# Package: GrowthCurveME (via r-universe)

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**Description** Simple and user-friendly wrappers to the 'saemix' package for performing linear and non-linear mixed-effects regression modeling for growth data to account for clustering or longitudinal analysis via repeated measurements. The package allows users to fit a variety of growth models, including linear, exponential, logistic, and 'Gompertz' functions. For non-linear models, starting values are automatically calculated using initial least-squares estimates. The package includes functions for summarizing models, visualizing data and results, calculating doubling time and other key statistics, and generating model diagnostic plots and residual summary statistics. It also provides functions for generating publication-ready summary tables for reports. Additionally, users can fit linear and non-linear least-squares regression models if clustering is not applicable. The mixed-effects modeling methods in this package are based on Comets, Lavenu, and Lavielle (2017) <doi:10.18637/jss.v080.i03> as implemented in the 'saemix' package. Please contact us at models@dfci.harvard.edu with any questions.

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exponential\_mixed\_model

Fit an exponential mixed-effects regression model

# **Description**

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This function is utilized within the <code>growth\_curve\_model\_fit</code> function for fitting a mono-exponential mixed-effects regression model to growth data utilizing the saemix package. Starting values are derived from an initial least-squares model using the <code>nlsLM</code> function.

## Usage

```
exponential_mixed_model(
  data_frame,
  model_type = "mixed",
  fixed_rate = TRUE,
  num_chains = 1,
  seed = NULL
)
```

### **Arguments**

data\_frame

A data frame object that at minimum contains three variables:

- cluster a character type variable used to specify how observations are nested or grouped by a particular cluster. Note if using a least-squares model, please fill in all values of cluster with a single placeholder character string, do NOT leave blank.
- time a numeric type variable used for measuring time such as minutes, hours, or days
- growth\_metric a numeric type variable used for measuring growth over time such as cell count or confluency

model\_type

A character string specifying the type of regression model to be used. If 'mixed', a mixed-effects regression model will be used with fixed and random-effects to account for clustering. For 'least-squares', a least-squares regression model with only fixed-effects is applied. Defaults to "mixed".

fixed\_rate

A logical value specifying whether the rate constant of the function should be treated as a fixed effect (TRUE) or random effect (FALSE). Defaults to TRUE

num\_chains

A numeric value specifying the number of chains to run in parallel in the MCMC algorithm of saemix. Increasing the number of chains may improve convergence but may also increase the computational time. Defaults to 1.

seed

A numeric value specifying a seed number to reproduce the random starting values sampled within the function. Defaults to NULL.

#### Value

Returns an exponential model object of class 'SaemixObject' when a mixed-effects model is specified or a model object of class 'nls' if a least-squares model is specified.

#### See Also

```
growth_curve_model_fit
```

```
# Load example data (exponential data from GrowthCurveME package)
data(exp_mixed_data)
# Fit an exponential mixed-effects growth model
exp_mixed_model <- growth_curve_model_fit(</pre>
```

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```
data_frame = exp_mixed_data,
  function_type = "exponential"
)
# Fit an exponential mixed-effected model using exponential_mixed_model()
exp_mixed_model <- exponential_mixed_model(data_frame = exp_mixed_data)</pre>
```

exp\_mixed\_data

Sample exponential growth dataset

# Description

A dataset containing the minimum required variables needed to input data into the GrowthCurveME package functions

# Usage

```
exp_mixed_data
```

#### **Format**

A data frame with 240 rows and 3 variables:

**cluster** A character type variable used to specify the clustering of values by a particular metric. Note even when selecting a least-squares, do not leave this variable NA or empty. Instead fill in these values with a single repetitive dummy variable (e.g., '1') for the package to run properly

**time** A numeric type variable for any measurement in time such as minutes, hours, or days **growth\_metric** A numeric type variable for measuring growth such as confluency or cell count

# **Source**

Created through simulation to serve as an example

```
data(exp_mixed_data)
```

gompertz\_mixed\_model Fit a Gompertz mixed-effects regression model

#### **Description**

This function is utilized within the <code>growth\_curve\_model\_fit</code> function for fitting a Gompertz mixed-effects regression model to growth data utilizing the saemix package. Starting values are derived from an initial least-squares model using the <code>nlsLM</code> function.

# Usage

