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Processing Figures and Tables

The programs in this folder create the figures and tables in the article. They need to be run before compiling the LaTeX. No post-processing should be needed.

Data sources

- data/jira:
 - confidential: Internal data from the JIRA system used by the AEA Data Editor. Not provided.
 - anon: Anonymized subset of the internal data used to generate all figures and tables.
 Download data from Vilhuber(2020c) and save into this folder. 04_jira_anonymize.R was used to anonymize these data.
- data/rct
 - raw: Raw data as downloaded from the internal systems at the AEA RCT Registry by James
 Turitto. Since providing this data, the AEA RCT Registry now provides snapshots of the data at
 https://dataverse.harvard.edu/dataverse/aearegistry. The data here would be similar to AEA
 RCT Registry(2020), though that has not been verified.
 - generated: Simplified data, based on the raw data. Provided as part of this archive. Created by 01_prepare-rct.R.
- externals/aea-supplement-migration/: Data and Figures from Vilhuber (2020b) and https://github.com/AEADataEditor/aea-supplement-migration.
 - Download the relevant release (corrected version: v20200515, URL: https://github.com/AEADataEditor/aea-supplement-migration/archive/v20200515.zip), unpack into externals/
 - programs/: Source for figures copied to and provided as part of the images directory in this repository. Copied using 03_copy_migration_figures.R
 - data/generated/: Source for tables, copied using 06_copy_migration_tables.R and provided as part of this repository.
- tables: This directory contains data copied using 06_copy_migration_tables.R and serves as an input to processing in 07_print_migration_tables.R

Pre-requisites

- R (last run with 3.6.1)
 - Package here is required
 - all other packages are listed at the top of each R program, and will be installed automatically
- Bash shell (optional)
 - used to run all R scripts in sequence

Processing

- run run_all.sh from a shell to process all files in numerical order
- Note that in the absence of the raw (confidential) data files used in 01_prepare-rct.R and 04_jira_anonymize.R, those step will be skipped. This is normal.

Outputs

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Output folders are listed in config.R. By default,

- figures are in the (BASEPATH)/images folder
- tables (and CSV files) are in the (BASEPATH)/tables folder

Mapping tables and figures to article

Name of file	Figure/ Table in article	Program to create
Screenshot_aer_data_citation.png	Figure 1	Manually created
figure_migration_files.png	Figure 2	03_copy_migration_figures.R
figure_migration_doi_by_year.png	Figure 3	03_copy_migration_figures.R
figure_migration_software_pkgs.png	Figure 4	03_copy_migration_figures.R
figure_migration_software_years_pct.png	Figure 5	03_copy_migration_figures.R
n_assessments_journal_plot.png	Figure 6	05_jira_stats_graphs.R
n_rounds_plot.png	Figure 7	05_jira_stats_graphs.R
revision_round_length_hist.png	Figure 8	05_jira_stats_graphs.R
total_length_hist.png	Figure 9	05_jira_stats_graphs.R
author_response_hist.png	Figure 10	05_jira_stats_graphs.R
figure_rctgrowth.png	Figure 11	02_analysis-rct.R
figure_preregistrations.png	Figure 12	02_analysis-rct.R
figure_preanalysisplans.png	Figure 13	02_analysis-rct.R
table_software.tex	Table 1	07_print_migration_tables.R

Changelog

After publication, Alan Riley (Stata) pointed out a discrepancy between Table 1 and Figure 5, which should be depicting (on average) the same data. This was corrected in the code associated with the AEA Repository migration (see https://github.com/AEADataEditor/aea-supplement-

migration/commit/530f1e9ad8059e68815b5836db33155c990154b0 for the commit implementing the code change).

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