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cca.ct	<i>Continuous-time canonical correlation analysis</i>
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**Description**

A continuous-time version of canonical correlation analysis (CCA).

**Usage**

```
cca.ct(fdobj1, fdobj2)
```

**Arguments**

fdobj1, fdobj2    a pair of continuous-time multivariate data sets, of class "[fd](#)"

**Value**

- A list consisting of
- vex1, vex2        matrices defining the canonical variates. The first columns of each give the coefficients defining the first pair of canonical variates; and so on.
  - cor               canonical correlations, i.e., correlations between the pairs of canonical variates

**Note**

Columns of the output matrix vex2 are flipped as needed to ensure positive correlations.

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See Also

[cancor](#), for classical CCA

Examples

```
## Not run:

# CCA relating Canadian daily temperature and precipitation data
require(fda)
data(CanadianWeather)
daybasis <- create.bspline.basis(c(0,365), nbasis=80)
tempfd <- smooth.basis(day.5, CanadianWeather$dailyAv[,,"Temperature.C"], daybasis)$fd
precfd <- smooth.basis(day.5, CanadianWeather$dailyAv[,,"log10precip"], daybasis)$fd
tpcor <- cca.ct(tempfd, precfd)
par(mfrow=1:2)
barplot(tpcor$vex1[,1], horiz=TRUE, las=1, main="Temperature",
        sub="First canonical coefficients vector")
barplot(tpcor$vex2[,1], horiz=TRUE, las=1, main="Log precipitation",
        sub="First canonical coefficients vector")

## End(Not run)
```

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ccor	<i>Curve correlation</i>
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Description

Inputs raw data representing two curves, applies penalized B-spline smoothing to the two curves, and computes the curve correlation between them via a call to [cor.ct](#).

Usage

```
ccor(y, time, curve = NULL, k = 15, min.overlap = 0, min.n = 8)
```

Arguments

y	either a vector or a two-column matrix, without missing values; see Details
time	a vector of time points
curve	curve indicator; see Details
k	number of B-spline basis functions
min.overlap	minimum overlap of the two curves' time ranges
min.n	minimum number of observations per curve

## Details

If `y` is a two-column matrix, the two curves are observed at the time points given by `time`; in this case `length(time)` must equal `nrow(y)`, and `curve` is ignored. If `y` is a vector, it must have the same length as both `time` and `curve`. In this case `y` contains the observations on both curves, while elements of `time` and `curve` identify the observation time and the curve being observed, respectively.

## Value

A list with components

<code>y, time</code>	the supplied <code>y</code> and <code>time</code>
<code>mod1, mod2</code>	models for the two curves, outputted by <a href="#">gam</a>
<code>fd1, fd2</code>	functional data objects (see <a href="#">fd</a> ) for the two curves
<code>estcor</code>	estimated curve correlation

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## See Also

[cor.ct](#), [b.spline](#)

## Examples

```
# see example for ccor_posim
```

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ccor\_boot

*Bootstrap confidence interval estimation for curve correlation*

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## Description

Inputs raw data representing two curves, and computes a bootstrap confidence interval for the curve correlation between them.

## Usage

```
ccor_boot(
  y,
  time,
  curve = NULL,
  k = 15,
  ndraw = 299,
  conf = 0.95,
  min.overlap = 0,
  min.n = 8
)
```

**Arguments**

`y`, `time`, `curve`, `k`, `min.overlap`, `min.n`  
                                   see [ccor](#)  
`ndraw`                    number of bootstrap samples  
`conf`                    confidence level

**Value**

A list with components  
`cor`                    curve correlation (for the full data)  
`boot.cor`               curve correlations for the `ndraw` bootstrap samples  
`ci`                    confidence interval for the curve correlation

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**See Also**

[ccor](#), [ccor\\_posim](#)

**Examples**

```
# see example for ccor_posim
```

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<code>ccor_posim</code>	<i>Credible interval estimation for curve correlation based on posterior simulation</i>
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**Description**

Inputs raw data representing two curves, and computes a credible interval for the curve correlation between them simulating from the approximate posterior distribution of the joint spline coefficient vector.