```
gompertz_mixed_model(
  data_frame,
  model_type = "mixed",
  fixed_rate = TRUE,
  num_chains = 1,
  seed = NULL
)
```

#### **Arguments**

data\_frame

A data frame object that at minimum contains three variables:

- cluster a character type variable used to specify how observations are nested or grouped by a particular cluster. Note if using a least-squares model, please fill in all values of cluster with a single placeholder character string, do NOT leave blank.
- time a numeric type variable used for measuring time such as minutes, hours, or days
- growth\_metric a numeric type variable used for measuring growth over time such as cell count or confluency

model\_type

A character string specifying the type of regression model to be used. If 'mixed', a mixed-effects regression model will be used with fixed and random-effects to account for clustering. For 'least-squares', a least-squares regression model with only fixed-effects is applied. Defaults to "mixed".

fixed\_rate

A logical value specifying whether the rate constant of the function should be treated as a fixed effect (TRUE) or random effect (FALSE). Defaults to TRUE

num\_chains

A numeric value specifying the number of chains to run in parallel in the MCMC algorithm of saemix. Increasing the number of chains may improve convergence but may also increase the computational time. Defaults to 1.

seed

A numeric value specifying a seed number to reproduce the random starting values sampled within the function. Defaults to NULL.

# Value

Returns a Gompertz model object of class 'SaemixObject' if a mixed-effects model is specified or a model object of class 'nls' if a least-squares model is specified.

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### See Also

```
growth_curve_model_fit
```

## **Examples**

```
# Load example data (Gompertz data from GrowthCurveME package)
data(gomp_mixed_data)
# Fit a Gompertz mixed-effects growth model
gomp_mixed_model <- growth_curve_model_fit(
    data_frame = gomp_mixed_data,
    function_type = "gompertz"
)
# Fit a Gompertz mixed-effected model using gompertz_mixed_model()
gomp_mixed_model <- gompertz_mixed_model(data_frame = gomp_mixed_data)</pre>
```

gomp\_mixed\_data

Sample Gompertz growth dataset

# Description

A dataset containing the minimum required variables needed to input data into the GrowthCurveME package functions

# Usage

```
gomp_mixed_data
```

#### **Format**

A data frame with 210 rows and 3 variables:

**cluster** A character type variable used to specify the clustering of values by a particular metric. Note even when selecting a least-squares, do not leave this variable NA or empty. Instead fill in these values with a single repetitive dummy variable (e.g., '1') for the package to run properly

**time** A numeric type variable for any measurement in time such as minutes, hours, or days **growth\_metric** A numeric type variable for measuring growth such as confluency or cell count

#### Source

Created through simulation to serve as an example

```
data(gomp_mixed_data)
```

```
growth_curve_model_fit
```

Fit a growth function using mixed-effects regression modeling

#### **Description**

This function fits a mixed-effects model to a data frame based on a user-defined function to account for clustering.

# Usage

```
growth_curve_model_fit(
  data_frame,
  function_type = "exponential",
  model_type = "mixed",
  fixed_rate = TRUE,
  num_chains = 1,
  time_unit = "hours",
  return_summary = TRUE,
  seed = NULL,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

# Arguments

data\_frame

A data frame object that at minimum contains three variables:

- cluster a character type variable used to specify how observations are nested or grouped by a particular cluster. Note if using a least-squares model, please fill in cluster values with a single repetitive dummy variable (e.g., '1'), do not leave blank.
- time a numeric type variable used for measuring time such as minutes, hours, or days
- growth\_metric a numeric type variable used for measuring growth over time such as cell count or confluency

function\_type

A character string specifying the function for modeling the shape of the growth. Options include "exponential", "linear", "logistic", or "gompertz".

 $model\_type$ 

A character string specifying the type of regression model to be used. If 'mixed', a mixed-effects regression model will be used with fixed and random-effects to account for clustering. For 'least-squares', a least-squares regression model with only fixed-effects is applied. Defaults to "mixed".

fixed\_rate

A logical value specifying whether the rate constant of the function should be treated as a fixed effect (TRUE) or random effect (FALSE). Defaults to TRUE

num\_chains

A numeric value specifying the number of chains to run in parallel in the MCMC algorithm of saemix. Increasing the number of chains may improve convergence but may also increase the computational time. Defaults to 1.

time\_unit A character string specifying the units in which time is measured in. Defaults to "hours"

return\_summary A logical value specifying whether to return the growth\_model\_summary\_list when TRUE (list object containing summarized data) or the object model object

when TRUE (list object containing summarized data) or the object model object

when FALSE. Defaults to TRUE.

seed A numeric value specifying a seed number to reproduce the random starting

values sampled within the function. Defaults to NULL.

verbose A logical value specifying whether print statements will print in the console.

