Package 'psychtoolbox'

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rstatix,
stats,
tidyr

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R topics documented:

clin_sig_chang *Clinically significant change*

Description

This easy function calculates Clinically significant change (clinical cut-off scores) as defined by Jacobson and Truax (1991).

Usage

```
clin_sig_chang(SD_0, SD_1, M_1, M_0)
```

Arguments

SD_0	standard deviation of the non-clinical population
SD_1	standard deviation of the clinical population
M_1	mean of the clinical population
M_0	mean of the non-clinical population

Format

numeric vector of values

Details

This function computes cut-off score differentiating between the clinical and non-clinical population based on the Jacobson and Truax (1991) formula (p. 13). The mathematical formula can be also found in Biescad & Timulak(2014), p. 150.

Value

numeric vector

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References

Jacobson, N. S., & Truax, P. (1991). Clinical significance: A statistical approach to defining meaningful change in psychotherapy research. Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology, 59(1), 12-19, DOI: https://doi.org/10.1037/0022-006X.59.1.12

Matus Biescad & Ladislav Timulak (2014). Measuring psychotherapy outcomes in routine practice: Examining Slovak versions of three commonly used outcome instruments, European Journal of Psychotherapy & Counselling, 16:2, 140-162, DOI: https://doi.org/10.1080/13642537.2014.895772

See Also

RCI() function for calculation of the Reliable Change Index

Examples

```
clin.cut.off=clin_sig_chang(SD_0 = 3.5,
                            SD_1 = 2.1,
                            M_0 = 4.2,
                            M_1 = 12.1)
clin.cut.off
```

`dat` *DATASET_TITLE*

Description

DATASET_DESCRIPTION

Usage

```
dat
```

Format

A data frame with 835 rows and 2 variables:

`Gender` integer COLUMN_DESCRIPTION

`IRI_EC` double COLUMN_DESCRIPTION

Details

DETAILS

`RCI` *Reliable Change Index (RCI)*

Description

This function calculates Reliable Change Index (RCI) as modifed by Wiger and Solberg (2001, p.148).

Usage

```
RCI(SD_0, test.ret.rel)
```

Arguments

`SD_0`	standard deviation of the non-clinical population
`test.ret.rel`	test-retest reliability of the instrument

Format

numeric vector of values

Details

This function computes value corresponding to "the minimum amount of change that could not be attributed to the error of measurement" (Biescad & Timulak, 2014, p. 150). If score change from before to post treatment is lower that value resulting from this function, than change in client score can be attributed to the effectiveness of the therapy but rather other factors such as a measurement error (Biescad & Timulak, 2014). This function is a result of modification of the original Jacobson and Truax (1991) formula by Wiger and Solberg (2001, p.148).

Value

numeric vector

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References

Jacobson, N. S., & Truax, P. (1991). Clinical significance: A statistical approach to defining meaningful change in psychotherapy research. Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology, 59(1), 12-19, DOI: https://doi.org/10.1037/0022-006X.59.1.12

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See Also

`clin_sig_chang()` function for calculation of the clinical cut-off scores

Examples

```
re.ch.in = RCI(SD_0 = 4.87, test.ret.rel = 0.66)
re.ch.in
```

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two.g.comp *Automatic two-groups comparison*

Description

Automatic two-groups comparison

Usage

```
two.g.comp(df, y, group.var)
```

Arguments

df	data frame or tibble with one socio-demographic variable and one continuous variable
y	continuous variable
group.var	binary grouping variable

Format

An object of class "tibble"

Details

This function computes either Wilcox test or t-test depending on whether homogeneity of variances assumption is met or not.

Value

data frame

Author(s)

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References

Myles Hollander and Douglas A. Wolfe (1973). Nonparametric Statistical Methods. New York: John Wiley & Sons. Pages 27–33 (one-sample), 68–75 (two-sample). Or second edition (1999).

Examples

```
# data loading
data(dat)
# running the function
two.g.comp.out.EC = two.g.comp(df = dat, y = "IRI_EC", group.var = "Gender")
# printing the output
print(two.g.comp.out.EC)
```

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word2pdf *word to pdf*

Description

Conversion of word document to pdf using either R Markdown package or Libre office. The latter represents higher quality approach - in general.

Usage

```
word2pdf(imp_file, out_file)
```

Arguments

imp_file	name of the word document to convert - without docx suffix
out_file	name of output pdf file without - without pdf suffix

Format

An object of class "pdf"

Details

this function is currently running only on windows

Value

pdf file

Author(s)

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Examples

```
# example from word do pdf
#word2pdf(imp_file = "example.docx",out_file = "example1.pdf")
```

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