

# Package ‘smallstuff’

May 9, 2026

**Type** Package

**Title** Dr. Small's Functions

**Version** 1.0.6

**Date** 2026-03-09

**Description** Collection of utility functions supporting statistical modeling, regression analysis, and network analysis workflows used in data science research. Includes tools for model selection, matrix operations, graph analysis, and related statistical computations.

**License** GPL-3

**Encoding** UTF-8

**Imports** Matrix ( $\geq$  1.4-1), matlib ( $\geq$  0.9.5), rlang, class ( $\geq$  7.3-20), igraph ( $\geq$  1.3.1), ROCR ( $\geq$  1.0-11), data.table ( $\geq$  1.14.2)

**Suggests** leaps ( $\geq$  3.1), faraway ( $\geq$  1.0.7), knitr, rmarkdown

**RoxygenNote** 7.3.2

**NeedsCompilation** no

**Author** Ellie Small [aut, cre] (ORCID: <<https://orcid.org/0000-0003-1313-115X>>)

**Maintainer** Ellie Small <ellie\_small@yahoo.com>

**Repository** CRAN

**Date/Publication** 2026-03-10 09:40:14 UTC

## Contents

smallstuff-package . . . . .	2
allspan3D . . . . .	3
allvectors3D . . . . .	4
as_adj_def . . . . .	4
CI . . . . .	5
coord2D . . . . .	6
coord3D . . . . .	6
crossing2 . . . . .	7

CVerror	7
CVerrorknn	8
dataSet	9
dCohen	9
get_subgraphs	10
graph_attr_from_df	11
impNA	11
isInt	12
laCrossProd	13
lines3D	13
lmPartReg	14
lmSub	15
logistErrorRate	15
outliers	16
plotCol	16
pop.sd	17
pop.var	18
predict.regsubsets	18
projMatrix	19
qqlineHalf	19
rcpp_hello_world	20
ROCcurve	20
ROCKnn	21
round2	21
span3D	22
systemEq	22
vector2D	23
vector3D	24
weight_distribution	24
withinPC	25
<b>Index</b>	<b>26</b>

**Description**

Functions used by students in the Master's of Data Science program at Drew University.

**Details**

Some functions are used for Statistics using R, such as pop.var (calculates the population variance), and outliers (finds the outliers in a distribution with their indices), some for Applied Regression Analysis such as projMatrix (Calculates the projection matrix) and systemEq (solves a system of linear equations), some for Machine Learning such as lmSub (finds the best linear model in subset selection), and some for Networks such as get\_subgraphs, which splits a graph into subgraphs.

**Author(s)**

Ellie Small, esmall1@drew.edu.

Maintainer: Ellie Small <esmall1@drew.edu>

---

allspan3D

*Plot Span and Vectors in 3D*


---

**Description**

Plot the span of a matrix plus any vectors in a 3D plot at one or more angles. A plot is produced for each entry of th.

**Usage**

```
allspan3D(M, V = NULL, th = c(-90, -45, 0, 45, 90, 135), V2 = NULL, col = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

M	Matrix for which the span should be shown.
V	Either NULL, a vector of length 3, or a matrix with each column a vector of length 3.
th	A vector indicating the horizontal angle at which the plot should be shown.
V2	A matrix or vector of the same dimensions as M indicating the starting points of the vectors in M (default is the origin for all).
col	Vector colors; if entered, must have a value for each vector.

**Value**

No return value, called for side effects

**Examples**

```
M=matrix(c(1,2,4,3,0,2),3)
oldpar <- par(mfrow=c(3,2))
allspan3D(M,cbind(M,M[,1]-M[,2]),V2=matrix(c(rep(0,6),M[,2]),3),col=c(2,2,1))
par(oldpar)
```

---

allvectors3D

*Plot Vectors in 3D*


---

### Description

Plot one or more vectors in a 3D plot at one or more angles. A plot is produced for each entry of th.

### Usage

```
allvectors3D(V, th = c(0, 30, 60, 90, 120, 150), V2 = NULL, col = NULL)
```

### Arguments

V	Either a vector of length 3 or a matrix with each column a vector of length 3.
th	A vector indicating the angles at which the plot should be shown.
V2	A matrix or vector of the same dimensions as V indicating the starting points of the vectors in V (default is the origin for all).
col	Vector colors; if entered, must have a value for each vector.

### Value

No return value, called for side effects

### Examples