**Usage**

```
ccor_posim(
  y,
  time,
  curve = NULL,
  method,
  k = 15,
  conf = 0.95,
  ndraw = 999,
  min.overlap = 0
)
```

**Arguments**

y, time, curve, k, min.overlap  
     see [ccor](#)

method      "indep" (curves fitted independently) or "mvn" (curves fitted together, with error correlation estimated based on multivariate normal likelihood)

conf        confidence level

ndraw       number of draws from posterior distribution of spline coefficient vector

**Value**

A list with components

cor            curve correlation

model        the model for the two curves (if method=="mvn"), or a list of the two curves' models (if method=="indep")

bsb           B-spline basis (from package *fda*) used for the curves

Vc.fda       corrected posterior covariance matrix for the coefficients with respect to the B-spline basis bsb (see the component \$Vc in [gamObject](#))

sims          curve correlations for the ndraw draws from the posterior distribution

ci            credible interval for the curve correlation

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**See Also**

[ccor](#), [ccor\\_boot](#), [mvn](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
if (interactive () &&
    requireNamespace("wbwdi", quietly = TRUE) &&
    requireNamespace("ggplot2", quietly = TRUE) &&
    requireNamespace("dplyr", quietly = TRUE)) {

  # Curve correlation of per capita GDP and fertility rate in Paraguay
  wdi_dat <- wbwdi::wdi_get(entities = c("PRY"), start_year=1960, end_year=2023,
    indicators = c("NY.GDP.PCAP.KD", "SP.DYN.TFRT.IN"), format="wide") |>
    dplyr::rename(percapitaGDP = NY.GDP.PCAP.KD, fertility = SP.DYN.TFRT.IN)
  ggplot2::ggplot(wdi_dat, aes(percapitaGDP, fertility, color=year)) + geom_point()

  y <- as.matrix(wdi_dat[, c("percapitaGDP", "fertility")])

  set.seed(345)

  ci <- list()
```

```

ci[[1]] <- ccor_posim(y=y, time=wdi_dat$year, method="indep")
ci[[2]] <- ccor_posim(y=y, time=wdi_dat$year, method="mvn")
ci[[3]] <- ccor_boot(y=y, time=wdi_dat$year, ndraw=399)

tabl <- matrix(NA, 3, 3)
for (k in 1:3) tabl[k, ] <- c(ci[[k]]$cor, ci[[k]]$ci)
dimnames(tabl) <- list(c("Posim_indep", "Posim_MVN", "Bootstrap"), c("Est", "Lower95", "Upper95"))
round(tabl, 4)
}
## End(Not run)

```

center.ct

*Center a continuous-time multivariate data set***Description**

Subtracts the (continuous-time) mean of each of the variables. This is analogous to column-centering an  $n \times p$  data matrix.

**Usage**

```
center.ct(fdobj)
```

**Arguments**

fdobj                      continuous-time multivariate data set of class "[fd](#)"

**Value**

A centered version of the input data.

**Author(s)**

Philip Tzvi Reiss <reiss@stat.haifa.ac.il>

**See Also**

[standardize.ct](#)

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`cor.ct`*Continuous-time correlation or cross-correlation matrix*

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**Description**

Computes the correlation matrix of a continuous-time multivariate data set represented as an `fd` object; or the cross-correlation matrix of two such data sets.

**Usage**

```
cor.ct(fdobj1, fdobj2 = fdobj1, common_trend = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

<code>fdobj1</code>	continuous-time multivariate data set of class " <code>fd</code> "
<code>fdobj2</code>	an optional second data set
<code>common_trend</code>	logical: centering wrt mean function if TRUE, without centering if FALSE (the default)

**Value**

If `fdobj1` and `fdobj2` each consist of a single curve, the (scalar) CT correlation between them. Otherwise a matrix of (cross-) correlations is returned.

**Note**

When `fdobj1==fdobj2`, `cor.ct(...)` is the same as `cov2cor(cov.ct(...))`.

