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la\_abs\_bias\_metric      *Calculate absolute bias*

**Description**

Calculate absolute bias

**Usage**

la\_abs\_bias\_metric(observed, predicted)

**Arguments**

observed              Numeric vector of observed values.  
 predicted             Numeric vector of predicted values.

**Value**

A numeric value.

**Examples**

```
obs <- c(10, 12, 15, 18)
pred <- c(9.8, 12.1, 14.7, 18.4)
la_abs_bias_metric(obs, pred)
```

---

```
la_add_equation_to_results
```

*Add equation information to a results table*

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**Description**

Adds equation, coefficients\_text, and random\_effect columns to the results or summary table returned by a model-fitting function.

**Usage**

```
la_add_equation_to_results(fit_object, digits = 4)
```

**Arguments**

fit_object	A fit object containing models and either results or summary.
digits	Number of decimal places used in displayed equations.

**Value**

A data.frame.

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```
la_bias
```

*Calculate prediction bias*

---

**Description**

Calculate prediction bias

**Usage**

```
la_bias(observed, predicted)
```

**Arguments**

observed	Numeric vector of observed values.
predicted	Numeric vector of predicted values.

**Value**

A numeric value.

**Examples**

```
obs <- c(10, 12, 15, 18)
pred <- c(9.8, 12.1, 14.7, 18.4)
la_bias(obs, pred)
```

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la_build_equation	<i>Build a readable equation from a fitted model</i>
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**Description**

Returns a readable equation starting with LA =.

**Usage**

```
la_build_equation(model, digits = 4)
```

**Arguments**

model	A fitted model object.
digits	Number of decimal places used in the displayed equation.

**Value**

A character string.

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la_ccc	<i>Calculate Lin's concordance correlation coefficient</i>
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**Description**

Calculate Lin's concordance correlation coefficient

**Usage**

```
la_ccc(observed, predicted)
```

**Arguments**

observed	Numeric vector of observed values.
predicted	Numeric vector of predicted values.

**Value**

A numeric value.

**Examples**

```
obs <- c(10, 12, 15, 18)
pred <- c(9.8, 12.1, 14.7, 18.4)
la_ccc(obs, pred)
```

---

la\_create\_derived      *Create derived leaf parameters*

---

**Description**

Generates derived variables from leaf length (L) and leaf width (W) to support leaf area (LA) modeling.

**Usage**

```
la_create_derived(data, variables = "all", keep_original = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

**data**                    A data.frame containing at least L and W.

**variables**              Character vector with the derived variables to create. Use "all" to create all available derived variables.

**keep\_original**        Logical. If TRUE, keeps original columns in the output.

**Value**

A data.frame with derived variables added.

**Examples**

```
data(leafarea_sample)
head(la_create_derived(leafarea_sample, variables = c("LW", "L2", "W2")))
```

---

la\_d                      *Calculate Willmott's index of agreement*

---

**Description**

Calculate Willmott's index of agreement

**Usage**

```
la_d(observed, predicted)
```

**Arguments**

observed      Numeric vector of observed values.  
predicted      Numeric vector of predicted values.

**Value**

A numeric value.

**Examples**

```
obs <- c(10, 12, 15, 18)
pred <- c(9.8, 12.1, 14.7, 18.4)
la_d(obs, pred)
```

---

la\_descriptive\_default

*Summarize the default leaf area variables*

---

**Description**

Returns descriptive statistics for the default variables available in a leafareaR dataset, using any combination of L, W, and LA found in the supplied data.frame.

**Usage**

```
la_descriptive_default(data, na.rm = TRUE, digits = 4)
```

**Arguments**

data            A data.frame containing at least one of L, W, or LA.  
na.rm          Logical. If TRUE, missing values are removed.  
digits         Number of decimal places used to round the output.

**Value**

A data.frame with descriptive statistics for the available default variables.

**Examples**

```
data(leafarea_sample)
la_descriptive_default(leafarea_sample)
```

---

la\_descriptive\_stats *Calculate descriptive statistics for selected variables*

---

### Description

Computes a descriptive summary for selected numeric variables in a leaf area dataset. The output is intended to support data exploration before model fitting and can be applied to the original measurements as well as derived predictors.

### Usage

```
la_descriptive_stats(data, variables = NULL, na.rm = TRUE, digits = 4)
```

### Arguments

data	A data.frame containing numeric variables.
variables	Character vector with variable names to summarize. If NULL, all numeric variables in data are used.
na.rm	Logical. If TRUE, missing values are removed before computing statistics.
digits	Number of decimal places used to round the output.

### Value

A data.frame with descriptive statistics for each selected variable.

### Examples

```
data(leafarea_sample)
la_descriptive_stats(leafarea_sample, variables = c("L", "W", "LA"))
```

---

la\_evaluate\_linear\_models  
*Evaluate all linear models from a la\_fit\_linear\_models() object*

---

### Description

Evaluate all linear models from a la\_fit\_linear\_models() object

### Usage

```
la_evaluate_linear_models(fit_object, digits = 4)
```

### Arguments

fit_object	Object returned by la_fit_linear_models().
digits	Number of decimal places for rounding.