```
a=c(2,4,8)
b=c(6,0,4)
oldpar <- par(mfrow=c(3,2))
allvectors3D(cbind(a,b,a-b),V2=matrix(c(rep(0,6),b),3))
par(oldpar)
```

---

as\_adj\_def

*Create an adjacency matrix from a multigraph according to the definition*


---

### Description

Create an adjacency matrix using the definition, i.e. an entry equals 1 if there is an edge from the vertex in the column to the vertex in the row, and cycles are counted twice.

### Usage

```
as_adj_def(g, ...)
```

**Arguments**

g                    the graph (an igraph object)  
 ...                  additional arguments to be passed to the igraph function as\_adj

**Value**

Adjacency matrix for graph g

**Examples**

```
g=igraph::graph_from_literal(1-2,2-2:3:3:4,3-4:5:6,5-1:1:1,6-6,simplify=FALSE)
as_adj_def(g)
```

---

CI                    *Normal Confidence Interval*

---

**Description**

Confidence interval for a normally distributed sample mean

**Usage**

```
CI(x = 0, s = 1, n = 1, level = 0.95)
```

**Arguments**

x                    sample mean  
 s                    standard deviation  
 n                    sample size  
 level                confidence level

**Value**

vector with two values containing the confidence interval for the sample mean

**Examples**

```
CI()
CI(150,5,30,.9)
```

---

`coord2D`*Plot a 2D Coordinate System*

---

**Description**

Plot a coordinate system in 2D with the origin in the center.

**Usage**

```
coord2D(x = 5, y = 5)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	Distance from the origin to the maximum x-value.
<code>y</code>	Distance from the origin to the maximum y-value.

**Value**

No return value, called for side effects

**Examples**

```
coord2D()
```

---

`coord3D`*Plot a 3D Coordinate System*

---

**Description**

Plot a coordinate system in 3D with the origin bottom left.

**Usage**

```
coord3D(th = 0, x = 10, y = 10, z = 10)
```

**Arguments**

<code>th</code>	The angle at which the 3D plot should be displayed.
<code>x</code>	Distance from the origin to the maximum x-value.
<code>y</code>	Distance from the origin to the maximum y-value.
<code>z</code>	Distance from the origin to the maximum z-value.

**Value**

A matrix containing the plot coordinates (used when adding features).

**Examples**

```
coord3D()
```

---

```
crossing2
```

---

```
Find Edge Crossings
```

---

**Description**

Determine if edges in a graph cross groups or stay within groups. This is similar to the `crossings` function in `igraph`, but uses a vector for the `split` rather than a `communities` object.

**Usage**

```
crossing2(split, g)
```

**Arguments**

<code>split</code>	a vector with a value for each vertex in <code>g</code> , indicating the group each vertex belongs to
<code>g</code>	an <code>igraph</code> object

**Value**

A logical vector indicating for each edge if it crosses groups or not. For each edge that crosses, it is `TRUE`, otherwise it is `FALSE`.

**Examples**

```
g=igraph::graph_from_literal(1-2,2-3:4,3-4:5:6,5-1)
split=c("A","A","B","B","A","B")
igraph::V(g);split
igraph::E(g);crossing2(split,g)
```

---

```
CVerror
```

---

```
k-Fold Cross Validation Error Rate
```

---

**Description**

Given a logistic regression model (via `glm`), or an LDA or QDA model, and a number of folds `k`, the `k-Fold CV` error rate is calculated.

**Usage**

```
CVerror(mod, k = nrow(stats::model.frame(mod)))
```

**Arguments**

mod                    A logistic regression, LDA, or QDA model  
 k                        Number of folds; by default LOOCV will be returned

**Value**

The k-fold CV error rate if k is entered, otherwise the LOOCV error rate.

**Examples**

```
mtcars$am=as.factor(mtcars$am)
gmod=glm(am~mpg,binomial,mtcars)
CVerror(gmod)
```

---

 CVerrorknn

---

*k-Fold Cross Validation Error Rate for KNN*


---

**Description**

Given a dataset with predictors and a vector with responses, a number of neighbors K, and a number of folds k, the k-fold CV error rate for KNN is calculated.

