

# Package ‘actiplot’

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**Title** Plotting Minute-Level Activity Data

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**Description** Provides 'ggplot2' plots for minute-level activity data, including step counts and activity counts. Time series can be displayed over the full recording period or aligned by time of day and faceted into one row per date. Includes example activity data described by Chadwell et al. (2019) <[doi:10.1038/s41597-019-0211-6](https://doi.org/10.1038/s41597-019-0211-6)>.

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| acti_minute_data | <i>Minute-level accelerometer counts</i> |
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Description

A seven-day example of minute-level accelerometer data. It contains a timestamp, counts for each accelerometer axis, vector-magnitude counts, log-transformed counts, and a wear indicator. The data are suitable for the examples in [acti\\_plot\\_time\(\)](#), [acti\\_plot\\_day\(\)](#), and [acti\\_plot\\_heatmap\(\)](#).

Usage

acti\_minute\_data

Format

- A tibble with 10,080 rows and 7 variables:
- time** Timestamp of the minute, as POSIXct.
  - axis1, axis2, axis3** Axis-specific activity counts.
  - counts** Vector-magnitude activity counts.
  - counts\_log10** Log10-transformed vector-magnitude counts.
  - wear** Whether the minute was classified as wear time.

Details

The original study recorded seven days of wrist-worn ActiGraph activity from 20 myoelectric prosthesis users and 20 anatomically intact adults. This package data object is a processed minute-level recording drawn from that collection.

Source

The Figshare collection from Chadwell (2019) [doi:10.6084/m9.figshare.c.4457855](#).

**References**

Chadwell, A., Kenney, L., Granat, M., Thies, S., Galpin, A., & Head, J. (2019). Upper limb activity of twenty myoelectric prosthesis users and twenty healthy anatomically intact adults. *Scientific Data*, 6, 199. doi:[10.1038/s41597-019-0211-6](https://doi.org/10.1038/s41597-019-0211-6)

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| acti_plot_actogram | <i>Plot an activity actogram</i> |
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**Description**

Displays minute-level activity as a date-by-time heat map using actibase day indexing and time-of-day conversion.

**Usage**

```
acti_plot_actogram(data, value, time = time, breaks = "4 hours", ...)
```

**Arguments**

|        |                                                         |
|--------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| data   | Minute-level activity data.                             |
| value  | Activity column, supplied unquoted or as a string.      |
| time   | Timestamp column.                                       |
| breaks | Time-of-day axis break interval.                        |
| ...    | Arguments passed to <code>ggplot2::geom_tile()</code> . |

**Value**

A ggplot object.

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|--------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| acti_plot_minute_profile | <i>Plot a minute-of-day activity profile</i> |
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**Description**

Plot a minute-of-day activity profile

**Usage**

```
acti_plot_minute_profile(
  data,
  value,
  time = time,
  summary = c("mean", "median"),
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

|         |                                                         |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| data    | Minute-level activity data.                             |
| value   | Activity column, supplied unquoted or as a string.      |
| time    | Timestamp column.                                       |
| summary | Either "mean" or "median".                              |
| ...     | Arguments passed to <code>ggplot2::geom_tile()</code> . |

**Value**

A ggplot object.

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| acti_plot_time | <i>Plot minute-level activity over time</i> |
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**Description**

`acti_plot_time()` draws a time-series plot for a minute-level activity measure, such as steps or activity counts. `acti_plot_day()` aligns the data by time of day and places each date in its own facet row. `acti_plot_heatmap()` provides the same date-by-time layout as a heat map.

**Usage**

```
acti_plot_time(
  data,
  value,
  time = time,
  breaks = NULL,
  connector = c("linear", "step", "line"),
  x_axis = c("default", "12 hours", "midnight"),
  ...
)

acti_plot_day(
  data,
  value,
  time = time,
  breaks = "4 hours",
  connector = c("linear", "step", "line"),
  facet = c("date", "month-day", "day"),
  ...
)

acti_plot_heatmap(data, value, time = time, breaks = "4 hours", ...)
```

**Arguments**

|           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|-----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| data      | A data frame containing a timestamp and an activity measure.                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| value     | The activity-measure column, supplied unquoted or as a string. For example, steps or "counts".                                                                                                                                                                        |
| time      | The timestamp column, supplied unquoted or as a string. It is time by default.                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| breaks    | A single duration such as "1 hour", "4 hours", or "15 mins". It controls x-axis spacing. Use NULL for ggplot2's default on the full-time plot or no specified breaks on aligned plots.                                                                                |
| connector | Should a geom_step (step) or geom_line (linear/line) be used to connect points?                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| x_axis    | The x-axis labelling scheme for acti_plot_time(). Use "default" to use breaks or ggplot2's default; "12 hours" to show a date and 12-hour clock label every 12 hours; or "midnight" to label each date only at midnight. The latter two options set their own breaks. |
| ...       | Additional arguments passed to the primary geom.                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| facet     | The facet labels for acti_plot_day(): "date" for the full date, "month-day" for a date without the year, or "day" for days since the first recording day (as calculated by <a href="#">actibase::acti_separate_times()</a> ).                                         |

**Details**

Data are prepared with [actibase::acti\\_separate\\_times\(\)](#), which recognizes the timestamp conventions used by activerse packages and adds date and time-of-day variables.

**Value**

A ggplot object.

**Examples**