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**See Also**

`center.fd`, for centering of "`fd`" objects; `inprod.cent`

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

# Canadian temperature data

require(fda)
require(corrplot)
data(CanadianWeather)
daybasis <- create.fourier.basis(c(0,365), nbasis=55)
tempfd <- smooth.basis(day.5, CanadianWeather$dailyAv[, "Temperature.C"], daybasis)$fd
```



```
## The following yields a matrix of correlations that are all near 1:
rawcor <- cor.ct(tempfd)
corrplot(rawcor, method = 'square', type = 'lower', tl.col="black", tl.cex = 0.6)
## This occurs due to a strong seasonal trend that is common to all stations
## Removing this common trend leads to a more interesting result:
dtcor <- cor.ct(tempfd, common_trend = TRUE)
ord <- corrMatOrder(dtcor)
dtcord <- dtcor[ord,ord]
corrplot(dtcord, method = 'square', type = 'lower', tl.col="black", tl.cex = 0.6)

## End(Not run)
```

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cov.ct

*Continuous-time covariance or cross-covariance matrix*


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## Description

Computes the covariance matrix of a continuous-time multivariate data set represented as an [fd](#) object; or the cross-covariance matrix of two such data sets.

## Usage

```
cov.ct(fdobj1, fdobj2 = fdobj1, common_trend = FALSE)
```

## Arguments

fdobj1	continuous-time multivariate data set of class " <a href="#">fd</a> "
fdobj2	an optional second data set
common_trend	logical: centering with respect to the mean function if TRUE, without centering if FALSE (the default)

## Value

A matrix of (cross-) covariances

## Author(s)

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## See Also

[cor.ct](#)

## Examples

```
# see example for cor.ct, which works similarly
```

inprod.cent

*Centered inner product matrix for a basis or pair of bases***Description**

Several methods of continuous-time multivariate analysis require a matrix of inner products of pairs of centered functions from a basis, such as a B-spline basis, or pairs consisting of one function from each of two bases. This function computes such matrices via 7-point Newton-Cotes integration, which is exact for cubic B-splines. For a Fourier basis with the inner product taken over the entire range, a simple closed form is used instead of integration.

**Usage**

```
inprod.cent(basis1, basis2 = basis1, rng = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

basis1	basis object from the <a href="#">fda</a> package.
basis2	an optional second basis
rng	time range. By default, the entire range spanned by the basis, or the intersection of the ranges of the two bases.

**Value**

Matrix of inner products of each pair of centered basis functions.

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**See Also**

[create.bspline.basis](#) from package [fda](#), for the most commonly used basis object type.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

require(fda)
bbasis6 <- create.bspline.basis(nbasis=6)
inprod.cent(bbasis6)
fbasis7 <- create.fourier.basis(nbasis=7)
inprod.cent(fbasis7)

## End(Not run)
```

kmeans.ct

*Continuous-time k-means clustering***Description**

A continuous-time version of k-means clustering in which each cluster is a time segments or set of time segments.

**Usage**

```
kmeans.ct(
  fdobj,
  k,
  common_trend = FALSE,
  init.pts = NULL,
  tol = 0.001,
  max.iter = 100
)
```

**Arguments**

fdobj	continuous-time multivariate data set of class " <a href="#">fd</a> "
k	number of clusters
common_trend	logical: Should the curves be centered with respect to the mean function? Defaults to FALSE.
init.pts	a set of k time points. The observations at these time points serve as initial values for the k means. Randomly generated if not supplied.
tol	convergence tolerance for the k means
max.iter	maximum number of iterations

**Value**

Object of class "kmeans.ct", a list consisting of

fdobj	the supplied fdobj
means	means of the k clusters
transitions	transition points between segments
cluster	cluster memberships in the segments defined by the transitions
size	length of each cluster, i.e. sum of lengths of subintervals making up each cluster
totisd	total integrated sum of distances from the overall mean, analogous to totss from <a href="#">kmeans</a>
withinisd	within-cluster integrated sum of distances, i.e. integrated sum of distances from each cluster mean
tot.withinisd	total within-cluster integrated sum of distances, i.e. sum(withinisd)
betweenisd	between-cluster integrated sum of distances, i.e. totisd-tot.withinss

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**See Also**

[kmeans](#), [plot.kmeans.ct](#), [silhouette.ct](#)

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

require(fda)
data(CanadianWeather)
daybasis <- create.bspline.basis(c(0,365), nbasis=55)
tempfd <- smooth.basis(day.5, CanadianWeather$dailyAv[,,"Temperature.C"], daybasis)$fd
kmtmp3 <- kmeans.ct(tempfd, 3)
plot(kmtmp3, axes=FALSE, xlab="", ylab="Temperature")
axesIntervals(); box()
plot(silhouette.ct(kmtmp3), axes=FALSE, xlab="")
axesIntervals(); box()

## End(Not run)
```

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lda.ct

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Continuous-time Fisher's linear discriminant analysis

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**Description**

A continuous-time version of Fisher's LDA, in which segments of the time interval take the place of groups of observations.