Defaults to TRUE.

#### Value

A list object with the following data frames within the list:

- model\_summary\_wide a data frame with 1 row containing key model estimates, doubling-time, and model metrics depending on the model\_type and function\_type specified
- model\_summary\_long a data frame that is a long dataset version of 'model\_summary\_wide' that can be used to generate a table of the model results (see function growth\_model\_summary\_table)
- model\_residual\_data a data frame containing the original data frame values as well as predicted values, residuals, and theoretical quantiles of the residuals depending on the model\_type selected (see functions growth\_model\_residual\_plots and growth\_vs\_time\_plot)
- simulated\_data a data frame with the 95% prediction intervals calculated using the median for the estimate and the 2.5th and 97.5th percentiles of the simulated data at each time point (not to be confused with the 95% confidence intervals calculated from the model estimates). See <a href="mailto:summarize\_growth\_model">summarize\_growth\_model</a>.

Note when return\_summary is FALSE, will return a model object of class 'SaemixObject' when a mixed-effects model is specified or a model object of class 'nls' if a least-squares model is specified.

```
# Load example data (exponential data)
data(exp_mixed_data)
# Fit an mixed-effects growth model to the data and return summary
exp_mixed_model_summary <- growth_curve_model_fit(</pre>
data_frame = exp_mixed_data,
function_type = "exponential",
verbose = FALSE)
# Create flextable object from the summary list object for documentation
exp_model_table <- growth_model_summary_table(</pre>
growth_model_summary_list = exp_mixed_model_summary)
exp_model_table
# Create growth vs time plot of data with fitted values (plot_type = 2),
# adjust aesthetics and parameters as desired
exp_growth_plot <- growth_vs_time_plot(</pre>
growth_model_summary_list = exp_mixed_model_summary,
plot_type = 2)
print(exp_growth_plot)
# Check residuals and model assumptions
```

```
residual_diag_plot <- growth_model_residual_plots(
growth_model_summary_list = exp_mixed_model_summary)
print(residual_diag_plot)</pre>
```

```
growth_model_residual_plots
```

Create residual diagnostic plots for growth model

## **Description**

This function provides a wrapper to ggplot2 for generating residual diagnostic plots and summary statistics for a growth model summary list object produced by growth\_curve\_model\_fit.

# Usage

```
growth_model_residual_plots(
  growth_model_summary_list,
  residual_type = "cluster",
  weighted = TRUE
)
```

#### **Arguments**

growth\_model\_summary\_list

A list object created by the growth\_curve\_model\_fit function.

residual\_type

A character string specifying the type of residuals to be displayed in the plot. Options include "population" for the fixed-effects residuals for mixed-effects and least-squares models and "cluster" for fixed and random-effects residuals for mixed-effects regression models. Defaults to "cluster".

weighted

A logical value, when TRUE displays weighted residuals for mixed-effects models or standardized residuals for least-squares models, when FALSE displays the raw residuals for mixed-effects and least-squares models. Defaults to "TRUE".

#### Value

Returns a patchwork collage of ggplot2 model diagnostic plots with the following plots displayed:

- Residual vs Fitted Values a model diagnostic plot for assessing the distribution of the residuals vs the model fitted values, useful in detecting improper function specification, homogeneity of variance, and outlier detection.
- Q-Q Plot a model diagnostic plot (quantile-quantile) plot for comparing the residuals vs their theoretical quantiles, useful in assessing normality assumptions and outlier detection.
- Residual Density Plot a model diagnostic showing the distribution of the residuals (histogram) with a normal distribution curve overlaid based on the residuals mean and standard deviation, useful in assessing normality assumptions and skewness.
- Residual Summary Statistics a list of descriptive statistics of the the residuals including: mean, median, minimum, maximum, skewness, and kurtosis.

### See Also

```
growth_curve_model_fit
```

# **Examples**

```
# Load example data (exponential data)
data(exp_mixed_data)
# Fit an mixed-effects growth model to the data and produce summary list
exp_mixed_model_summary <- growth_curve_model_fit(
data_frame = exp_mixed_data,
function_type = "exponential",
verbose = FALSE)
# Check residuals and model assumptions
residual_diag_plot <- growth_model_residual_plots(
    growth_model_summary_list = exp_mixed_model_summary)
print(residual_diag_plot)</pre>
```

growth\_model\_summary\_table

Create a printable table of the summarized growth model result reporting

## **Description**

This function creates a flextable object that can be used for documentation or Rmarkdown reports from the list object created by growth\_curve\_model\_fit. The 'model\_summary\_long' data frame from the list object is used to generate the table.

