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**Description** Ternary plots made simple. This package allows to create ternary plots using 'graphics'. It provides functions to display the data in the ternary space, to add or tune graphical elements and to display statistical summaries. It also includes common ternary diagrams which are useful for the archaeologist (e.g. soil texture charts, ceramic phase diagram).

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arctic

*Arctic Lake Sediments Compositions*

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### Description

Sand, silt, clay compositions of 39 sediment samples at different water depths in an Arctic lake.

### Usage

arctic

### Format

A `data.frame` with 4 variables:

**sand**

**silt**

**clay**

**depth** Water depth (m).

### Source

Aitchison, J. (1986). *The Statistical Analysis of Compositional Data*. London: Chapman and Hall.  
[doi:10.1007/9789400941090](https://doi.org/10.1007/9789400941090).

### See Also

Other datasets: [boxite](#), [lava](#)

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boxite

*Boxite Compositions*

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### Description

Compositions of 25 specimens of boxite.

### Usage

boxite

**Format**

A `data.frame` with 5 variables:

**A** albite.

**B** blandite.

**C** cornite.

**D** daubite.

**E** endite.

**Source**

Aitchison, J. (1986). *The Statistical Analysis of Compositional Data*. London: Chapman and Hall.  
[doi:10.1007/9789400941090](https://doi.org/10.1007/9789400941090).

**See Also**

Other datasets: [arctic](#), [lava](#)

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lava

*Skye Lavas Compositions*

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**Description**

AFM compositions of 23 aphyric Skye lavas.

**Usage**

lava

**Format**

A `data.frame` with 3 variables:

**A** Na<sub>2</sub>O + K<sub>2</sub>O (percent).

**F** Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (percent).

**M** MgO (percent).

**Source**

Aitchison, J. (1986). *The Statistical Analysis of Compositional Data*. London: Chapman and Hall.  
[doi:10.1007/9789400941090](https://doi.org/10.1007/9789400941090).

**See Also**

Other datasets: [arctic](#), [boxite](#)

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ternary_arrows	<i>Add Arrows to a Ternary Plot</i>
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**Description**

Draw arrows between pairs of points.

**Usage**

```
ternary_arrows(x0, y0, z0, ...)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'numeric,numeric,numeric'  
ternary_arrows(x0, y0, z0, x1 = x0, y1 = y0, z1 = z0, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x0, y0, z0</code>	A <b>numeric</b> vector giving the x, y and z ternary coordinates of points from which to draw.
<code>...</code>	Further arguments to be passed to <code>graphics::arrows()</code> .
<code>x1, y1, z1</code>	A <b>numeric</b> vector giving the x, y and z ternary coordinates of points to which to draw.

**Value**

`ternary_arrows()` is called it for its side-effects.

**Author(s)**

N. Frerebeau

**See Also**

[graphics::arrows\(\)](#)

Other geometries: [ternary\\_crosshairs\(\)](#), [ternary\\_image\(\)](#), [ternary\\_labels\(\)](#), [ternary\\_lines\(\)](#), [ternary\\_points\(\)](#), [ternary\\_polygon\(\)](#), [ternary\\_segments\(\)](#), [ternary\\_text\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## Add arrows  
ternary_plot(NULL, panel.first = ternary_grid())  
ternary_arrows(x0 = 40, y0 = 20, z0 = 40,  
              x1 = 20, y1 = 40, z1 = 40)
```

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ternary_axis	<i>Add an Axis to a Ternary Plot</i>
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### Description

Adds an axis to the current plot.

### Usage

```
ternary_axis(
  side,
  at = NULL,
  labels = TRUE,
  tick = TRUE,
  center = getOption("isopleuros.center"),
  scale = getOption("isopleuros.scale"),
  font = NA,
  lty = "solid",
  lwd = 1,
  lwd.ticks = lwd,
  col = NULL,
  col.ticks = NULL,
  ...
)
```

### Arguments

side	An <b>integer</b> specifying which side of the plot the axis is to be drawn on. The axis is placed as follows: 1=below, 2=right and 3=left.
at	A <b>numeric</b> vector giving the points at which tick-marks are to be drawn.
labels	A <b>logical</b> scalar specifying whether (numerical) annotations are to be made at the tickmarks, or a <b>character</b> vector of labels to be placed at the tickpoints. If this is not logical, at should also be supplied and of the same length.
tick	A <b>logical</b> scalar: should tickmarks and an axis line be drawn?
center	A <b>numeric</b> vector giving the center. If NULL (the default), data are assumed not centered.
scale	A <b>numeric</b> vector giving the scale factor. If NULL (the default), data are assumed not scaled.
font	font for text. Defaults to par("font.axis").
lty	A <b>character</b> string or <b>numeric</b> value specifying the line type for both the axis line and the tick marks.
lwd, lwd.ticks	A non-negative <b>numeric</b> value specifying the line widths for the axis line and the tick marks.
col, col.ticks	Colors for the axis line and the tick marks respectively. Defaults to par("col.axis").
...	Other <b>graphical parameters</b> may also be passed as arguments to this function, particularly, cex.axis, col.axis and font.axis for axis annotation.

**Value**

ternary\_axis() is called it for its side-effects.