**Usage**

```
lda.ct(fdobj, partition, part.names = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

fdobj	continuous-time multivariate data set of class " <a href="#">fd</a> "
partition	a priori break points dividing the time interval into segments
part.names	optional character vector of names for the segments

**Details**

The means and scaling components of the output are similar to [lda](#), but unlike that function, `lda.ct` performs only *Fisher's* LDA and cannot incorporate priors or perform classification.

**Value**

Object of class "lda.ct", a list consisting of

means	means of the variables within each segment
scaling	matrix of coefficients defining the discriminants (as in <a href="#">lda</a> )
values	eigenvalues giving the ratios of between to within sums of squares
partition	the supplied partition
fdobj	linear discriminants represented as an "fd" object
nld	number of linear discriminants

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

[plot.lda.ct](#); [lda](#), for the classical version

**Examples**

```
## see end of example in ?pca.ct
```

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meanbasis

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*Compute means of basis functions*


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**Description**

Given a basis object as defined in the **fda** package (see [basisfd](#)), this function simply computes the vector of means of the basis functions. Used internally.

**Usage**

```
meanbasis(basis, rng = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

basis	a basis object of class " <a href="#">basisfd</a> "
rng	time range. By default, the entire interval spanned by the basis. Must be left NULL for Fourier bases.

**Value**

Vector of means of the basis functions

**Author(s)**

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**Examples**

```
require(fda)
bbasis6 <- create.bspline.basis(nbasis=6)
meanbasis(bbasis6)
meanbasis(bbasis6, c(.3,.6))
fbasis11 <- create.fourier.basis(nbasis=11)
meanbasis(fbasis11)
```

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pca.ct

*Continuous-time principal component analysis*


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**Description**

A continuous-time version of principal component analysis.

**Usage**

```
pca.ct(fdobj, cor = FALSE, common_trend = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

fdobj	continuous-time multivariate data set of class " <a href="#">fd</a> "
cor	logical: use correlation matrix if TRUE, covariance if FALSE (the default)
common_trend	logical: Should the curves be centered with respect to the mean function? Defaults to FALSE.

**Value**

Returns a list including:

var	variances of the principal components.
loadings	the matrix of loadings (i.e., its columns are the eigenvectors of the continuous-time covariance).
scorefd	score functions.

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

[cov.ct](#); [princomp](#), for the classical version

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

# Data for one session from a classic EEG data set
require(fda)
require(eegkit)
data(eegdata)
data(eegcoord)
longdat <- subset(eegdata, subject=="co2a0000369" & trial==0)
widedat <- reshape(longdat, direction="wide", drop=c("subject","group","condition","trial"),
  v.names="voltage", idvar="channel")

# Convert time series for 64 channels to a functional data object
bsb <- create.bspline.basis(c(0,255),nbasis=30)
fdo <- Data2fd(argvals=0:255, y=t(as.matrix(widedat[, -1])), basisobj=bsb)
plot(fdo)

# Now do PCA and display first loadings for 3 PC's,
# along with percent variance explained by each
pcc <- pca.ct(fdo)
pve <- 100*pcc$var/sum(pcc$var)
par(mfrow=c(1,3))
cidx <- match(widedat[,1],rownames(eegcoord))
eegspace(eegcoord[cidx,4:5],pcc$loadings[,1], colorlab="PC1 loadings",
  main=paste0(round(pve[1],0), "%"), mar=c(17,3,12,2), cex.main=2)
eegspace(eegcoord[cidx,4:5],pcc$loadings[,2], colorlab="PC2 loadings",
  main=paste0(round(pve[2],0), "%"), mar=c(17,3,12,2), cex.main=2)
eegspace(eegcoord[cidx,4:5],pcc$loadings[,3], colorlab="PC3 loadings",
  main=paste0(round(pve[3],0), "%"), mar=c(17,3,12,2), cex.main=2)

# Linear discriminant analysis: discriminating among the 1st, 2nd and 3rd portions
# of the time interval
ld <- lda.ct(fdo, c(85,170))
plot(ld)
eegspace(eegcoord[cidx,4:5],ld$scaling[,1], colorlab="LD1 coefficients",
  mar=c(17,3,12,2), cex.main=2)
eegspace(eegcoord[cidx,4:5],ld$scaling[,2], colorlab="LD2 coefficients",
  mar=c(17,3,12,2), cex.main=2)

## End(Not run)
```

plot.kmeans.ct

*Plot a kmeans.ct object***Description**

Plots a continuous-time k-means clustering object generated by a call to `kmeans.ct`.