**Value**

A data.frame with metrics for all candidate linear models.

**Examples**

```
data(leafarea_sample)
fit <- la_fit_linear_models(leafarea_sample)
met <- la_evaluate_linear_models(fit)
met[, c("model_id", "RMSE", "R2")]
```

---

la\_evaluate\_mixed\_models

*Evaluate all mixed models from a la\_fit\_mixed\_models() object*

---

**Description**

Evaluate all mixed models from a la\_fit\_mixed\_models() object

**Usage**

```
la_evaluate_mixed_models(fit_object, digits = 4)
```

**Arguments**

`fit_object`      Object returned by la\_fit\_mixed\_models().  
`digits`            Number of decimal places for rounding.

**Value**

A data.frame with metrics for all candidate mixed models.

**Examples**

```
data(leafarea_sample)
fit <- la_fit_mixed_models(leafarea_sample, group_var = "species")
la_evaluate_mixed_models(fit)[, c("model_id", "RMSE", "R2")]
```

---

la_evaluate_model	<i>Evaluate a single fitted model</i>
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**Description**

Evaluate a single fitted model

**Usage**

```
la_evaluate_model(  
  model,  
  data = NULL,  
  response = "LA",  
  model_id = NA_character_,  
  model_type = NA_character_,  
  digits = 4  
)
```

**Arguments**

model	A fitted model object (lm, nls, or merMod).
data	Optional data.frame used to fit the model. Required for nls and mixed models.
response	Character string with the response variable name.
model_id	Optional model identifier.
model_type	Optional model type label.
digits	Number of decimal places for rounding.

**Value**

A one-row data.frame.

**Examples**

```
data(leafarea_sample)  
dat <- la_create_derived(leafarea_sample, variables = "LW")  
m <- lm(LA ~ LW, data = dat)  
la_evaluate_model(m, model_id = "lm_LW", model_type = "linear")
```

---

`la_evaluate_nonlinear_models`

*Evaluate all nonlinear models from a `la_fit_nonlinear_models()` object*

---

**Description**

Evaluate all nonlinear models from a `la_fit_nonlinear_models()` object

**Usage**

```
la_evaluate_nonlinear_models(fit_object, digits = 4)
```

**Arguments**

`fit_object`      Object returned by `la_fit_nonlinear_models()`.  
`digits`            Number of decimal places for rounding.

**Value**

A data.frame with metrics for all candidate nonlinear models.

**Examples**

```
data(leafarea_sample)
fit <- la_fit_nonlinear_models(leafarea_sample,
                             models = c("power_LW", "exponential_LW"))
la_evaluate_nonlinear_models(fit)[, c("model_id", "RMSE", "R2")]
```

---

`la_extract_coefficients`

*Extract model coefficients*

---

**Description**

Returns a coefficient table from a fitted linear, nonlinear, or mixed model.

**Usage**

```
la_extract_coefficients(model)
```

**Arguments**

`model`            A fitted model object.

**Value**

A data.frame with coefficient names and estimates.

---

`la_feature_display_names`*Display labels for leaf variables*

---

**Description**

Returns user-friendly labels as either a named character vector or a plain character vector.

**Usage**

```
la_feature_display_names(named = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

`named` Logical. If TRUE, returns a named vector where names are the internal variable names and values are display labels.

**Value**

A character vector.

---

`la_feature_labels`*Display labels for leaf variables*

---

**Description**

Returns a table of internal variable names and user-friendly labels used throughout the package interface.

**Usage**

```
la_feature_labels()
```

**Value**

A data.frame with internal names and display labels.

---

la\_fit\_linear\_models *Fit candidate linear models for leaf area estimation*

---

### Description

Fits a default or user-supplied set of linear models using L, W, LA, and derived variables created automatically when needed.

### Usage

```
la_fit_linear_models(  
  data,  
  formulas = NULL,  
  include_no_intercept = TRUE,  
  include_multiple = TRUE,  
  include_polynomial = TRUE  
)
```

### Arguments

data	A data.frame containing at least L, W, and LA.
formulas	Optional named list of formulas. If NULL, the default formulas from la_linear_formulas() are used.
include_no_intercept	Logical. Only used when formulas = NULL.
include_multiple	Logical. Only used when formulas = NULL.
include_polynomial	Logical. Only used when formulas = NULL.

### Value

A list with fitted models, formulas, modeling data, and a summary table enriched with equation information.

### Examples

```
data(leafarea_sample)  
fit <- la_fit_linear_models(leafarea_sample)  
names(fit$models)
```

---

la\_fit\_mixed\_models     *Fit candidate linear mixed-effects models for leaf area estimation*

---

### Description

Fits a default or user-supplied set of linear mixed-effects models using L, W, LA, derived variables created automatically when needed, and a user-supplied grouping variable.

### Usage