**Author(s)**

N. Frerebeau

**See Also**

Other graphical elements: [ternary\\_box\(\)](#), [ternary\\_grid\(\)](#), [ternary\\_pairs\(\)](#), [ternary\\_plot\(\)](#), [ternary\\_title\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## Add axis
ternary_plot(NULL, axes = FALSE)
ternary_axis(side = 1, col = "red")
ternary_axis(side = 2, col = "blue")
ternary_axis(side = 3, col = "green")

## Add box and grid
ternary_plot(NULL, axes = FALSE)
ternary_box(lty = "dashed", col = "red")
ternary_grid(lty.primary = "dotted")
```

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ternary\_box

*Draw a Box around a Ternary Plot*

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**Description**

Draw a Box around a Ternary Plot

**Usage**

```
ternary_box(lty = "solid", ...)
```

**Arguments**

**lty** A [character](#) string or [numeric](#) value specifying the line type of the box.  
**...** Other [graphical parameters](#) may also be passed as arguments to this function, particularly, `col` or `lwd`.

**Value**

ternary\_box() is called it for its side-effects.

**Author(s)**

N. Frerebeau

**See Also**

Other graphical elements: [ternary\\_axis\(\)](#), [ternary\\_grid\(\)](#), [ternary\\_pairs\(\)](#), [ternary\\_plot\(\)](#), [ternary\\_title\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## Add axis
ternary_plot(NULL, axes = FALSE)
ternary_axis(side = 1, col = "red")
ternary_axis(side = 2, col = "blue")
ternary_axis(side = 3, col = "green")

## Add box and grid
ternary_plot(NULL, axes = FALSE)
ternary_box(lty = "dashed", col = "red")
ternary_grid(lty.primary = "dotted")
```

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ternary\_contour

*Contour Lines*


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**Description**

Computes and draws contour lines.

**Usage**

```
ternary_contour(x, y, z, ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'numeric,numeric,numeric'
ternary_contour(
  x,
  y,
  z,
  value,
  n = 50,
  nlevels = 10,
  levels = pretty(range(value, na.rm = TRUE), nlevels),
  ilr = TRUE,
  method = "linear",
  extrapolate = FALSE,
  palette = function(i) grDevices::hcl.colors(i, "YlOrRd", rev = TRUE),
  ...
)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'ANY,missing,missing'
ternary_contour(
  x,
```



```

value,
n = 50,
nlevels = 10,
levels = pretty(range(value, na.rm = TRUE), nlevels),
ilr = TRUE,
method = "linear",
extrapolate = FALSE,
palette = function(i) grDevices::hcl.colors(i, "YlOrRd", rev = TRUE),
...
)

```

### Arguments

<code>x, y, z</code>	A <b>numeric</b> vector giving the x, y and z ternary coordinates of a set of points. If y and z are missing, an attempt is made to interpret x in a suitable way (see <a href="#">grDevices::xyz.coords()</a> ).
<code>...</code>	Further arguments to be passed to <a href="#">ternary_lines()</a> .
<code>value</code>	A <b>numeric</b> vector giving the values to be interpolated.
<code>n</code>	A length-one <b>numeric</b> specifying the number of grid points.
<code>nlevels</code>	A length-one <b>numeric</b> vector specifying the number of contour levels desired. Only used if <code>levels</code> is NULL.
<code>levels</code>	A <b>numeric</b> vector of levels at which to draw contour lines.
<code>ilr</code>	A <b>logical</b> scalar: should interpolation be computed in ILR space? If FALSE, interpolation is computed in Cartesian space.
<code>method</code>	A <b>character</b> string: specifying the method for interpolation (see <a href="#">interp::interp()</a> ).
<code>extrapolate</code>	A <b>logical</b> scalar: should extrapolation be used outside of the convex hull determined by the data points (see <a href="#">interp::interp()</a> )?
<code>palette</code>	A color palette <b>function</b> that takes a single integer argument (the number of levels) and returns a vector of colors.

### Details

Contour are computed from a bivariate interpolation onto a grid, after an isometric log ratio transformation of the original data.

### Value

`ternary_contour()` is called it for its side-effects.

Invisibly returns a **list** with elements `levels` (the contour levels) and `colors` (the contour colors) that can be used for a legend.

### Note

The **interp** package needs to be installed on your machine.

**Author(s)**

N. Frerebeau

**See Also**[interp::interp\(\)](#), [grDevices::contourLines\(\)](#)Other statistics: [ternary\\_density\(\)](#), [ternary\\_ellipse\(\)](#), [ternary\\_hull\(\)](#), [ternary\\_mean\(\)](#), [ternary\\_pca\(\)](#)**Examples**

```
## Add density
## Data from Aitchison 1986
ternary_plot(arctic, panel.first = ternary_grid())
levels <- ternary_contour(arctic, value = arctic$depth, n = 100, nlevels = 10)

## Add a legend
legend_image <- grDevices::as.raster(rev(levels$colors))
graphics::rasterImage(legend_image, 0.85, 0.75, 0.9, 1)
graphics::text(x = 0.9, y = c(0.75, 1), labels = range(levels$levels), pos = 4)
```

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ternary\_crosshairs      *Add Cross-Hairs to a Ternary Plot*

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**Description**

Draw lines that intersect at a point.

**Usage**

```
ternary_crosshairs(x, y, z, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'numeric,numeric,numeric'
ternary_crosshairs(x, y, z, x_mark = TRUE, y_mark = TRUE, z_mark = TRUE, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'ANY,missing,missing'
ternary_crosshairs(x, x_mark = TRUE, y_mark = TRUE, z_mark = TRUE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

**x, y, z**      A [numeric](#) vector giving the x, y and z ternary coordinates of a set of points. If y and z are missing, an attempt is made to interpret x in a suitable way (see [grDevices::xyz.coords\(\)](#)).

**...**      Further graphical parameters (see [graphics::par\(\)](#)) may also be supplied as arguments, particularly, line type, lty, line width, lwd and color, col. Also the line characteristics lend, ljoin and lmitre.

**x\_mark, y\_mark, z\_mark**      A [logical](#) scalar: should the x, y or z axis component be drawn?

**Value**

ternary\_crosshairs() is called it for its side-effects.

**Author(s)**

N. Frerebeau

**See Also**

Other geometries: [ternary\\_arrows\(\)](#), [ternary\\_image\(\)](#), [ternary\\_labels\(\)](#), [ternary\\_lines\(\)](#), [ternary\\_points\(\)](#), [ternary\\_polygon\(\)](#), [ternary\\_segments\(\)](#), [ternary\\_text\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## Add cross-hairs
## Data from Aitchison 1986
ternary_plot(lava, panel.first = ternary_grid())
ternary_crosshairs(lava)

ternary_plot(lava, panel.first = ternary_grid())
ternary_crosshairs(lava, y_mark = FALSE, z_mark = FALSE, col = "red")

ternary_plot(lava, panel.first = ternary_grid())
ternary_crosshairs(lava, x_mark = FALSE, z_mark = FALSE, col = "green")

ternary_plot(lava, panel.first = ternary_grid())
ternary_crosshairs(lava, x_mark = FALSE, y_mark = FALSE, col = "blue")
```

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ternary\_density

*Density Contour Lines*

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**Description**

Computes and draws density contour lines.

