrow(volcano), by = 3), seq(1, ncol(volcano), by = 3)]
 persp3D(z = VV, contour = list(side = "zmax"))

 plotrgl(new = TRUE) # new window
```

```
# add light, smooth surface change x-axis limits
 plotrgl(new = FALSE, lighting = TRUE,
   xlim = c(0.2, 0.8), smooth = TRUE)

# same:
# persp3Drgl(z = volcano, contour = list(side = "zmax"),
#  lighting = TRUE, xlim = c(0.2, 0.8), smooth = TRUE)

## =====================================================================
## scatters with fitted surface and droplines (see ?scatter3D)
## =====================================================================

 par (mfrow = c(1, 1))
 with (mtcars, {

  # linear regression
   fit <- lm(mpg ~ wt + disp)

  # predict values on regular xy grid
   wt.pred <- seq(1.5, 5.5, length.out = 30)
   disp.pred <- seq(71, 472, length.out = 30)
   xy <- expand.grid(wt = wt.pred,
                     disp = disp.pred)

   mpg.pred <- matrix (nrow = 30, ncol = 30,
      data = predict(fit, newdata = data.frame(xy),
      interval = "prediction"))

# fitted points for droplines to surface
   fitpoints <- predict(fit)

   scatter3D(z = mpg, x = wt, y = disp, pch = 18, cex = 2,
      theta = 20, phi = 20, ticktype = "detailed",
      xlab = "wt", ylab = "disp", zlab = "mpg",
      surf = list(x = wt.pred, y = disp.pred, z = mpg.pred,
                  facets = NA, fit = fitpoints),
      main = "mtcars")

 })

 plotrgl()

## =====================================================================
## scatter3D with text
## =====================================================================

 with(USArrests, text3D(Murder, Assault, Rape,
    colvar = UrbanPop, col = gg.col(100), theta = 60, phi = 20,
    xlab = "Murder", ylab = "Assault", zlab = "Rape",
    main = "USA arrests",
    labels = rownames(USArrests), cex = 0.8,
    bty = "g", ticktype = "detailed", d = 2,
    clab = c("Urban","Pop"), adj = 0.5, font = 2))
```

```
 with(USArrests, scatter3D(Murder, Assault, Rape - 1,
    colvar = UrbanPop, col = gg.col(100),
    type = "h", pch = ".", add = TRUE))

 plotrgl()


## ======================================================================
## spheresurf3D
## ======================================================================

 AA <- Hypsometry$z

# log transformation of color variable; full = TRUE to plot both halves
 spheresurf3D(AA, theta = 90, phi = 30, box = FALSE,
    full = TRUE, plot = FALSE)

# change the way the left mouse reacts
 plotrgl(mouseMode = c("zAxis", "zoom", "fov"))

## ======================================================================
## Arrows - has a flaw
## ======================================================================

 z <- seq(0, 2*pi, length.out = 100)
 x <- cos(z)
 y <- sin(z)

 z0 <- z[seq(1, by = 10, length.out = 10)]
 z1 <- z[seq(9, by = 10, length.out = 10)]

# cone arrow heads
 arrows3D(x0 = 10*cos(z0), y0 = sin(z0), z0 = z0,
          x1 = 10*cos(z1), y1 = sin(z1), z1 = z1,
          type = "cone", length = 0.4, lwd = 4,
          angle = 20, col = 1:10, plot = FALSE)

 plotrgl(lighting = TRUE)

## ======================================================================
## 2D plot
## ======================================================================

 image2D(z = volcano)
 plotrgl()

# reset plotting parameters
 par(mfrow = pm)
 par(mar = pmar)
```

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