```
la_fit_mixed_models(
  data,
  group_var,
  formulas = NULL,
  random_slope = FALSE,
  include_multiple = TRUE,
  include_polynomial = TRUE,
  REML = FALSE,
  control = NULL
)
```

### Arguments

data	A data.frame containing at least L, W, LA, and the grouping variable.
group_var	Character string with the grouping variable name.
formulas	Optional named list of formulas. If NULL, default formulas from la_mixed_formulas() are used.
random_slope	Logical. Only used when formulas = NULL.
include_multiple	Logical. Only used when formulas = NULL.
include_polynomial	Logical. Only used when formulas = NULL.
REML	Logical passed to lmer().
control	Optional control object passed to lmer().

### Value

A list with fitted models, formulas, modeling data, and a summary table enriched with equation information.

### Examples

```
data(leafarea_sample)
fit <- la_fit_mixed_models(leafarea_sample, group_var = "species")
names(fit$models)
```

---

`la_fit_nonlinear_models`*Fit multiple nonlinear models*

---

**Description**

Fits built-in or user-supplied nonlinear model specifications.

**Usage**

```
la_fit_nonlinear_models(  
  data,  
  models = NULL,  
  specs = NULL,  
  control = stats::nls.control(maxiter = 200, warnOnly = TRUE)  
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>data</code>	A data.frame containing at least L, W, and LA.
<code>models</code>	Optional character vector of model IDs. Used only when <code>specs</code> is NULL.
<code>specs</code>	Optional named list of nonlinear model specifications.
<code>control</code>	Control list passed to <code>stats::nls()</code> .

**Value**

A list containing fitted models, specifications, data, and summary.

**Examples**

```
data(leafarea_sample)  
fit <- la_fit_nonlinear_models(leafarea_sample, models = c("power_LW", "exponential_LW"))  
names(fit$models)  
fit$summary[, c("model_id", "converged")]
```

---

`la_input_overview`*Summarize a validated leaf area dataset*

---

**Description**

Produces a concise overview of a validated dataset, including its dimensions, variable names, and summary statistics for L, W, and LA. This function is useful as a quick check before creating derived variables or fitting candidate models.

**Usage**

```
la_input_overview(data)
```

**Arguments**

data            A validated data.frame containing L, W, and LA.

**Value**

A list with the number of rows and columns, variable names, and a summary of the main measurement variables.

**Examples**

```
data(leafarea_sample)
validated_data <- la_validate_input(leafarea_sample)
overview <- la_input_overview(validated_data)
overview$n_rows
overview$summary
```

---

la\_linear\_fitted\_values

*Extract fitted values from linear model results*

---

**Description**

Extracts observed and fitted values for one selected linear model from the object returned by `la_fit_linear_models()`.

**Usage**

```
la_linear_fitted_values(fit_object, model_id)
```

**Arguments**

fit\_object      Object returned by `la_fit_linear_models()`.  
model\_id        Character string with the model identifier.

**Value**

A data.frame with observed, fitted, and residual values.

**Examples**

```
data(leafarea_sample)
fit <- la_fit_linear_models(leafarea_sample)
head(la_linear_fitted_values(fit, "lm_LW"))
```

---

la\_linear\_formulas      *List default linear model formulas*

---

**Description**

Returns the default set of candidate linear formulas used by `la_fit_linear_models()`.

**Usage**

```
la_linear_formulas(  
  include_no_intercept = TRUE,  
  include_multiple = TRUE,  
  include_polynomial = TRUE  
)
```

**Arguments**

`include_no_intercept`  
Logical. If TRUE, includes the no-intercept model  $LA \sim \emptyset + LW$ .

`include_multiple`  
Logical. If TRUE, includes multiple linear models.

`include_polynomial`  
Logical. If TRUE, includes quadratic and cubic linear models based on derived variables.

**Value**

A named list of formulas.

**Examples**

```
names(la_linear_formulas())
```

---

la\_list\_derived      *List available derived variables*

---

**Description**

Returns the default derived variables available in `leafareaR`.

**Usage**

```
la_list_derived()
```

**Value**

A character vector.

**Examples**

```
la_list_derived()
```

---

la_mae	<i>Calculate mean absolute error</i>
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**Description**

Calculate mean absolute error

**Usage**

```
la_mae(observed, predicted)
```

**Arguments**

observed	Numeric vector of observed values.
predicted	Numeric vector of predicted values.

**Value**

A numeric value.

**Examples**

```
obs <- c(10, 12, 15, 18)
pred <- c(9.8, 12.1, 14.7, 18.4)
la_mae(obs, pred)
```

---

la_mape	<i>Calculate mean absolute percentage error</i>
---------	---

---

**Description**

Calculate mean absolute percentage error

**Usage**

```
la_mape(observed, predicted)
```

**Arguments**

observed	Numeric vector of observed values.
predicted	Numeric vector of predicted values.

**Value**

A numeric value in percentage.