## Usage

```
growth_model_summary_table(
  growth_model_summary_list,
  font_name = "Albany AMT",
  font_size_header = 14,
  font_size_body = 12,
  use_knit_print = FALSE
)
```

## **Arguments**

```
growth_model_summary_list
```

A list object created by the growth\_curve\_model\_fit function.

font\_name

A character string specifying the name of the font to use when rendering the table. Defaults to "Albany AMT". See font.

font\_size\_header

A numeric value specifying the size of the font for the header of the table. Defaults to 14. See fontsize.

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```
font_size_body A numeric value specifying the size of the font for the body of the table. Defaults to 12. See fontsize.

use_knit_print A logical value to specify whether the flextable should be printed using knit_print function instead of the flextable object being returned. Defaults to FALSE.
```

#### Value

A flextable object of the 'model\_summary\_long' data frame.

#### See Also

```
growth_curve_model_fit
```

# **Examples**

```
# Load example data (exponential data)
data(exp_mixed_data)
# Fit an mixed-effects growth model to the data
exp_mixed_model_summary <- growth_curve_model_fit(
data_frame = exp_mixed_data,
function_type = "exponential",
verbose = FALSE)
# Create flextable object of the growth model results
exp_model_table <- growth_model_summary_table(
growth_model_summary_list = exp_mixed_model_summary)
# Print the table in the view pane
exp_model_table</pre>
```

```
growth_vs_time_plot Generate growth vs time plots
```

### **Description**

This function provides a wrapper to ggplot2 in order to generate different plots from a growth curve model summary list object generated by the growth\_curve\_model\_fit function. Please refer to the documentation for the 'plot\_type' parameter for the different plot options.

## Usage

```
growth_vs_time_plot(
  growth_model_summary_list,
  plot_type = 2,
  growth_metric_name = "growth_metric",
  time_name = "time",
  cluster_name = "cluster",
  plot_title = "Growth vs Time",
  x_axis_breaks = ggplot2::waiver(),
  x_limits = c(NA, NA),
```

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```
n_x_axis_breaks = NULL,
y_axis_breaks = ggplot2::waiver(),
y_limits = c(NA, NA),
n_y_axis_breaks = NULL,
x_axis_text_size = 8,
y_axis_text_size = 12,
x_axis_title_size = 14,
y_axis_title_size = 14,
plot_title_size = 20,
geom_point_size = 2,
geom_line_width = 0.5,
pred_plot_annotate_value = "double_time",
annotate_value_text_size = 5)
```

#### Arguments

growth\_model\_summary\_list

A list object created by the growth\_curve\_model\_fit function.

plot\_type

A numeric value used to specify the plot type to graph. Values include 1, 2, 3, 4 with descriptions of each below (defaults to 2):

- 1 A scatterplot of the growth\_metric vs time data where each point is colored by cluster if applicable.
- 2 A scatterplot of the growth\_metric vs time data where each point is colored by cluster if applicable and the model predicted values are overlayed as line. When a mixed-effect model summary list is input, the predicted values are the ind\_fit\_value which accounts for both fixed and random-effects. When a least-squares model summary list is input the predicted values are the fitted values accounting for fixed-effects only (pop\_fit\_value).
- 3 A scatterplot version of plot\_type = 2 where each cluster is separated into their own plot forming a matrix of growth\_metric vs time plots by cluster.
- 4 A plot of the estimates and prediction intervals of the model. When a mixed-effects model summary list is input, the prediction intervals are calculated from the median and the 2.5th and 97.5th percentiles of the saemix model simulations to assist in showing the variability of both the population trends and variation among the cluster-level predictions (see compute.sres). When a least-squares model summary list is input, the prediction intervals are calculated through Taylor-series approximations of the nls model (see predFit). By default will also add an annotation of the doubling time with 95% confidence intervals calculated directly from the original model estimates.

growth\_metric\_name

A character string for specifying the name of the growth metric (y-axis title) to be displayed on the plot. Defaults to "growth\_metric".

time\_name

A character string for specifying the name of the time variable (x-axis title) to be displayed on the plot. Defaults to "time".