**Usage**

```
CVerrorknn(pred, resp, K = 1, k = nrow(pred))
```

**Arguments**

pred                    A dataset with predictors  
 resp                    A vector with responses  
 K                        The number of neighborhoods to consider when performing KNN  
 k                        The number of folds

**Value**

The k-fold CV error rate if k is entered, otherwise the LOOCV error rate.

**Examples**

```
mtcars$am=as.factor(mtcars$am)
CVerrorknn(mtcars[,c("mpg", "hp")], mtcars$am)
```

---

dataSet	<i>Obtain a Dataset from a Formula</i>
---------	--

---

**Description**

Given a formula, a dataset and a subset, retrieve the dataset that fulfills the formula and subset.

**Usage**

```
dataSet(formula, data, subset = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

formula	A formula
data	A dataset
subset	Either a logical vector or a vector of indices of the rows to be returned. If NULL (default), all rows are returned.

**Value**

The dataset in data as a data table with variables as specified in formula and rows as specified by subset.

**Examples**

```
dataSet(mpg~.-disp,mtcars,10:20)
```

---

dCohen	<i>Cohen's d</i>
--------	------------------

---

**Description**

Calculate Cohen's d for one-sample t tests or two-sample independent tests or two-sample paired t-tests

**Usage**

```
dCohen(x, y = NULL, mu0 = 0, paired = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

x	vector with (numeric) data
y	for two-sample tests, a vector with (numeric) data for group 2
mu0	for one-sample tests, the number to test against
paired	TRUE for a paired two-sample t-test, FALSE for an independent sample t-test

**Value**

value of Cohen's d

**Examples**

```
#one-sample
x=c(1:10,5,6,3:8)
dCohen(x,mu0=7)

#two-sample independent
y=1:15
dCohen(x,y)

#two-sample paired
dCohen(x,1:18,paired=TRUE)
```

---

get\_subgraphs

*Split a Graph into Subgraphs*

---

**Description**

Split a graph into subgraphs using the values in a vector to indicate which vertices belong together.

**Usage**

```
get_subgraphs(g, split)
```

**Arguments**

<code>g</code>	the graph (an igraph object)
<code>split</code>	a vector with a value for each vertex in <code>g</code>

**Value**

A list of graphs, where each graph is a subgraph of `g` containing the vertices with the same value in `split`.

**Examples**

```
g=igraph::graph_from_literal(1-2,2-3:4,3-4:5:6,5-1)
split=c("A","A","B","B","A","B")
igraph::V(g);split
igraph::V(get_subgraphs(g,split)[[1]])
igraph::V(get_subgraphs(g,split)[[2]])
```

---

graph\_attr\_from\_df      *Add Graph Attributes to a Graph from a Data Frame*

---

### Description

Add graph attributes to a graph from a data frame where each column represents an attribute. Note that only the first row of the data frame is used.

### Usage

```
graph_attr_from_df(g, df)
```

### Arguments

**g**                      the graph (an igraph object) to which the graph attributes should be added  
**df**                      data frame, or an object that can be converted to a data frame, where the first row contains a graph attribute in each column

### Value

Graph *g* with the graph attributes in *df* added.

### Examples

```
g=igraph::graph_from_literal(1-2,2-3:4,3-4:5:6,5-1)
df=data.frame(name="Test Graph",descr="A graph")
graph_attr_from_df(g,df)
```

---

impNA                      *Impute Missing Values*

---

### Description

Replace missing values in a vector using a function (by default the mean) on this vector.

### Usage

```
impNA(x, fn = mean, ...)
```

### Arguments

**x**                      A numeric vector  
**fn**                      A function to apply to all values in the vector *x*  
**...**                    Additional arguments to be passed to function *fn*

**Value**

Vector x with all missing values replaced

**Examples**

```
v1=c(2,5,3,NA,2,4,1,NA)
#Replace values with the mean
impNA(v1,na.rm=TRUE)
#Replace values with the minimum
impNA(v1,min,na.rm=TRUE)
```

---

isInt

*Determine if the Input contains Integers*

---

**Description**

Determine if numbers in a vector are integers (not just of integer type)