**Examples**

```
obs <- c(10, 12, 15, 18)
pred <- c(9.8, 12.1, 14.7, 18.4)
la_mape(obs, pred)
```

---

la_matrixplot	<i>Create a matrix plot for selected variables</i>
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**Description**

Generates a scatterplot matrix for selected numeric variables.

**Usage**

```
la_matrixplot(  
  data,  
  variables = NULL,  
  hist = TRUE,  
  pch = 19,  
  cex = 0.6,  
  col = "darkgreen",  
  main = NULL  
)
```

**Arguments**

data	A data.frame containing numeric variables.
variables	Character vector with variable names to include. If NULL, uses available default variables among L, W, LA.
hist	Logical; if TRUE, draws histograms on the diagonal.
pch	Plotting character for points.
cex	Point size.
col	Point color.
main	Optional main title.

**Value**

Invisibly returns the selected data used in the matrix plot.

**Examples**

```
data(leafarea_sample)

if(interactive()){
  la_matrixplot(leafarea_sample, variables = c("L", "W", "LA"))
}
```

---

la\_matrixplot\_default *Create a default matrix plot for leaf variables*

---

**Description**

Generates a matrix plot using available default variables among L, W, and LA.

**Usage**

```
la_matrixplot_default(
  data,
  hist = TRUE,
  pch = 19,
  cex = 0.6,
  col = "darkgreen",
  main = "Matrix plot of leaf variables"
)
```

**Arguments**

data	A data.frame containing leaf measurements.
hist	Logical; if TRUE, draws histograms on the diagonal.
pch	Plotting character for points.
cex	Point size.
col	Point color.
main	Optional main title.

**Value**

Invisibly returns the selected data used in the matrix plot.

**Examples**

```
data(leafarea_sample)

if(interactive()){
  la_matrixplot_default(leafarea_sample)
}
```

---

la_metric_table	<i>Calculate a standard metric table from observed and predicted values</i>
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---

**Description**

Calculate a standard metric table from observed and predicted values

**Usage**

```
la_metric_table(  
  observed,  
  predicted,  
  n_parameters = NA_integer_,  
  model_object = NULL,  
  digits = 4  
)
```

**Arguments**

observed	Numeric vector of observed values.
predicted	Numeric vector of predicted values.
n_parameters	Optional number of estimated parameters.
model_object	Optional fitted model object used to extract AIC and BIC.
digits	Number of decimal places for rounding.

**Value**

A one-row data.frame.

**Examples**

```
obs <- c(10, 12, 15, 18)  
pred <- c(9.8, 12.1, 14.7, 18.4)  
la_metric_table(obs, pred)
```

---

la_mixed_coefficients	<i>Extract coefficients from a mixed model</i>
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**Description**

Extract coefficients from a mixed model

**Usage**

```
la_mixed_coefficients(fit_object, model_id)
```

**Arguments**

`fit_object`      Object returned by `la_fit_mixed_models()`.  
`model_id`        Character string with the model identifier.

**Value**

A data.frame with fixed-effect coefficients.

**Examples**

```
data(leafarea_sample)
fit <- la_fit_mixed_models(leafarea_sample, group_var = "species")
la_mixed_coefficients(fit, names(fit$models)[1])
```

---

`la_mixed_fitted_values`

*Extract fitted values from mixed-model results*

---

**Description**

Extract fitted values from mixed-model results

**Usage**

```
la_mixed_fitted_values(fit_object, model_id)
```

**Arguments**

`fit_object`      Object returned by `la_fit_mixed_models()`.  
`model_id`        Character string with the model identifier.

**Value**

A data.frame with observed, fitted, residual, and group values.

**Examples**

```
data(leafarea_sample)
fit <- la_fit_mixed_models(leafarea_sample, group_var = "species")
head(la_mixed_fitted_values(fit, names(fit$models)[1]))
```

---

la_mixed_formulas	<i>List default mixed-model formulas</i>
-------------------	--

---

**Description**

Returns the default set of candidate mixed-model formulas used by `la_fit_mixed_models()`.

**Usage**

```
la_mixed_formulas(  
  group_var,  
  random_slope = FALSE,  
  include_multiple = TRUE,  
  include_polynomial = TRUE  
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>group_var</code>	Character string with the grouping variable name.
<code>random_slope</code>	Logical. If TRUE, includes selected random-slope formulations.
<code>include_multiple</code>	Logical. If TRUE, includes multiple fixed-effect mixed models.
<code>include_polynomial</code>	Logical. If TRUE, includes quadratic and cubic mixed models based on derived variables.

**Value**

A named list of formulas.

**Examples**

```
names(la_mixed_formulas("species"))
```

---

la_mse	<i>Calculate mean squared error</i>
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---

**Description**

Calculate mean squared error

**Usage**

```
la_mse(observed, predicted)
```

**Arguments**

observed      Numeric vector of observed values.  
predicted      Numeric vector of predicted values.

**Value**

A numeric value.

**Examples**

