

# Package ‘halfmoon’

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**Description** Build better balance in causal inference models. 'halfmoon' helps you assess propensity score models for balance between groups using metrics like standardized mean differences and visualization techniques like mirrored histograms. 'halfmoon' supports both weighting and matching techniques.

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geom_ecdf	<i>Calculate weighted and unweighted empirical cumulative distributions</i>
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### Description

The empirical cumulative distribution function (ECDF) provides an alternative visualization of distribution. `geom_ecdf()` is similar to `ggplot2::stat_ecdf()` but it can also calculate weighted ECDFs.

### Usage

```
geom_ecdf(
  mapping = NULL,
  data = NULL,
  geom = "step",
  position = "identity",
  ...,
  n = NULL,
  pad = TRUE,
  na.rm = FALSE,
  show.legend = NA,
  inherit.aes = TRUE
)
```

### Arguments

mapping	Set of aesthetic mappings created by <code>aes()</code> . If specified and <code>inherit.aes = TRUE</code> (the default), it is combined with the default mapping at the top level of the plot. You must supply mapping if there is no plot mapping.
data	The data to be displayed in this layer. There are three options: If <code>NULL</code> , the default, the data is inherited from the plot data as specified in the call to <code>ggplot()</code> . A <code>data.frame</code> , or other object, will override the plot data. All objects will be fortified to produce a data frame. See <code>fortify()</code> for which variables will be created. A function will be called with a single argument, the plot data. The return value must be a <code>data.frame</code> , and will be used as the layer data. A function can be created from a formula (e.g. <code>~ head(.x, 10)</code> ).
geom	The geometric object to use to display the data, either as a ggproto Geom subclass or as a string naming the geom stripped of the <code>geom_</code> prefix (e.g. "point" rather than "geom_point")
position	Position adjustment, either as a string naming the adjustment (e.g. "jitter" to use <code>position_jitter</code> ), or the result of a call to a position adjustment function. Use the latter if you need to change the settings of the adjustment.

...	Other arguments passed on to <code>layer()</code> . These are often aesthetics, used to set an aesthetic to a fixed value, like <code>colour = "red"</code> or <code>size = 3</code> . They may also be parameters to the paired geom/stat.
<code>n</code>	if <code>NULL</code> , do not interpolate. If not <code>NULL</code> , this is the number of points to interpolate with.
<code>pad</code>	If <code>TRUE</code> , pad the ecdf with additional points <code>(-Inf, 0)</code> and <code>(Inf, 1)</code>
<code>na.rm</code>	If <code>FALSE</code> (the default), removes missing values with a warning. If <code>TRUE</code> silently removes missing values.
<code>show.legend</code>	logical. Should this layer be included in the legends? <code>NA</code> , the default, includes if any aesthetics are mapped. <code>FALSE</code> never includes, and <code>TRUE</code> always includes. It can also be a named logical vector to finely select the aesthetics to display.
<code>inherit.aes</code>	If <code>FALSE</code> , overrides the default aesthetics, rather than combining with them. This is most useful for helper functions that define both data and aesthetics and shouldn't inherit behaviour from the default plot specification, e.g. <code>borders()</code> .

**Value**

a geom

**Aesthetics**

In addition to the aesthetics for `ggplot2::stat_ecdf()`, `geom_ecdf()` also accepts:

- `weights`

**Examples**

```
library(ggplot2)

ggplot(
  nhefs_weights,
  aes(x = smokeyrs, color = qsmk)
) +
  geom_ecdf(aes(weights = w_ato)) +
  xlab("Smoking Years") +
  ylab("Proportion <= x")
```

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`geom_mirror_histogram` *Create mirrored histograms*

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**Description**

Create mirrored histograms

**Usage**

```
geom_mirror_histogram(
  mapping = NULL,
  data = NULL,
  position = "stack",
  ...,
  binwidth = NULL,
  bins = NULL,
  na.rm = FALSE,
  orientation = NA,
  show.legend = NA,
  inherit.aes = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

mapping	Set of aesthetic mappings created by <a href="#">aes()</a> . If specified and <code>inherit.aes = TRUE</code> (the default), it is combined with the default mapping at the top level of the plot. You must supply mapping if there is no plot mapping.
data	The data to be displayed in this layer. There are three options: If <code>NULL</code> , the default, the data is inherited from the plot data as specified in the call to <a href="#">ggplot()</a> . A <code>data.frame</code> , or other object, will override the plot data. All objects will be fortified to produce a data frame. See <a href="#">fortify()</a> for which variables will be created. A function will be called with a single argument, the plot data. The return value must be a <code>data.frame</code> , and will be used as the layer data. A function can be created from a formula (e.g. <code>~ head(.x, 10)</code> ).
position	Position adjustment, either as a string naming the adjustment (e.g. "jitter" to use <code>position_jitter</code> ), or the result of a call to a position adjustment function. Use the latter if you need to change the settings of the adjustment.
...	Other arguments passed on to <a href="#">layer()</a> . These are often aesthetics, used to set an aesthetic to a fixed value, like <code>colour = "red"</code> or <code>size = 3</code> . They may also be parameters to the paired <code>geom/stat</code> .
binwidth	The width of the bins. Can be specified as a numeric value or as a function that calculates width from unscaled x. Here, "unscaled x" refers to the original x values in the data, before application of any scale transformation. When specifying a function along with a grouping structure, the function will be called once per group. The default is to use the number of bins in <code>bins</code> , covering the range of the data. You should always override this value, exploring multiple widths to find the best to illustrate the stories in your data. The bin width of a date variable is the number of days in each time; the bin width of a time variable is the number of seconds.
bins	Number of bins. Overridden by <code>binwidth</code> . Defaults to 30.
na.rm	If <code>FALSE</code> , the default, missing values are removed with a warning. If <code>TRUE</code> , missing values are silently removed.

orientation	The orientation of the layer. The default (NA) automatically determines the orientation from the aesthetic mapping. In the rare event that this fails it can be given explicitly by setting orientation to either "x" or "y". See the <i>Orientation</i> section for more detail.
show.legend	logical. Should this layer be included in the legends? NA, the default, includes if any aesthetics are mapped. FALSE never includes, and TRUE always includes. It can also be a named logical vector to finely select the aesthetics to display.
inherit.aes	If FALSE, overrides the default aesthetics, rather than combining with them. This is most useful for helper functions that define both data and aesthetics and shouldn't inherit behaviour from the default plot specification, e.g. <code>borders()</code> .

**Value**

a geom

**Examples**

```
library(ggplot2)
ggplot(nhefs_weights, aes(.fitted)) +
  geom_mirror_histogram(
    aes(group = qsmk),
    bins = 50
  ) +
  geom_mirror_histogram(
    aes(fill = qsmk, weight = w_ate),
    bins = 50,
    alpha = 0.5
  ) +
  scale_y_continuous(labels = abs)
```

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nhefs\_weights

*NHEFS with various propensity score weights*

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**Description**

A dataset containing various propensity score weights for `causaldata::nhefs_complete`.

**Usage**

```
nhefs_weights
```

**Format**

A data frame with 1566 rows and 14 variables:

**qsmk** Quit smoking

**race** Race

**age** Age

**sex** Sex  
**education** Education level  
**smokeintensity** Smoking intensity  
**sмоkeyrs** Number of smoke-years  
**exercise** Exercise level  
**active** Daily activity level  
**wt71** Participant weight in 1971 (baseline)  
**w\_ate** ATE weight  
**w\_att** ATT weight  
**w\_atc** ATC weight  
**w\_atm** ATM weight  
**w\_ato** ATO weight  
**.fitted** Propensity score

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