**Usage**

```
ternary_density(x, y, z, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'numeric,numeric,numeric'
ternary_density(
  x,
  y,
  z,
  h = NULL,
  n = 25,
  nlevels = 10,
  levels = NULL,
```

```

palette = function(i) grDevices::hcl.colors(i, "YlOrRd", rev = TRUE),
...
)

## S4 method for signature 'ANY,missing,missing'
ternary_density(
  x,
  h = NULL,
  n = 25,
  nlevels = 10,
  levels = NULL,
  palette = function(i) grDevices::hcl.colors(i, "YlOrRd", rev = TRUE),
  ...
)

```

### Arguments

x, y, z	A <b>numeric</b> vector giving the x, y and z ternary coordinates of a set of points. If y and z are missing, an attempt is made to interpret x in a suitable way (see <code>grDevices::xyz.coords()</code> ).
...	Further arguments to be passed to <code>ternary_lines()</code> .
h	A length-one <b>numeric</b> vector giving the bandwidth.
n	A length-one <b>numeric</b> specifying the number of grid points.
nlevels	A length-one <b>numeric</b> vector specifying the number of contour levels desired. Only used if <code>levels</code> is <code>NULL</code> .
levels	A <b>numeric</b> vector of levels at which to draw contour lines.
palette	A color palette <b>function</b> that takes a single integer argument (the number of levels) and returns a vector of colors.

### Details

Two-dimensional kernel density estimation with an axis-aligned bivariate normal kernel. Normal kernel is evaluated on a square grid, after an isometric log ratio transformation of the original data.

### Value

`ternary_density()` is called it for its side-effects.

Invisibly returns a **list** with elements `levels` (the contour levels) and `colors` (the contour colors) that can be used for a legend.

### Note

**This must be considered as experimental and subject to major changes in a future release.**

### Author(s)

N. Frerebeau

**Source**

Two-dimensional kernel density estimation is adapted from [MASS::kde2d\(\)](#).

**See Also**

[grDevices::contourLines\(\)](#)

Other statistics: [ternary\\_contour\(\)](#), [ternary\\_ellipse\(\)](#), [ternary\\_hull\(\)](#), [ternary\\_mean\(\)](#), [ternary\\_pca\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## Add density
## Data from Aitchison 1986
ternary_plot(lava, panel.first = ternary_grid())
levels <- ternary_density(lava, n = 500, nlevels = 10)

## Add a legend
legend_image <- grDevices::as.raster(rev(levels$colors))
graphics::rasterImage(legend_image, 0.85, 0.75, 0.9, 1)
graphics::text(x = 0.9, y = c(0.75, 1), labels = range(levels$levels), pos = 4)
```

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ternary_ellipse	<i>Add an Ellipse to a Ternary Plot</i>
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**Description**

Computes and draws a confidence/tolerance ellipse.

**Usage**

```
ternary_ellipse(x, y, z, ...)

ternary_confidence(x, y, z, ...)

ternary_tolerance(x, y, z, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'numeric,numeric,numeric'
ternary_ellipse(x, y, z, radius = 1, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'ANY,missing,missing'
ternary_ellipse(x, radius = 1, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'numeric,numeric,numeric'
ternary_confidence(x, y, z, level = 0.95, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'ANY,missing,missing'
ternary_confidence(x, level = 0.95, ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'numeric,numeric,numeric'  
ternary_tolerance(x, y, z, level = 0.95, ...)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'ANY,missing,missing'  
ternary_tolerance(x, level = 0.95, ...)
```

### Arguments

x, y, z	A <b>numeric</b> vector giving the x, y and z ternary coordinates of a set of points. If y and z are missing, an attempt is made to interpret x in a suitable way (see <a href="#">grDevices::xyz.coords()</a> ).
...	Further arguments to be passed to <a href="#">graphics::polygon()</a> .
radius	A <b>numeric</b> vector specifying the scaling of the half-diameters.
level	A <b>numeric</b> vector specifying the confidence/tolerance level.

### Details

Ellipse coordinates are computed after an isometric log ratio transformation of the original data.

### Value

`ternary_ellipse()` is called it for its side-effects.

### Author(s)

N. Frerebeau

### See Also

[graphics::polygon\(\)](#)

Other statistics: [ternary\\_contour\(\)](#), [ternary\\_density\(\)](#), [ternary\\_hull\(\)](#), [ternary\\_mean\(\)](#), [ternary\\_pca\(\)](#)

### Examples

```
## Ellipses  
## Data from Aitchison 1986  
ternary_plot(lava, panel.first = ternary_grid(5, 10))  
ternary_tolerance(lava, level = 0.95, border = "blue", lty = 2)  
ternary_confidence(lava, level = 0.95, border = "red", lty = 3)
```

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ternary_grid	<i>Add Grid to a Ternary Plot</i>
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### Description

Adds a triangular grid to an existing plot.

### Usage