```
obs <- c(10, 12, 15, 18)
pred <- c(9.8, 12.1, 14.7, 18.4)
la_mse(obs, pred)
```

---

la\_nonlinear\_coefficients

*Return coefficients from a selected nonlinear model*

---

**Description**

Return coefficients from a selected nonlinear model

**Usage**

```
la_nonlinear_coefficients(fit_object, model_id)
```

**Arguments**

fit\_object      Object returned by la\_fit\_nonlinear\_models().  
model\_id      Character string with the model identifier.

**Value**

A data.frame with parameter estimates.

**Examples**

```
data(leafarea_sample)
fit <- la_fit_nonlinear_models(leafarea_sample, models = c("power_LW"))
la_nonlinear_coefficients(fit, "power_LW")
```

---

`la_nonlinear_fitted_values`*Extract observed, fitted values and residuals for a selected nonlinear model*

---

**Description**

Extract observed, fitted values and residuals for a selected nonlinear model

**Usage**

```
la_nonlinear_fitted_values(fit_object, model_id)
```

**Arguments**

`fit_object`      Object returned by `la_fit_nonlinear_models()`.  
`model_id`        Character string with the model identifier.

**Value**

A data.frame with observed, fitted, and residual values.

**Examples**

```
data(leafarea_sample)
fit <- la_fit_nonlinear_models(leafarea_sample, models = c("power_LW"))
head(la_nonlinear_fitted_values(fit, "power_LW"))
```

---

`la_nonlinear_specs`*Default nonlinear model specifications*

---

**Description**

Returns the default built-in nonlinear candidate specifications.

**Usage**

```
la_nonlinear_specs()
```

**Value**

A named list of nonlinear model specifications.

**Examples**

```
names(la_nonlinear_specs())
```

la\_nse *Calculate Nash-Sutcliffe efficiency*

---

**Description**

Calculate Nash-Sutcliffe efficiency

**Usage**

```
la_nse(observed, predicted)
```

**Arguments**

observed      Numeric vector of observed values.  
predicted      Numeric vector of predicted values.

**Value**

A numeric value.

**Examples**

```
obs <- c(10, 12, 15, 18)  
pred <- c(9.8, 12.1, 14.7, 18.4)  
la_nse(obs, pred)
```

---

la\_plot\_observed\_predicted  
*Observed versus predicted leaf area plot*

---

**Description**

Creates a plot comparing observed and predicted leaf area values.

**Usage**

```
la_plot_observed_predicted(  
  observed,  
  predicted,  
  model_name = "Selected model",  
  point_size = 2.2,  
  alpha = 0.75  
)
```

**Arguments**

observed	Numeric vector of observed values.
predicted	Numeric vector of predicted values.
model_name	Character. Label used in the plot title.
point_size	Numeric. Point size.
alpha	Numeric. Point transparency.

**Value**

A ggplot object.

**Examples**

```
if (requireNamespace("ggplot2", quietly = TRUE)) {  
  data(leafarea_sample)  
  fit <- la_fit_linear_models(leafarea_sample)  
  vals <- la_linear_fitted_values(fit, model_id = "lm_LW")  
  p <- la_plot_observed_predicted(vals$observed, vals$fitted, model_name = "lm_LW")  
  print(p)  
}
```

---

la\_plot\_residual\_histogram

*Histogram of residuals*

---

**Description**

Creates a histogram of residuals from observed and predicted values.

**Usage**

```
la_plot_residual_histogram(  
  observed,  
  predicted,  
  bins = 30,  
  model_name = "Selected model"  
)
```

**Arguments**

observed	Numeric vector of observed values.
predicted	Numeric vector of predicted values.
bins	Number of histogram bins.
model_name	Character. Label used in the plot title.

**Value**

A ggplot object.

**Examples**

```
if (requireNamespace("ggplot2", quietly = TRUE)) {  
  data(leafarea_sample)  
  fit <- la_fit_linear_models(leafarea_sample)  
  vals <- la_linear_fitted_values(fit, model_id = "lm_LW")  
  p <- la_plot_residual_histogram(vals$observed, vals$fitted, model_name = "lm_LW")  
  print(p)  
}
```

---

la\_plot\_residual\_qq    *QQ plot of residuals*

---

**Description**

Creates a QQ plot of residuals from observed and predicted values.

**Usage**

```
la_plot_residual_qq(observed, predicted, model_name = "Selected model")
```

**Arguments**

observed	Numeric vector of observed values.
predicted	Numeric vector of predicted values.
model_name	Character. Label used in the plot title.

**Value**

A ggplot object.

**Examples**

```
if (requireNamespace("ggplot2", quietly = TRUE)) {  
  data(leafarea_sample)  
  fit <- la_fit_linear_models(leafarea_sample)  
  vals <- la_linear_fitted_values(fit, model_id = "lm_LW")  
  p <- la_plot_residual_qq(vals$observed, vals$fitted, model_name = "lm_LW")  
  print(p)  
}
```

---

la_plot_residuals	<i>Residuals versus fitted values plot</i>
-------------------	--

---

### Description

Creates a residual diagnostic plot from observed and predicted values.

### Usage