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cluster\_name A character string for specifying the name of the cluster variable (legend title) to be displayed on the plot. Defaults to "cluster". plot\_title A character string for specifying the title to be displayed over the plot. Defaults to "Growth vs Time". A numeric vector specifying manual numeric breaks. Defaults to ggplot2::waiver(). x\_axis\_breaks See scale\_x\_continuous. x\_limits A numeric vector of length two providing limits for the x-axis. Use NA to refer to the existing minimum or maximum. Defaults to c(NA, NA). See scale\_x\_continuous. n\_x\_axis\_breaks An integer specifying the number of major breaks for the x-axis. Defaults to NULL. See scale\_x\_continuous. A numeric vector specifying manual numeric breaks. Defaults to ggplot2::waiver(). y\_axis\_breaks See scale\_v\_continuous. y\_limits A numeric vector of length two providing limits for the y-axis. Use NA to refer to the existing minimum or maximum. Defaults to c(NA, NA). See scale\_y\_continuous. n\_y\_axis\_breaks An integer specifying the number of major breaks for the x-axis. Defaults to NULL. See scale\_y\_continuous. x\_axis\_text\_size A numeric value specifying the size of the x-axis text. Defaults to 8. See element\_text. y\_axis\_text\_size A numeric value specifying the size of the y-axis text. Defaults to 12. See element\_text. x\_axis\_title\_size A numeric value specifying the size of the x-axis title. Defaults to 14. See element\_text. y\_axis\_title\_size A numeric value specifying the size of the y-axis title. Defaults to 14. See element\_text. plot\_title\_size A numeric value specifying the size of the plot title. Defaults to 20. See element\_text. geom\_point\_size A numeric value specifying the size of the points on the graph. Defaults to 2. See geom\_point. geom\_line\_width A numeric value specifying the width of the line (applicable only for plot\_type = 2, 3, or 4). Defaults to 0.5. pred\_plot\_annotate\_value A character string specifying whether to add the doubling time or rate estimates from the model to plot 4. Options include "double\_time" for the doubling time with 95% CI, "rate" for the rate estimate with 95% CI, or "none" for no annotation. Defaults to "double time"

A numeric value specifying the size of the annotation text. Defaults to 5. See

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geom\_text.

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### Value

Returns a ggplot2 plot

### See Also

```
growth_curve_model_fit
```

## **Examples**

```
# Load example data (exponential data)
data(exp_mixed_data)
# Fit an mixed-effects growth model to the data
exp_mixed_model_summary <- growth_curve_model_fit(
    data_frame = exp_mixed_data,
    function_type = "exponential",
    verbose = FALSE
)
# Create growth vs time plot of data with fitted values (plot_type = 2)
exp_growth_plot <- growth_vs_time_plot(
    growth_model_summary_list = exp_mixed_model_summary,
    plot_type = 2
)
print(exp_growth_plot)</pre>
```

linear\_mixed\_model

Fit a linear mixed-effects regression model

### **Description**

This function is utilized within the <code>growth\_curve\_model\_fit</code> function for fitting a linear mixed-effects regression model to growth data utilizing the saemix package. Starting values are derived from an initial least-squares model using the <code>nlsLM</code> function.

# Usage

```
linear_mixed_model(
  data_frame,
  model_type = "mixed",
  fixed_rate = TRUE,
  num_chains = 1,
  seed = NULL
)
```

# **Arguments**

data\_frame

A data frame object that at minimum contains three variables:

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 cluster - a character type variable used to specify how observations are nested or grouped by a particular cluster. Note if using a least-squares model, please fill in all values of cluster with a single placeholder character string, do NOT leave blank.

- time a numeric type variable used for measuring time such as minutes, hours, or days
- growth\_metric a numeric type variable used for measuring growth over time such as cell count or confluency

model\_type

A character string specifying the type of regression model to be used. If 'mixed', a mixed-effects regression model will be used with fixed and random-effects to account for clustering. For 'least-squares', a least-squares regression model with only fixed-effects is applied. Defaults to "mixed".

fixed rate

A logical value specifying whether the rate constant of the function should be treated as a fixed effect (TRUE) or random effect (FALSE). Defaults to TRUE

num\_chains

A numeric value specifying the number of chains to run in parallel in the MCMC algorithm of saemix. Increasing the number of chains may improve convergence but may also increase the computational time. Defaults to 1.

seed

A numeric value specifying a seed number to reproduce the random starting values sampled within the function. Defaults to NULL.

#### Value

Returns a linear model object of class 'SaemixObject' when a mixed-effects model is specified or a model object of class 'nls' if a least-squares model is specified.