```
ternary_grid(  
  primary = NULL,  
  secondary = NULL,  
  center = getOption("isopleuros.center"),  
  scale = getOption("isopleuros.scale"),  
  col.primary = "darkgray",  
  col.secondary = "lightgray",  
  lty.primary = "dashed",  
  lty.secondary = "dotted",  
  lwd.primary = 1,  
  lwd.secondary = lwd.primary  
)
```

### Arguments

primary	An <b>integer</b> specifying the number of cells of the primary grid in x, y and z direction.
secondary	An <b>integer</b> specifying the number of cells of the secondary grid in x, y and z direction.
center	A <b>numeric</b> vector giving the center. If NULL (the default), data are assumed not centered.
scale	A <b>numeric</b> vector giving the scale factor. If NULL (the default), data are assumed not scaled.
col.primary, col.secondary	A <b>character</b> string specifying the color of the grid lines.
lty.primary, lty.secondary	A <b>character</b> string or <b>numeric</b> value specifying the line type of the grid lines.
lwd.primary, lwd.secondary	A non-negative <b>numeric</b> value specifying the line width of the grid lines.

### Value

ternary\_grid() is called it for its side-effects.

### Author(s)

N. Frerebeau

**See Also**

Other graphical elements: [ternary\\_axis\(\)](#), [ternary\\_box\(\)](#), [ternary\\_pairs\(\)](#), [ternary\\_plot\(\)](#), [ternary\\_title\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## Data from Aitchison 1986
ternary_plot(lava, center = FALSE, scale = FALSE, col = "red", pch = 16)
ternary_grid(5)

## Center
z <- ternary_plot(lava, center = TRUE, col = "blue", pch = 16)
ternary_grid(5, center = z$center)

## Center and scale
z <- ternary_plot(lava, center = TRUE, scale = TRUE, col = "green", pch = 16)
ternary_grid(5, center = z$center, scale = z$scale)
```

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ternary\_hull

*Convex Hull of a Set of Points*


---

**Description**

Computes and draws the convex hull of the set of points specified.

**Usage**

```
ternary_hull(x, y, z, ...)
```

## S4 method for signature 'numeric,numeric,numeric'

```
ternary_hull(x, y, z, center = FALSE, scale = FALSE, ...)
```

## S4 method for signature 'ANY,missing,missing'

```
ternary_hull(x, center = FALSE, scale = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x, y, z	A <b>numeric</b> vector giving the x, y and z ternary coordinates of a set of points. If y and z are missing, an attempt is made to interpret x in a suitable way (see <a href="#">grDevices::xyz.coords()</a> ).
...	Further arguments to be passed to <a href="#">graphics::polygon()</a> .
center	A <b>logical</b> scalar specifying whether the data should be centered, or a <b>numeric</b> vector giving the center.
scale	A <b>logical</b> scalar specifying whether the data should be scaled, or a <b>numeric</b> vector giving the scale factor.



**Value**

ternary\_hull() is called it for its side-effects.

**Author(s)**

N. Frerebeau

**See Also**

[grDevices::chull\(\)](#), [graphics::polygon\(\)](#)

Other statistics: [ternary\\_contour\(\)](#), [ternary\\_density\(\)](#), [ternary\\_ellipse\(\)](#), [ternary\\_mean\(\)](#), [ternary\\_pca\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## Convex hull
## Data from Aitchison 1986
ternary_plot(lava, panel.first = ternary_grid(5, 10))
ternary_hull(lava, border = "red")
```

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ternary\_image

*Display a Color Image*

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**Description**

Creates a grid of colored triangles with colors corresponding to the output of a function.

**Usage**

```
ternary_image(f, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'function'
ternary_image(f, n = 48, palette = NULL, ...)
```

**Arguments**

f	A <a href="#">function</a> that takes three arguments (x, y and z coordinates) and returns a numeric vector (see <a href="#">tile_bin()</a> , <a href="#">tile_density()</a> , <a href="#">tile_interpolate()</a> ).
...	Further parameters to be passed to f.
n	A length-one <a href="#">integer</a> vector specifying the maximum number of tiles on each axis.
palette	A <a href="#">function</a> that takes a single numeric vector (the output of f) as argument and returns a vector of color. If NULL, the default color scheme will be used. If FALSE, the output of f is used as colors.

**Value**

ternary\_image() is called it for its side-effects.

**Author(s)**

N. Frerebeau

**See Also**

Other geometries: [ternary\\_arrows\(\)](#), [ternary\\_crosshairs\(\)](#), [ternary\\_labels\(\)](#), [ternary\\_lines\(\)](#), [ternary\\_points\(\)](#), [ternary\\_polygon\(\)](#), [ternary\\_segments\(\)](#), [ternary\\_text\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## RGB
ternary_plot(NULL, xlab = "Red", ylab = "Green", zlab = "Blue")
ternary_image(f = rgb, n = 20, palette = FALSE)
```

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ternary\_labels

*Non-Overlapping Text Labels*

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**Description**

Optimize the location of text labels to minimize overplotting text.

**Usage**

```
ternary_labels(x, y, z, ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'numeric,numeric,numeric'
ternary_labels(
  x,
  y,
  z,
  center = FALSE,
  scale = FALSE,
  labels = seq_along(x),
  type = c("text", "shadow"),
  ...
)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'ANY,missing,missing'
ternary_labels(x, center = FALSE, scale = FALSE, labels = seq_along(x$x), ...)
```

**Arguments**

x, y, z	A <b>numeric</b> vector giving the x, y and z ternary coordinates of a set of points. If y and z are missing, an attempt is made to interpret x in a suitable way (see <code>grDevices::xyz.coords()</code> ).
...	Further graphical parameters (see <code>graphics::par()</code> ) may also be supplied as arguments, particularly, character expansion, cex and color, col.
center	A <b>logical</b> scalar specifying whether the data should be centered, or a <b>numeric</b> vector giving the center.
scale	A <b>logical</b> scalar specifying whether the data should be scaled, or a <b>numeric</b> vector giving the scale factor.
labels	A <b>character</b> vector or <b>expression</b> specifying the text to be written.
type	A <b>character</b> string specifying the shape of the field. It must be one of "text" or "shadow". Any unambiguous substring can be given.

**Value**

`ternary_labels()` is called it for its side-effects.

**Author(s)**

N. Frerebeau

**See Also**

`graphics::text()`

Other geometries: `ternary_arrows()`, `ternary_crosshairs()`, `ternary_image()`, `ternary_lines()`, `ternary_points()`, `ternary_polygon()`, `ternary_segments()`, `ternary_text()`

**Examples**

```
## Compositional data
coda <- data.frame(
  X = c(41.0, 40, 39.0),
  Y = c(19.5, 20, 20.5),
  Z = c(39.5, 40, 40.5)
)

## Add text
ternary_plot(NULL, panel.first = ternary_grid())
ternary_points(coda)
ternary_labels(coda, labels = c("A", "B", "C"))
```

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ternary\_lines      *Add Connected Line Segments to a Ternary Plot*

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## Description

Add Connected Line Segments to a Ternary Plot

## Usage

```
ternary_lines(x, y, z, ...)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'numeric,numeric,numeric'  
ternary_lines(x, y, z, type = "l", ...)  
  