```
la_plot_residuals(  
  observed,  
  predicted,  
  model_name = "Selected model",  
  point_size = 2.2,  
  alpha = 0.75  
)
```

### Arguments

observed	Numeric vector of observed values.
predicted	Numeric vector of predicted values.
model_name	Character. Label used in the plot title.
point_size	Numeric. Point size.
alpha	Numeric. Point transparency.

### Value

A ggplot object.

### Examples

```
if (requireNamespace("ggplot2", quietly = TRUE)) {  
  data(leafarea_sample)  
  fit <- la_fit_linear_models(leafarea_sample)  
  vals <- la_linear_fitted_values(fit, model_id = "lm_LW")  
  p <- la_plot_residuals(vals$observed, vals$fitted, model_name = "lm_LW")  
  print(p)  
}
```

---

la_plot_scatter	<i>Scatter plot between two selected variables</i>
-----------------	--

---

### Description

Creates a scatter plot for two selected variables in a leaf area dataset.

### Usage

```
la_plot_scatter(  
  data,  
  x,  
  y = "LA",  
  color_var = NULL,  
  add_smooth = TRUE,  
  point_size = 2.2,  
  alpha = 0.75  
)
```

### Arguments

data	A data.frame containing the selected variables.
x	Character. Name of the x-axis variable.
y	Character. Name of the y-axis variable. Default is "LA".
color_var	Optional character. Grouping variable used for point color.
add_smooth	Logical. If TRUE, adds a linear trend line.
point_size	Numeric. Point size.
alpha	Numeric. Point transparency.

### Value

A ggplot object.

### Examples

```
if (requireNamespace("ggplot2", quietly = TRUE)) {  
  data(leafarea_sample)  
  p <- la_plot_scatter(leafarea_sample, x = "L", y = "LA")  
  print(p)  
}
```

---

la\_plot\_scatter\_set     *Scatter plots for multiple selected predictors against leaf area*

---

## Description

Creates a list of scatter plots using the selected predictors against the response variable.

## Usage

```
la_plot_scatter_set(  
  data,  
  predictors = c("L", "W", "LW"),  
  response = "LA",  
  add_smooth = TRUE,  
  point_size = 2.2,  
  alpha = 0.75  
)
```

## Arguments

data	A data.frame containing the selected variables.
predictors	Character vector of predictor names.
response	Character. Name of the response variable.
add_smooth	Logical. If TRUE, adds a linear trend line.
point_size	Numeric. Point size.
alpha	Numeric. Point transparency.

## Value

A named list of ggplot objects.

## Examples

```
if (requireNamespace("ggplot2", quietly = TRUE)) {  
  data(leafarea_sample)  
  dat <- la_create_derived(leafarea_sample, variables = c("LW"))  
  plots <- la_plot_scatter_set(dat, predictors = c("L", "W", "LW"))  
  print(plots[[1]])  
}
```

---

`la_predict_from_results`*Predict using one selected model from a fit object*

---

## Description

Predict using one selected model from a fit object

## Usage

```
la_predict_from_results(  
  fit_object,  
  model_id = 1,  
  newdata,  
  allow_new_levels = TRUE,  
  re_form = NULL  
)
```

## Arguments

<code>fit_object</code>	A fitted-model result object containing models.
<code>model_id</code>	Model position or model name.
<code>newdata</code>	A data.frame for prediction.
<code>allow_new_levels</code>	Logical used for mixed models.
<code>re_form</code>	Optional random-effects structure used for mixed models.

## Value

A data.frame.

## Examples

```
data(leafarea_sample)  
fit <- la_fit_linear_models(leafarea_sample)  
newdata_ex <- leafarea_sample[1:5, c("L", "W", "LA")]  
la_predict_from_results(fit, model_id = "lm_LW", newdata = newdata_ex)
```

---

```
la_predict_linear_model
```

*Predict from a linear model*

---

**Description**

Predict from a linear model

**Usage**

```
la_predict_linear_model(model, newdata)
```

**Arguments**

model	An object of class lm.
newdata	A data.frame for prediction.

**Value**

A data.frame.

**Examples**

```
data(leafarea_sample)
fit <- la_fit_linear_models(leafarea_sample)
newdata_ex <- leafarea_sample[1:5, c("L", "W", "LA")]
la_predict_linear_model(fit$models[["lm_LW"]], newdata_ex)
```

---

```
la_predict_mixed_model
```

*Predict from a mixed model*

---

**Description**

Predict from a mixed model

**Usage**

```
la_predict_mixed_model(model, newdata, allow_new_levels = TRUE, re_form = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

model	An object of class lmerMod.
newdata	A data.frame for prediction.
allow_new_levels	Logical used for mixed models.
re_form	Optional random-effects structure used for mixed models.

**Value**

A data.frame.