#### See Also

```
growth_curve_model_fit
```

# **Examples**

```
# Load example data (linear data from GrowthCurveME package)
data(lin_mixed_data)
# Fit a linear mixed-effects growth model
lin_mixed_model <- growth_curve_model_fit(
data_frame = lin_mixed_data,
function_type = "linear")
# Fit a linear mixed-effects model using linear_mixed_model()
lin_mixed_model <- linear_mixed_model(data_frame = lin_mixed_data)</pre>
```

lin\_mixed\_data

Sample linear growth dataset

#### **Description**

A dataset containing the minimum required variables needed to input data into the GrowthCurveME package functions

### Usage

```
lin_mixed_data
```

#### **Format**

A data frame with 110 rows and 3 variables:

**cluster** A character type variable used to specify the clustering of values by a particular metric. Note even when selecting a least-squares, do not leave this variable NA or empty. Instead fill in these values with a single repetitive dummy variable (e.g., '1') for the package to run properly

**time** A numeric type variable for any measurement in time such as minutes, hours, or days **growth\_metric** A numeric type variable for measuring growth such as confluency or cell count

#### Source

Created through simulation to serve as an example

# **Examples**

```
data(lin_mixed_data)
```

logistic\_mixed\_model Fit a logistic mixed-effects regression model

# Description

This function is utilized within the <code>growth\_curve\_model\_fit</code> function for fitting a logistic mixed-effects regression model to growth data utilizing the saemix package. Starting values are derived from an initial least-squares model using the <code>nlsLM</code> function.

## Usage

```
logistic_mixed_model(
  data_frame,
  model_type = "mixed",
  fixed_rate = TRUE,
  num_chains = 1,
  seed = NULL
)
```

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#### **Arguments**

data\_frame A data frame object that at minimum contains three variables:

 cluster - a character type variable used to specify how observations are nested or grouped by a particular cluster. Note if using a least-squares model, please fill in all values of cluster with a single placeholder character string, do NOT leave blank.

- time a numeric type variable used for measuring time such as minutes, hours, or days
- growth\_metric a numeric type variable used for measuring growth over time such as cell count or confluency

model\_type A character string specifying the type of regression model to be used. If 'mixed',

a mixed-effects regression model will be used with fixed and random-effects to account for clustering. For 'least-squares', a least-squares regression model with

only fixed-effects is applied. Defaults to "mixed".

fixed\_rate A logical value specifying whether the rate constant of the function should be

treated as a fixed effect (TRUE) or random effect (FALSE). Defaults to TRUE

num\_chains A numeric value specifying the number of chains to run in parallel in the MCMC

algorithm of saemix. Increasing the number of chains may improve convergence

but may also increase the computational time. Defaults to 1.

seed A numeric value specifying a seed number to reproduce the random starting

values sampled within the function. Defaults to NULL.

### Value

Returns a logistic model object of class 'SaemixObject' when a mixed-effects model is specified or a model object of class 'nls' if a least-squares model is specified.

#### See Also

```
growth_curve_model_fit
```

```
# Load example data (logistic data from GrowthCurveME package)
data(log_mixed_data)
# Fit a logistic mixed-effects growth model to the data
log_mixed_model <- growth_curve_model_fit(data_frame = log_mixed_data,
function_type = "logistic")
# Fit a logistic mixed-effects model using logistic_mixed_model()
log_mixed_model <- logistic_mixed_model(data_frame = log_mixed_data)</pre>
```

log\_mixed\_data

Sample logistic growth dataset

# **Description**

A dataset containing the minimum required variables needed to input data into the GrowthCurveME package functions

### Usage

log\_mixed\_data

#### **Format**

A data frame with 800 rows and 3 variables:

**cluster** A character type variable used to specify the clustering of values by a particular metric. Note even when selecting a least-squares, do not leave this variable NA or empty. Instead fill in these values with a single repetitive dummy variable (e.g., '1') for the package to run properly

**time** A numeric type variable for any measurement in time such as minutes, hours, or days **growth\_metric** A numeric type variable for measuring growth such as confluency or cell count

#### Source

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### **Examples**

```
data(log_mixed_data)
```

summarize\_growth\_model

Summarize growth model object and data

# **Description**

This function is used to create a list object of data frames based on a user's input data and output growth model object from <code>growth\_curve\_model\_fit</code>. The list object (referred to in this package as 'growth\_model\_summary\_list') can be used to extract model predicted values, residuals, and can be inputted into supporting functions from GrowthCurveME to generate plots and perform model diagnostics.