## S4 method for signature 'ANY,missing,missing'  
ternary_lines(x, type = "l", ...)
```

## Arguments

x, y, z	A <a href="#">numeric</a> vector giving the x, y and z ternary coordinates of a set of points. If y and z are missing, an attempt is made to interpret x in a suitable way (see <a href="#">grDevices::xyz.coords()</a> ).
...	Further graphical parameters (see <a href="#">graphics::par()</a> ) may also be supplied as arguments, particularly, line type, lty, line width, lwd, color, col and for type = "b", pch. Also the line characteristics lend, ljoin and lmitre.
type	A <a href="#">character</a> string indicating the type of plotting; actually any of the types as in <a href="#">graphics::plot.default()</a> .

## Value

ternary\_lines() is called it for its side-effects.

## Author(s)

N. Frerebeau

## See Also

[graphics::lines\(\)](#)

Other geometries: [ternary\\_arrows\(\)](#), [ternary\\_crosshairs\(\)](#), [ternary\\_image\(\)](#), [ternary\\_labels\(\)](#), [ternary\\_points\(\)](#), [ternary\\_polygon\(\)](#), [ternary\\_segments\(\)](#), [ternary\\_text\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## Compositional data
coda <- data.frame(
  X = c(20, 60, 20, 20),
  Y = c(20, 20, 60, 40),
  Z = c(60, 20, 20, 40)
)

## Add lines
ternary_plot(NULL, panel.first = ternary_grid())
ternary_lines(coda, col = "red", lwd = 2)
```

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ternary_mean	<i>Compositional Mean</i>
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**Description**

Computes and draws the closed geometric mean of the set of points specified.

**Usage**

```
ternary_mean(x, y, z, ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'numeric,numeric,numeric'
ternary_mean(x, y, z, ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'ANY,missing,missing'
ternary_mean(x, y, z, ...)
```

**Arguments**

`x, y, z` A **numeric** vector giving the x, y and z ternary coordinates of a set of points. If y and z are missing, an attempt is made to interpret x in a suitable way (see [grDevices::xyz.coords\(\)](#)).

`...` Further arguments to be passed to [graphics::points\(\)](#).

**Value**

`ternary_mean()` is called it for its side-effects.

**Author(s)**

N. Frerebeau

**See Also**

Other statistics: [ternary\\_contour\(\)](#), [ternary\\_density\(\)](#), [ternary\\_ellipse\(\)](#), [ternary\\_hull\(\)](#), [ternary\\_pca\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
## Mean
## Data from Aitchison 1986
ternary_plot(lava, panel.first = ternary_grid())
ternary_mean(lava, pch = 16, col = "red")
ternary_confidence(lava, level = 0.95, border = "red", lty = 1)
```

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ternary\_pairs

*Ternary Plot Matrices*

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## Description

Produces a matrix of ternary plots.

## Usage

```
ternary_pairs(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'matrix'
ternary_pairs(x, margin = NULL, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'data.frame'
ternary_pairs(x, margin = NULL, ...)
```

## Arguments

x	A <a href="#">matrix</a> or a <a href="#">data.frame</a> . Columns are converted to numeric in the same way that <a href="#">data.matrix()</a> does.
...	Further <a href="#">graphical parameters</a> .
margin	A <a href="#">character</a> string or an <a href="#">integer</a> giving the index of the column to be used as the third part of the ternary plots. If NULL (the default), marginal compositions will be used (i.e. the geometric mean of the non-selected parts).

## Value

ternary\_pairs() is called it for its side-effects: it results in a graphic being displayed. Invisibly returns x.

## Author(s)

N. Frerebeau

## See Also

Other graphical elements: [ternary\\_axis\(\)](#), [ternary\\_box\(\)](#), [ternary\\_grid\(\)](#), [ternary\\_plot\(\)](#), [ternary\\_title\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## Data from Aitchison 1986
## Ternary plots with marginal compositions
ternary_pairs(boxite)

## Ternary plots with endite
ternary_pairs(boxite, margin = "E")
```

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ternary_pca	<i>Principal Component Analysis</i>
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**Description**

Computes and draws principal component.

**Usage**

```
ternary_pca(x, y, z, ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'numeric,numeric,numeric'
```

```
ternary_pca(x, y, z, axis = 1, ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'ANY,missing,missing'
```

```
ternary_pca(x, axis = 1, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x, y, z	A <b>numeric</b> vector giving the x, y and z ternary coordinates of a set of points. If y and z are missing, an attempt is made to interpret x in a suitable way (see <a href="#">grDevices::xyz.coords()</a> ).
...	Further arguments to be passed to <a href="#">graphics::lines()</a> .
axis	An <b>integer</b> specifying the dimension to be plotted.

**Value**

ternary\_pca() is called it for its side-effects.

**Author(s)**

N. Frerebeau

**See Also**

Other statistics: [ternary\\_contour\(\)](#), [ternary\\_density\(\)](#), [ternary\\_ellipse\(\)](#), [ternary\\_hull\(\)](#), [ternary\\_mean\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## PCA
## Data from Aitchison 1986
ternary_plot(lava, panel.first = ternary_grid())
ternary_pca(lava, axis = 1, col = "red", lty = 2)
```

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ternary\_plot

*Ternary Plot*


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**Description**

Produces a ternary plot.