```
# The first two hours of the packaged minute-level data.
activity <- acti_minute_data[seq_len(120), ]

acti_plot_time(activity, counts, breaks = "1 hour")
acti_plot_time(acti_minute_data, counts, x_axis = "12 hours")
acti_plot_time(acti_minute_data, counts, x_axis = "midnight")
acti_plot_day(activity, "counts", breaks = "1 hour")
acti_plot_heatmap(activity, counts, breaks = "1 hour")
```

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| geom_activity_rug | <i>Add activity marks along a datetime axis</i> |
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**Description**

Add activity marks along a datetime axis

**Usage**

```
geom_activity_rug(data, time = "time", ...)
```

**Arguments**

|      |                                          |
|------|------------------------------------------|
| data | Data containing a timestamp column.      |
| time | Timestamp column name.                   |
| ...  | Arguments passed to ggplot2::geom_rug(). |

**Value**

A ggplot2 layer.

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|-------------------|------------------------------------------|
| geom_day_boundary | <i>Add conventional daily boundaries</i> |
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**Description**

Add conventional daily boundaries

**Usage**

```
geom_day_boundary(boundary = c("midnight", "noon"), ...)
```

**Arguments**

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|----------|----------------------------------------|
| boundary | One of midnight or noon.               |
| ...      | Arguments passed to geom_time_vline(). |

**Value**

A ggplot2 layer.

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| geom_episode | <i>Add timestamped episode intervals</i> |
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**Description**

Draws one or more timestamped intervals behind an activity trace. The input data must contain POSIXct start and end columns. This is the common layer underpinning sleep, wear, and activity-bout annotations.

**Usage**

```
geom_episode(data, start = "start", end = "end", ...)
```

**Arguments**

|            |                                           |
|------------|-------------------------------------------|
| data       | An interval data frame.                   |
| start, end | Names of POSIXct start and end columns.   |
| ...        | Arguments passed to ggplot2::geom_rect(). |

**Value**

A ggplot2 layer.

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| geom_sleep_window | <i>Add sleep-window intervals</i> |
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**Description**

Add sleep-window intervals

**Usage**

```
geom_sleep_window(data, start = "start", end = "end", ...)
```

**Arguments**

|            |                                           |
|------------|-------------------------------------------|
| data       | An interval data frame.                   |
| start, end | Names of POSIXct start and end columns.   |
| ...        | Arguments passed to ggplot2::geom_rect(). |

**Value**

A ggplot2 layer.

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| geom_threshold_band | <i>Highlight activity observations beyond a threshold</i> |
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### Description

Adds translucent vertical bands for timestamped observations above or below a threshold. It intentionally does not merge observations into bouts; use an explicit interval table with `geom_episode()` when episode definitions matter.

### Usage

```
geom_threshold_band(
  data,
  value,
  threshold,
  direction = c("above", "below"),
  time = "time",
  ...
)
```

### Arguments

|                        |                                                           |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>data</code>      | A data frame with timestamp and numeric activity columns. |
| <code>value</code>     | Numeric activity column name.                             |
| <code>threshold</code> | Numeric threshold.                                        |
| <code>direction</code> | Whether to highlight values above or below the threshold. |
| <code>time</code>      | Timestamp column name.                                    |
| <code>...</code>       | Arguments passed to <code>ggplot2::geom_rect()</code> .   |

### Value

A `ggplot2` layer.

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|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| geom_time_vline | <i>Add a time-aware vertical reference line</i> |
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### Description

A convenience layer for `ggplot2::geom_vline()` that converts time inputs to actiplot time scales. A time of day such as "12:00" is drawn in every daily facet. A complete date-time is drawn at that instant on a full-time plot and only on its matching date facet in an aligned day plot.

### Usage

```
geom_time_vline(xintercept, timezone = NULL, check_timezone = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

|                |                                                                                                                 |
|----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| xintercept     | A POSIXct date-time, an ISO-like date-time character string, or a time-of-day character string such as "08:30". |
| timezone       | Time zone used to parse date-time character values. The timestamp time zone in the plot data is used when NULL. |
| check_timezone | If TRUE, date-time character values require an explicit timezone.                                               |
| ...            | Arguments passed to ggplot2::geom_vline().                                                                      |

**Value**

A ggplot2 layer.

**Examples**

```
acti_plot_day(acti_minute_data, counts) +  
  geom_time_vline("12:00", linetype = "dashed")  
  
acti_plot_time(acti_minute_data, counts) +  
  geom_time_vline("2017-06-05 09:30:00", timezone = "GMT")
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| geom_wear | <i>Add wear intervals</i> |
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**Description**

Add wear intervals

**Usage**

```
geom_wear(data, start = "start", end = "end", ...)
```

**Arguments**

|            |                                           |
|------------|-------------------------------------------|
| data       | An interval data frame.                   |
| start, end | Names of POSIXct start and end columns.   |
| ...        | Arguments passed to ggplot2::geom_rect(). |

**Value**

A ggplot2 layer.

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