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'kmeans.ct'
plot(
  x,
  plottype = "functions",
  mark.transitions = TRUE,
  col = NULL,
  lty = NULL,
  xlab = "Time",
  ylab = NULL,
  legend = TRUE,
  ncol.legend = 1,
  cex.legend = 1,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

x	clustering object produced by <a href="#">kmeans.ct</a>
plottype	either "functions" (the default), to display each variable as a smooth function of time, or "distance", to plot distances from the k cluster means versus time.
mark.transitions	logical: Should transitions between clusters be marked with vertical lines? Defaults to TRUE.
col	plot colors
lty	line type
xlab, ylab	x- and y-axis labels
legend	either a logical variable (whether a legend should be included) or a character vector to appear in the legend. Default is TRUE.
ncol.legend	number of columns for legend
cex.legend	character expansion factor for legend
...	other arguments passed to <a href="#">matplot</a>

**Value**

None; a plot is generated.

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

[kmeans.ct](#), which includes an example



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plot.lda.ct	<i>Plot an lda.ct object</i>
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## Description

Plots the Fisher's linear discriminant functions generated by a call to [lda.ct](#).

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'lda.ct'  
plot(x, ylab = "Discriminants", xlab = "Time", which = NULL, col = NULL, ...)
```

## Arguments

x	linear discriminant analysis object produced by <a href="#">lda.ct</a>
ylab, xlab	y- and x-axis labels
which	which of the linear discriminants to plot
col	color vector
...	other arguments passed to <a href="#">matplot</a>

## Value

None; a plot is generated.

## Author(s)

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## See Also

[lda.ct](#)

## Examples

```
## see the example at the end of ?pca.ct
```

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plot.silhouette.ct	<i>Plot a silhouette.ct object</i>
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### Description

Plots the silhouette index, generated by a call to [silhouette.ct](#), for a continuous-time k-means clustering object.

### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'silhouette.ct'
plot(x, mark.transitions = TRUE, xlab = "Time", ylab = "Silhouette", ...)
```

### Arguments

x	silhouette object produced by <a href="#">silhouette.ct</a>
mark.transitions	logical: Should transitions between clusters be marked with vertical lines? Defaults to TRUE.
xlab, ylab	x- and y-axis labels
...	other arguments passed to <a href="#">plot</a>

### Value

None; a plot is generated.

### Author(s)

Philip Tzvi Reiss <reiss@stat.haifa.ac.il>

### See Also

[kmeans.ct](#), which includes an example; [silhouette.ct](#)

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silhouette.ct	<i>Silhouettes for continuous-time k-means clustering</i>
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### Description

Computes the silhouette index, at a grid of time points, for a continuous-time k-means clustering object produced by [kmeans.ct](#).

### Usage

```
silhouette.ct(kmobj, ngrid = 5000)
```

**Arguments**

kmobj	continuous-time k-means clustering from <a href="#">kmeans.ct</a>
ngrid	number of equally spaced grid points at which to compute the silhouette index

**Value**

Object of class "silhouette.ct", a list consisting of

grid	grid of ngrid points spanning the time range
value	silhouette index at each point along the grid
transitions	transition points between segments
cluster	cluster memberships in the segments defined by the transitions
mean	mean silhouette index

**Note**

An error is issued if the grid of time points contains one or more of the cluster transition points. This should not ordinarily occur, but if it does, it can be remedied by modifying ngrid.

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

[kmeans.ct](#), which includes an example; [plot.silhouette.ct](#)

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standardize.ct	<i>Center and scale a continuous-time multivariate data set</i>
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**Description**

Subtracts the (continuous-time) mean and divides by the (continuous-time) standard deviation of each of the variables. This is the continuous-time analogue of taking an  $n \times p$  data matrix, subtracting the mean of each column, and dividing by the standard deviation of each column, as is done by [scale\(..., center=TRUE, scale=TRUE\)](#).

**Usage**

```
standardize.ct(fdobj)
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**Arguments**

fdobj	continuous-time multivariate data set of class " <a href="#">fd</a> "
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**Value**

A standardized (centered and scaled) version of the input data.

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