**Usage**

```
ternary_plot(x, y, z, ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'numeric,numeric,numeric'
ternary_plot(
  x,
  y,
  z,
  center = FALSE,
  scale = FALSE,
  xlim = NULL,
  ylim = NULL,
  zlim = NULL,
  xlab = NULL,
  ylab = NULL,
  zlab = NULL,
  main = NULL,
  sub = NULL,
  ann = graphics::par("ann"),
  axes = TRUE,
  frame.plot = axes,
  panel.first = NULL,
  panel.last = NULL,
  ...
)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'ANY,missing,missing'
ternary_plot(
  x,
  xlim = NULL,
  ylim = NULL,
  zlim = NULL,
  xlab = NULL,
```



```

ylab = NULL,
zlab = NULL,
main = NULL,
sub = NULL,
ann = graphics::par("ann"),
axes = TRUE,
frame.plot = axes,
panel.first = NULL,
panel.last = NULL,
...
)

```

### Arguments

x, y, z	A <b>numeric</b> vector giving the x, y and z ternary coordinates of a set of points. If y and z are missing, an attempt is made to interpret x in a suitable way (see <a href="#">grDevices::xyz.coords()</a> ).
...	Other <b>graphical parameters</b> may also be passed as arguments to this function.
center	A <b>logical</b> scalar: should the data be centered?
scale	A <b>logical</b> scalar: should the data be scaled?
xlim	A length-three <b>numeric</b> vector giving the x limits in the range [0, 1].
ylim	A length-three <b>numeric</b> vector giving the y limits in the range [0, 1].
zlim	A length-three <b>numeric</b> vector giving the z limits in the range [0, 1].
xlab, ylab, zlab	A <b>character</b> string giving a label for the x, y and z axes.
main	A <b>character</b> string giving a main title for the plot.
sub	A <b>character</b> string giving a subtitle for the plot.
ann	A <b>logical</b> scalar: should the default annotation (title and x, y and z axis labels) appear on the plot?
axes	A <b>logical</b> scalar: should axes be drawn on the plot?
frame.plot	A <b>logical</b> scalar: should a box be drawn around the plot?
panel.first	An an expression to be evaluated after the plot axes are set up but before any plotting takes place. This can be useful for drawing background grids.
panel.last	An expression to be evaluated after plotting has taken place but before the axes, title and box are added.

### Value

ternary\_plot() is called it for its side-effects: it results in a graphic being displayed. Invisibly returns a **list** with the components:

x	A <b>numeric</b> vector of x values.
y	A <b>numeric</b> vector of y values.
z	A <b>numeric</b> vector of z values.
center	A <b>numeric</b> vector giving the center.

scale A **numeric** vector giving the scale factor.

### Author(s)

N. Frerebeau

### See Also

Other graphical elements: [ternary\\_axis\(\)](#), [ternary\\_box\(\)](#), [ternary\\_grid\(\)](#), [ternary\\_pairs\(\)](#), [ternary\\_title\(\)](#)

### Examples

```
## Blank plot
ternary_plot(NULL)

## Compositional data
coda <- data.frame(
  X = c(20, 60, 20, 1/3),
  Y = c(20, 20, 60, 1/3),
  Z = c(60, 20, 20, 1/3)
)

## Ternary plot
ternary_plot(coda, pch = 16, col = "red")

## Add a grid
ternary_plot(coda, panel.first = ternary_grid(5, 10))

## Zoom
ternary_plot(coda, ylim = c(0, 0.4, 0), zlim = c(0, 0, 0.4),
  panel.first = ternary_grid())
ternary_plot(coda, xlim = c(0, 0.4, 0), zlim = c(0, 0, 0.4),
  panel.first = ternary_grid())
ternary_plot(coda, xlim = c(0.4, 0, 0), ylim = c(0, 0.4, 0),
  panel.first = ternary_grid())

## Color according to a supplementary variable
## Data from Aitchison 1986
col <- grDevices::colorRampPalette(c("red", "blue"))(nrow(arctic))
ternary_plot(arctic, panel.first = ternary_grid(), pch = 16, col = col)
```

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ternary\_points

*Add Points to a Ternary Plot*

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### Description

Add Points to a Ternary Plot

**Usage**

```
ternary_points(x, y, z, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'numeric,numeric,numeric'
ternary_points(x, y, z, center = FALSE, scale = FALSE, type = "p", ...)

## S4 method for signature 'ANY,missing,missing'
ternary_points(x, center = FALSE, scale = FALSE, type = "p", ...)
```

**Arguments**

x, y, z	A <b>numeric</b> vector giving the x, y and z ternary coordinates of a set of points. If y and z are missing, an attempt is made to interpret x in a suitable way (see <a href="#">grDevices::xyz.coords()</a> ).
...	Further graphical parameters (see <a href="#">graphics::par()</a> ) may also be supplied as arguments, particularly, plotting character, pch, character expansion, cex and color, col.
center	A <b>logical</b> scalar specifying whether the data should be centered, or a <b>numeric</b> vector giving the center.
scale	A <b>logical</b> scalar specifying whether the data should be scaled, or a <b>numeric</b> vector giving the scale factor.
type	A <b>character</b> string indicating the type of plotting; actually any of the types as in <a href="#">graphics::plot.default()</a> .

**Value**

ternary\_points() is called it for its side-effects. Invisibly returns a **list** with the components:

x	A <b>numeric</b> vector of x values.
y	A <b>numeric</b> vector of y values.
z	A <b>numeric</b> vector of z values.
center	A <b>numeric</b> vector giving the center.
scale	A <b>numeric</b> vector giving the scale factor.

**Author(s)**

N. Frerebeau

**See Also**

[graphics::points\(\)](#)

Other geometries: [ternary\\_arrows\(\)](#), [ternary\\_crosshairs\(\)](#), [ternary\\_image\(\)](#), [ternary\\_labels\(\)](#), [ternary\\_lines\(\)](#), [ternary\\_polygon\(\)](#), [ternary\\_segments\(\)](#), [ternary\\_text\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## Add points
## Data from Aitchison 1986
ternary_plot(NULL, panel.first = ternary_grid())
ternary_points(lava, col = "red", pch = 16)

## Center and scale
ternary_plot(NULL, axes = FALSE, frame.plot = TRUE)
ternary_points(lava, col = "red", pch = 16)
ternary_points(lava, center = TRUE, col = "blue", pch = 16)
ternary_points(lava, center = TRUE, scale = TRUE, col = "green", pch = 16)
```

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ternary_polygon	<i>Polygon Drawing</i>
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**Description**

Draws the polygons whose vertices are given in x, y and z.

**Usage**

```
ternary_polygon(x, y, z, ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'numeric,numeric,numeric'
ternary_polygon(x, y, z, ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'ANY,missing,missing'
ternary_polygon(x, y, z, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x, y, z	A <b>numeric</b> vector giving the x, y and z ternary coordinates of a set of points. If y and z are missing, an attempt is made to interpret x in a suitable way (see <a href="#">grDevices::xyz.coords()</a> ).
...	Further arguments to be passed to <a href="#">graphics::polygon()</a> .