#### Usage

```
summarize_growth_model(
  data_frame,
  growth_model_object,
  model_type = "mixed",
  function_type = "exponential",
  fixed_rate = TRUE,
  time_unit = "hours"
)
```

#### **Arguments**

data\_frame

A data frame object that at minimum contains three variables:

- cluster a character type variable used to specify how observations are nested or grouped by a particular cluster. Note if using a least-squares model, please fill in cluster values with a single repetitive dummy variable (e.g., '1'), do not leave blank.
- time a numeric type variable used for measuring time such as minutes, hours, or days
- growth\_metric a numeric type variable used for measuring growth over time such as cell count or confluency

growth\_model\_object

The model object that is created using the growth\_curve\_model\_fit

model\_type A character string specifying the model\_type that was fit using the growth\_curve\_model\_fit

function. Options include either "mixed" or "least-squares". Defaults to "mixed".

function\_type A character string specifying the function for modeling the shape of the growth.

Options include "exponential", "linear", "logistic", or "gompertz".

fixed\_rate A logical value specifying whether the rate constant of the function should be

treated as a fixed effect (TRUE) or random effect (FALSE). Defaults to TRUE

time\_unit A character string specifying the units in which time is measured in. Defaults to

"hours"

#### Value

A list object with the following data frames within the list:

- model\_summary\_wide a data frame with 1 row containing key model estimates, doubling-time, and model metrics depending on the model\_type and function\_type specified
- model\_summary\_long a data frame that is a long dataset version of 'model\_summary\_wide' that can be used to generate a table of the model results (see function growth\_model\_summary\_table)
- model\_residual\_data a data frame containing the original data frame values as well as predicted values, residuals, and theoretical quantiles of the residuals depending on the model\_type selected (see functions growth\_model\_residual\_plots and growth\_vs\_time\_plot)
- model\_sim\_pred\_data a data frame with estimates and 95% prediction intervals (not to be
  confused with the 95% confidence intervals calculated from the model estimates), for mixedeffects models, values are calculated as the median estimate and the 2.5th and 97.5th percentiles of the simulated data from the saemix model at each time point (see compute.sres

and plot with plot.type = "vpc"). For least-squares models, prediction intervals are calculated through Taylor-series approximations using the predFit function.

#### See Also

```
growth_curve_model_fit
```

## **Examples**

```
# Load example data (exponential data)
data(exp_mixed_data)
# Fit an mixed-effects growth model to the data
exp_mixed_model <- growth_curve_model_fit(</pre>
data_frame = exp_mixed_data,
function_type = "exponential",
return_summary = FALSE)
# Summarize the data by creating a summary list object
exp_mixed_model_summary <- summarize_growth_model(</pre>
data_frame = exp_mixed_data,
growth_model_object = exp_mixed_model,
model_type = "mixed",
function_type = "exponential",
time_unit = "hours")
# Extracting a data frame from the list object
model_summary_wide <- exp_mixed_model_summary[["model_summary_wide"]]</pre>
```

```
summarize_growth_model_ls
```

Summarize least-squares growth model object and data

# Description

This function is used within the <code>summarize\_growth\_model</code> function to create a list object of data frames based on a user's input data frame and output least-squares growth model object from <code>growth\_curve\_model\_fit</code>. The list object (referred to in this package as 'growth\_model\_summary\_list') can be used to extract model predicted values, residuals, and can be inputted into supporting functions from <code>GrowthCurveME</code> to generate plots and perform model diagnostics.

### Usage

```
summarize_growth_model_ls(
  data_frame,
  ls_model,
  function_type = "exponential",
  time_unit = "hours"
)
```

### **Arguments**

data\_frame

A data frame object that at minimum contains three variables:

- cluster a character type variable used to specify how observations are nested or grouped by a particular cluster. Note if using a least-squares model, please fill in cluster values with a single repetitive dummy variable (e.g., '1'), do not leave blank.
- time a numeric type variable used for measuring time such as minutes, hours, or days
- growth\_metric a numeric type variable used for measuring growth over time such as cell count or confluency

ls\_model
function\_type

The least-squares model object that is created using the growth\_curve\_model\_fit

A character string specifying the function for modeling the shape of the growth.

