

# Package ‘lavaanPlot’

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**Description** Plots path diagrams from models in 'lavaan' using the plotting functionality from the 'DiagrammeR' package. 'DiagrammeR' provides nice path diagrams via 'Graphviz', and these functions make it easy to generate these diagrams from a 'lavaan' path model without having to write the DOT language graph specification.

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buildCall	<i>Builds the Diagrammer function call.</i>
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### Description

Builds the Diagrammer function call.

### Usage

```
buildCall(
  model = model,
  name = name,
  labels = labels,
  graph_options = list(overlap = "true", fontsize = "10"),
  node_options = list(shape = "box"),
  edge_options = list(color = "black"),
  ...
)
```

### Arguments

model	A model fit object of class lavaan.
name	A string of the name of the plot.
labels	An optional named list of variable labels fit object of class lavaan.
graph_options	A named list of graph options for Diagrammer syntax.
node_options	A named list of node options for Diagrammer syntax.
edge_options	A named list of edge options for Diagrammer syntax.
...	additional arguments to be passed to buildPaths

### Value

A string specifying the path diagram for model

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buildLabels	<i>Adds variable labels to the Diagrammer plot function call.</i>
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**Description**

Adds variable labels to the Diagrammer plot function call.

**Usage**

```
buildLabels(label_list)
```

**Arguments**

label_list	A named list of variable labels.
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buildPaths	<i>Extracts the paths from the lavaan model.</i>
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**Description**

Extracts the paths from the lavaan model.

**Usage**

```
buildPaths(
  fit,
  coefs = FALSE,
  sig = 1,
  stand = FALSE,
  covs = FALSE,
  stars = NULL,
  digits = 2
)
```

**Arguments**

fit	A model fit object of class lavaan.
coefs	whether or not to include significant path coefficient values in diagram
sig	significance level for determining what significant paths are
stand	Should the coefficients being used be standardized coefficients
covs	Should model covariances be included in the diagram
stars	a character vector indicating which parameters should include significance stars be included for regression paths, latent paths, or covariances. Include which of the 3 you want ("regress", "latent", "covs"), default is none.
digits	A number indicating the desired number of digits for the coefficient values in the plot

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convert_graph	<i>Uses the diagrammeR functions to turn the ndf and edf into dot</i>
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**Description**

Uses the diagrammeR functions to turn the ndf and edf into dot

**Usage**

```
convert_graph(ndf, edf, graph_options)
```

**Arguments**

ndf	A node data frame created by create_nodes
edf	An edge data frame created by create_edges
graph_options	a named list of graphviz graph attributes

**Value**

DOT specification of model

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create_edges	<i>Creates edge data frame and adds formatting</i>
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**Description**

Creates edge data frame and adds formatting

**Usage**

```
create_edges(  
  coefs,  
  ndf,  
  edge_options,  
  coef_labels = FALSE,  
  stand = FALSE,  
  stars = NULL,  
  sig = 1  
)
```

**Arguments**

coefs	a coefficient table from lavaan model created by extract_coefs
ndf	A node data frame created by create_nodes
edge_options	a named list of graphviz edge attributes, or a data frame of edge options created by formatting, or a list of such data frames containing 1 set of edge options and one set of custom options
coef_labels	whether to label edges with coefficient values
stand	Should the coefficients being used be standardized coefficients
stars	a character vector indicating which parameters should include significance stars be included for regression paths, latent paths, or covariances. Include which of the 3 you want ("regress", "latent", "covs"), default is none.
sig	significance level for determining what significant paths are

**Value**

an edge data frame

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create_grviz	<i>Creates the grViz dot language code for plotting</i>
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**Description**

Creates the grViz dot language code for plotting

**Usage**

```
create_grviz(
  model,
  labels = labels,
  include = include,
  graph_options = graph_options,
  node_options = node_options,
  edge_options = edge_options,
  stand = stand,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

model	A model fit object of class lavaan.
labels	An optional named list of variable labels.
include	which parameters to include in the plot. Default is all regression and latent relationships. "covs" will also include covariances, while "all" will also include error variances.

graph_options	a named list of graphviz graph attributes
node_options	a named list of graphviz node attributes
edge_options	a named list of graphviz edge attributes
stand	Should the coefficients being used be standardized coefficients
...	Additional arguments to be passed to create_edges

**Value**

A string specifying the path diagram for model

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create_nodes	<i>Creates node data frame and adds formatting</i>
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**Description**

Creates node data frame and adds formatting

**Usage**

```
create_nodes(coefs, labels = NULL, node_options)
```

**Arguments**

coefs	a coefficient table from lavaan model created by extract_coefs
labels	An optional list of labels
node_options	a named list of graphviz node attributes, or a data frame of node options created by formatting,

**Value**

an edge data frame

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embed_plot_pdf	<i>Embeds a plot into an rmarkdown pdf</i>
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**Description**

Embeds a plot into an rmarkdown pdf

**Usage**