**Value**

ternary\_polygon() is called it for its side-effects.

**Author(s)**

N. Frerebeau

**See Also**

[graphics::polygon\(\)](#)

Other geometries: [ternary\\_arrows\(\)](#), [ternary\\_crosshairs\(\)](#), [ternary\\_image\(\)](#), [ternary\\_labels\(\)](#), [ternary\\_lines\(\)](#), [ternary\\_points\(\)](#), [ternary\\_segments\(\)](#), [ternary\\_text\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## Compositional data
coda <- data.frame(
  X = c(20, 60, 20),
  Y = c(20, 20, 60),
  Z = c(60, 20, 20)
)

## Add a polygon
ternary_plot(NULL, panel.first = ternary_grid())
ternary_polygon(coda, density = 5, border = "red")
```

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ternary_segments	<i>Add Line Segments to a Ternary Plot</i>
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**Description**

Draw line segments between pairs of points.

**Usage**

```
ternary_segments(x0, y0, z0, ...)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'numeric,numeric,numeric'
ternary_segments(x0, y0, z0, x1 = x0, y1 = y0, z1 = z0, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x0, y0, z0</code>	A <b>numeric</b> vector giving the x, y and z ternary coordinates of points from which to draw.
<code>...</code>	Further graphical parameters (see <a href="#">graphics::par()</a> ) may also be supplied as arguments, particularly, line type, lty, line width, lwd and color, col. Also the line characteristics lend, ljoin and lmitre.
<code>x1, y1, z1</code>	A <b>numeric</b> vector giving the x, y and z ternary coordinates of points to which to draw.

**Value**

`ternary_segments()` is called it for its side-effects.

**Author(s)**

N. Frerebeau

**See Also**

[graphics::segments\(\)](#)

Other geometries: [ternary\\_arrows\(\)](#), [ternary\\_crosshairs\(\)](#), [ternary\\_image\(\)](#), [ternary\\_labels\(\)](#), [ternary\\_lines\(\)](#), [ternary\\_points\(\)](#), [ternary\\_polygon\(\)](#), [ternary\\_text\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## Add segments
ternary_plot(NULL, panel.first = ternary_grid())
ternary_segments(x0 = 40, y0 = 20, z0 = 40,
                x1 = 20, y1 = 40, z1 = 40)
```

---

ternary\_text

*Add Text to a Ternary Plot*


---

**Description**

Draws the strings given in the vector `labels` at the coordinates given by `x`, `y` and `z`.

**Usage**

```
ternary_text(x, y, z, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'numeric,numeric,numeric'
ternary_text(
  x,
  y,
  z,
  center = FALSE,
  scale = FALSE,
  labels = seq_along(x),
  ...
)

## S4 method for signature 'ANY,missing,missing'
ternary_text(x, center = FALSE, scale = FALSE, labels = seq_along(x$x), ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x, y, z</code>	A <b>numeric</b> vector giving the <code>x</code> , <code>y</code> and <code>z</code> ternary coordinates of a set of points. If <code>y</code> and <code>z</code> are missing, an attempt is made to interpret <code>x</code> in a suitable way (see <code>grDevices::xyz.coords()</code> ).
<code>...</code>	Further arguments to be passed to <code>graphics::text()</code> .
<code>center</code>	A <b>logical</b> scalar specifying whether the data should be centered, or a <b>numeric</b> vector giving the center.
<code>scale</code>	A <b>logical</b> scalar specifying whether the data should be scaled, or a <b>numeric</b> vector giving the scale factor.
<code>labels</code>	A <b>character</b> vector or <b>expression</b> specifying the text to be written.

**Value**

`ternary_text()` is called for its side-effects.

**Author(s)**

N. Frerebeau

**See Also**[graphics::text\(\)](#)Other geometries: [ternary\\_arrows\(\)](#), [ternary\\_crosshairs\(\)](#), [ternary\\_image\(\)](#), [ternary\\_labels\(\)](#), [ternary\\_lines\(\)](#), [ternary\\_points\(\)](#), [ternary\\_polygon\(\)](#), [ternary\\_segments\(\)](#)**Examples**

```
## Compositional data
coda <- data.frame(
  X = c(20, 60, 20),
  Y = c(20, 20, 60),
  Z = c(60, 20, 20)
)

## Add text
ternary_plot(NULL, panel.first = ternary_grid())
ternary_text(coda, labels = c("A", "B", "C"), col = "red", cex = 2)
```

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**ternary\_tile***Ternary Tiles*

---

**Description**

Compute tile values.

**Usage**`tile_bin(x, y, z, ...)``tile_density(x, y, z, ...)``tile_interpolate(x, y, z, ...)`

## S4 method for signature 'numeric,numeric,numeric'

`tile_bin(x, y, z)`

## S4 method for signature 'ANY,missing,missing'

`tile_bin(x)`

## S4 method for signature 'numeric,numeric,numeric'

`tile_density(x, y, z)`

```
## S4 method for signature 'ANY,missing,missing'
tile_density(x)

## S4 method for signature 'numeric,numeric,numeric'
tile_interpolate(x, y, z, value, method = "linear", ...)

## S4 method for signature 'ANY,missing,missing'
tile_interpolate(x, value, method = "linear", ...)
```

### Arguments

x, y, z	A <a href="#">numeric</a> vector giving the x, y and z ternary coordinates of a set of points. If y and z are missing, an attempt is made to interpret x in a suitable way (see <a href="#">grDevices::xyz.coords()</a> ).
...	Further parameters to be passed to internal methods.
value	A <a href="#">numeric</a> vector giving the values to be interpolated.
method	A <a href="#">character</a> string: specifying the method for interpolation (see <a href="#">interp::interp()</a> ).