Options include "exponential", "linear", "logistic", or "gompertz".

time unit A character string specifying the units in which time is measured in

A character string specifying the units in which time is measured in. Defaults to "hours"

## Value

A list object with the following data frames within the list:

- model\_summary\_wide a data frame with 1 row containing key model estimates, doubling-time, and model metrics depending on the model\_type and function\_type specified
- model\_summary\_long a data frame that is a long dataset version of 'model\_summary\_wide' that can be used to generate a table of the model results (see function growth\_model\_summary\_table)
- model\_residual\_data a data frame containing the original data frame values as well as predicted values, residuals, and theoretical quantiles of the residuals depending on the model\_type selected (see functions growth\_model\_residual\_plots and growth\_vs\_time\_plot)
- model\_sim\_pred\_data a data frame with estimates and 95% prediction intervals (not to be confused with the 95% confidence intervals calculated from the model estimates), for mixed-effects models, values are calculated as the median estimate and the 2.5th and 97.5th percentiles of the simulated data from the saemix model at each time point (see compute.sres and plot with plot.type = "vpc"). For least-squares models, prediction intervals are calculated through Taylor-series approximations using the predFit function.

#### See Also

```
growth_curve_model_fit summarize_growth_model
```

```
# Load example data (exponential data)
data(exp_mixed_data)
# Fit an mixed-effects growth model to the data
exp_ls_model <- growth_curve_model_fit(
data_frame = exp_mixed_data,
function_type = "exponential",
model_type = "least-squares",</pre>
```

```
return_summary = FALSE)
# Summarize the data by creating a summary list object
exp_ls_model_summary <- summarize_growth_model_ls(
data_frame = exp_mixed_data,
ls_model = exp_ls_model,
function_type = "exponential",
time_unit = "hours")</pre>
```

summarize\_growth\_model\_mixed

Summarize mixed-effects growth model object and data

### **Description**

This function is used within the <code>summarize\_growth\_model</code> function to create a list object of data frames based on a user's input data frame and output mixed-effects growth model object from <code>growth\_curve\_model\_fit</code>. The list object (referred to in this package as 'growth\_model\_summary\_list') can be used to extract model predicted values, residuals, and can be inputted into supporting functions from <code>GrowthCurveME</code> to generate plots and perform model diagnostics.

#### Usage

```
summarize_growth_model_mixed(
  data_frame,
  mixed_growth_model,
  function_type = "exponential",
  fixed_rate = TRUE,
  time_unit = "hours"
)
```

# **Arguments**

data\_frame

A data frame object that at minimum contains three variables:

- cluster a character type variable used to specify how observations are nested or grouped by a particular cluster. Note if using a least-squares model, please fill in cluster values with a single repetitive dummy variable (e.g., '1'), do not leave blank.
- time a numeric type variable used for measuring time such as minutes, hours, or days
- growth\_metric a numeric type variable used for measuring growth over time such as cell count or confluency

mixed\_growth\_model

The mixed-effects model object that is created using the growth\_curve\_model\_fit

function\_type

A character string specifying the function for modeling the shape of the growth. Options include "exponential", "linear", "logistic", or "gompertz".

fixed\_rate

A logical value specifying whether the rate constant of the function should be treated as a fixed effect (TRUE) or random effect (FALSE). Defaults to TRUE

time\_unit A character string specifying the units in which time is measured in. Defaults to "hours"

### Value

A list object with the following data frames within the list:

- model\_summary\_wide a data frame with 1 row containing key model estimates, doublingtime, and model metrics depending on the model type and function type specified
- model\_summary\_long a data frame that is a long dataset version of 'model\_summary\_wide' that can be used to generate a table of the model results (see function growth\_model\_summary\_table)
- model\_residual\_data a data frame containing the original data frame values as well as predicted values, residuals, and theoretical quantiles of the residuals depending on the model\_type selected (see functions growth\_model\_residual\_plots and growth\_vs\_time\_plot)
- model\_sim\_pred\_data a data frame with estimates and 95% prediction intervals (not to be confused with the 95% confidence intervals calculated from the model estimates), for mixed-effects models, values are calculated as the median estimate and the 2.5th and 97.5th percentiles of the simulated data from the saemix model at each time point (see compute.sres and plot with plot.type = "vpc"). For least-squares models, prediction intervals are calculated through Taylor-series approximations using the predFit function.

#### See Also

```
growth_curve_model_fit summarize_growth_model
```

```
# Load example data (exponential data)
data(exp_mixed_data)
# Fit an mixed-effects growth model to the data
exp_mixed_model <- growth_curve_model_fit(
data_frame = exp_mixed_data,
function_type = "exponential",
return_summary = FALSE)
# Summarize the data by creating a summary list object
exp_mixed_model_summary <- summarize_growth_model_mixed(
data_frame = exp_mixed_data,
mixed_growth_model = exp_mixed_model,
fixed_rate = TRUE,
function_type = "exponential",
time_unit = "hours")
model_summary_wide <- exp_mixed_model_summary[["model_summary_wide"]]</pre>
```

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