```
embed_plot_pdf(plot, path, width = NULL, height = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

plot	plot object created by lavaanPlot
path	Filename to save the image
width	width of image in pixels, NULL for default
height	height of image, NULL for default

**Value**

no return value calls include\_graphics to embed plot in pdf

**Examples**

```
library(lavaan)
model <- 'mpg ~ cyl + disp + hp
         qsec ~ disp + hp + wt'
fit <- sem(model, data = mtcars)
pl <- lavaanPlot(model = fit)
## Not run:
embed_plot_pdf(pl, "plot2.pdf")

## End(Not run)
```

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extract_coefs	<i>Creates a data frame of the parameter table from lavaan model</i>
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**Description**

Creates a data frame of the parameter table from lavaan model

**Usage**

```
extract_coefs(model, include = NULL, stand = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

model	A fitted model of class lavaan
include	which parameters to include in the plot. Default is all regression and latent relationships. "covs" will also include covariances, while "all" will also include error variances.
stand	Should the coefficients being used be standardized coefficients

**Value**

a data frame with lavaan model parameters

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formatting	<i>Enables conditional formatting for different parts of the model</i>
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**Description**

Enables conditional formatting for different parts of the model

**Usage**

```
formatting(..., type, groups)
```

**Arguments**

...	lists of node or edge options for each of the groups
type	type of conditional formatting being used, node, edge, or custom; custom only works with edges
groups	character vector of the names of custom groups, with nodes and edges default values are set and you need to match the order: for nodes: c("latent", "obs"), for edges: c("regress", "latent", "covs"). For custom groups of edges, you must match names that you pre-multiply with coefficients in your model specification.

**Value**

a formatting data frame that can work with the create\_nodes and create\_edges functions

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getNode	<i>Extracts the paths from the lavaan model.</i>
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**Description**

Extracts the paths from the lavaan model.

**Usage**

```
getNode(fit)
```

**Arguments**

fit	A model fit object of class lavaan.
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lavaanPlot	<i>Plots lavaan path model with DiagrammeR</i>
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**Description**

Plots lavaan path model with DiagrammeR

**Usage**

```
lavaanPlot(model, name = "plot", labels = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

model	A model fit object of class lavaan.
name	A string of the name of the plot.
labels	An optional named list of variable labels.
...	Additional arguments to be called to buildCall and buildPaths

**Value**

A Diagrammer plot of the path diagram for model

**Examples**

```
library(lavaan)
model <- 'mpg ~ cyl + disp + hp
         qsec ~ disp + hp + wt'
fit <- sem(model, data = mtcars)
lavaanPlot(model = fit, node_options = list(shape = "box", fontname = "Helvetica"),
           edge_options = list(color = "grey"), coefs = FALSE)
```

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lavaanPlot2	<i>Plots lavaan path model with DiagrammeR</i>
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**Description**

Plots lavaan path model with DiagrammeR

**Usage**

```
lavaanPlot2(
  model,
  labels = NULL,
  include = NULL,
  gr_viz = NULL,
  graph_options = NULL,
  node_options = NULL,
  edge_options = NULL,
  stand = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

model	A model fit object of class lavaan.
labels	An optional named list of variable labels.
include	which parameters to include in the plot. Default is all regression and latent relationships. "covs" will also include covariances, while "all" will also include error variances.
gr_viz	pass a gr_viz model generated from create_grviz to create plot from that directly
graph_options	a named list of graphviz graph attributes
node_options	a named list of graphviz node attributes
edge_options	a named list of graphviz edge attributes
stand	Should the coefficients being used be standardized coefficients
...	Additional arguments to be passed to create_grviz for creating edges

**Value**

A Diagrammer plot of the path diagram for model

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save\_png

*Saves a plot as a png*

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**Description**

Saves a plot as a png

**Usage**

```
save_png(plot, path, width = NULL, height = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

plot	plot object created by lavaanPlot
path	filename to save the image
width	width of image in pixels, NULL for default
height	height of image, NULL for default

**Value**

no return value saves plot as png

**Examples**

```
library(lavaan)
model <- 'mpg ~ cyl + disp + hp
         qsec ~ disp + hp + wt'
fit <- sem(model, data = mtcars)
pl <- lavaanPlot(model = fit)
## Not run:
save_png(pl, "plot.png")

## End(Not run)
```

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sig\_stars

*Generates standard significance stars*

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**Description**

Generates standard significance stars

Generates standard significance stars

**Usage**

```
sig_stars(pvals)
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**Arguments**

pvals            a vector of p values

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