### Value

A [function](#) that takes three [numeric](#) vector as arguments and returns a numeric vector.

### Author(s)

N. Frerebeau

### See Also

[ternary\\_image\(\)](#)

### Examples

```
## Data from Aitchison 1986
## Bin
f <- tile_bin(lava)
ternary_plot(NULL)
ternary_image(f = f, n = 12)

## Custom color palette
pal <- function(x) {
  x <- (x - min(x)) / (max(x) - min(x)) # Rescale to [0,1]
  Y1OrBr <- c("#FFFFD4", "#FED98E", "#FE9929", "#D95F0E", "#993404")
  RGB <- grDevices::colorRamp(Y1OrBr)(x)
  grDevices::rgb(RGB, maxColorValue = 255)
}

ternary_plot(NULL)
ternary_image(f = f, n = 12, palette = pal)

## Density
```



```
f <- tile_density(lava)
ternary_plot(NULL)
ternary_image(f = f, n = 12, palette = pal)

if (requireNamespace("interp", quietly = TRUE)) {
  ## Interpolation
  f <- tile_interpolate(arctic, value = arctic$depth)
  ternary_plot(NULL)
  ternary_image(f = f, n = 24, palette = pal)
  ternary_points(arctic, col = "red", pch = 16)
}
```

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ternary_title	<i>Ternary Plot Annotation</i>
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## Description

Ternary Plot Annotation

## Usage

```
ternary_title(
  main = NULL,
  sub = NULL,
  xlab = NULL,
  ylab = NULL,
  zlab = NULL,
  line = NA,
  outer = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

## Arguments

main	A <a href="#">character</a> string specifying the main title (on top).
sub	A <a href="#">character</a> string specifying the sub-title (at bottom).
xlab, ylab, zlab	A <a href="#">character</a> string giving a label for the x, y and z axes.
line	Specifying a value for <code>line</code> overrides the default placement of labels, and places them this many lines outwards from the plot edge.
outer	A <a href="#">logical</a> scalar: should the titles be placed in the outer margins of the plot?
...	Other <a href="#">graphical parameters</a> may also be passed as arguments to this function, particularly, <code>font.main</code> , <code>cex.main</code> , <code>col.main</code> and <code>font.sub</code> , <code>cex.sub</code> , <code>col.sub</code> for title annotation; <code>font.lab</code> , <code>cex.lab</code> and <code>col.lab</code> for axis label.

## Value

`ternary_title()` is called it for its side-effects.

**Author(s)**

N. Frerebeau

**See Also**

Other graphical elements: [ternary\\_axis\(\)](#), [ternary\\_box\(\)](#), [ternary\\_grid\(\)](#), [ternary\\_pairs\(\)](#), [ternary\\_plot\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## Add title
ternary_plot(NULL, main = "Main title", sub = "Subtitle",
             xlab = "A", ylab = "B", zlab = "C")

ternary_plot(NULL, ann = FALSE)
ternary_title(main = "Main title", sub = "Subtitle",
             xlab = "A", ylab = "B", zlab = "C")
```

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triangle\_phase\_cas      *Ceramic Phase Diagram*

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**Description**

Ceramic Phase Diagram

**Usage**

```
triangle_phase_cas(labels = TRUE, symbol = FALSE, mol = FALSE, ...)
triangle_phase_ceramic(labels = TRUE, symbol = FALSE, mol = FALSE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

labels	A <a href="#">logical</a> scalar: should labels be displayed?
symbol	A <a href="#">logical</a> scalar: should symbol be used instead of full labels? Only used if labels is TRUE.
mol	A <a href="#">logical</a> scalar: should molarity be used instead of molar mass?
...	Further arguments to be passed to <a href="#">graphics::polygon()</a> .

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**See Also**

Other charts: [triangle\\_soil](#)

## Examples

```
## Ceramic phase diagram
ternary_plot(NULL, xlab = "CaO", ylab = "Al2O3", zlab = "SiO2")
triangle_phase_ceramic(symbol = TRUE, mol = TRUE, pch = 16)

ternary_plot(NULL, xlab = "CaO", ylab = "Al2O3", zlab = "SiO2")
triangle_phase_ceramic(symbol = TRUE, mol = FALSE, pch = 16)

## CAS diagram
ternary_plot(NULL, axes = FALSE, ann = FALSE, frame.plot = TRUE)
triangle_phase_cas(mol = FALSE, pch = 16)
```

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triangle_soil	<i>Soil Texture Triangle</i>
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## Description

Soil Texture Triangle

## Usage

```
triangle_soil_hypres(labels = TRUE, symbol = FALSE, ...)
triangle_soil_folk(labels = TRUE, symbol = FALSE, ...)
triangle_soil_shepard(labels = TRUE, symbol = FALSE, ...)
triangle_soil_usda(labels = TRUE, symbol = FALSE, ...)
```

## Arguments

labels	A <a href="#">logical</a> scalar: should labels be displayed?
symbol	A <a href="#">logical</a> scalar: should symbol be used instead of full labels? Only used if labels is TRUE.
...	Further arguments to be passed to <a href="#">graphics::polygon()</a> .

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## See Also

Other charts: [triangle\\_phase\\_cas\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
## HYPRES soil texture
ternary_plot(NULL, xlab = "sand", ylab = "silt", zlab = "clay")
triangle_soil_hypres()
```

```
## USDA (1951) soil texture
ternary_plot(NULL, xlab = "sand", ylab = "silt", zlab = "clay")
triangle_soil_usda(symbol = TRUE)
```

```
## Folk (1954) soil texture
ternary_plot(NULL, xlab = "sand", ylab = "silt", zlab = "clay")
triangle_soil_folk(symbol = TRUE)
```

```
## Shepard (1954) soil texture
ternary_plot(NULL, xlab = "sand", ylab = "silt", zlab = "clay")
triangle_soil_shepard()
```

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