**Examples**

```
data(leafarea_sample)
fit <- la_fit_mixed_models(leafarea_sample, group_var = "species")
newdata_ex <- leafarea_sample[1:5, c("L", "W", "LA", "species")]
la_predict_mixed_model(fit$models[[names(fit$models)[1]]], newdata_ex)
```

---

<code>la_predict_model</code>	<i>Predict from a fitted model</i>
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---

**Description**

Generic dispatcher for prediction from linear, nonlinear, or mixed models.

**Usage**

```
la_predict_model(
  model,
  newdata,
  model_type = c("auto", "linear", "nonlinear", "mixed"),
  allow_new_levels = TRUE,
  re_form = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>model</code>	A fitted model object.
<code>newdata</code>	A data.frame for prediction.
<code>model_type</code>	One of "auto", "linear", "nonlinear", or "mixed".
<code>allow_new_levels</code>	Logical used for mixed models.
<code>re_form</code>	Optional random-effects structure used for mixed models.

**Value**

A data.frame containing the prediction columns.

**Examples**

```
data(leafarea_sample)
fit <- la_fit_linear_models(leafarea_sample)
newdata_ex <- leafarea_sample[1:5, c("L", "W", "LA")]
la_predict_model(fit$models[["lm_LW"]], newdata_ex)
```

---

```
la_predict_nonlinear_model
```

*Predict from a nonlinear model*

---

**Description**

Predict from a nonlinear model

**Usage**

```
la_predict_nonlinear_model(model, newdata)
```

**Arguments**

model	An object of class nls.
newdata	A data.frame for prediction.

**Value**

A data.frame.

**Examples**

```
data(leafarea_sample)
fit <- la_fit_nonlinear_models(leafarea_sample, models = c("power_LW"))
newdata_ex <- leafarea_sample[1:5, c("L", "W", "LA")]
la_predict_nonlinear_model(fit$models[["power_LW"]], newdata_ex)
```

---

```
la_predict_top_ranked
```

*Predict from the top-ranked model*

---

**Description**

Predict from the top-ranked model

**Usage**

```
la_predict_top_ranked(  
  ranked_table,  
  fit_object,  
  rank_position = 1,  
  newdata,  
  allow_new_levels = TRUE,  
  re_form = NULL  
)
```

**Arguments**

ranked_table	A ranked data.frame containing model_id.
fit_object	A fitted-model result object containing models.
rank_position	Row position within ranked_table.
newdata	A data.frame for prediction.
allow_new_levels	Logical used for mixed models.
re_form	Optional random-effects structure used for mixed models.

**Value**

A data.frame.

**Examples**

```
data(leafarea_sample)
fit <- la_fit_linear_models(leafarea_sample)
met <- la_evaluate_linear_models(fit)
ranked <- la_rank_models(met)
newdata_ex <- leafarea_sample[1:5, c("L", "W", "LA")]
la_predict_top_ranked(
  ranked,
  fit,
  rank_position = 1,
  newdata = newdata_ex
)
```

---

la\_r

---

*Calculate Pearson correlation coefficient*


---

**Description**

Calculate Pearson correlation coefficient

**Usage**

```
la_r(observed, predicted)
```

**Arguments**

observed	Numeric vector of observed values.
predicted	Numeric vector of predicted values.

**Value**

A numeric value.

**Examples**

```
obs <- c(10, 12, 15, 18)
pred <- c(9.8, 12.1, 14.7, 18.4)
la_r(obs, pred)
```

---

la_r_squared	<i>Calculate coefficient of determination</i>
--------------	---

---

**Description**

Calculate coefficient of determination

**Usage**

```
la_r_squared(observed, predicted)
```

**Arguments**

observed	Numeric vector of observed values.
predicted	Numeric vector of predicted values.

**Value**

A numeric value.

**Examples**

```
obs <- c(10, 12, 15, 18)
pred <- c(9.8, 12.1, 14.7, 18.4)
la_r_squared(obs, pred)
```

---

la_rank_models	<i>Rank models using a simple metric priority rule</i>
----------------	--

---

**Description**

Orders models according to a sequence of evaluation criteria.

**Usage**

```
la_rank_models(
  metrics_table,
  sort_by = c("RMSE", "MAE", "CCC", "R2", "ABS_BIAS"),
  ascending = c(TRUE, TRUE, FALSE, FALSE, TRUE)
)
```

**Arguments**

metrics\_table A data.frame containing model metrics.  
sort\_by Character vector with metric names used for ordering.  
ascending Logical vector indicating whether each metric should be sorted in ascending order.

**Value**

A ranked data.frame.

**Examples**

```
data(leafarea_sample)
fit <- la_fit_linear_models(leafarea_sample)
met <- la_evaluate_linear_models(fit)
la_rank_models(met)
```

---

la\_rank\_models\_by\_metrics

*Rank models by average metric positions*

---

**Description**

Computes metric-wise ranks and aggregates them using the mean rank.

**Usage**

```
la_rank_models_by_metrics(metrics_table)
```

**Arguments**

metrics\_table A data.frame containing model metrics.

**Value**

A ranked data.frame.

**Examples**