**Usage**

```
isInt(x, inf = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

x	integer or numeric type vector
inf	logical field answering whether an infinite value should be considered an integer (default TRUE)

**Value**

TRUE for each value in x that is an integer, FALSE otherwise

**Examples**

```
isInt(c(3,3.23,Inf))
```

---

laCrossProd	<i>Cross Product (Linear Algebra)</i>
-------------	---------------------------------------

---

**Description**

Calculate the cross product as defined in linear algebra; note that this differs from the cross product as defined by R.

**Usage**

```
laCrossProd(x, y)
```

**Arguments**

x	vector of length 3.
y	vector of length 3.

**Value**

Cross product of x and y.

**Examples**

```
x=c(1,2,1)
y=1:3
laCrossProd(x,y)
```

---

lines3D	<i>Lines in 3D</i>
---------	--------------------

---

**Description**

Plot a line in a 3D plot through a set of points

**Usage**

```
lines3D(pl, x, y, z, ...)
```

**Arguments**

pl	Matrix containing the current plot coordinates.
x	Vector with x-coordinates.
y	Vector with y-coordinates.
z	Vector with z-coordinates.
...	additional graphical parameters (see lines()).

**Value**

No return value, called for side effects

**Examples**

```
p1=coord3D(30)
lines3D(p1,0:10,0:10,rep(0,11))
lines3D(p1,0:10,0:10,c(0,2,1,3:8,7,5),col=2)
```

---

lmPartReg

*Partial Regression Plot*

---

**Description**

Plot the partial regression plot for one of the predictors of a linear model

**Usage**

```
lmPartReg(mod, pred, ...)
```

**Arguments**

mod	A linear model object (obtained via the lm function)
pred	The name (in quotes) of the predictor for which the plot should be produced
...	Any other arguments to be passed to the plot

**Value**

A partial regression plot for pred in the linear model mod

**Examples**

```
lmod=lm(mpg~.,mtcars)
lmPartReg(lmod,"wt")
```

---

lmSub	<i>Best Linear Model in Subset Selection</i>
-------	--

---

**Description**

Produces the best linear model for a specific number of predictors in a subset selection.

**Usage**

```
lmSub(object, d)
```

**Arguments**

object	An object of type "regsubsets"
d	Number of data predictors

**Value**

The best linear model with d predictors

**Examples**

```
subs=leaps::regsubsets(mpg~.,mtcars)
summary(lmSub(subs,3))
```

---

logistErrorRate	<i>Calculate the Error Rate and Results Table for Logistic Regression Models</i>
-----------------	--

---

**Description**

Calculate the testing error rate for a dataset on a logistic regression model (or the training error rate if no dataset is entered), and a results table with responses versus predicted responses.

**Usage**

```
logistErrorRate(gmod, nw = NULL, p = 0.5)
```

**Arguments**

gmod	A logistic regression model
nw	A dataset for which a testing error rate should be calculated using the model in gmod. Note that it must contain the predictors as well as the responses. If this argument is NULL (the default) the training error rate will be calculated.
p	Probability (default .5) above which the observation is assigned to the second level of the response.

**Value**

List with training error rate if `nw` is `NULL`, testing error rate otherwise, and a results table with responses versus predicted responses.

**Examples**

```
gmod=glm(state~.,binomial,Puromycin)
logistErrorRate(gmod)
```

---

outliers	<i>Find Outliers</i>
----------	----------------------

---

**Description**

Find the outliers in a vector of values.

**Usage**

```
outliers(x)
```

**Arguments**

`x`                      vector

**Value**

A list with a variable `idx` containing the indices of the outliers and a variable `values` containing the values of the outliers.

**Examples**

```
x=c(100,30:40,101,25:28)
outliers(x)
```

---

plotCol	<i>Plot Colors</i>
---------	--------------------

---

**Description**

Plot one or more colors

**Usage**

```
plotCol(col)
```

**Arguments**

`col`                vector with colors

**Value**

A plot showing the colors in `col`

**Examples**

```
plotCol("maroon")
```

---

`pop.sd`                                *Calculate the Population Standard Deviation*

---

**Description**

Calculate the standard deviation of a numeric vector if the data constitutes the whole population. Note that missing values are excluded.

**Usage**

```
pop.sd(x)
```

**Arguments**

`x`                        numeric vector

**Value**

The population standard deviation of the entries in `x`

**Examples**

