Information on the input data design for the discrete choice experiment

In order to read the input file, we also refer the interested reader to the instructions of Sawtooth Software's .cho-file documentation. We use the documentation from Sawtooth Software!

https://legacy.sawtoothsoftware.com/help/lighthouse-studio/manual/hid web cbc choformat.html

In our study each of 350 respondents saw 14 choice sets. Each choice set contained 4 alternatives (1-4) and a no-purchase option (5).

The attributes and associated levels are as follows:

| | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 | Level 4 |
|----------------------|--------------|-----------------|---------------|---------|
| Attribute 1 = | Amazon | Apple | Google | Xiaomi |
| Brand | | | | |
| Attribute 2 = | simple | advanced | natural | |
| language | commands | instructions | language | |
| performance | | | | |
| | | | | |
| Attribute 3 = | at | at provider | at home (beim | |
| location of | manufacturer | (System des | Nutzer zu | |
| personal data's | (System des | Dienstleisters) | Hause) | |
| storage | Herstellers) | · | · | |
| Attribute 4 = | 50€ | 100€ | 150€ | 200€ |
| Price | | | | |

The format of the file "input data design.csv" is as follows:

Example:

154 1 4 16 1

0

4 1

1122

2333

3 2 1 4

4231

10

(lines 3-8 repeated, for 15 more tasks for this respondent)

Line 1: Respondent record information

154 1 4 16 1

| Respondent | "Extra" | Number of | Number of | None option | | |
|---|-----------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--|--|
| Number | Variables | Attributes | Choice Tasks | 1=Yes, | | |
| Line 2: Place ho | older | | | | | |
| 0 | | | | | | |
| Place holder | | | | | | |
| Lines 3-7 are repeated for each choice task | | | | | | |
| Line 3: Task 1 f | format | | | | | |
| 4 | 1 | | | | | |
| Number of confirst task | cepts in Placel | nolder | | | | |
| Line 4: Levels displayed in first concept | | | | | | |
| 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | | | |
| Level 1 of | Level 1 of | Level 2 of | Level 2 of | | | |
| Attribute 1 | Attribute 2 | Attribute 3 | Attribute 4 | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| Line 5: Levels displayed in second concept | | | | | | |
| 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | | | |
| Level 2 of | Level 3 of | Level 3 of | Level 3 of | | | |
| Attribute 1 | Attribute 2 | Attribute 3 | Attribute 4 | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |

3 2 1

Line 6: Levels displayed in third concept

| Level 3 of | Level 2 of | Level 1 of | Level 4 of |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Attribute 1 | Attribute 2 | Attribute 3 | Attribute 4 |

Line 7: Levels displayed in fourth concept

| 4 | 2 | 3 | 1 |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Level 4 of | Level 2 of | Level 3 of | Level 1 of |
| Attribute 1 | Attribute 2 | Attribute 3 | Attribute 4 |

Line 8: Choice information

1 0

Concept Placeholder

Chosen

The none option, if chosen, is represented as concept 5.