```
data(leafarea_sample)
fit <- la_fit_linear_models(leafarea_sample)
met <- la_evaluate_linear_models(fit)
la_rank_models_by_metrics(met)
```

---

la\_rank\_models\_weighted  
*Rank models using a weighted score*

---

**Description**

Computes a weighted score from selected metrics after min-max scaling.

**Usage**

```
la_rank_models_weighted(  
  metrics_table,  
  weights = list(RMSE = 0.3, MAE = 0.2, CCC = 0.2, R2 = 0.15, ABS_BIAS = 0.1, d = 0.05)  
)
```

**Arguments**

metrics\_table A data.frame containing model metrics.  
weights Named list of metric weights.

**Value**

A ranked data.frame.

**Examples**

```
data(leafarea_sample)  
fit <- la_fit_linear_models(leafarea_sample)  
met <- la_evaluate_linear_models(fit)  
la_rank_models_weighted(met)
```

---

la\_rmse *Calculate root mean squared error*

---

**Description**

Calculate root mean squared error

**Usage**

```
la_rmse(observed, predicted)
```

**Arguments**

observed Numeric vector of observed values.  
predicted Numeric vector of predicted values.

**Value**

A numeric value.

**Examples**

```
obs <- c(10, 12, 15, 18)
pred <- c(9.8, 12.1, 14.7, 18.4)
la_rmse(obs, pred)
```

---

la_top_models	<i>Select the top models from a ranking table</i>
---------------	---

---

**Description**

Returns the first n rows from a ranked table.

**Usage**

```
la_top_models(  
  ranking_table,  
  n = 5,  
  rank_column = c("rank_simple", "rank_weighted", "rank_mean")  
)
```

**Arguments**

ranking\_table    A ranked data.frame.  
n                Number of rows to return.  
rank\_column     Column used to order the rows.

**Value**

A data.frame.

**Examples**

```
data(leafarea_sample)
fit <- la_fit_linear_models(leafarea_sample)
met <- la_evaluate_linear_models(fit)
ranked <- la_rank_models(met)
la_top_models(ranked, n = 3)
```

---

la_validate_input	<i>Validate and standardize input data for leaf area analysis</i>
-------------------	---

---

### Description

Checks that the selected leaf length, leaf width, and observed leaf area columns are present and numeric, applies optional cleaning rules, and standardizes their names to L, W, and LA for downstream use in leafareaR.

### Usage

```
la_validate_input(  
  data,  
  l_col = "L",  
  w_col = "W",  
  la_col = "LA",  
  remove_na = TRUE,  
  remove_nonpositive = TRUE,  
  standardize_names = TRUE,  
  keep_all_columns = FALSE  
)
```

### Arguments

data	A data.frame containing at least the columns L, W, and LA, or equivalent columns selected through l_col, w_col, and la_col.
l_col	Character. Name of the column containing leaf length.
w_col	Character. Name of the column containing leaf width.
la_col	Character. Name of the column containing observed leaf area.
remove_na	Logical. If TRUE, rows with missing values in the selected columns are removed.
remove_nonpositive	Logical. If TRUE, rows with values less than or equal to zero in the selected columns are removed.
standardize_names	Logical. If TRUE, the selected columns are renamed internally to L, W, and LA in the returned object.
keep_all_columns	Logical. If TRUE, keeps all original columns in the returned data.frame while standardizing the selected measurement columns.

### Value

A validated data.frame ready for descriptive analysis, model fitting, prediction, and visualization in the leafareaR workflow.

## Examples

```
data(leafarea_sample)
validated_data <- la_validate_input(leafarea_sample)
head(validated_data)

validated_with_groups <- la_validate_input(
  data = leafarea_sample,
  keep_all_columns = TRUE
)
head(validated_with_groups)
```

---

leafarea_sample	<i>Example dataset for leaf area modeling</i>
-----------------	---

---

## Description

A sample dataset included in leafareaR for testing data validation, descriptive statistics, derived variables, plotting, linear models, nonlinear models, mixed models, ranking, and prediction.

## Usage

```
data(leafarea_sample)
```

## Format

A data.frame with 9999 rows and 6 variables:

**L** Leaf length.

**W** Leaf width.

**LA** Observed leaf area.

**species** Species identifier.

**block** Block identifier.

**genotype** Genotype identifier.

## Examples

```
data(leafarea_sample)
head(leafarea_sample)
```

---

run\_leafareaR\_app      *Launch the built-in Shiny application*

---

**Description**

Opens the interactive leafareaR Shiny app, which provides a graphical interface for loading example data or uploading user data, exploratory analysis, model fitting, evaluation, ranking, and prediction.

**Usage**

```
run_leafareaR_app(...)
```

**Arguments**

...                      Additional arguments passed to `shiny::runApp()`.

**Value**

Launches the application.

**Examples**

```
app_dir <- system.file("shiny", "leafareaR-app", package = "leafareaR")
dir.exists(app_dir)
if (interactive()) {
  run_leafareaR_app()
}
```

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