```
pop.sd(c(1:6, NA, 7:10))
```

---

pop.var	<i>Calculate the Population Variance</i>
---------	--

---

**Description**

Calculate the variance of a numeric vector if the data constitutes the whole population. Note that missing values are excluded.

**Usage**

```
pop.var(x)
```

**Arguments**

x	numeric vector
---	----------------

**Value**

The population variance of the entries in x

**Examples**

```
pop.var(c(1:6,NA,7:10))
```

---

predict.regsubsets	<i>Obtain Predictions using Subset Selection</i>
--------------------	--

---

**Description**

Predict responses for the best model in a subset selection with a specific number of predictors.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'regsubsets'
predict(object, d, newdata, ...)
```

**Arguments**

object	An object of type "regsubsets"
d	Number of data predictors
newdata	Dataset for which to predict responses
...	Additional arguments

**Value**

A set of predicted responses for newdata

**Examples**

```
subs=leaps::regsubsets(mpg~.,mtcars,subset=1:25)
predict(subs,3L,mtcars[26:32,])
```

---

**projMatrix***Create the Projection Matrix of a Matrix*

---

**Description**

Calculates the projection matrix for a full-rank matrix  $X$  with its number of rows greater than or equal to its number of columns

**Usage**

```
projMatrix(X)
```

**Arguments**

$X$                     nxp Matrix; must be full-rank and have  $n \geq p$

**Value**

Projection matrix of  $X$ .

**Examples**

```
projMatrix(matrix(c(3,4,-1,2,1,1),3))
```

---

**qqlineHalf***Line through a Half-Normal Plot*

---

**Description**

Plot a line through the first and third quantile of a halfnormal line

**Usage**

```
qqlineHalf(x)
```

**Arguments**

$x$                     numeric vector

**Value**

No return value, called for side effects

**Examples**

```
z=rnorm(100)
faraway::halfnorm(z)
qqlineHalf(z)
```

---

rcpp_hello_world	<i>Simple function using Rcpp</i>
------------------	-----------------------------------

---

**Description**

Simple function using Rcpp

**Usage**

```
rcpp_hello_world()
```

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
rcpp_hello_world()

## End(Not run)
```

---

ROCcurve	<i>Plot the ROC curve</i>
----------	---------------------------

---

**Description**

Plot the ROC curve for logistic regression, LDA, or QDA models.

**Usage**

```
ROCcurve(mod, nw = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

mod	A logistic regression, LDA, or QDA model
nw	A dataset for which a testing ROC curve should be plotted using the model in mod. Note that it must contain the predictors as well as the responses. If this argument is NULL (the default) the training ROC curve will be plotted.

**Value**

A plot with the ROC curve will be produced, nothing is returned.

**Examples**

```
gmod=glm(state~.,binomial,Puromycin)
ROCcurve(gmod)
```

---

ROCKnn	<i>KNN ROC curve</i>
--------	----------------------

---

**Description**

Plot the ROC curve for a KNN model. Note that it can only be used when the response is dichotomous.

**Usage**

```
ROCKnn(mod, response)
```

**Arguments**

mod	The output of the knn function, run with prob=TRUE
response	A vector with responses for the testing dataset used to run the knn function.

**Value**

A plot with the ROC curve will be produced, nothing is returned.

**Examples**

```
yhat=class::knn(Puromycin[,c("conc","rate")],Puromycin[,c("conc","rate")],
  Puromycin$state,10,prob=TRUE)
ROCKnn(yhat,Puromycin$state)
```

---

round2	<i>Round to the Nearest Number</i>
--------	------------------------------------

---

**Description**

Round to the nearest number with the number of digits as indicated. NOTE: Unlike the base round function it rounds a 5 to the higher number, rather than the nearest even number.

**Usage**

```
round2(x, digits = 0)
```

**Arguments**

x	number to be rounded
digits	number of digits to round to

**Value**

Number rounded to the number of digits indicated

**Examples**

```
round2(2.5)
```

span3D

*Span of a Matrix***Description**

Displays a perspective plot showing the plane that is the span of a matrix

**Usage**

```
span3D(M, th = 0, ph = 15)
```

**Arguments**

M	Matrix for which the span should be shown.
th	A vector indicating the horizontal angle at which the plot should be shown.
ph	A vector indicating the vertical angle at which the plot should be shown.

**Value**

A matrix containing the plot coordinates (used when adding features).

**Examples**

```
span3D(matrix(c(1,0,0,1,1,1),3))
```

systemEq

*Solve a System of Equations***Description**

Solve a system of equations if it has a unique solution; output an error message otherwise

**Usage**

```
systemEq(A, y)
```

**Arguments**

A	matrix A in $Ax=y$
y	output vector in $Ax=y$

**Value**

the unique solution  $x$  to  $Ax=y$

**Examples**

```
systemEq(matrix(c(1:3,2,4,4),3),c(3,6,7))
```

---

vector2D

*Add a Vector to a 2D Coordinate System*


---

**Description**

Add a Vector to a 2D Coordinate System

**Usage**

```
vector2D(v, fr = c(0, 0), col = 2)
```

**Arguments**

v	A vector with 2 entries.
fr	Vector containing the point at which the vector should start (defaults to the origin).
col	Color of the vector (defaults to red).

**Value**

No return value, called for side effects

**Examples**

```
a=c(2,4)
b=c(0,3)
coord2D()
vector2D(a)
vector2D(b)
vector2D(a-b,b,"blue")
```

---

vector3D

*Add a Vector to a 3D Coordinate System*


---

**Description**

Add a Vector to a 3D Coordinate System

**Usage**

```
vector3D(pl, v, fr = rep(0, 3), col = "red")
```

**Arguments**

pl	Matrix containing the current plot coordinates.
v	A vector with 3 entries.
fr	The point at which the vector should start (defaults to the origin).
col	Color of the vector (defaults to red).

**Value**

No return value, called for side effects

**Examples**

```
a=c(2,4,8)
b=c(6,0,4)
pl=coord3D()
vector3D(pl,a)
vector3D(pl,b)
vector3D(pl,a-b,b,3)
```

---

weight\_distribution

*Weight Distribution of a Graph*


---

**Description**

Obtain the weight distribution of a graph, indicating for each strength from zero to the maximum strength of any vertex, the proportion of vertices with such a strength. This assumes positive integer weights.

**Usage**

```
weight_distribution(g, cumulative = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

**g** the graph (an igraph object)  
**cumulative** TRUE if cumulative weights are to be used; default is FALSE  
**...** additional parameters to be passed to the igraph function `strength`

**Value**

A vector with the weighted degree distribution for the graph `g`.

**Examples**

```

g=igraph::graph_from_literal(1-2,2-3:4,3-4:5:6,5-1)
igraph::E(g)$weight=c(1,2,1,4,2,1,1)
table(igraph::strength(g))/6
weight_distribution(g)

```

---

withinPC

*Calculate Row or Column Percentages*

---

**Description**

Calculate percentages of values in a matrix or table with respect to the row or column totals.

**Usage**

```
withinPC(X, rows = TRUE, rnd = 1)
```

**Arguments**

**X** matrix or table  
**rows** TRUE (default) to calculate by rows, or FALSE to calculate by columns  
**rnd** numbers of digits to round the result to

**Value**

A matrix or table with percentages

**Examples**

```

(X=matrix(c(1:12),3))
withinPC(X)

```

# Index

allspan3D, 3  
allvectors3D, 4  
as\_adj\_def, 4

CI, 5  
coord2D, 6  
coord3D, 6  
crossing2, 7  
CError, 7  
CErrorknn, 8

dataSet, 9  
dCohen, 9

get\_subgraphs, 10  
graph\_attr\_from\_df, 11

impNA, 11  
isInt, 12

laCrossProd, 13  
lines3D, 13  
lmPartReg, 14  
lmSub, 15  
logistErrorRate, 15

outliers, 16

plotCol, 16  
pop.sd, 17  
pop.var, 18  
predict.regsubsets, 18  
projMatrix, 19

qqlineHalf, 19

rcpp\_hello\_world, 20  
ROCcurve, 20  
ROCKnn, 21  
round2, 21

smallstuff (smallstuff-package), 2

smallstuff-package, 2  
span3D, 22  
systemEq, 22

vector2D, 23  
vector3D, 24

weight\_distribution, 24  
withinPC, 25